



Priceless
Take One

Manhattan Free Press

Vol. 19 Number 25

An Award Winning Weekly Newspaper

Thursday, December 9, 2010

How To Double Your Property Tax

<i>Year County</i>	<i>Property Tax</i>	<i>% Tax Change</i>	<i>Avg. Mill Rate</i>	<i>% Mill Rate Change</i>	<i>Population</i>	<i>% Population Change</i>	<i>Res. Assessed Value</i>	<i>% Res. Change</i>
1997 Riley	\$24,875,023.69	0.0 %	113.91	0.0 %	63,186	0.0 %	\$131,937,903.00	0.0 %
1998 Riley	\$25,322,626.43	1.8 %	111.95	-1.7 %	63,940	1.2 %	\$138,496,456.00	5.0 %
1999 Riley	\$28,218,041.87	11.4 %	115.56	3.2 %	63,708	-0.4 %	\$147,915,541.00	6.8 %
2000 Riley	\$31,544,222.47	11.8 %	119.78	3.7 %	63,085	-1.0 %	\$156,958,240.00	6.1 %
2001 Riley	\$33,445,423.36	6.0 %	118.39	-1.2 %	63,371	0.5 %	\$171,367,782.00	9.2 %
2002 Riley	\$35,967,794.39	7.5 %	119.98	1.3 %	63,755	0.6 %	\$185,691,893.00	8.4 %
2003 Riley	\$35,998,538.85	0.1 %	113.32	-5.6 %	65,474	2.7 %	\$196,582,947.00	5.9 %
2004 Riley	\$39,018,531.94	8.4 %	113.89	0.5 %	66,144	1.0 %	\$213,205,814.00	8.5 %
2005 Riley	\$40,681,149.14	4.3 %	110.43	-3.0 %	67,507	2.1 %	\$232,087,501.00	8.9 %
2006 Riley	\$44,829,144.70	10.2 %	106.03	-4.0 %	69,164	2.5 %	\$275,172,978.00	18.6 %
2007 Riley	\$49,577,953.41	10.6 %	103.65	-2.2 %	69,406	0.3 %	\$323,218,612.00	17.5 %
2008 Riley	\$52,059,421.23	5.0 %	105.12	1.4 %	71,113	2.5 %	\$336,759,070.00	4.2 %
2009 Riley	\$56,365,574.67	8.3 %	113.23	7.7 %	71,341	0.3 %	\$339,457,087.00	0.8 %

If you talk to a Manhattan City Commissioner or a Staff Member they will tell you that the City of Manhattan has not raised the Mill Rate, and they are right but if you look at this chart from KansasOpenGov.org shows why they didn't need the extra mill rate. Look at the Residential Assessed Value, it went from \$131 million in 1997 to \$339 million in 2009. Remember these figures when you vote in the City Elections next April.

Brownback’s Econ Team Hints At More Cuts

By Gene Meyer
KansasReporter

TOPEKA, Kan. - Kansas Gov.-elect Sam Brownback named six budget hawks Tuesday as his closest cabinet advisors on promoting economic growth in the state.

The six, nominated to what Brownback called his economic growth team include:

-- Steve Anderson, an Osborne, Kan., CPA, tax policy specialist and critic of many current state tax plans, named to be the state's budget director.

--State Sen.Karin Brownlee, an Olathe Republican with a long record of opposition to tax

increases, nominated to be state labor secretary.

--State Rep. Pat George, a Dodge City Republican with a variety of real estate and other business southwest Kansas business interests, nominated to be state commerce secretary.

--Former state Sen. Nick Jordan, an Overland Park Republican and creator or co-creator of many of Kansas' current economic development programs, nominated to be state revenue director.

--Incumbent Kansas transportation secretary Deb Miller, a Democrat, nominated to con-

tinue in that position in the administration of Brownback, a Republican.

--Dale Rodman, a former Cargill corporate procurement executive and long time eastern Kansas agribusiness executive, nominated to be state agriculture secretary.

All, with the exception of Anderson, must be confirmed by the Kansas Senate when it meets next month. Most, with the exception of Anderson and Rodman, are familiar faces around the capitol either because of their service there or their appearances before committees considering legislation

there.

Brownback, at a Tuesday press conference, lauded the group for what he described as an impressive collection of skills and experiences needed to help Kansas pull out of its current economic slough.

"We're facing a nearly half billion dollar deficit (in the state's budget for the 2012 fiscal year beginning next July 1) and we are going to have to make some difficult choices," Brownback said.

"There is not a person here who won't work night and day to make Kansas prosperous

again," he said.

Anderson's choice as a top fiscal officer in the state's executive branch caused surprise among longtime capitol watchers. The north central Kansas native is best known to them as a policy consultant with Americans For Prosperity who helps draft alternate budgets for many states that the conservative advocacy group proposes to promote tax reform and reduced government spending.

In his most recent proposed alternative Kansas budget last February, Anderson argued that the biggest structural flaw in the state budget is uncon-

strained spending, which he calculated has compounded 8 percent annually over the last three decades and now equals one-eighth of personal income in the state.

Anderson is also the author of a study published this autumn that compares tax policy changes in Kansas and Oklahoma during the last decade. It concludes that income tax cuts in Oklahoma during the decade increased tax revenues faster there than broadly similarly sized tax increases produced in Kansas.

Kansas Courts To Use Statistical Tool For Parolees

By JOE LAMBE
The Kansas City Star

OLATHE, Kan. (AP) _ Ted Kim of Lenexa was busted for drugs last year but deserved a break. Statistics said so.

Forget the old gut feeling of a judge or probation officer. Kim's answers to 54 questions got him a far more limited probation than the long hours of programs he could have faced.

He scored "very low risk" on a statistical tool that predicts how likely an offender is to fail probation or parole. Putting such people in highly intense programs can actually make them more likely to become criminals, experts say.

For six years, Johnson County District Court has been a pilot project _ the only Kansas district to test the statistical tool called Level of Service

Inventory Revised. But state court officials say they finally are getting money from fees to teach the system to court services probation workers statewide and will start next year.

Alex Holsinger, associate professor of criminal justice at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, evaluates how Johnson County staff use what he says is among the best of many such statistical tools.

"They're doing it as well as anywhere in the country," he said.

Results mirror how workers score the offenders, with 6 percent failing among the very low risk group and up to 53 percent failing among the highest risk.

He also found that targeting more programs to higher-risk people appeared to work. The number of those sent from com-

munity corrections probation to jail or prison dropped from 40 percent in 2004 to 23 percent last year.

Amy Bond, a probation officer with the Johnson County Department of Corrections, sat recently with Kim, 25, to explain how she assessed him.

She gave him the test before his sentencing early this year, after he had pleaded guilty to selling the prescription narcotic oxycodone and possessing marijuana.

The questions are open-ended and provide answers that give scores in each of 10 categories, things like criminal history, companions, substance abuse problems and attitudes.

Kim, who works as a chef, scored zero risk on five categories but high risk on leisure/recreation and moderate

risk on substance abuse and companions.

He took prescription narcotics for a burst disc in his back, he said, fell in with the wrong friends, used such pills recreationally and sold them.

A friend introduced him to what turned out to be an undercover police officer, and he sold him four pills for \$200.

Kim scored at 11 percent risk level on the test. Based partly on that, a judge sentenced him to 14 days of shock time in jail and 18 months of probation.

Among categories that Kim scored zero risk on was attitudes, meaning he did not need long hours of work on changing criminal thought patterns. He doesn't see an unlocked car with a cell phone in the seat, for instance, and think, "That phone is mine." He doesn't

make excuses like "everyone does it" or consider cops and judges out to get him.

He did not belong among more hardened offenders, Bond said.

"I didn't want him sitting out in the lobby with some other clients picking up new skills."

By now he has done drug treatment, goes to a therapist and still attends 12-step meetings.

"I got rid of all the bad friends and kept all the good friends," he said. "I see (probation) as almost a blessing as far as improving myself."

Such assessment tools have been used for generations but are getting better, and some liken the Level of Service Inventory Revised to a sleek new cell phone. Missouri uses a

variation of a much older tool.

The Kansas Department of Corrections has also used the system for six years with parolees. It helped the state have the second-lowest growth in prison population nationwide from 2000 to 2009, said Roger Haden, deputy secretary of corrections.

Amid state budget problems, the tool will continue to target shrinking parole resources to those most likely to go back to prison, Haden said.

Edward Latessa, director of the School of Criminal Justice at the University of Cincinnati, gave a lecture to experts in Kansas City last month on best practices in corrections. Assessment tools, he said, "are the engine that drives correctional programs."

Mom Faces Felony Charges For Gun Discharge

By Earl Glynn
Kansas Watchdog

COUNCIL GROVE – She nailed her 16-year-old daughter’s bedroom window shut.

That didn’t work.

She struggled with the girl and her 21-year-old boyfriend to keep her from leaving with him.

That didn’t work either.

So she grabbed her varmint rifle, chambered a round and took aim at the right rear tire as he sped out of their driveway.

Now, high school physics and chemistry teacher and mom Karen Vondemkamp faces two felony counts for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and one felony count for aggravated battery in January trial even though, she said she fired into the ground.

“As I aimed at his tire ... I

just decided not to go ahead and fire at the tire. I thought ‘what if I missed’ ... I thought this probably isn’t the right thing to do, so I lowered the gun, and my finger still pulled on the trigger more out of frustration than anything.”

She could spend a year in prison and pay a \$100,000 fine and lose her teaching license.

She was trying to stop her daughter, Hannah, from leaving with boyfriend, Justin Allenbaugh April 20. Their home is in rural Morris County just outside Council Grove city limits.

For months Vondemkamp said she told Hannah she could date Allenbaugh only if they were supervised.

She said she told the girl he could hang out that evening at home, and even offered to order pizza.

Apparently upset with those restrictions, Allenbaugh dropped Hannah off.

Vondemkamp confronted her. She said she grabbed Hannah’s arm to turn her around to talk to her, and Hannah flipped her onto the bed. They struggled.

When Vondemkamp left the room, Hannah texted Allenbaugh to call 911. But, he returned to the home, according to court records.

Minutes later Vondemkamp returned to confiscate Hannah’s communication devices.

According to police reports Allenbaugh arrived minutes later. Mother and daughter battled at the front door. Allenbaugh used his foot and “put my weight into the door a little bit.” Vondemkamp was trying to keep the door locked and

asked Allenbaugh to go away.

With a 50 lb. weight advantage, Allenbaugh restrained Vondemkamp. Hannah ran to his car.

After Vondemkamp smacked a window on Allenbaugh’s car and asked her daughter not to leave, Allenbaugh restrained Vondemkamp again, which allowed Hannah to walk away.

When he let Vondemkamp go, she ran to get her .223 caliber single-shot rifle. With Hannah perhaps a hundred yards away and the car much closer, Vondemkamp – an experienced hunter – briefly contemplated shooting out a tire.

Council Grove police and the Morris County sheriff never found the bullet.

Allenbaugh admitted in his own testimony to force-

fully entering her home and restraining Vondemkamp three times, yet he was never charged.

Vondemkamp’s view is “they kind of ignored everything I said and believed everything they [Hannah and Allenbaugh] said.” She said she wonders what happened to her rights as a parent.

One police report showed Vondemkamp as a victim and Hannah as suspect but apparently was ignored when charges were filed.

The Attorney General’s office accepted the case for prosecution but did not respond to requests for comment.

For more details from police reports and interviews with Vondemkamp and Allenbaugh, read the two-part story at <http://kansas.watchdog.org>: Mom’s perspective of

felony charges for gun discharge

Mom faces felony charges: perspective of daughter, boyfriend, and law enforcement (to be published Wednesday)

Documents cited above Kansas Standard Offense Report showing Karen Vondemkamp victim and Hannah Vondemkamp suspect, April 20, 2010.

Partial Transcript of Preliminary Hearing, State of Kansas v. Karen Vondemkamp, June 14, 2010.

Amended Complaint, State of Kansas v. Karen Vondemkamp, June 16, 2010.

Contact: Earl F Glynn, earl@kansaswatchdog.org, KansasWatchdog.org

The Christmas Tree

By Lois Cohorst

The little country schoolhouse of Grimes stood two miles north and ¼ mile east of Winifred in Marshall County, Kansas, district 43. The year was about 1870 judging by the dates of district 42 and 44. The one-room schoolhouse would seem quite primitive in today's world of computers, school lunches, and gymnasiums. Still, students received a remarkably good elementary education, and graduates emerged with the knowledge to compete in the world.

Playground equipment included baseball, pump-pump-pull away, whatever that is, Fox and Geese, Andy-over, drop the handkerchief, the three-deep game, and stay on the porch tag.

When Grimes School chose up sides for these inexpensive, creative games, Florence Wanklyn would sing...

"Needles-eye that does supply

The thread that runs so true

Many a beau have I let go
Because I wanted YOU!"

There was even a hint of romance in that little ditty during recess choose-up

time. Sometimes, recess provided lessons not learned in school books.

Walter Wullschleger remembered the one time he found himself learning proper manners at school from experience, and definitely not in the book. He was about 10 years old when it happened that after noon recess the teacher was late to call school. It was after 1:00 o'clock and she was still detained in the little house behind the school building. While students waited, someone dared Walter to ring the late bell, and he did it.

When his teacher returned to the classroom she was so angry she demanded to know the culprit's name. Of course, no one talked, but everyone looked at Walter. The teacher grabbed Walter by the shirt collar, spun him around, and sent him sailing head first across the room. Discipline was quick and decisive in those days. Walter decided not to ring the late bell again, especially on his teacher.

Grimes School, like all other rural schools had a fine Christmas

Program each year. The

older girls were in charge of the program, and the boys were in charge of getting the Christmas tree. The tree committee in 1919 was the Totten boys, Uhl, Owen, and Byron, John and Emil Wullschleger, LeRoy Wolf, Walter Wullschleger and Leonard Brauchi.

The willing group anxiously set out to find the very tree they wanted, and they did. But they cut it down before realizing they were a half mile south of the schoolhouse. Several inches of snow had fallen, so they thought they could move the tree by dragging it in the snow. But when they reached Otto Wullschleger's corn field, the branches caught on the cornstalks. So, they moved to plan B.

The Totten boys had ridden their white mule to school. The boys came up with the idea that the mule could pull the tree through the stalks. They went to the Brauchi barn to get a set of harnesses, a singletree, and a chain, which they hitched to the mule. Owen was designated to ride the mule to make sure he went the right direction. But just as in a cartoon the mule looked back, saw he had a tree following him, and he went

nuts. The mule turned into a full-fledged roadrunner with the tree bouncing from side to side behind him. The more it bounced the faster the mule went. He ran in circles until the chain came loose and the tree fell free.

Poor Owen pulled and sawed on the bit until he was finally able to bring the mule under control. Of course, his accomplices were rolling on the ground with laughter, but Owen did not think it was so funny.

