

Memory Lane

March 22, 1936 Advertisement for Brooks and Brock
Brooks and Brock specials Lemons, 2 dozen, 29 cents.; Frankfurters, 17 cents pound; wax beans, No. 2 can 10 cents; Palmolive Soaps, 3 bars, 14 cents, Blue Roy Coffee, 3 pounds, 59 cents.

Advertisement for Union Public Service Co.
Three cents a day rents an automatic gas hot water heater with a 20 gallon capacity according to the Union Public Service Co.

Coolidge Advertisement
Coolidge's advertised spring suits, new light patterns, for \$14.75 to \$22.50 and new wash trousers from 98 cents to \$3.45.

March 21, 1946 Advertisement
Soapes Department Store advertised girls dresses, \$7.95 to \$14.98 Nylon hose, \$1 a pair; blouses, \$2.98 to \$6; hats, \$1.90 to \$5 and ties, \$1.50 to \$2

On the menu
Sunday dinner for \$1.25 at Paul's Cafe and Dining Room. Menu consists of fried chicken, swiss steak roast pork with apple sauce, new potatoes and garden peas, spring salad, hot rolls, cheese-strawberry dessert, coffee, iced tea.

March 22, 1956 Don Pierce into Air Force Uniform
Don Pierce of Kensington reported for pre-flight training at San Antonio, Texas on March 19. He left here on March 14. Don graduated from Washburn University in Topeka on Jan. 28. The young man has two majors, one in business and the other in education.

Flew to Sister's bedside last week
Mrs. Henry Franzmathes of this city was notified of the sudden illness of her sister, Mrs. Clem B. Ander-

son, about 60 at Sioux falls, S.D. on March 14. Because of delays in other means of travel. and urgency, a plane was chartered out of Sioux Falls. It picked up Mrs. Franzmathes at the local airport and rushed her to the South Dakota city but her sister had passed before she arrived. The funeral was held Friday at 11 a.m. in Sioux Falls. Mrs Franzmathes a few days, returning to Smith Center.

Kirwin Sportsmen in Big Party
Hal K. Welker named VP of reservoir organization The Kirwin Reservoir Sportsmen's Club is holding an open meeting April 10, starting at 8 p.m. in the Community Building, Larry Means will show two films, "Makings of a Shooter" and "Bob White, Quail." There will be door prizes. Doughnuts and coffee will be served to adults and there will be ice cream bars for the kiddies. The public is being urged to attend. Hal K. Welker of Smith Center, a member of the board of directors of the sportsmen organization, was named vice-president at a recent meeting of the officers.

March 27, 1966 Advertisement
Surprise!!! A new men's store with all the leading men's lines, names you know and trust and complete selections for all. Things are looking up in Smith Center.
Hub Clothing, Inc.

March 25, 1976 Advertisement
Deanna's Beauty Shop will now be open Saturdays starting March 20th. Call Deanna Conaway for an appointment.

Gaylord Beavers hosted by Bells
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dean Bell honored the Gaylord Grade School Basketball team and their coach with a steak supper at their home Thursday March 18th.

A purple and white basketball theme was carried out in the invitations and decorations.

Invited guests were the A. team starters, Robin Bell, Mark Dannenberg, Doug Orr, Raegan Kirchoff, Steve McNary, Myron Sasse, Dave Garrison and their coach Jim Muck, his wife Donna and son Jeff. Also present were Luann and Kerri Bell. The evening was spent playing basketball and other games.

The Gaylord Beavers had a good season again this year with a 7-2 record, giving them third place in the league standing. They also won first place in the league tournament at Glen Elder.

Boyle Named NKL All Star.

Smith Center's 6-5 basketball Senior Bruce Boyle, was the only Redman named to the Northern Kansas League's 11 man all star squad.

Gary Atwill of Smith Center was an honorable mention selection.

