

GONE BY — from page 5

by Mayor R.S. Flora.
They will present entertainment for the local residents before leaving to complete their tour of Kansas. The group will head back toward Kansas City after their visit here. They will appear at the opening of the American Royal.

**100 years ago
Oct. 9, 1926
Tarring roof**
Employees of the White Swan laundry rushed the last wash through yesterday and did the delivering and are busy today putting a fresh coat of tar on the roof of the establishment. The material for the job has

been on hand for some time but the time to apply the coat was not available.
A new tank for the soft water supply is also on the roof this afternoon. The distilled water supply is kept in the 100 gallon tank for use, so that it is not necessary to wait for it to come directly from the still.

OBITS — from page 4

honor student, David also participated in football and track. He worked construction during the summers to pay for his four years at Fort Hays State University. David attended Fort Hays State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics.

In 1961, he continued his education with post-graduate studies in Computer Science and finance at Wichita State University and Oklahoma State University. While attending Fort Hays State University, David met Shirley M. Flagler. They were married in Shirley’s hometown Methodist Church in Quinter, Kansas, August 19th, 1965.

They lived in Los Angeles after being married. After working in Los Angeles for 5 years, David joined Boeing Aircraft Company in Wichita, Kansas, as an engineer in January 1966. In 1970, he accepted a teaching position at Oklahoma State University, where he taught mathematics and Computer Science. David and Shirley welcomed their son, Brent Pickering, March 25th, 1970, at St. Joseph Hospital in Wichita, Kansas.

David was delighted to have a son with whom he could share his love of hunting, fishing, and collecting firearms. He was also a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association.

While David was teaching at Oklahoma State University from 1970 to 1972 in Stillwater, Oklahoma, his father’s health, due to Parkinson’s disease, continued to worsen until he could no longer farm. David left his teaching position, and David, Shirley, and Brent moved to a farm near his dad and mother’s farm.

David and Shirley spent ten years farming and operating a large livestock operation. In 1976, David and Shirley expanded their family by adopting Allen, Mary, and Connie, biological siblings, in order to stay together. They eventually sold the farm and livestock operation and moved to Andover, KS. David accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior in 1979 and was baptized at Andover Baptist Church in 1981.

David and the pastor of the church began sharing the gospel door-to-door and participating in prison ministry. In 1983, David returned to Boeing and engineering. Later, Spirit Aerosystems called him back. He remained there until 2012. David, Shirley, and the family moved from Andover to Mulvane.

In 1983, they sold the home in Andover and bought a home in Mulvane. David continued door-to-door ministry with Pastor Mark Hoover of Messiah Baptist throughout the 1980s, sharing the Gospel with people throughout the community. David never let fear stop him from reaching others.

He often joked that while others were nervous about approaching certain homes, it was the dogs that made him jump quite a few fences. In 1989, David and Shirley sold their Mulvane home and used the proceeds to remodel two buildings in the Wichita Planeview Community, where they started and pastored an Asian mission.

They got a bus to pick up the children for Sunday church and other church activities. David and Shirley found great joy in the children learning about Jesus. Many children received Jesus, and many baptisms were performed at Lake Afton and at the home church, Midway Baptist on South Broadway.

They bought the home right by the church buildings to be closer to the mission. The mission became a place of faith, fellowship, and joy. The children’s church grew to being filled. Shirley prepared scrambled eggs and rice every morning before church. David made sure the children enjoyed roller skating, swimming, and the park with church picnics.

David brought several girls in need into their home, opening their family to those who needed a safe and loving place to live. One night, David surprised Shirley by telling her, “More kids to love in a place to live.” The girls later shared that there was someone who needed help and a safe place to stay.

David and two of Ann’s best friends went to the laundromat to bring her into their home, and Ann became a beloved part of their family beginning in 1992.

Following his years in the workforce and later in retirement, David built a successful residential real estate business, purchasing and remodeling homes throughout the community and providing clean, safe housing for people and families. He continued this work throughout his later years, leaving behind a lasting legacy of hard work and service to others.

Due to his hearing loss, David retired from Spirit Aerospace and the church mission in 2012, but his ministry continued. He wrote a salvation tract and mailed copies through-

out the Wichita area from 2012 until 2026. David remained devoted to sharing the message of salvation until the end of his life.

David spent two weeks in Vietnam in 2003 to officiate the marriage of Ann Tran and TD Vue. As a pastor and family member, David traveled to Vietnam to be there for their wedding and officiate their marriage. Their family later welcomed a special grandson, Joey N. Tran, who was born in Wichita, KS. David also officiated the wedding of his granddaughter, Kistin Pickering, to TJ Hinkle in 2007.

David was preceded in death by his parents, William S. & Louise R. Pickering; his brother, Billie William Pickering; his oldest son, Allen P. Pickering; oldest daughter, Mary Pickering-Galle; and sister-in-law, Charlene Gaskell.

He is survived by his loving wife, Shirley M. Pickering, of 61 years; his son, Brent D. Pickering, and wife Tracy, his daughter, Connie M. Sowersby, and husband David; and cherished family members Ann Tran and her son, Joey Tran. Additional surviving family members include his sister-in-law, Sharon L. Younger, and Judy Pickering; Sharon’s husband, Gary Younger; her nephew, London Younger, and wife Galina; and their daughter, Victoria; Scott Gaskell; and his beloved niece, Andrea Pike, and husband Jim Pike. Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren: Kistin R. Hinkle, husband TJ Hinkle, and sons Tristian and Decklan Hinkle; Trent D. Pickering, wife Taylor, and daughter Willow Mae Pickering; Aubrey Pickering-Lee; Nah Pan; Lynne M. Pickering- Cody and children Summer, Travis, Cameron, Jacob, Jordyn, and Charlotte; Amanda and husband Billie; Savannah and Madden; Amber and Tanner; Izzie, Zoey, and Abigail; and Mary’s children, Bobbie, Shawn, and Heather.