Plan C came into effect. The boys went back to Brauchi's farm to get a set of blinders for the mule so he couldn't see the tree behind him. After the boys added the blinders, the mule successfully delivered the tree to the schoolhouse, only to find that it was much too large to get through the door.

The committee was relegated to the back fence row behind the cob shed where they cut a smaller tree and festively decorated it. The nice little tree set the stage for the Christmas program that year, and the boys learned a

Christmas tree lesson that was not in the school books.

**Sedalia Terra Bellus**
Rural Property Improvements

Lot Clearing ~ Lane/Trail Clearing ~ Remote
Property Access ~ Invasive Tree Clearing ~
Woodland Management ~ Wooded-Lot
Beautification ~ Windbreak Maintenance ~
Wood/Biomass Harvesting ~ Earthmoving ~ Storm
and Disaster Cleanup ~ Snow Removal for Rural
Areas ~ Environmental Sustainability Consulting



To schedule a free on-site consultation, call
(785) 410-0752 or email sedalia.terra.bellus@gmail.com

 Find us on Facebook

**OGDEN'S BEST GUN AND PAWN
&
OGDEN'S BEST GUN RANGE**



We Buy, Sell, and Trade
Hunting Guns
Assault Weapons
Handguns
Weapon Accessories
Magazines

INDOOR PISTOL RANGE
6 Lanes
Rental handguns
SUBMACHINEGUNS
Shoot your own, too!
\$15/hr Per Person

**Shop Open MTWFSaSu Range
open all but WED!**

312 Riley Ave., Ogden KS (785) 537 GUNS

Protection You Can Count On!

**Landmark
SELF STORAGE**
(785)313-7777

- Personalized passcode gate access
- 7 days a week (365) days a year
- Onsite office and managers
- apartment for your assistance
- Managers are retired veterans with 23 years of law enforcement experience

- Climate controlled units
- RV garages w/12x14 easy-open roll-up doors
- Boat garages
- Automotive & motorcycle storage
- Insulated bldgs with wide paved aisles for moving trucks

4790 Skyway Drive, Manhattan, KS 66503
Next to Manhattan Airport • www.landmark-selfstorage.com



Imogene Bolls

Imogene Ethyl Lamb Bolls, a widely published, nationally recognized poet, died December 4, 2010 at Good Shepherd Hospice in Manhattan. She was 72.

Mrs. Bolls was the author of three volumes of poems: Glass Walker, from the Cleveland University Poetry Center; Earthbound, from Bottom Dog Press, Huron, Ohio; and Advice for the Climb, also from Bottom Dog Press. She was the author of more than 500 poems published in literary journals and anthologies and the winner of numerous prizes and awards, including poetry prizes from Humanities Advancement, Kansas Quarterly, South Dakota Review, and Birmingham Poetry Review, the Ohioana Poetry Award, and two writing awards from the Ohio Arts Council.

Professor of English Emerita at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio, she was for 36 years resident poet, professor of English, and director of the journalism program there. She was both presenter and a critiquing poet at the Antioch Writers' Workshop. She is listed in International Who's Who in Poetry and Who's Who in American Women, and was a member of the Academy of American Poets, the Modern Language Association, and the Ohioana Library Association. She gave numerous poetry readings across the country and participated for many years in the Poets-in-the-Schools program in Ohio and served on the boards of several non-profit organizations during her years in Taos.

The daughter of Helen Keithley Lamb and Don Q. Lamb, Mrs. Bolls was born in Manhattan on Sept. 25, 1938. She graduated from Manhattan

High School and Kansas State University, where she majored in English and minored in French and journalism. She earned a graduate degree in comparative literature at the University of Utah in 1962 with distinction. She was married to Nathan J. Bolls, Jr., on November 24, 1962 in Manhattan. She and her husband retired to Taos, New Mexico, in 2001 and then moved to the Meadowlark Hills Retirement Community in 2010.

She was a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood for more than 50 years, most recently P.E.O. Chapter F in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

Survivors include her husband of 1211 Meadowlark Valley Rd.; one daughter, Laurel H. Bolls, Troy, Ohio; twin brothers, Don Q. Lamb, Jr., Chicago, Ill., and Frederick K. Lamb, Urbana, Ill.; and loving

sisters- and brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and former students.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Chapel, with the Reverend Doctor Patty Brown-Barnett officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Cemetery.

Friends may call at any time at the funeral home. The family will receive friends 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be left for the family through the funeral home website at www.ymlfuneralhome.com.

A memorial fund has been established for the Imogene Lamb Bolls Creative Writing Scholarship at Wittenberg University. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502.

Henly Stepp

Henly Eugene Stepp, 85, of Manhattan, passed away Monday, December 6th, 2010. He was retired in 1967 from the U. S. Air Force as a MSGT serving during WWII, and for 10 years as the manager of Acme Radio Supply in Manhattan. He was married to Dorothy Sharp who passed away on July 18, 1987, and also Eva M. Henry who died on Dec. 19, 2007.

Gene was born was born in Asheville, NC on November 27, 1925, the son of the late Lucy S. (Smith) Stepp and Henly E Stepp, Sr. Gene attended schools in Asheville NC and North Carolina State University for three years. He was a member of the Air Force Sgts Association, Isis Shrine, VFW Post #1786, Isis Greeters, Manhattan Shrine Club, Riley County Senior Center, Lafayette Lodge #16 AF & AM, York Rite Bodies, and a life member of the

American Legion Post #17 Manhattan.

Survivors include two sons; Jeff Stepp and wife Jan of Manhattan; and Pat Stepp, of Manhattan; a step daughter Jacque Stepp of Manhattan; four grandchildren: Melinda Sue, Curtis Wayne, Anthony David and Logan Henly Stepp. He is preceded in death by his parents, his wives Dorothy Stepp and Eva Stepp, four sons; Rian, Gordon, Mike and Van; daughter in law Holly Stepp and two brothers: James & Jack

Stepp.

A memorial service will be at 2:00pm on Friday, December 10 at the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home with Rev. R. Kent McCormack and Pastor Eldon Epp officiating. Inurnment will be at the Sunset Cemetery following the service. The family request donations to Home Care & Hospice, 3801 Vanesta Dr., Manhattan or the Shriner's Hospital.

To send an email condolence visit www.irvinparkview.com.

Lighted Christmas Parade

Saturday December 11, 2010

Blue Rapids Public Square

Parade Starts at 6:00 PM

Sponsored By
Blue Rapids Chamber of
Commerce



If you like the Free Press please tell these Advertisers

DO YOU NEED TO GET AROUND TOWN?
CALL THE aTa Bus TODAY!
537-6345
GENERAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
FOR THE MANHATTAN-RILEY COUNTY AREA



This Project Funded in Part by the KDOT Public Transit Program

**AZTEC SELF STORAGE**
5004 Murry Road
Manhattan, Kansas 66503
(785) 776-1111

On Site Manager - Good Security Fence
Open 7 Days
All Sizes - Competitive Prices

**Kansas StateCars**
DRIVING THE FUTURE
.com

Get more than just a great
deal on your next vehicle ...

Your auto purchase helps support student
scholarships, facility enhancements and
alumni programming! Start shopping online today!



Car Clinic, Inc.



"We care about you and your car"

- Tune ups, electrical repairs
- Heater & A/C service
- Computer engine analysis
- Transmission service

• Mon.-Fri. 7:30 am to 5:30 pm

209 Sarber Ln 539-1040



**Free Weight Loss
Consultation**

Call Connie
at 785-537-4447

Now Leasing 1-4 Bedrooms

**DIAMOND**
REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT

CALL 537-7701

<http://www.dremmanhattan.com/>

RODS • SHADES • DRAPERIES • BLINDS
FABRIC BY THE YARD
IN HOME CLEANING OF FABRIC WINDOW COVERINGS

Drapery World and Blinds

Tom Deaver
"We measure and install"
and "Brighten insides"

Phone (785) 537-4260 317 Poyntz
Toll Free - 1-800-515-9478 Manhattan, Kansas 66502

Take a Pal Shooting

With this coupon and one paid admission
two may shoot!

Pistol and Rifle Ranges open 4th thursday - the first and third full
weekends each month, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**FANCY CREEK RANGE**

At Fancy Creek State Park, Randolph Kansas

**GRIFFITH LUMBER
& HARDWARE**
SERVING MANHATTAN SINCE 1919

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

776-4104
820 LEVEE DRIVE
MANHATTAN, KS
LOCAL FREE DELIVERY

EVERYTHING
FOR YOUR HOME
CABINETS
DOORS
ELECTRICAL
HARDWARE
INSULATION
KITCHEN & BATH
LUMBER
PAINT
PLUMBING
PLYWOOD
SIDING
TOOLS
WALLPAPER
WINDOWS

Obama's willingness to compromise with Republicans comes a month after the GOP won resounding victories in congressional, gubernatorial and state legislative elections.

"But we did think about what might happen if that changed," he said.

House Democrats re-elected state Rep. Paul Davis of Lawrence as House Minority Leader and chose state Rep. Tom Burroughs of Kansas City to replace state Rep. Jim Ward of Wichita as assistant Minority Leader.

The ConocoPhillips faculty sponsorship program was created in 2008. The nominations are based on a variety of criteria, focused primarily on their strategic relevance and alignment with ConocoPhillips' key focus areas and core values. The awards are intended to support a variety of programs and activities that stimulate interest and professional development among students and faculty in disciplines recruited by ConocoPhillips.



216 South 4th, Manhattan, KS
VFW Plaza
776-1193

Saturday 10 AM to 1PM. Closed Mondays.

785-537-8953

Granting that our knowledge of human sexuality is incomplete, the mere difference of opinion about the homosexual lifestyle does not infer disdain for the person and does not justify the sacrifice of personal liberty of those who have a different opinion, as the proposed ordinance would do. It then becomes obvious the proposed ordinance solves nothing. Rather, it creates an unenforceable menagerie of undefined assumptions. There is much work to be done on both side of this issue. Let's proceed with mutual compassion that is the predominant characteristic within this community.

Kansas, Midwest Economies Varied In November

By Gene Meyer
KansasReporter

TOPEKA, Kan. - Growth in Kansas' economy slowed further in November, a new monthly economic survey showed Wednesday.

On a worst-to-best scale of 1 to 100, purchasing managers surveyed by Creighton University's Creighton Economic Forecasting Group in Omaha, reported that Kansas business conditions slipped to 50.8 last month from 55.1 in October.

Any reading above 50 indicates that an economy is growing rather than shrinking, said Ernie Goss, a Creighton economist who leads monthly surveys of manufacturing and business conditions surveys in Kansas

and eight other Midwestern states.

Although Kansas' readings on the monthly Mid-America Business Conditions Index have been positive for four consecutive months, its readings have been declining from September's most recent peak 55.5.

Continued economic troubles for Kansas aircraft and aircraft parts makers are big contributors to the continued erosion, though "contrary to most of the region, Kansas non-durable goods are outperforming durable goods manufacturers," Goss said.

The broader Midwestern economy also is struggling to gain traction, the survey showed. Overall readings for

the nine states including Kansas rose to 55.9 from 52.3 in October. That is only the second time this year the index has ticked upward, though it has been in positive territory for 12 consecutive months. The last previous increase was in May.

The index is a mathematical average of indices for new orders, production or sales, employment, inventories and delivery lead times in larger Midwestern communities, all gleaned for surveys of purchasing executives in the region. The Creighton team also produces a separate monthly Rural Mainstreet Index, that reports similar economic pulse rates for small agricultural and commodity dependent communities in the region.

In Wednesday's regional manufacturing and urban index:

—Improved manufacturing activity helped lift Arkansas' reading to 61.9 from 61.3, its second consecutive increase.

—Iowa's reading slumped to 54.7 from 60.2, as pullbacks by food and nondurable good manufacturers outweighed increased farm equipment production.

—Minnesota's index increased to 56.2 from 52.8 with the help of a recently improved outlook for computer and electronic components producers there.

—Missouri's index also increased, to 56.6 from 52.2, due to growth by the states value-added service providers, such as telecommunications

firms.

—Improved prospects for durable goods producers helped push Nebraska's index to 52.1 from 49.8 in October, though food manufacturers, who are major contributors to the state's economy reported slow to no growth.

—North Dakota, which until recently led the Midwest in economic growth, registered 52.2 on the index, up from 51.4 in October, and likely will continue

to grow only slowly well into 2011, Goss said.

—Oklahoma's index slipped to 66.3 from a month-earlier 75.2 as durable goods manufacturers continued to struggle. Even the lower reading is still the region's highest, however, due continued healthy growth in energy and food production.

—South Dakota's index fell to 57.8 from 61.3 as previously brisk manufacturing activity continued to slow.

Classifieds

Employment Opportunity
"Hundreds of Health Care Jobs Available! Connect with Kansas employers at www.KSHealthJobs.net. Search for Kansas positions - post your resume - apply online. Absolutely FREE. Visit www.KSHealthJobs.net."

Misc.
ATTEND COLLEGE ONLINE from Home.
*Medical *Business
*Paralegal, *Accounting,
*Criminal Justice. Job Placement assistance. Computer available. Financial Aid if qualified. Call 888-220-3977 www.CenturaOnline.com

For Sale
BANK ORDERED SALE!
Table Rock Lake / Missouri Lake Lot w/Deeded Slip \$27,900 Call 1-800-525-3140 n o w !

www.tablerocklakesale.com

Sporting Goods
GUN SHOW DEC. 11-12 SAT. 9-5 & SUN. 9-3 TOPEKA KANSAS EXPOCENTRE (19TH & TOPEKA BLVD) BUY-SELL-TRADE. INFO: (563) 927-8176

For Sale
SAVE UP to 65% on over 100 pianos during Mid-America Piano's Sounds of the Season Sale in Manhattan! Grand pianos from \$2888, verticals starting at \$888! www.piano4u.com 1-800-950-3774

Business Opportunity
ALL CASH VENDING ROUTE Be your own boss 25-machines/candy all for \$9,995.00 All major credit cards accepted. 1-877-915-8222 Vend 3

Misc.