The all-stars include Toby Holloway of Lincoln, Tony Hobson and Mike Metzler of Belleville, Buck Nordyke and Kent Crosson of Minneapolis, Time Steiner of Beloit, and Allan Hageman, Greg Jones, and Stan Hartzler of NKL champion Osborne. Honorable mention went to Atwill, Doug Kiser, Wade Wentling and Randy Burch.

March 27, 1986 KHS Computer team wins 20 school meet.

A computer team from Kensington High School placed first at the Barton County Community College computer contest the past Friday in Great Bend. The team of Carey Miller, Robert Rust, Brian Lee, Doran Ratliff, and Daniel Lee outscored 19 other schools ranging in size from 6A to 1A.

The contest was based on the number of correct

programs submitted and the amount of time needed to write the programs.

WASP Barrow Show won by Roush entry

The top carcass in the Waconda Area Swine Producers contest this year was from an animal entered by Kelly Roush of Lebanon.

Roush's top barrow carcass had only 0.7 inch of backfat, a six inch loin eye, and was 59.9 percent lean from a 215 pound animal.

Other Barrows from this area were among the next nine places.

In second place, Rita Holling of Alton, third place, Thaine Larson, of Athol, fourth place, Ron Holling of Alton, fifth place Tom Schwerman of Jewell, sixth place, Tracy Coop of Portis.

March 21, 1996 Commissioners discuss courthouse maintenance

Courthouse maintenance was among topics discussed by the county commissioners when they met Monday.

Thirl Sears, courthouse janitor, discussed her janitorial and lawn maintenance contracts. Her request for a raise from \$6.50 to \$7.00 per hour for lawn care was approved, and the janitorial contract with Sears was also signed.

Several citizens met with the board to discuss bridge repairs in Harlan Township.

The commissioners said they will visit with Dale Owens from Penco Engineering about the bridge. Kenneth Jacobs, Kaid Dannenberg, Kris Dannenberg, Max Dannenberg, Don Dannenberg, Dean Seems, Andy Wilson and Loren Zable.

A pasture fire near Gaylord

Approximately 60 to 80 acres of pasture burned east of Gaylord on March 15th. Gaylord, Athol, and Smith Center were called to this fire.

Markets
Wheat \$ 5.00 Milo \$6.29, Corn \$3.81

March 23, 2006 Reamsville

Ken Wagner's news this week came via telephone. Ken built a space set from his leggo set. he has tiny Rockets and a tiny car and a truck to haul away crashers. His mother, Monica has spring break this week so she doesn't have to worry about muddy snowy roads.

SALUTE..
To the cowmen and women, you work hard to take care of your responsibilities. Do your own the cows or do the cows own you?? SALUTE

Historical Society

The Smith County Historical Society officers and members met at the Sale Bane Cafe on Friday March 10 for lunch.

President Donna Martin reported there were four different bids on a new building.

Gaylord

You can tell it is spring. One pair of the Gaylord snowbirds have returned home from their stay in Texas.

Karen and Gilbert arrived on Friday. I'm not sure they will be to happy about coming this soon with the impending snow storm that has been predicted for this week.

Kensington

Thirty persons boarded the Goldbug Coach with George Powell as driver Saturday evening to go to Minden, Neb. to see the play, "State Fair" at the Minden Opera House.

Jenny Reilley had the beauty shop open at Infinita of Kensington. Monday Manicures were given by the staff. Beth Lamont played the piano for the residents while they were served dinner.

One Man's Opinion Jack Krier (I miss this man so much...)

I WANT HER BACKzz
A drunk walked into a bar crying. One of the other men in the bar asked him what happened.

"I did a terrible thing," said the drunk. "Just a few hours ago, I sold my wife to someone for a bottle of booze."

"That is awful," said the other guy." And now that she is gone, you want her back and you are crying because you are sorry you sold her because you realized, too late, that you still loved her, right." "Oh no," Said the drunk, I want her back because, I'm thirsty again."

Library keeps up with the times

One hundred and nine years ago a group of sixteen local ladies formed the "Women's Harmony Library Club" Its members volunteers their time and efforts to raise money and to collect books, with the results being to formation of Smith Center's first Library.