David and Shirley also opened their hearts and home to many others who lovingly called them “Dad,” “Grandpa,” “Mom,” or “Grandma,” including Bunny, Kariyani, Nancy, Lisa, Kristine, Tia, Hoa, Sophan, Shara, Amanda, Sokha, Sarah, Yoanna, Misty, Anna, Rose, Tina, Trinhcao, Polly, Wendy, Kim, Ngoc, and many, many more over the years.

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USD 405 MEALS

Friday, Oct. 9
Breakfast: Fruit/juice, breakfast pizza and milk choice
Lunch: Chicken pattie/bun, potatoes wedges, green beans and mixed fruit

Monday, Oct. 12
Breakfast: Fruit/juice, cereal, string cheese and milk choice
Lunch: Tator tot casserole, salad, peas, pears and roll

Tuesday, Oct. 13
Breakfast: Fruit/juice, tornado and milk choice
Lunch: Turkey deli sandwich, lettuce/tomato, cold carrots, mixed fruit and cookie

Wednesday, Oct. 14
Breakfast: Fruit/juice, glazed donut and milk choice
Lunch: Pig in a blanket, waffle fries, broccoli and cheese and cutie

Thursday, Oct. 15
Breakfast: Fruit/juice, mini blueberry waffles and milk choice
Lunch: Taco salad, tortilla chips, carrots, refried beans and pineapple

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5004

A PROPOSITION to amend section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas to require individuals to be citizens of the United States, at least 18 years of age and a resident of the voting area in which such person seeks to vote in order to vote in this state.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§ 1. Qualifications of electors. Every(a) No person shall be deemed a qualified elector unless such person:

(1) Is a citizen of the United States who;

(2) has attained the age of eighteen years; and who

(3) except as provided in subsection (b) or (c), resides in the voting area in which he or she such person seeks to vote

shall be deemed a qualified elector:

(b) Laws of this state relating to voting for presidential electors and candidates for the office of president and vice-president of the United States shall comply with the laws of the United States relating thereto. A citizen of the United States, who is otherwise qualified to vote in Kansas for presidential electors and candidates for the offices of president and vice-president of the United States may vote for such officers either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of this state if his or her such person’s removal from this state occurs during a period in accordance with federal law next preceding such election.

(c) A person who is otherwise a qualified elector may vote in the voting area of his or her such person’s former residence either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of such voting area during a period prescribed by law next preceding the election at which he or she such person seeks to vote, if his such person’s new residence is in another voting area in the state of Kansas.”

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

“Explanatory statement. This amendment would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

“A vote for this proposition would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

“A vote against this proposition would make no change to the constitution of the state of Kansas, and the language concerning voter qualifications would remain the same.”

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2026, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR 2026 ELEVATOR MODERNIZATIONS AT PARK PLACE APARTMENTS FOR THE LYONS HOUSING AUTHORITY
Proposal Due Date: Thursday, Oct. 29th, 2026, by 3 p.m.
Send Proposals to: **Lyons Housing Authority**, 215 S. Bell Ave., Lyons, KS 67554
Pre-Bid Meeting Date: Thursday, Oct. 15th, 2026 Time: 11 a.m.
Place: **Lyons Housing Authority** Office

The Lyons Housing Authority (LHA) is seeking Proposals from qualified firms to provide all labor and materials for replacement of the hydraulic jack system on their large passenger elevator, and other items as specified for a complete and working installation.

For information, contact Zingre and Associates, (620) 223-6030 or rzingre@gmail.com. Digital (.pdf) versions of the plans and specifications are available by email for free.

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible proposal, if reasonable, and if it is in the best interest of the LHA to accept it.

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NOTICE
TO: Jeff Hollis
412 E. 2nd Street
Lyons, KS 67554

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that I am in possession of the following personal property:

Push lawnmower, mattresses, scrap lumber, mop bucket, wood paneling, two baby strollers, propane bottle, two table lamps, desk chair, wooden television stand, mini refrigerator, wheel barrel, kitchen refrigerator, rocking horse, gas bbq grill, microwave, snow shovel, broom, sewing machine, and snow shovel.

If you do not pick up the aforementioned property within fifteen (15) days after this notice is first published in a newspaper of general circulation, that the aforementioned personal property will be sold or otherwise disposed of on or around the 15th day of October, 2026.

/s/Jan K. Lent

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF Rice County, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC Plaintiff, vs. Osmar Rivera, et al., Defendants, Case No.RC-2026 CV-000019 Court No. Title to Real Estate Involved Pursuant to K.S.A. §60

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Rice County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Rice County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand on October 19, 2026 at the time of 10:00 AM at the Rice County Courthouse, Kansas, the following real estate:

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW/4) OF BLOCK 23 IN LYONS THIRD (3RD) ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LYONS, RICE COUNTY, KANSAS., Parcel ID No. 080-132-04-0-10-09-004.00-0. Commonly known as 517 W Lyon St., Lyons, KS 67554 (“the Property”) MS235038

to satisfy the judgment in the above-entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court.

Rice County Sheriff
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