AIRLINES ARE HIRING - Train for high paying Aviation Career. FAA approved program. Financial aid if qualified - Job placement assistance. CALL Aviation Institute of Maintenance 888-248-7449

Help Wanted

Home for the Holidays OTR Drivers APU Equipped Pre-Pass EZ-pass Every 60k mile raises. 2007 and newer equipment. Passenger/Pet Policy 100% NO touch. 1-800-528-7825

Help Wanted

Reefer and Flatbed Drivers Needed! Experienced drivers and Class A commercial students welcome! Assistance in obtaining CDL is Available! Call Prime Today 1-800-277-0212 www.primeinc.com

Help Wanted

DRIVERS- Owner Operators. \$3,000 No Hassle Sign-On Bonus! Excellent Rates & Paid FSC. Home Daily with Regional Runs based out of Kansas City. CDL-A with 1 year tractor-trailer experience required. Call Comtrak at 866-338-2958, or apply online at www.comtraklogistics.com

Steel Buildings For Sale
STEEL BUILDINGS: 4 only 45x82, 50x100, 51x180, 60x300 (Will Split). Sell 1 For Balance Owed! Free Delivery! 1-800-411-5869 Ext. 590

Help Wanted

KANSAS CITY-WICHITA INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE NEEDED. Most earn \$50K-\$100K or more. Call branch office at 636-536-7098. Ask for Jennifer Lindow or e-mail jennifer.lindow@insphereis.com. Visit www.insphereis-kansascity.com

Help Wanted/Truck Driver
Driver - NEW PAY PLAN with QUARTERLY BONUS INCENTIVE! Lots of freight. Daily or Weekly Pay. Van and Refrigerated. CDL-A, 6 months recent experience. 800-414-9569. www.driveknight.com

Adoption

Are you pregnant? A successful, financially secure, married couple seeks to adopt. Will be full-time mom & devoted dad. Expenses paid. Call Mindy & Rich. (ask for michelle/adam). 1-800-790-5260

INTERNET AUCTIONS

December 14 Government Internet Auction



Bidding starts to close at 10 a.m.

autos: (4) '06 Chevy Impala, '05 Ford Taurus SEL, '96 Dodge Ram 2500, +12 pickups, 7 cars, 8 2 vans, heavy trucks: '98 Isuzu FRR 2.5-ton spray truck, '88 GMC 700 digger truck, dump truck, (3) fire trucks, box truck, plus: truck attachments, transit vehicles, street sweeper, manure spreader, mowers & rotary cutters, scissor lift, and more

December 15 Midwest Internet Auction



Bidding starts to close at 10 a.m.

autos: '04 Dodge Intrepid SE, '03 Cadillac CTS, '03 Chevy Silverado C1500 ext-cab, '02 Chevy Malibu, + 4 SUV, 3 pickups, 4 cars & 1 van, box trucks: '07 Hino 185, '96 Int'l 4700, truck attach: Dunbar Tico 1585T knuckle boom, tractor: '03 Kioti DK65 MFWD w/ loader, (3) tractor loaders/attachments, planting/seeding, tillage, mowers/rotary cutters, forklifts, scissor lift, rollers/packers, trailers, industrial soil vapor extraction unit and more

BID NOW!
purple wave auction
Straight. Simple. Sold.

866.608.9283

www.purplewave.com

RSC INTERNET AUCTION

Equipment Rental

Bidding starts to close Wed., Dec. 15 at 10 a.m.



Automobiles: '06 Ford Explorer Limited, (2) '04 Ford F250 XL Super Duty pickup, '04 Ford F150 XLT ext-cab pickup, '03 Ford F250 XL Super Duty pickup, '02 Ford F250 XL Super Duty ext-cab pickup, '02 Ford F250 XL Super Duty pickup, (2) '02 Ford F150 XLT ext-cab pickup, '02 Ford F150 ext-cab pickup, '01 Ford F150 four door ext-cab pickup, (3) '00 Ford F250 XL Super Duty pickup, '00 Ford F150 XLT ext-cab pickup, '00 Ford F150 ext-cab pickup, '00 Ford Econoline E250 cargo van, Skid Steers: '04 Bobcat T250 skid steer, inventory added daily. 10% buyers premium applies, Aaron McKee TX Lic #16401

BID NOW!
purple wave auction
Straight. Simple. Sold.

866.608.9283

www.purplewave.com

Are you or someone you know caring for an aging family member or friend?

A caregiver's greatest challenge is knowing what resources are available locally and how to find them.

If you have caregiving questions, call your Kansas Area Agency on Aging.

1-866-457-2364 or visit www.k4a.org

Employers, find quality candidates at the Statewide Career Fair

Salina Bicentennial Center • Salina, KS

Tuesday, February 1, 2011
2:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Reserve your booth at KANSASWORKS.com

KANSASWORKS
KEDA
Kansas Workforce Development Alliance

30' x 60' x 12' Open Sided Building \$13,900

Five 12' Open Bays
3' Overhang on front side

Prices include: DELIVERY, TAXES, & INSTALL on your level site. Travel charges may apply

ESH INC.
QUALITY STRUCTURES
Specializing in complete post frame buildings

Richmond, KS (800) 374-6988
Haven, KS (800) 208-9167
www.eshqs.com

Call for FREE information and estimates

Attention Communities of 5,000 or Less:

Looking for financial and technical assistance to help your community?

The Office of Rural Opportunity is designed *just for you.*

We can help you:

- Preserve historic buildings
- Improve your community
- Beautify a downtown
- Access capital
- And more!

KANSAS
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Office of Rural Opportunity

KansasCommerce.com/ORO

Are You Ready For Christmas?

How about your Carpets?

Blue Ribbon will provide an estimate of the project prior to starting the work to make sure you are satisfied with the cost.

We are at home in...
Manhattan
Marysville
Blue Rapids
Waterville
Barnes
Frankfort

Before

After

10% Off

If you call and say you saw this ad in the Free Press.

Blue Ribbon Carpet Cleaning
103 N. 3rd St.
Manhattan, KS 66502

Brandon Brake, Owner - Phone: Manhattan- 785-320-7295

Commission Makes Education Recommendations

By Rachel Whitten
KansasReporter

TOPEKA, Kan. — The system for funding schools in Kansas works well, providing it's financed by the legislature the way it was designed to be, according to recommendations by the 2010 Commission.

The Commission is tasked with reviewing education policies and making recommendations for legislators to look over and act on during its regular session. The Commission met for its final meeting Friday and established its recommendation for the 2011 session.

One of them includes an evaluation of the school finance formula that distributes state aid to school districts. Commissioners said according to testimony received in previous meetings, Kansas schools don't have a problem with the way the formula is structured; the only problem is the legislature hasn't fully funded the formula in the last few years when economic recession has left less revenue for lawmakers to distribute.

Last month, a consortium of 63 schools districts in Kansas filed suit against the state in Shawnee County District Court, on the grounds legislators have not adequately funded the school as required by law. Currently the lawsuit is in pretrial motions and trial date has not yet been set.

So the recommendation by

the 2010 commission is that lawmakers fund the formula, while allowing base state aid per pupil to fluctuate according to the cost of living. Another idea the Commission wants legislators to consider is creating a three year funding cycle for schools, similar to the way state highways are funded on a 10 year cycle.

Commission Chair Rochelle Chronister, a former Kansas Representative for 16 years, said a three year funding cycle would mean schools could plan ahead, squirreling away money if they know cuts are coming.

"If you forward fund it so schools have some idea, they can save money in preparation," Chronister said.

Even though legislators have not funded schools on a cycle, districts are already saving money because they don't know what might come in Governor Sam Brownback's budget proposal or what the legislature will choose to do with it in the upcoming 2011 session.

As of June 30, 2009 Kansas schools had almost \$852 million in total funds not already designated for specific costs within special education, capital outlay, food services or contingency reserve, according to the Kansas Department of Education.

Dale Dennis, deputy education commissioner at the KSDE said since then, unencumbered funds within districts have

probably grown because local boards of education have cut extraneous costs and services in favor of saving cash.

"School boards are waiting with anxiety about what the governor's recommendations will be for this year and what the legislature's response will be to that," Dennis said. "One of their biggest worries is the unknown; will there be cuts this year or next year? Some of the anxiety will be relieved when the governor submits his budget."

As a result, Dennis said he believes schools are saving money wherever they can in order to manage cash flow for expenses if the state sends out aid checks to districts late, like it did last year. So far this fiscal year, schools have received payments on time.

Other recommendations by the 2010 Commission include fully funding all day Kindergarten. Currently the state pays for half-day Kindergarten, and if the local district picks up the rest of the costs if it wants to offer it for a full day.

That recommendation was also part of a larger reminder by the commission for legislators to understand the value of educating the youngest Kansans.

"We want to make an emphasis on early childhood education in the state," said Ray Daniels, former superin-

tendent of the Kansas City Kansas School District.

Chronister said legislators should use data and research to determine which early childhood programs are effective and should be funded.

Mentoring and professional development for educators are another item the Commission recommended to emphasize to legislators. Currently in Kansas the state partially pays for mentoring services for new teachers, but doesn't help out with professional development opportunities.

One more thought for legislators, although not a recommendation from the Commission, is that lawmakers should consider requiring all school districts to use the same accounting system. That idea came from Steve Illif, an accountant who founded two Christian schools in northeast Kansas.

He wants schools to be treated more like the private sector in accounting practices. That means accounting methods should be the same in every district, and legislators should be able to go in and see which districts are receiving the best test scores while using the lowest amount of money.

"If the private sector did accounting like the state does, they'd be in trouble with the IRS," Illif said.

According to Illif, such a system wouldn't require new money; it would just come down to requiring school districts to use the same accounting codes.

A representative for Governor Sam Brownback did not return calls Monday afternoon. Brownback will submit his budget proposal at his State of the State address, the date for which has not yet been announced.



Optical Perspectives

930 Hayes Drive, Suite E.
Manhattan, Kansas

(785)539-5105

Fax: (785)539-2324

EDWIN C. OLSON SR.
Certified Pedorthist

OLSON'S SHOE & PEDORTHIC SERVICE

1214 B Moro
Manhattan, KS 66502

785-539-8571
785-539-0570
olsons@kansas.net
Mon-Fri 9:00-6:00 Sat 9:00-4:00

Mid-America Office Supply

328 Poyntz Avenue
P.O. Box 874
Manhattan, KS 66502

Fred E. Schurle
(785) 539-8982

Fax (785) 539-8983
1-800-657-2532

Hometown Pride at Discount Prices!

DUANE L. McKINNEY
Broker-Appraiser-Inspector
APPRAISALS, SALES,
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Manhattan Realty Services

116 S. 4th St, Suite 2
Manhattan, KS 66502

Phone: 785-776-1010
Fax: 785-539-1026
E-Mail: manreal@kansas.net

New Strategies To Fund KPERS

By Rachel Whitten
KansasReporter

TOPEKA, Kan. — Kansas lawmakers Thursday urged that legislators in the next session require both state workers and taxpayers to contribute more money to help fill a \$7.7 billion shortfall in the Kansas Public Retirement System state pension system.

The Joint Committee on Pensions, Investments and Benefits recommended that legislators reconvening in January revisit two unpassed bills to address the looming problem. The first is HB 2400, which would increase the amount of money Kansas taxpayers contribute to teachers' and other state and local gov-

plans.

Instead of tacking on an additional .6 percent annually to the now 8.17 percent of workers' salaries that Kansas chips in, as has been done since 1993, the state would be allowed to raise the contribution by a full percentage point—hypothetically raising the contribution rate to 9.17 next year.

According to Senate President Steve Morris, a Hugoton Republican, the larger contributions would mean about \$57 million more a year would go into KPERS' members retirement accounts.

The other bill, SB 564, would require workers to contribute more to their accounts

workers pay in 4 percent of their salary to KPERS, while those who joined after July 1, 2009 pay in 6 percent. SB 564 would raise rates for both groups by two percentage points over four years. That means eventually, the older workers would pay in 6 percent while the newer employees would chip in 8 percent.

"Most legislators who are familiar with KPERS see the same problem. There are some who are very concerned about asking employees to increase their contributions and I understand that," Morris said. "But when you look at the long term financial health of the system, we have an obligation to make sure that stays viable."

The committee also heard about retirement options other states have been working through recently. Ron Snell, with the National Conference on State Legislatures made it clear Kansas is not alone in dealing with state retirement issues.

"I've never seen anything like the level of legislative activity that occurred in 2010 that affects the long term viability of pension benefits," Snell said. "Because of the funding crisis that became aggravated by the recession, but also since 2001, state fiscal conditions have emphasized these issues. It's often impossible for states to make normal required contributions to state pension funds."

Snell pointed to Utah, which has completely overhauled the way it pays into public employee retirements. That state switched from guaranteeing a certain amount of benefits, to only guaranteeing a certain amount of contribution to retirement the state will chip in.

But Morris said that such a switch is not an immediate solution for Kansas.

To switch to a defined contribution plan would mean there are not as many workers paying into the system, he said, and that would make the funding situation worse because there would be fewer workers to pay for benefits for retirees in the present-day system.

DRIVING THE FUTURE

Kansas StateCars.com

Get more than just a great deal on your next vehicle ...

Your auto purchase helps support student scholarships, facility enhancements and alumni programming! Start shopping online today!

ernment workers' pension too. Currently, some older

Taylor's Family Hair Care

All your Family's Styling needs

See Faye, Marissa or Marianne

785-539-7751

Monday Thru Saturday

314-C Tuttle Creek Blvd. Manhattan KS

Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home

Serving Manhattan And Surrounding Communities

Since 1925

Formerly BURLIEW-COWAN-EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME

(785) 539-7481

www.ymfuneralhome.com

Douglas P. Meloan Eric S. Londeen

1616 Poyntz Av, Manhattan

PIZZA SHUTTLE DELIVERS

776-5577

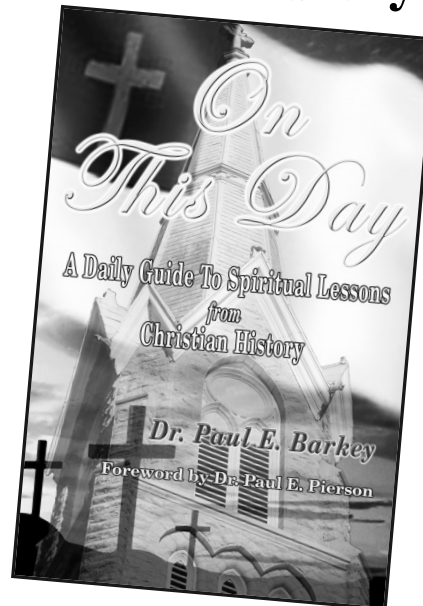
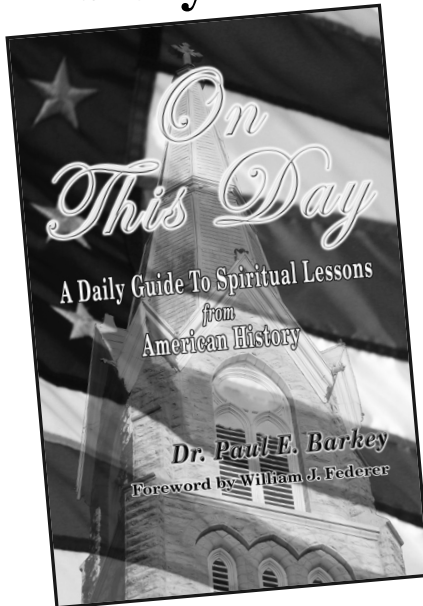
Limited Delivery Area
1800 Claflin Road - FirstBank Center

TWO Volumes by Dr. Paul E. Barkey . . .