Next opportunity for certification April 10th

The next scheduled opportunity for Smith County Sheriff Ellsworth Murphy to take the challenge examination for certification is Monday, April 10, at the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center in Hutchinson.

However, according to information received by the Pioneer, even if Murphy passes the exam, it doesn't necessarily mean he will regain his law enforcement cert.

This is because there is an action pending against Sheriff Murphy by the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training.. This group is essentially the licensing agency for law enforcement officials and is not related to the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center.

LEGAL NOTICES

(First published in the Smith Co. Pioneer Thursday, March 5, 2026.)
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SMITH COUNTY, KANSAS.
In the Matter of the Estate of Travis J. Coop, Deceased.
Case No. SM-2026-PR-000003
NOTICE OF HEARING
The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned: You are hereby notified that on February 26, 2026, a Petition For Appointment Of Administrator was filed in this Court by Hannah Coop, requesting that Tracy Coop be appointed Adminis-

trator and that he be granted Letters of Administration without bond as Administrator of the Estate of Travis Coop, deceased. You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before April 1, 2026, at 2:00 o'clock, p.m. in the District Court, Smith County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition. All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this

notice, as required by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Hannah Coop, Petitioner
Attest:
Shannon R. Schmidt
District Magistrate Judge
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Attorney for Petitioner
March 19

(First published in the Smith County Pioneer on Thurs-

day, march 5, 2026.)
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SMITH COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of BERNADINE DUNTZ, a/k/a Z. BERNADINE DUNTZ, Deceased. Case No. SM 2024 PR 14

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed on the 19th day of February, 2026, in this Court by LINDA S. CAR-

SWELL, Executor of the estate of BERNADINE DUNTZ, deceased, praying for a final settlement of the estate, approval of her acts, proceedings and accounts as Executor, allowance for executor's and attorneys' fees and expenses, determination of the heirs, devisees and legatees entitled to the estate and assignment to them in accordance with the will of BERNADINE DUNTZ, deceased. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before MARCH 30, 2026, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on said day, in said Court, in

the City of Smith Center, Smith County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

LINDA S. CARSWELL
Executor
Michael-Shannon McDowell, #16002
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shannon@allenmcdowell.com
Attorney for Executor
March 19

Chamber replaces LNO with Shop N' Stroll

Explore, Eat, Shop, and Be Local! Support Smith Center's small businesses on April 10th, 2026, at the 'Shop n' Stroll.' This year the Chamber of Commerce

is sponsoring an all-day event with participating businesses.

Instead of an evening-only shopping excursion, individuals can enjoy sales

throughout the day. Check out the Smith Center Chamber Facebook page for more information about the event and a list of participating businesses.

We encourage you to follow our page to keep informed of all upcoming chamber events.

Get your Holy Week Schedule to us by email pioneer@ruraltel.net or by phone 785*282*3371 or Stop by the Pioneer office at 112 W. Kansas St in Downtown Smith Center



HAPPY COUPLE -- This old wedding photo was found in the archives of the Smith County Pioneer. If you have any information or would like to claim this picture, please contact us at the Pioneer office at 112 W. Kansas St.

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board members.

Item 16. Adjourn

Adam Rentschler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jodi Frydendall seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

....."it shall be my constant endeavor to devote time, thought and study to the duties and responsibilities of a school board member so that I may render effective and credible service ..."

School Board Member Code of Ethics
USD #237 Smith Center does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, handicap, or age in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. Any questions regarding the compliance with Title VI, Title IX, or Section 504 may be directed to Mr. Dustin McEwen, Title IX Coordinator, who can be reached at (785)-282-6665, 216 South Jefferson, Smith Center, Kansas 66967

Susan Panter left the closed meeting. The board members and Mr. McEwen discussed personnel matters.

Susan Panter returned to the open meeting. **Item 15. Board Comments**
There was discussion of doing a facilities tour for the