On This Day

A Daily Guide to Spiritual Lessons

American History — or — Christian History



ON THIS DAY —

A Daily Guide to Spiritual Lessons from . . .

American History, 544 pages

\$19.95 plus shipping and handling

Christian History, 640 pages

\$21.95 plus shipping and handling

Contact: Paul E. Barkey • 785-776-1731

2514 Nutmeg, Manhattan, KS 66502

Coupon



Blue Ribbon Carpet Cleaning

Manhattan

Topeka

- 20- 29

-2 6- 1

Written estimates are provided prior to service for your approval. No add-on or hidden fees.
Please present coupon at time of service. Offer expires 12/20/10





Free Press Big 12 Sports

Thursday, December 9, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

Wildcats Overpower Alcorn State 89-55

KSU Sports Information

MANHATTAN, Kan. – A strong defensive effort all along the board for coach Frank Martin's squad held Alcorn State to the lowest point total and shooting percentage for a Kansas State opponent this season, as the Wildcats moved to 8-1 on the season with an 89-55 victory Monday night. Jacob Pullen led all scorers with 24 in front of a sold-out Bramlage Coliseum.

Pullen scored six points during the Wildcats 10-0 run from the tip to set the tone early and K-State's defense did not allow the Braves to score their first field goal until Ian Francis hit a jumper in the paint with 16:37 left in the first half, to make the tally 10-2. K-State's defensive effort did not let up forcing Alcorn State into 27 percent shooting from the field on 9-of-33 shooting in the first half.

The big men for K-State were too much for the Braves as the Wildcats scored 22 points in the paint to Alcorn State's four. The Wildcats went into the locker room with their largest lead of the half 46-30.

Pullen and Curtis Kelly were the story early as the two combined for 29 of the Wildcats' 46 points. Pullen knocked in three 3-pointers to add to 3-of-3 inside the arch for 16 points. Kelly chipped in 13 points on 3-of-7 shooting and 7-of-11 from the charity stripe also grabbing five boards.

Rodney McGruder splashed in a 3-pointer from the wing from Martavious Irving to expand K-State's lead to 22 early in the second half. Sharing the basketball was the advantage for the Wildcats in the second half dishing off 11 assists to the Braves zero. K-State totaled 21 assists in the game compared to Alcorn State's one.

Jamar Samuels continued the Wildcat dominance in the second half as he filled the stat sheet to record his first double-double of the season with 16 points and a career-high 14 rebounds, besting his 12 boards in a victory over Texas last season. It is the junior's fifth double-double of his career, and K-State is a perfect 5-0 in those contests.

The Wildcat's lead grew to as much as 35 with 58 seconds remaining in the game from a pair of free throws from Jordan Henriquez-Roberts.

Will Spradling moved into the starting lineup for the first time this season, recording four points and four assists in his 23 minutes of play.

K-State had huge advantages in second-chance points 32-8, points in the paint 46-10 and bench points 32-8.

K-State's next action will be a road trip to Chicago, Ill., to take on Loyola Chicago on Dec. 11 at 3:00 p.m. The game will be televised on Fox Sports Kansas City.

Head Coach Frank Martin

On Jamar Samuels double-double...

"He has been playing that way in games and in practice for a little bit now. He has really zoned in. Some people are good players because they are great shooters, some people are good players because they know how to run a team. What makes Jamar a really good player is when he plays with unbelievable energy like he did tonight, and that is a big time skill. This is an energy that our team desperately needs."

On the energy level of the team...

"I think that I have been around here long enough where you guys know some of the things that are important to me. Guys are not excited about playing. They practiced their tails of yesterday, they were great in practice. Then we started the game, we were pretty good for the first three or four minutes of the game, and then we just go into lulls. You get to play 30-some games a year if you are lucky. If you cannot get excited about competing at your ultimate, best level 30-some times a year, you are going to have a hard life. I just do not understand it. We have been battling with this team from day one. We will keep battling to make us grow in that department. Right now I feel like we are in neutral. It almost cost us a game a couple of nights ago, because of that same energy level in someone else's building, and all of the sudden we just go into a funk. I do not get it."

On the Wildcat backcourt...

"I am just not happy with what we are getting from our twos so I figured it was time to try someone else. I am not very happy right now with our wing play, with the exception of Rodney McGruder."

On the lack of leadership this season...

"It is in Israel, it is in Puerto Rico, it is in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. That is where our swagger is at. That is where those three seniors (Denis Clemente, Luis Colon, Chris Merriwether) that did not take anything for granted are. That is where



Kansas State's Jacob Pullen (0) jumps to move around Alcorn State. (Photo by Ben Brake)

our swagger is at right now."

Senior Guard Jacob Pullen

On the team's play ...

"The energy was a little better tonight; a lot of the stuff was just self inflicted, self made mistakes. Missing bunnies, missing easy baskets, turning the ball over when no one is guarding us, just things that we could fix ourselves. It's just those things that are frustrating to a coaching staff; missing free throws and things we work on every day at practice."

On developing killer instinct...

"It is somewhat here. Last year we had that problem early in the year where we could not really put teams away. We would be up and we would need that one more run that would blow the game wide open. This year the team is kind of doing the same thing. Sometimes we have the lead or have that momentum to put teams out of their misery, and we just don't seem to do it. We make mental mistakes and lackadaisical errors that

cost us runs. It's still early and it's still the beginning of the season and we are trying to hit our stride."

Junior Forward Jamar Samuels

On Frank Martin's halftime speech...

"We were not playing hard. I mean you could see that. You better come and play next half. That was basically all he said."

On getting up for this game...

"It is a game on the schedule. You should be up for every game like this. Not even like this but just for every game on the schedule."

Alcorn State Quotes

Head Coach Larry Smith

Opening statement...

"I thought that we played a pretty good first half. We played against an elite team that is very deep, athletic and talented top to bottom. Their bigs are very physical, and they made it very tough for us. We hung in there with them early, but they just wore us down. They killed us on the glass and

were physical with us. Again, they have very good athletes."

On what Alcorn State takes away from this game...

"You can always build from games. We just want our kids to get better, and that is why we play against some elite teams. You cannot get better unless you play the best, and that is something that we try to instill in our players. They need to know that you cannot sit back and whine about getting beat, you have got to come out and compete and that is all I want our players to do night in and night out, and let the chips fall where they may."

On the play of Jacob Pullen...

"They have a lot of guys and he is just another one of their great athletes. He is a good player, just really solid all around. Tonight, he did what he wanted to do. K-State is a sound team from top to bottom, and when they throw so many guys at you it gets to be pretty tough."



Kansas State's Will Spradling (55) scored 4 points for the Wildcats. (Photo by Ben Brake)

K-State Handed First Loss at No. 18 Iowa

KSU Sports Information

IOWA CITY, Iowa – Kansas State grabbed a 29-25 halftime advantage at 18th-ranked Iowa on Sunday, but a second-half surge by the Hawkeyes handed the Wildcats their first loss of the 2010-11 season, 68-62, at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Kansas State (6-1) was led on Sunday by sophomore Brittany Chambers' 20 points, 16 of which came in the second half, while junior forward Jalana Childs pitched in 18 points and six rebounds and sophomore guard Taelor Karr notched 17 points. Branshea Brown also tallied 11 boards for K-State.

With the Cats clinging to a four-point lead to start the second half, a 10-5 run by Iowa (8-1) in the first four minutes of the second half gave the Hawkeyes the lead back at 35-34 with 15:31 to play in regulation. The Wildcats were able to halt the run with a jumper from Karr and two free throws from Childs to trail the Hawkeyes by one, 39-38, with 13 minutes remaining.

Consecutive baskets from Iowa's

Hannah Draxten upped the Hawkeye lead to 43-38 as the game would remain a back and forth battle the rest of the way. K-State could not get any closer than two points, but the Hawkeyes never held more than a seven-point lead. A Chambers three-pointer with 2:19 left cut the deficit to 58-56 for K-State, but Iowa scored the next five points to extend the margin back to seven with 51 seconds left.

Jaime Printy led a group of four Iowa players in double-figure scoring with 20 points.

Iowa built an eight-point first-half lead at 21-13, highlighted by a Printy three-point field goal with 5:08 to play, to force a K-State timeout. Out of the timeout, the Wildcats cut into the Hawkeyes' lead with a Karr three-point field goal, a pair of free throws from Childs and a layup from Branshea Brown for a 23-20 Iowa lead with 2:58 to play in the half.

After a strong defensive effort, a running layup from Karr brought the Wildcats back into a tie with the Hawkeyes at 23 with 2:06 to play. Another defensive stop by K-State

resulted in a fastbreak layup and an old-fashioned three-point play by Childs to cap a 9-0 run by the Wildcats and give K-State a 26-23 lead. For the 4:30 of the opening half, K-State held Iowa without a field goal as the Wildcats took a 29-25 lead at intermission.

K-State was led by Childs with 13 points in the opening stanza, while Karr added 10. The Wildcats outshot the Hawkeyes from the field in the opening half, .407 to .346. K-State also held the edge on the boards, 18-16.

Kansas State will return to Manhattan for a two-game homestand beginning on Wednesday night against North Dakota at 7 p.m. The contest between the Wildcats and Fighting Sioux will be televised live on FS Kansas City and broadcast live on the K-State Sports Network. To purchase tickets to either of the final two home non-conference games, fans can call the K-State Athletics Ticket Office at (800) 221-CATS or by visiting www.kstatesports.com.



Brought to you by....

KansasStateCars.com

With every purchase you get 100 Ahearn points.

Drive the future.



Thursday, December 9, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

Sun Devils Dunn In by No. 11 MBB, 68-54

WACO, Texas (AP) - The only thing that stopped LaceDarius Dunn from shooting 3-pointers was the bruised left forearm he got after falling hard to the court. It couldn't keep him out of the game long, even though he was in obvious pain.

Dunn scored 24 points, making all of his six 3-pointers before getting hurt with 6:43 left when Baylor already had a double-digit lead, and the Bears (No. 10 ESPN/USA Today, No. 11 AP) went on to a 68-54 victory over Arizona State on Thursday night.

While going for an offensive rebound, and being called for a foul, Dunn fell hard and was on the court writhing in pain. He went to the bench and was still rubbing his arm and grimacing when getting ready to return 2 minutes later.

"It's tender right now. It's hurting," Dunn said after the game. "I went up for the rebound and just came down wrong."

Initially, Dunn didn't ask to come back in the game, only his third this season for Baylor (6-0).

"I wasn't at first, because I couldn't feel it," he said. "After I got my arm back, I told coach I was all right. I hope it's just bruised. ... I hope it's nothing broken or fractured or anything like that."

Dunn said he will have X-rays on Friday.

Rihards Kuksiks hit consecutive 3-pointers for Arizona State (3-3) in the opening minute of the second half to tie the game at 33. Dunn responded with a 3-pointer, the first of his two in a 7-2 run that put the Bears ahead to stay.

Baylor led 59-45 when Dunn got hurt. While sitting at the scorers table waiting to return, and even when he got back on the court, he was still rubbing and shaking his arm.

"You're always concerned, but obviously Lace, especially with him just getting back to us, you don't want to see him be out for an extended period," coach Scott Drew said. "Lace is a very tough kid, and if it's not broken, he's playing."

Dunn, the leading scorer last season when Baylor made it to an NCAA regional final and had a school-record 28 wins, was suspended for the first three games of the season after violation of team rules.

In his three games since returning, Dunn has averaged 22.7 points and made 16 3-pointers. He was already Baylor's career leader for 3-pointers, and now has 315 -- with at least one in 20 consecutive games. He was 6 of 12 on 3-pointers against the Sun Devils, though he took no more long-range shots after getting hurt.

"Dunn is clearly one of the top two guards in the country," Arizona State coach Herb Sendek said. "He's a terrific player, one of the best in college basketball right now. He doesn't need a lot of time and space, and he's very accurate."

Kuksiks led Arizona State with 13 points, while Ty Abbott had 12 on four 3-pointers and Kyle Cain scored 10 points.

A.J. Walton had 13 points, four steals, three assists and five rebounds for Baylor, which matched a school record with its 11th consecutive home win. Freshman Perry Jones had 12 points.

Soon after getting back in the game, Dunn dived on the court for a loose ball -- reaching out for a steal with his left arm that was hit by a defender.

"Lace is a soldier," Walton said. "In practice, he goes down and the next minute he's right back up shooting."

The Bears have an extended break with exams coming up next week. They don't play again until Dec. 15, against Bethune-Cookman.

Baylor hadn't trailed at all in its previous three games, and Drew called a timeout after Arizona State had a 5-0 lead only 83 seconds into the game. The Bears responded with a 16-3 run, when the only ASU basket was Abbott's 3-pointer.

After Abbott's 3 put the Sun Devils up 8-7, they had four turnovers and got off one shot over the next 4½ minutes. Jones had a dunk and another inside basket, Dunn hit a 3 and Walton had a fade-away jumper for a 16-8 Baylor lead.

The Bears stretched the lead to 30-18 when J'mison Morgan gathered in the ball underneath the basket and made a reverse layup with just under 7 minutes left until half-time. They led 33-27 at halftime before the two fast 3s by Kuksiks.

"We came out, tied it up pretty quickly," Sendek said. "They went on another run and we couldn't volley back."

Kansas State Wildcats 2010-2011 Basketball SCHEDULE Mens

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time / Result
11/02/10	vs. Newman TV	Bramlage Coliseum	83 - 56
11/07/10	vs. Washburn TV	Bramlage Coliseum	90 - 44
11/12/10	vs. James Madison TV	Bramlage Coliseum	75 - 61 1-0
11/16/10	vs. Virginia Tech TV	Bramlage Coliseum	73 - 57 2-0
11/18/10	vs. Presbyterian TV	Bramlage Coliseum	76 - 67 3-0
11/22/10	vs. Gonzaga TV	Kansas City, Mo.	81 - 64 4-0
11/23/10	vs. Duke TV	Kansas City, Mo.	68 - 82 4-1
11/26/10	vs. Texas Southern TV	Bramlage Coliseum	84 - 60 5-1
11/29/10	vs. Emporia State TV	Bramlage Coliseum	85 - 61 6-1
12/03/10	at Washington State TV	Pullman, Wash.	63 - 58 7-1
12/06/10	vs. Alcorn State TV	Bramlage Coliseum	89 - 55 8-1
12/11/10	at Loyola TV	Chicago, Ill.	3:00 PM CT
12/18/10	vs. Florida TV	Sunrise, Fla.	2:30 PM CT
12/21/10	vs. UNLV TV	Kansas City, Mo.	8:00 PM CT
12/23/10	vs. UMKC TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 PM CT
12/31/10	vs. North Florida TV	Bramlage Coliseum	1:00 PM CT
01/03/11	vs. Savannah State TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 PM CT
01/08/11	at Oklahoma State TV	Stillwater, Okla.	12:00 PM CT
01/12/11	vs. Colorado TV	Bramlage Coliseum	8:00 PM CT
01/15/11	vs. Texas Tech TV	Bramlage Coliseum	12:30 PM CT
01/17/11	at Missouri TV	Columbia, Mo.	4:30 PM CT
01/22/11	at Texas A&M TV	College Station, Texas	1:00 PM CT
01/24/11	vs. Baylor TV	Bramlage Coliseum	8:00 PM CT
01/29/11	at Kansas TV	Lawrence, Kan.	6:00 PM CT
02/02/11	vs. Nebraska TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 PM CT
02/05/11	at Iowa State TV	Ames, Iowa	12:30 PM CT
02/12/11	at Colorado TV	Boulder, Colo.	8:00 PM CT
02/14/11	vs. Kansas TV	Bramlage Coliseum	8:00 PM CT
02/19/11	vs. Oklahoma TV	Bramlage Coliseum	3:00 PM CT
02/23/11	at Nebraska TV	Lincoln, Neb.	8:00 PM CT
02/26/11	vs. Missouri TV	Bramlage Coliseum	11:00 AM CT
02/28/11	at Texas TV	Austin, Texas	8:00 PM CT
03/05/11	vs. Iowa State TV	Bramlage Coliseum	12:30 PM CT
03/09/11	TBD	Kansas City, Mo.	TBA

Womens

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time / Result
11/04/10	vs. Fort Hays State	Bramlage Coliseum	91 - 25
11/08/10	vs. Washburn	Bramlage Coliseum	91 - 47
11/12/10	vs. Grambling St.	Bramlage Coliseum	67 - 44 1-0
11/13/10	vs. St. John's	Bramlage Coliseum	64 - 53 2-0
11/17/10	vs. Indiana State	Bramlage Coliseum	64 - 48 3-0
11/21/10	vs. Western Illinois	Bramlage Coliseum	63 - 53 4-0
11/27/10	at College of Charleston	Charleston, SC	56 - 46 5-0
11/30/10	vs. South Dakota St.	Bramlage Coliseum	56 - 51 6-0
12/05/10	at Iowa	Iowa City, Iowa	62 - 68 6-1
12/08/10	vs. North Dakota TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 p.m. CT
12/12/10	vs. UC Davis	Bramlage Coliseum	2:00 p.m. CT
12/20/10	at UTSA	San Antonio, Texas	6:00 p.m. CT
12/21/10	vs. Middle Tennessee State	San Antonio, Texas	5:00 p.m. CT
12/29/10	at Dartmouth	Hanover, N.H.	6:00 p.m. CT
12/30/10	at Vermont	Hanover, N.H.	4:00 p.m. CT
01/09/11	vs. Oklahoma State TV	Bramlage Coliseum	2:30 p.m. CT
01/12/11	at Oklahoma TV	Norman, Okla.	7:00 p.m. CT
01/15/11	at Texas Tech TV	Lubbock, Texas	2:00 p.m. CT
01/19/11	vs. Missouri TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 p.m. CT
01/22/11	vs. Nebraska TV	Bramlage Coliseum	1:00 p.m. CT
01/26/11	at Colorado TV	Boulder, Colo.	8:00 p.m. CT
01/29/11	vs. Kansas TV	Bramlage Coliseum	2:00 p.m. CT
02/05/11	at Missouri	Columbia, Mo.	2:00 p.m. CT
02/09/11	vs. Texas TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 p.m. CT
02/13/11	at Iowa State TV	Ames, Iowa	4:00 p.m. CT
02/16/11	vs. Colorado TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 p.m. CT
02/19/11	at Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	7:05 p.m. CT
02/23/11	at Baylor	Waco, Texas	7:00 p.m. CT
02/26/11	vs. Iowa State TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 p.m. CT
03/02/11	vs. Texas A&M TV	Bramlage Coliseum	7:00 p.m. CT
03/05/11	at Kansas TV	Lawrence, Kan.	6:30 p.m. CT
03/08/11	Big 12 Championships TV	Kansas City, Mo.	TBA

2010-11 Big 12 Conference Basketball Statistics Men's Conference

(Through December 6) (All games)

Scoring Offense				
## Team	G	W-L	Pts	Avg/G

1.Kansas.....	7	7-0	629	89.9
2.Missouri.....	7	6-1	593	84.7
3.Colorado.....	7	4-3	566	80.9
4.Iowa State.....	9	7-2	718	79.8
5.Texas Tech.....	9	5-4	715	79.4
6.Kansas State.....	9	8-1	694	77.1
7.Texas.....	8	6-2	606	75.8
8.Baylor.....	6	6-0	454	75.7
9.Texas A&M.....	8	7-1	585	73.1
10.Oklahoma State.....	8	7-1	568	71.0
11.Oklahoma.....	8	3-5	548	68.5
12.Nebraska.....	8	6-2	532	66.5

Scoring Defense			
## Team	G	Pts	Avg/G

1.Baylor.....	6	324	54.0
2.Texas A&M.....	8	442	55.2
3.Nebraska.....	8	453	56.6
4.Kansas.....	7	416	59.4
5.Iowa State.....	9	546	60.7
6.Oklahoma State.....	8	492	61.5
7.Texas.....	8	499	62.4
8.Kansas State.....	9	565	62.8
9.Oklahoma.....	8	557	69.6
10.Colorado.....	7	500	71.4
11.Missouri.....	7	506	72.3
12.Texas Tech.....	9	709	78.8

Scoring Margin				
## Team	G	OFF	DEF	Margin

1.Kansas.....	7	89.9	59.4	+30.4
2.Baylor.....	6	75.7	54.0	+21.7
3.Iowa State.....	9	79.8	60.7	+19.1
4.Texas A&M.....	8	73.1	55.2	+17.9
5.Kansas State.....	9	77.1	62.8	+14.3
6.Texas.....	8	75.8	62.4	+13.4
7.Missouri.....	7	84.7	72.3	+12.4
8.Nebraska.....	8	66.5	56.6	+9.9
9.Oklahoma State.....	8	71.0	61.5	+9.5
10.Colorado.....	7	80.9	71.4	+9.4
11.Texas Tech.....	9	79.4	78.8	+0.7
12.Oklahoma.....	8	68.5	69.6	-1.1

Free Throw Percentage				
## Team	G	FTM	FTA	Pct

1.Colorado.....	7	133	176	.756
2.Texas A&M.....	8	133	183	.727
3.Texas Tech.....	9	153	212	.722
4.Oklahoma.....	8	99	138	.717
5.Missouri.....	7	114	161	.708
6.Nebraska.....	8	102	146	.699
7.Iowa State.....	9	116	169	.686
8.Oklahoma State.....	8	125	185	.676
9.Baylor.....	6	89	134	.664
10.Texas.....	8	144	220	.655
11.Kansas.....	7	111	172	.645
12.Kansas State.....	9	118	221	.534

Field Goal Percentage				
##	Team	G	FG	FGA Pct

1.Kansas.....	7	235	413	.569
2.Baylor.....	6	165	334	.494
3.Nebraska.....	8	194	405	.479
4.Iowa State.....	9	262	548	.478
5.Colorado.....	7	196	412	.476
6.Missouri.....	7	214	450	.476
7.Texas Tech.....	9	257	553	.465
8.Oklahoma.....	8	197	427	.461
9.Kansas State.....	9	255	561	.455
10.Texas A&M.....	8	199	443	.449
11.Oklahoma State.....	8	207	461	.449
12.Texas.....	8	211	470	.449

FG Percentage Defense				
## Team	G	FG	FGA	Pct

1.Texas.....	8	175	497	.352
2.Baylor.....	6	121	335	.361
3.Iowa State.....	9	190	522	.364
4.Texas A&M.....	8	151	407	.371
5.Kansas.....	7	157	418	.376
6.Oklahoma State.....	8	162	431	.376
7.Nebraska.....	8	156	414	.377
8.Kansas State.....	9	195	494	.395
9.Colorado.....	7	167	385	.434
10.Missouri.....	7	175	387	.452
11.Oklahoma.....	8	196	433	.453
12.Texas Tech.....	9	259	549	.472

3-Point FG Percentage				
##	Team	G	FG	FGA Pct

1.Iowa State.....	9	78	191	.408
2.Kansas.....	7	48	119	.403
3.Missouri.....	7	51	136	.375
4.Baylor.....	6	35	94	.372
5.Colorado.....	7	41	113	.363
6.Texas A&M.....	8	54	149	.362
7.Kansas State.....	9	66	188	.351
8.Oklahoma.....	8	55	157	.350
9.Texas Tech.....	9	48	144	.333
10.Nebraska.....	8	42	132	.318
11.Texas.....	8	40	126	.317
12.Oklahoma State.....	8	29	106	.274

3-Pt FG Pct Defense				
## Team	G	FG	FGA	Pct

1.Kansas.....	7	32	137	.234
2.Texas A&M.....	8	35	126	.278
3.Texas.....	8	36	124	.290
4.Iowa State.....	9	56	191	.293
5.Baylor.....	6	37	123	.301
6.Nebraska.....	8	58	187	.310
7.Oklahoma State.....	8	48	144	.333
8.Kansas State.....	9	42	125	.336
9.Texas Tech.....	9	51	136	.375
10.Missouri.....	7	51	131	.389
11.Oklahoma.....	8	56	142	.394
12.Colorado.....	7	51	125	.408

Rebounding			
##	Team	G	Reb Avg/G

1.Kansas State.....	9	386	42.9
2.Baylor.....	6	253	42.2
3.Texas.....	8	337	42.1
4.Oklahoma State.....	8	332	41.5
5.Texas A&M.....	8	326	40.8
6.Iowa State.....	9	345	38.3
7.Kansas.....	7	268	38.3
8.Missouri.....	7	254	36.3
9.Nebraska.....	8	282	35.2
10.Colorado.....	7	244	34.9
11.Oklahoma.....	8	273	34.1
12.Texas Tech.....	9	301	33.4

Rebounding Defense			
## Team	G	Reb	Avg/G

1.Texas A&M.....	8	220	27.5
2.Baylor.....	6	178	29.7
3.Nebraska.....	8	240	30.0
4.Oklahoma.....	8	244	30.5
5.Oklahoma State.....	8	255	31.9
6.Kansas State.....	9	293	32.6
7.Kansas.....	7	229	32.7
8.Colorado.....	7	233	33.3
9.Missouri.....	7	240	34.3
10.Iowa State.....	9	309	34.3
11.Texas.....	8	295	36.9
12.Texas Tech.....	9	345	38.3

Rebounding Margin

Through games of Dec 06, 2010 (All games)

SCORING OFFENSE				
## Team	G	W-L	Pts	Avg/G

1.Baylor.....	10	9-1	879	87.9
2.Oklahoma.....	8	7-1	700	87.5
3.Texas.....	6	4-2	513	85.5
4.Kansas.....	8	8-0	682	85.2
5.Nebraska.....	7	6-1	551	78.7
6.Texas A&M.....	7	6-1	534	76.3
7.Oklahoma State.....	8	8-0	598	74.8
8.Texas Tech.....	9	8-1	636	70.7
9.Colorado.....	8	6-2	540	67.5
10.Iowa State.....	7	6-1	434	62.0
11.Kansas State.....	7	6-1	432	61.7
12.Missouri.....	7	3-4	408	58.3

Thursday, December 9, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

Dick Edwards Kansas State - Fan Hunt



"I must get out of the way"



Woot, Woot, Woot!!



Reading the paper with Willie



It sure is a big deal!



It's invasion of the big heads!

(Photos by Ben Brake, Tonya Ricklefs and Jon Brake)

**Check Out
Dick Edwards Ford!!**

776.4004

1.800.257.4004

7920 E. Hwy. 24

2 Miles East of

Manhattan Town Center

www.dickedwards.net





Free Press Sports

Thursday, December 9, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

Bufs' Late Rally Against Illini Comes Up Short

Bufs Sports Information

BOULDER - Linda Lappe wanted to see how her Colorado women's basketball team measured up against an opponent from another power conference in Saturday night's Big Ten/Big 12 Challenge.

In the effort and tenacity categories, Lappe liked what she saw - but on the scoreboard, not so much.

Her Buffaloes gamely rallied from an 11-point second-half deficit to take a two-point lead, but the Illini outscored them 8-2 in the final 3:11 and left the Coors Events Center with a 63-59 victory.

"I liked our fight, our determination; we showed a lot in that stretch (coming back)," Lappe said. "We just have to continue to have confidence . . . we'll be ready to bounce back."

Lappe's returning players contended that coming back from a double-digit deficit last season might not have happened.

"We're fighters this year; we don't give up this year - ever," said junior forward Julie Seabrook, who scored a career-best 15 points and had seven rebounds.

Added sophomore point guard Chucky Jeffery: "We're just way closer this season and know how to push each other . . . and nobody goes their separate ways. We didn't have as much fight in us (last season)."

Although the Illini brought a losing record (3-5) to Boulder, they dealt the Bufs their first home loss of the season. CU (6-2) had three players in double figures, led by Jeffery's 17. Senior Brittany Spears added 15.

The Bufs' already depleted roster shrunk to seven when freshman guard Ashley Wilson suffered a concussion late in Wednesday night's game against Texas State.

To add depth, Lappe looked to CU's volleyball team and found Nikki Lindow, a 6-foot-2 freshman from Centaurus High School. Lindow averaged 17.5 points a game for Centaurus, and when Lappe coached at Metro State, she thought enough of Lindow's ability to recruit her for hoops.

Lindow practiced once with the Bufs this week but did not leave the bench Saturday night. Lappe hopes Wilson can return for the next game, but she must be "symp-tom free" on Sunday.

The Bufs play again Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the first game of a women's/men's doubleheader against Colorado State at the Events Center. The men's contest is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.

After falling behind 6-1 in the first 3 minutes Saturday night, the Bufs rallied and took their largest lead (15-8) on a 7-0 run with baskets by Seabrook, a three-pointer by Meagan Malcolm-Peck and a pair of free throws by Jeffery.

CU held the lead until Lana Rukavina's layup tied the score at 21-21 with 5:50 left in the half. Thereafter, there were three lead changes, with the Bufs going up by as many as four points (28-24) until Lydia McCully's from the right corner cut the Illini's deficit to one.

McCully followed that with another three-pointer and Adrienne GodBold's follow at the buzzer pushed Illinois in front, 32-28.

The Illini's size and aggressiveness gave the Bufs problems early, with the visitors outscoring CU 20-8 in the paint in the first half and 32-24 for the game. The Bufs' lack of depth also took a toll; Illinois' bench outscored CU's 18-5. The Bufs were outrebounded 19-12 in the first half, but came back to hold a 34-33 board advantage at game's end.

McCully opened the second-half

scoring with a layup, giving the Illini a six-point lead. They increased went ahead by seven (38-31) on a steal and layup by GodBold before Malcolm-Peck's trey pulled the Bufs to 38-34.

But Rukavina answered with a three-pointer and restored the seven-point Illini advantage. Less than 3 minutes later, it went to 10 (46-36) on a three-point play by Eboni Mitchell, then 11 (55-46).

The Bufs didn't go belly up. An 11-0 run tied the score at 55-55 with 4 minutes remaining, with Spears' basket completing a fast break and knotting the score.

Half a minute later, Seabrook's two free throws gave CU its first lead (57-55) since late in the first half (28-27). Rukavina matched Seabrook's free shots to tie the score, then Penn hit one of two with 1:48 remaining to put the Illini up 58-57, then banked in a running hook for a 60-57 advantage with 50 seconds left.

When Penn hit another pair from the foul line with 16.4 seconds left, Illinois went ahead 62-57. But Seabrook answered with two free throws with 6.8 seconds to play, pulling the Bufs to 62-59. A free throw by McCully on the next possession gave Illinois its four-point win.

Penn, a 6-2 sophomore, finished with 17 points and a game-high eight rebounds.

CU will look back on a late pair of misspent possessions, one coming when the ball was inbounded with a second remaining on the shot clock and Jeffery apparently unaware.

"I have to be more aware of the shot clock . . . I was too focused on what we were doing; it was a bad misunderstanding on my part," she said.

"Close games come down to a lot of little things," Lappe said.

Big 12 Basketball Standings

Men's Standings

	Big 12	Pct	Overall	Pct
Kansas	0-0	.000	8-0	1.000
Baylor	0-0	.000	6-0	1.000
Kansas State	0-0	.000	8-1	.889
Oklahoma State	0-0	.000	7-1	.875
Texas A&M	0-0	.000	7-1	.875
Missouri	0-0	.000	6-1	.857
Iowa State	0-0	.000	7-2	.778
Nebraska	0-0	.000	6-2	.750
Texas	0-0	.000	6-2	.750
Colorado	0-0	.000	4-3	.571
Texas Tech	0-0	.000	5-4	.556
Oklahoma	0-0	.000	3-5	.375

As of December 7, 08:09 PM CT

Women's Standings

	Big 12	Pct	Overall	Pct
Kansas	0-0	.000	8-0	1.000
Oklahoma State	0-0	.000	8-0	1.000
Baylor	0-0	.000	9-1	.900
Texas Tech	0-0	.000	9-1	.900
Oklahoma	0-0	.000	7-1	.875
Iowa State	0-0	.000	6-1	.857
Kansas State	0-0	.000	6-1	.857
Nebraska	0-0	.000	6-1	.857
Texas A&M	0-0	.000	6-1	.857
Colorado	0-0	.000	6-2	.750
Texas	0-0	.000	4-2	.667
Missouri	0-0	.000	4-4	.500

As of December 7, 11:04 PM CT

SLEEP APNEA?

"For your home medical needs, think positive!"

Positive Air LLC



- CPAP/Bilevel Supplies
- Oxygen
- Nebulizers
- Wheelchairs
- Walkers
- Rollators

Mike Barnhart
Respiratory Therapist
Board Certified & State Licensed
1312 Westloop Place, Manhattan
Local 785-320-7622
Toll-free 866-766-8751
Hours: M-F 8:30-6:00
www.positiveairllc.com

- Lift chairs
- Electric scooters
- Hospital beds
- Commodes
- Crutches
- Blood pressure monitors

Huskers Come Back to Defeat Creighton, 59-54

Huskers Sports Information

Lincoln - In another tight battle between the state's two Division I programs, Nebraska overcame a 11-point first-half deficit with a hot-shooting second half to defeat Creighton, 59-54, at the Devaney Center on Sunday afternoon.

Junior Brandon Richardson led the Huskers with a season-high 18 points, while junior Caleb Walker grabbed a season-high 10 rebounds, including a critical offensive board with 35 seconds remaining with the Huskers holding on to a one-point lead. Walker's rebound eventually led to a pair of free throws by senior Lance Jeter to put NU up 57-54.

Creighton (4-4) was unable to connect the tying 3-pointer in the final seconds, as both Kenny Lawson Jr., and Antoine Young missed contested shots from long range. Jeter pulled down the rebound and found a wide open Drake Beranek for a layup at the buzzer.

Trailing 29-21 at halftime, the

Huskers exploded out of the locker room to hit 6-of-8 3-pointers in the first seven minutes to take a 43-37 lead. The 22-8 run included three consecutive treys on NU's first three possessions of the second half from Richardson, Jeter and Walker. Richardson scored 10 of his game-high 18 points in the first 10 minutes of the second half alone, as his driving lay-up with 10:06 remaining gave NU a 47-41 lead.

Richardson shot 6-of-12 from the floor, including a career-best 4-of-10 from long range in addition to three rebounds to help the Huskers improve to 6-2 with their fourth straight win. Jeter turned in an all-around strong performance with 12 points, six assists, six rebounds and zero turnovers. His jumper with 4:30 left gave Nebraska a 53-46 advantage, its biggest of the game. Creighton responded with a quick 5-0 run over the next 1:07 but could not regain the lead, as the Huskers held firm in the final minutes.

Coming out of a timeout with 1:37 remaining, Jeter found sophomore

Jorge Brian Diaz just outside the right block for an open hook shot to give NU a 55-51 lead, before Kenny Lawson converted an old-fashioned 3-point play on the other end to bring the Jays within 55-54 with 1:06 left. Richardson then misfired on a 3-pointer from the left wing with 35 seconds remaining, but Walker was fouled on the rebound to keep NU's possession. Jeter was eventually fouled with 26 seconds left and calmly knocked down a pair of clutch free-throws to put the Huskers ahead 57-54.

Although Nebraska hit 6-of-13 3-pointers in the second half, it made just 3-of-18 in the first half in a defensive battle in the first 20 minutes. Both teams struggled to find an offensive rhythm in the opening frame, with the Huskers shoot just 24 percent (7-of-29), while the Bluejays hit 38 percent (12-of-32). After trailing 11-8, Creighton ended the half on a 21-10 run over the last 8 1/2 minutes, capped by Lawson dunk 0with 21 seconds remaining.

\$39⁹⁵

The Works

Motorcraft oil and filter change, rotate and inspect four tires, inspect brake system, test battery, check air and cabin filters, check belts and hoses. Top off all fluids.

Offer valid with coupon. Taxes extra. Expires 60 day from 12-02.10.

Dick Edwards Ford Lincoln Mercury
7929 E. Highway 24, Manhattan, 785-776-4004



Jamie Yungeberg, RPH

Ph. #: 785-363-7444
Fax #: 785-363-7555

**17 Public Sq.
Blue Rapids, KS 66411**

Email:
YungebergDrug@SBCGlobal.net

Your hometown bank, wherever home may be.

Whether you find yourself in
"The Little Apple" or "The Big Apple,"
online banking and reimbursed ATM fees*
make it easy doing business with
the hometown bank you trust.



www.kansasstatebank.com

* ATM fees are reimbursed up to \$25.00 per month with a Rewards account. Some restrictions apply.



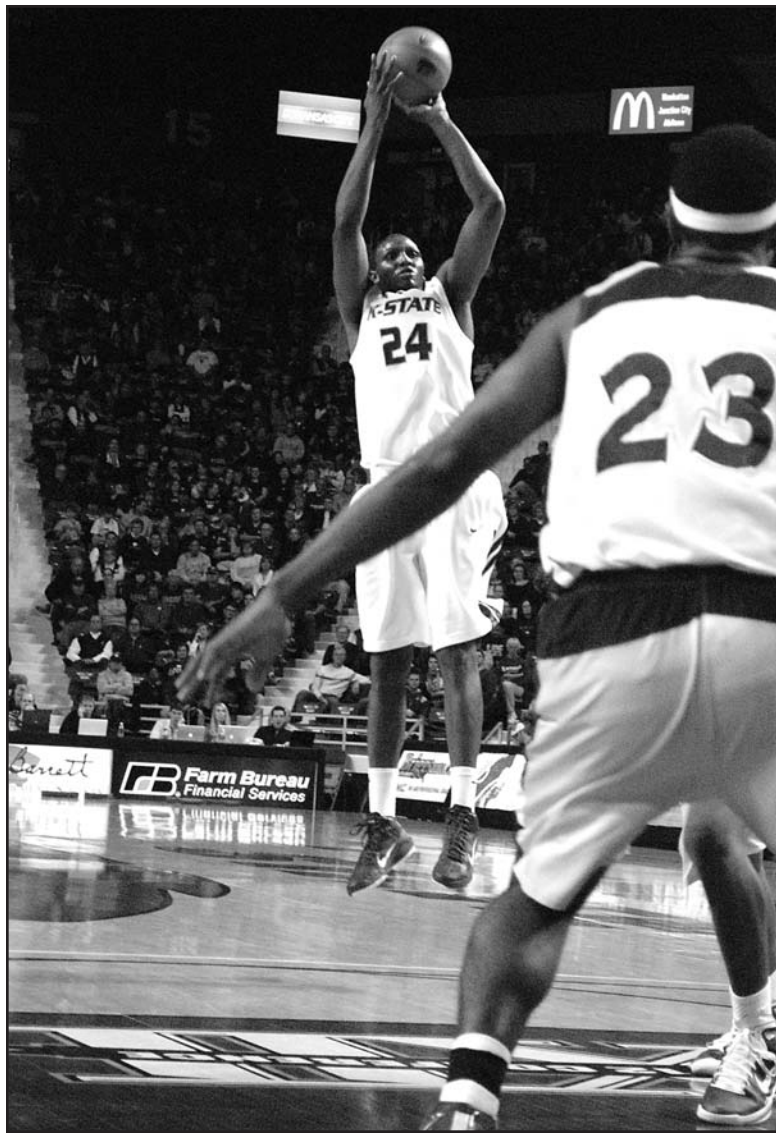
785.587.4000

Manhattan • Junction City • Wichita

Thursday, December 9, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

K- State Men's Basketball On 4 Game Winning Streak



K-State's Curtis Kelly (24) shoots to score 13 points for K-State. (Photo by Ben Brake)

Wildcats Hold Off Washington State, 63-58

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) - The delirious crowd inside Beasley Coliseum had gone from derisive chants about Saturday's Apple Cup football game against Washington, to an ear-piercing din as Washington State took the lead in the closing minutes.

Exactly the kind of situation Kansas State coach Frank Martin wanted his No. 5 Wildcats to face, especially with preseason all-American Jacob Pullen a non-factor offensively.

"It's definitely important. It shows that we have other ways to score, that

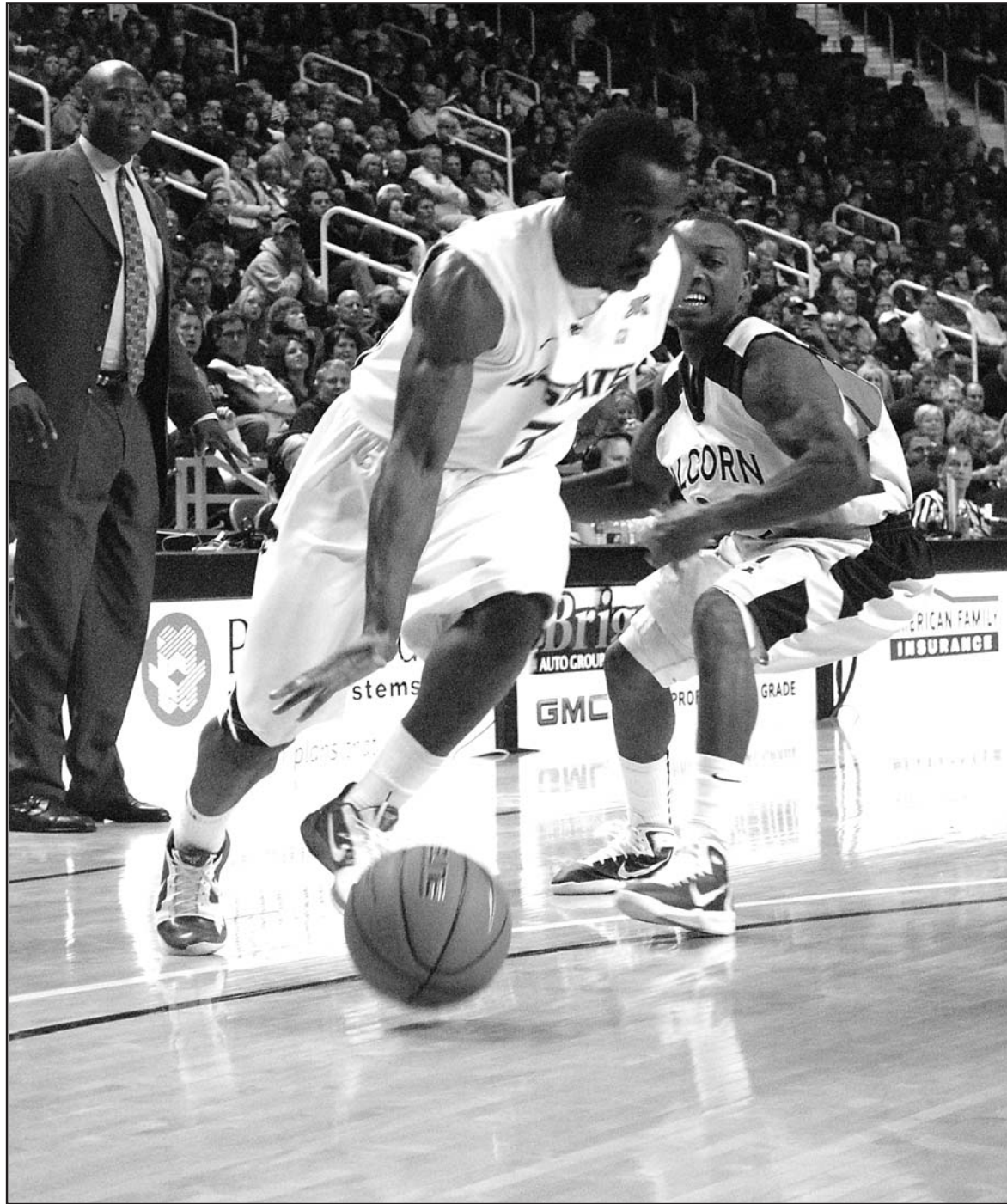
we are deeper," Curtis Kelly said.

Rodney McGruder scored 15 points, hitting two key 3-pointers midway through second half, Kelly also had 15 points and the Wildcats made up for an off night from their star in a 63-58 victory over Washington State on Friday night in the Big 12/Pac-10 Hardwood Series.

Pullen wasn't completely absent from having a hand in this victory. He hit two free throws with 9.1 seconds left that finally sealed a challenging road victory for the Wildcats, their first road win over a Pac-10 team since



K-State's Victor Ojeleye (10) maneuvers to get in front of Alcorn State. (Photo by Ben Brake)



K-State's Martavious Irving (3) moves to avoid Alcorn State. (Photo by Ben Brake)

1980.

It was one of the few enjoyable moments for Pullen, who rarely got open looks and when he did, his shot was off. Pullen was just 2 of 11 from the field and finished with eight points, just the second time in 44 games dating to his sophomore season Pullen has failed to score in double figures.

Less than two weeks ago, Pullen suffered through the second-worst shooting game of his career missing 11 of 12 shots in Kansas State's loss to No. 1 Duke. Friday night wasn't much better, but the Wildcats (7-1) managed to survive.

Barely. "I kind of struggled," said Pullen, who made just one 3-pointer and glared at the WSU student section after hitting the 3 with 5:45 left. "It made the game more valuable because other guys had to step up and make plays."

After playing Gonzaga and the Blue Devils in Kansas City, Mo., the trip to Pullman for a rare Friday night contest was the Wildcats' biggest test until facing Florida and UNLV in back-to-back games later this month.

Despite the high ranking, Martin really wanted to see how his team would respond when pressed and when the crowd wasn't mostly purple.

"Our young guys got to understand how to play in environments like that. Some of them have never played in an environment like that," Pullen said. "They need to understand this is a typical Big 12 road game."

Klay Thompson led Washington State (5-1) with 16 points, and Reggie Moore, in his first action of the season, added 10 points, as the Cougars tried to prove their 5-0 start to the season wasn't a fluke despite the weak competition.

"We competed as hard as we can compete," Washington State coach Ken Bone said.

And for a brief moment, it looked like Bone's team might pull the upset.

After trailing by 10 early in the second half, Washington State took a 54-53 lead when Moore found DeAngelo Casto alone underneath with 2:35 left. It was Washington State's first lead since 10-7 in the opening moments, erasing the bad memory of going the final 12:46 of the first half with just one field goal and erupting the nearly full arena.

Jamar Samuels split a pair of free throws to pull even at 54 and after a WSU turnover, Pullen found Kelly



Kansas State's Rodney McGruder (22) tries to block Alcorn State. (Photo by Ben Brake)

open underneath for a 56-54 lead.

Thompson and Moore missed 3s at the other end for the Cougars, and while Pullen missed a 17-footer with a minute left, he grabbed the long offensive rebound to give the Wildcats another possession to burn time.

The Wildcats worked around the perimeter and found Samuels on the block. He turned into the lane, passed

long enough to get Casto's timing for the block attempt off and scored from 6 feet with 32 seconds.

Casto scored quickly for WSU, but freshman Will Spradling was fouled in the backcourt with 16 seconds left and, with Martin clapping confidently on the bench, the freshman hit both free throws. Thompson scored on a dunk, before Pullen's two clinchers.

(Photos by Ben Brake and Tonya Ricklefs)

We're part of the community-just like you. Our goal is to help you with your financial needs of every size and give you the support you need to reach your financial goals-high yields, low rates and people that genuinely care about YOU.

1455 Anderson Ave. | www.ksucreditunion.com | 2600 Anderson Ave. | 785.776.3003

Federally insured by the NCUA





Buffs Blast Beavers In Big 12/Pac-10 Finale

Buffs Sports Information

BOULDER - When they play next season, it will be a conference game. Saturday night, it was a glimpse into the future for the Colorado Buffaloes - and for CU Coach Tad Boyle it was a welcome sight.

In their final game of the Big 12/Pac-10 Hardwood Series, CU ripped Oregon State 83-57 at the Coors Events Center, providing a good vibe for Boyle's bunch as it contemplates membership next winter in the Pac-12 Conference.

Staying unbeaten (4-0, 4-3 overall) at the Events Center, the Buffs strung together their most complete 40 minutes of the season against a name opponent. The Beavers (3-4) had won two of their past three games, and Boyle was anxious to see how his team responded against another BCS school.

"I wish I would have know we were going to play this well before the game, I could have saved myself a lot of angst," he said. "I think our guys are starting to buy in. I'm seeing it. In timeouts I'm seeing it . . . they're recognizing (mistakes). We're not there yet, it's one game; but I sense guys are buying into if we stop people we have a better chance."

Boyle had plenty of reasons to be pleased. CU had four players in double figures, topped by Knutson's career-high 22 points

and followed by Alec Burks (15), Austin Dufault (12) and Marcus Relphorde (12).

"When we're balanced, when we're playing together," said Boyle, "we're pretty hard to guard."

For a second consecutive game, Knutson came out in "can't miss" mode. Against Texas-Pan American on Tuesday night, he came off the bench to score 18 points on 7-of-10 shooting from the field.

On Saturday night, playing as a starter, he hit eight of his 10 field goal attempts, including six-of-eight from beyond the three-point arc. Knutson attributed his recent accuracy to "a lot of things - but experience definitely helps. But I had a great off-season, working in the weight room and with coaches."

He called Saturday night's game "a good test for us, playing against a team from a big conference. We were looking to see where we were. We'd lost some games we thought we should have won . . . we just came out ready to go."

The Buffs' No. 2 scorer, Cory Higgins, initially appeared slowed by an early leg injury - it was later diagnosed as a deep thigh bruise - and contributed only five points in 15 first-half minutes. Opening at point guard, he finished with nine points, four rebounds and six assists.

The Buffs received another strong performance off the bench from freshman Andre Roberson, who scored nine points and snared six rebounds - sharing the team high with Relphorde, who also had a game-high eight assists.

Boyle called that total "the most important number on the stat sheet" because he's been preaching the value of sharing the ball to his team - particularly its prime-time trio of Burks, Higgins and Relphorde.

Knutson is threatening to make it a foursome, and Boyle said the threesome recognizes it: "I know what (Knutson is) about, but what I'm most proud about is we have guys, playmakers like Cory, Alec and Marcus, who now are looking for him. They know he can take some of the pressure off of them."

Less than 4 minutes into the first half, Higgins limped across half court and an injury timeout was called. He initially went to the bench and was examined there by CU trainers. With 15:45 left before intermission, he went to the locker room. But with about 12 minutes remaining in the half, Higgins returned.

CU's backcourt already had coped with a recent loss. Starting point guard Nate Tomlinson suffered a neck injury less than a minute into Tuesday's game against Texas-Pan American and missed the rest of the game.

Although he didn't start Saturday night, Tomlinson returned to the lineup, entering the game with just over 7 minutes left in the half. With Higgins temporarily out and Tomlinson in, the Buffs outscored the Beavers 9-0 over the next 2:12 and went up 18-9.

"It was just kind of an unconscious thing," Dufault said of the run in Higgins' absence. "We had been moving the ball well and just had everybody involved."

Higgins' first field goal was a three-pointer that gave CU its biggest first-half lead - 25-14. But the Buffs, solving the Beavers' 1-3-1 zone, were just getting started; over the final 4:32 of the half, they outscored the Beavers 15-4 and took a 37-18 lead to the locker room after what was arguably their best half of the season.

CU owned the boards in the first 20 minutes, outrebounding OSU 22-12 and finishing the night with a 33-30 board advantage. The Buffs limited the Beavers to 30.4

percent shooting from the field (7-of-23) in the first half and 38.9 percent (21-of-54) for the game. CU shot 58.6 percent (34-of-58) and had 20 assists on 34 field goals.

Opening the second half with an 11-6 spurt, the Buffs quickly built a 24-point lead (48-24) and weren't threatened for the final 15 minutes. OSU, which had defeated CU 74-69 last season in Corvallis, Ore., never cut the deficit under 20 thereafter.

"As a coach," Boyle said, "I might have expected too much too early . . . we're not there yet, but we're getting there."

Burks agreed: "I feel like we're getting more adjusted . . . I feel like we're coming along."

The Buffs play again Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the second game of a women's/men's doubleheader against Colorado State at the Events Center. The women's contest is scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m.

Huskers Fall at Indiana

Huskers Sports Information

Bloomington, Ind. - Senior center Jessica Periago scored a career-high 15 points on five three-pointers, but it was not enough as No. 24 Nebraska had its 37-game regular-season winning streak snapped with a 67-61 loss at Indiana on Sunday afternoon.

With the loss, Nebraska slipped to 6-1 on the year, while Indiana improved to 5-3.

Periago's career-high fifth three-pointer came on her fifth attempt to give Nebraska a 61-60 lead with 2:30 left, but the Huskers were shut out the rest of the way as Indiana made the plays late to close out the win.

Senior guard Dominique Kelley led the Huskers with team highs of 21 points and six rebounds, while Periago matched Kelley for the team-lead with six boards. Kelley also dished out a team-high six assists and grabbed a team-high three steals.

Freshman Jordan Hooper pitched in 13 points, but hit just 5-of-15 field goal attempts in the game. Catheryn Redmon managed six points and five blocks, but grabbed just two boards for NU.

Rebounding was big for the Hoosiers, who controlled the boards with a 40-32 advantage, including a 17-10 edge on the offensive glass. However, NU matched IU in second-chance points with eight apiece.

In addition to the plus-eight rebounding margin, Indiana produced a plus-two turnover margin (17-15),

helping the Hoosiers attempt nine more field goal attempts in the game than Nebraska.

For the game, Indiana hit 27-of-62 shots (43.5 percent) from the field, and 6-of-21 three-pointers. Jori Davis led IU with 21 points, while Hope Elam contributed 14 points, including 4-of-8 three-point shooting. Danilsa Andujar also had a career game for the Hoosiers with 10 points and 12 rebounds, while point guard Whitney Lindsay contributed 10 points, five rebounds and a game-high eight assists.

Nebraska managed 41.5 percent (22-53) shooting, including a solid 9-for-19 from long range against Indiana's extended zone defense.

Nebraska trailed at the half for the first time this season, heading to the locker room with a 28-26 deficit. The Huskers trailed by as many as eight points in the first half at 21-13, before Periago buried three consecutive three-pointers during a five-minute stretch to pull NU to 23-19.

After a pair of free throws by Kelley trimmed the IU lead to two at 23-21 with 7:23 left, Davis and Elam hit back-to-back buckets for the Hoosiers to extend the margin back to 28-21 with 5:03 left.

After going six minutes without scoring, Hooper ended the NU drought with a free throw with 1:24 left. Kelley then sparked the Huskers at both ends and hit two free throws to cut the margin at 28-24 with 1:00 left in the half, before Redmon hit a layup with three seconds left to make it 28-26 IU.

Kansas Remains Undefeated with 73-65 Road Victory Over SMU

KU Sports Information

DALLAS - For the second time in as many road games, the Jayhawks found themselves in a close battle. But once again it was the Jayhawks who came out on top, as Kansas women's basketball put away SMU in the final minutes of Saturday's contest at Dallas' Moody Coliseum, edging the Mustangs 73-65.

KU overcame a troubling first-half shooting performance and held off a surging squad in the second half to move to 8-0 for the first time since the 2005-06 season. SMU fell to 4-3.

Texas natives Monica Engelman and Keena Mays put in stellar performances in front of a hometown crowd of 720. Engelman led the 'Hawks nearly across the board with 17 points, eight rebounds and four assists. Mays, a freshman out of nearby Arlington, put in 10 points and also tallied two helpers and two steals.

Aishah Sutherland posted 12 points while grabbing seven boards and blocking a season-high three shots.

SMU's Delish Willis led all

scorers with 22 points. Haley Day turned in 15 and tied Engelman's eight rebounds for the game-high.

While the Jayhawks struck first, the Mustangs then put together an 10-0 run over the first six minutes of play to take a 10-2 lead. But that lead would prove to be largest in the game as the two teams then engaged in a fierce battle through the remainder of the contest.

After starting off one-for-10 from the field, KU rallied to come back and tie the game at 17-17 with six minutes left in the half. The Jayhawks capitalized on their momentum to pull ahead, but the lead remained slim and ever-changing, and KU went into the locker room trailing by just one at 32-21.

The opening run in the second half, went to the Jayhawks. A free throw by Mays and back-to-back shots by Davis and Moore helped KU to an early 36-32 lead. After a free throw by SMU, the Jayhawk defense quickly took back over, forcing costly turnovers and poor shots. SMU went scoreless from the field until 13:27.

However, after the Mustangs

broke their scoreless streak it wasn't long before they caught up for the tie. While KU managed to break nearly every tied for a stretch, SMU's balanced group of shooters was able to match nearly all of KU's shots, staying on the heels of the 'Hawks. The defense was once again able to contain the Mustangs from the field for another stretch, but could only manage a short-lived 61-53 lead.

The gap was narrowed to just three points with only two minutes left to play. An Engelman fastbreak layup put the Jayhawks up by five at 67-62 with only a minute to go. Day then went 1-for-2 at the line, but with 28 seconds on the clock, Sutherland knocked in a jumper from the key to push KU's lead to 63-69.

Harper then made three free throws in the final minute to push the game out of reach of the Mustangs and keep the Jayhawks' perfect record intact.

Kansas will continue their road stretch Thursday, when the Jayhawks travel to Ann Arbor, Mich., to take on Michigan. Tipoff is slated for 6 p.m.

WBB Reaches Century Mark in Rout, 103-56

Baylor Sports Information

WACO, Texas - Second-ranked Baylor now has an extended break for exams before its next big test on the court.

Heading into the time off, the Lady Bears are feeling pretty good.

Brittney Griner had 22 points and six rebounds to lead Baylor to a 103-56 victory over Minnesota on Sunday.

The Lady Bears (9-1) improved to 9-0 at home this season, including six consecutive victories since their one-point loss at top-ranked Connecticut. They will host ninth-ranked Tennessee in their next game on Dec. 14.

"I'll say this, I thought we were ready to play today. I just liked the mindset of our team the last two days of practice," coach Kim Mulkey said. "They were enjoyable to coach in practice. ... Let's see if they can focus on their finals, but also come for a couple hours every day and give me what they gave me these last three days."

Baylor and Minnesota (5-4) met for the first time since playing in the NCAA tournament in 2005. The Lady Bears also won that game on way to their national championship.

On the way to another NCAA Final Four last season, the Lady Bears defeated Tennessee in the round of 16. The Lady Vols had defeated Baylor in the 2009-10 season opener, Griner's collegiate debut.

Against the Golden Gophers, Griner also had four assists and blocked three shots.

"They're an extremely tough

team to defend when you've got the best center to ever play college basketball here," Minnesota coach Pam Borton said. "We don't have a post player that can attack inside the lane."

Kimetria Hayden added 17 points for Baylor. Freshman Odyssey Sims had 13 in her first career start and Ashley Field scored 12.

Leah Cotton led Minnesota with 20 points. China Antoine had 14 and Kiara Buford finished with 12.

"We've got some shooters, but for our post players to have the ability to put the ball down from the elbow (against Griner) or even from the free-throw line, we don't have those types of kids yet, or their skills aren't developed into that sense," Borton said.

The Lady Bears have won 42 consecutive non-conference home games heading into the matchup with the Lady Volunteers.

Hayden made two 3-pointers and a layup as Baylor opened a 14-7 lead. The Lady Bears then went on an 11-0 run during which Griner had six points and an assist on Brooklyn Pope's 3-pointer.

"I thought we passed the ball that extra pass today," Griner said. "There was a lot of ball reversal. I thought we were looking for each other."

Baylor made 11 3-pointers. Hayden and Sims had three 3s apiece.

"Yeah, when (Hayden) and Odyssey and them hit 3s like that, it really helps me out, because it makes them go out and guard them," Griner said. "And it gives

me a little more room to move around and post up."

The Gophers were outscored 34-12 in the paint. Minnesota scored inside only twice in the first half, once on a short jumper by Buford when Griner was taking a breather on the bench.

Baylor had only five turnovers while converting 19 miscues by Minnesota into 35 points.

Griner almost had her first dunk of the season when she went up with 9 1/2 minutes left in the game. But the ball came out of her hand and bounced into the net, making it 81-35. She had four dunks last season as a freshman.

Baylor Head Coach Kim Mulkey

On starting Odyssey Sims and Nae-Nae Hayden together:

"I thought it was good. We only had one turnover at the half and ended the game with five. With Odyssey, you knew it was going to happen the minutes and the starting, but you had to be careful with the knee. I did not want to come out here early in the year, a freshman, got to learn the system, got to get comfortable out there and just felt like it was time. With the five games prior to conference starting, we need to get the right people working together on the floor. It allows Nae-Nae to go back to her natural position at the two and I can't tell you enough about Nae-Nae Hayden stepping up when Kelli Griffin quit and took over her position. Thank goodness she had played some last year because she did very well there."



FOR TICKETS OR MORE INFORMATION
(785) 456-2029
WWW.COLUMBIANTHEATRE.COM

HIGGINS STONE *presents* THE COLUMBIAN THEATRE'S

A Christmas Carol

by Charles Dickens
Adaptation by John Jakes
Directed by Ariane Chapman

BOOK YOUR CHRISTMAS PARTY TODAY
for Dinner & Show at The Columbian Theatre.

TICKETS

- Adult: Show & Buffet \$37.50, Show Only \$20
- Child: Show & Buffet \$21, Show Only \$10

Group rates available for 15 or more. Dinner catered by Ramblers Catering.

SHOW TIMES

- Thursday: Show at 7:30 p.m.
- Friday & Saturday: Dinner at 6 p.m., Show at 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday: Dinner at 12:30 p.m., Show at 2 p.m.

Dec. 3-5 • Dec. 9-12 • Dec. 16-19



Christmas Weaver

AT THE

DECEMBER 4, 2010

First seating....5:00pm
Musical Interlude at the Opera House 6:30pm
Second Seating....7:30pm
\$45.95
Tax included

Arrive and be embraced by the warmth and welcoming atmosphere as you gather for an elegant holiday dinner with your family, friends, or co-workers

WEAVER HOTEL

Limited seating by reservation only

A step back into History



Weaver Hotel
126 S. Kansas St.
P.O. Box 341
Waterville, KS 66548
785-363-2515

weaverhotel@yahoo.com



Thursday, December 9, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

K-State Holds Bowl Announcement Press Conference

KSU Sports Information

Athletics Director John Currie
Opening statement...

"Today we are excited to announce that we have accepted the invitation of the New York Yankees to be the Big 12 representative in the inaugural New Era Pinstripe Bowl on December 30. I want to thank the Steinbrenner family, team president Randy Levine, Mark Holtzman and the entire New York Yankees organization for this very special opportunity. I also want to thank our commissioner Dan Beebe, who had the foresight to recognize a year or so ago that this particular opportunity to partner with the Yankees and the Big East Conference and present this as a very good opportunity for our league. It will provide a lot of opportunities and advantages for our league and our member institutions.

"As we look at postseason opportunities, those of you that have followed us, especially for the last 18 months, as we have talked about the goals we have as an intercollegiate athletic program, you will remember that the No. 1 goal that we have talked about is having a world-class student-athlete experience. What could be more special than the opportunity for our student-athletes and our football program, as well as the band members and cheerleaders and others who surround our football program, to have the opportunity to experience a special time in one of the top cities in the world. We are very excited about delivering that opportunity for these folks, to have some fun, and at the same time play a football game.

"It is a great opportunity to expose our university, and to remind people that we are a national university. We have 200,000 alumni, half of which live around the country and around the world. We get to make sure that our university, under President (Kirk) Schulz's leadership, is doing great things, including our football program, which has the No. 1 graduation rate in the Big 12 for all football programs.

"On behalf of President Schulz and our entire university family, I want to thank Coach Snyder and his family and our entire football staff for their

unbelievable leadership at our university over the past couple of years. He has come back into the program and brought our university and our football program right back into relevance. Last year we played for the Big 12 North Championship, and this year we have played our way right into the postseason. We had wonderful victories over UCLA, Texas and Kansas, as well as Central Florida, who turned out to be the best team in their league. I really appreciate Coach Snyder's leadership and the way that he has represented this university for so many years."

On playing in Yankee Stadium...

"The New York Yankees are obviously a first-class organization. It is one of the two or three most famous sports franchises in the world. I did have the opportunity this summer to see the new stadium when they invited the Big 12 athletic directors and some Big 12 representatives out to New York. I think they accomplished the move from an old, traditional stadium to a brand new stadium without losing the mystique, aura and history of the old stadium. It is a very impressive place."

On the K-State brand in New York City...

"The New York media market is the greatest in the world, so it is an incredible stage. When you look at the things that the bowl has planned, like the ability for our band to be on one of the morning shows, it is a great opportunity. Everywhere that K-State people go, they do such a great job of representing our community and our state. Purple stands out in the crowd, and they tend to make themselves seen and heard in a very appropriate way."

Head Coach Bill Snyder

Opening Statement...

"It is going to be a tremendous experience. I really appreciate new bowl systems, when they try to put these opportunities in play. I know that you all have heard me say on many, many occasions when asked if there are too many bowl games. No I do not think there are too many bowl games. I think if you would go back and look at what the bowl system has meant to Kansas State University over the years, it really has been very special. We are really honored to have the opportunity. This

has made my wife happy. She loves New York. I think it is going to be a great experience for the youngsters in our program as so many of them have not had the opportunity to be in New York. We are going to learn to balance a variety of different things, but we do want them to have an enjoyable time while they are there and experience some things that they might not have otherwise had the opportunity to do. But I too, as John indicated, am grateful to the Yankees and their organization because they are expanding into this realm which is about young people and the growth of young people, and I truly appreciate that this is giving our young people a great opportunity. I was a big Yankee fan growing up in St. Joseph, Missouri. They had the Triple-A team play in St. Joe and Mickey Mantle came through St. Joe before anybody knew who he was, and I got to see him play when he was a young pup. They have always been on my radar screen in terms of baseball. I collected all their baseball cards and I used to have them until my mother gave them away. So it is all fallen into place. We are pleased to have this opportunity."

On the practice schedule leading up to the bowl game...

"Between now and the date that we leave, it is going to be a little bit piece-mealed. We will have some brief practice opportunities during that particular week. With some of our coaches traveling, it is not going to be a regularly-scheduled, day-in, day-out opportunity. We started our practices on Thursday and we will practice again today and on Saturday morning. Some of our coaches will be gone on Saturday and some of our coaches will be gone on Sunday, so we will come back and practice on Monday. Then we will take a couple days off so our coaches can travel again and then we will come back and practice the remainder of that week. Then with final exams, we have identified a few opportunities that we will have that will not interfere with our youngster's preparation of final exams and their taking of final exams. Our youngsters will have some time to go home for Christmas, then they will come back and practice here on the 26 and we will leave after that."

Hal Steinbrenner. "Throughout his life, my father was a huge fan and supporter of college football, and we are proud to continue the storied tradition of the sport in Yankee Stadium. December 30 will be an unforgettable day for players and fans of Kansas State and Syracuse."

Fans are encouraged to purchase tickets for the game through the K-State Athletics Department. Beginning at 3 p.m. today, fans can buy tickets at the official online bowl headquarters - www.k-statesports.com/bowlgame. Tickets may also be purchased via phone (1-800-221-CATS) or in person at the Athletics Ticket Office in Bramlage Coliseum beginning Monday at 8:30 a.m.

All ticket orders made through the K-State Athletics Ticket Office will be assigned based upon the bowl priority point system, which is available on the official online bowl page.

The K-State Alumni Association will also provide official travel packages to the bowl game, with or without charter air service. Visit the Alumni Association's official bowl travel page - www.k-statesportstravel.com - for travel package information.

Currie and Snyder will address the media at 1 p.m. today and comment on the Wildcats' selection to the New Era Pinstripe Bowl. The press conference will be streamed live for free at k-statesports.com.

Oklahoma Comeback Downs Huskers, 23-20

Huskers Sports Information

Arlington, Texas - Nebraska took a 17-0 lead early in the second quarter, but Oklahoma outscored the Huskers by 20 points the rest of the way to come away with a 23-20 win in the Big 12 Championship game on Saturday night at Cowboys Stadium. Four Nebraska turnovers led to 13 Oklahoma points as the Sooners came back from the 17-point deficit.

Oklahoma outgained Nebraska 454-293 in total yardage, including a 342-148 advantage through the air. The Huskers outrushed the Sooners 145-112, led by a 91-yard effort from senior Roy Helu and 90 yards by sophomore Rex Burkhead. Senior placekicker Alex Henery became Nebraska's all-time scoring leader in the contest with 396 career points.

After holding a 20-17 halftime lead, Nebraska was unable to put any points on the board in the second half. With the game tied at 20-20 in the fourth quarter, Oklahoma placekicker Jimmy Stevens kicked a 27-yard field goal with 8:28 remaining to account for the final score. The Blackshirts had forced Oklahoma into a 3rd and 24 situation, but quarterback Landry Jones completed back-to-back passes to Cameron Kenney to push the Sooners into field goal range.

The Huskers would get the ball three more times in the fourth quarter, but was unable to come away with points on any possession. Nebraska's final effort came short following a incomplete pass from redshirt freshman quarterback Taylor Martinez to junior wide receiver Brandon Kinnie on 4th-and-4 from the Huskers' 47-yard line.

Nebraska jumped out to a 7-0 lead when Helu broke off a Big 12 Championship game record 66-yard touchdown run with 8:39 remaining in the first quarter. On first down, Helu busted through the OU defensive line and cut to the sideline before outrunning the Sooner secondary, including a near shoestring tackle at the 30-yard line. The score marked Helu's seventh run of over 50 yards this season and also Nebraska's seventh one-play touchdown drive in 2010.

Henery extended Nebraska's lead to 10-0 with a 53-yard field goal on the next possession, also a Big 12 Championship game record. The Omaha native easily blasted his fifth career field goal over 50 yards while also improving to 14-of-14 as a Husker in postseason play.

The Blackshirts limited Oklahoma's offense early on, including three 3-and-outs in the first quarter. The NU defense came up with its biggest play at the beginning of the second quarter when Courtney Osborne intercepted Jones' pass and returned it to the 12-yard line. Osborne had the ball stripped by OU wide receiver Ryan Broyles as he was tackled and the ball was awarded to the Sooners, but a challenge by Nebraska showed Osborne's knee was down before he lost possession. The

interception set up Nebraska's second touchdown of the game as Burkhead threw a five-yard touchdown pass to sophomore tight end Tyler Reed to get the Huskers a 17-0 lead with 12:14 remaining in the first half. Reed's fourth touchdown reception of the year tied him for the most by a tight end in school history, last accomplished by Gerald Armstrong in 1992. The score also improved Burkhead to 3-of-3 passing on the season with three touchdowns.

Oklahoma quickly responded with a four-play, 80-yard touchdown drive to cut the lead to 17-7 when Jones threw a 49-yard touchdown pass down the middle of the field to wide receiver Kenny Stills. Nebraska looked to get the score back, but Martinez was intercepted in the end zone and the Sooners went on an ensuing 12-play, 71-yard drive resulting in a Stevens 26-yard field goal to make it a 17-10 game.

The Huskers suffered another costly turnover two minutes later when Helu fumbled on NU's 31-yard line. On 1st and 10, Jones threw a 30-yard pass to Stills and then snuck in the touchdown to cap 17 unanswered points by the Sooners.

With only 1:37 remaining in the half, Burkhead busted off a 25-yard run and Martinez completed a 3rd-and-10 pass to Reed for 20 yard to set up a 42-yard field goal by Henery to give Nebraska a 20-17 halftime lead.

Oklahoma tied the game 20-20 with 7:04 remaining in the third quarter on a 20-yard field goal from Stevens after Jones completed a 47-yard pass to Broyles down to the 3-yard line.

Nebraska now awaits its bowl destination which will be announced Sunday night.

Scoring Summary

Final: #9 Oklahoma 23, #13 Nebraska 20

First Quarter (NU, 10-0)

NU - 8:39 - Roy Helu 66 run (Alex Henery kick), 1 play, 66 yards, 0:11, NU 7-0

NU - 6:11 - Henery 53 FG, 4 plays, 6 yards, NU 10-0

Second Quarter (NU, 20-17)

NU - 12:14 - Tyler Reed 5 pass from Rex Burkhead (Henery kick), 2 plays, 12 yards, 1:14, NU 17-0

OU - 11:02 - Kenny Stills 49 pass from Landry Jones (Jimmy Stevens kick), 4 plays, 80 yards, 1:12, NU 17-7

OU - 2:35 - Stevens 26 FG, 12 plays, 71 yards, 4:24, NU 17-10

OU - 1:37 - Jones 1 run (Stevens kick), 2 plays, 31 yards, 0:21, 17-17

NU - 0:06 - Henery 42 FG, 10 plays, 56 yards, 1:31, NU 20-17

Third Quarter

OU - 7:04 - Stevens 20 FG, 8 plays, 59 yards, 2:04, 20-20

Fourth Quarter

OU - 3:03 - Stevens 27 FG, 11 plays, 55 yards, 3:03, OU 23-20

Final: #9 Oklahoma 23, #13 Nebraska 20

Attendance: 78,810

K-State Accepts Invitation to Play in Inaugural New Era Pinstripe Bowl

KSU Sports Information

MANHATTAN, Kan. - The purple masses of the Little Apple will descend upon the Big Apple for the holidays as Athletics Director John Currie announced today that Kansas State has accepted an invitation to play Syracuse in the inaugural New Era Pinstripe Bowl on December 30 in New York City.

The game will be played in the world-renowned Yankee Stadium at 2:30 p.m. CT, with a nationwide television audience watching on ESPN. K-State's trip to the state of New York will be the third all-time for the Wildcat football program - its first since 1966 - and will mark the Cats' first postseason appearance in the state.

K-State (7-5) will be playing in its 14th bowl game in school history and 12th under Bill Snyder as the Wildcats are 6-5 all-time in bowls under the legendary head coach. The Cats' last trip to the postseason was back in 2006 when it played another Big East opponent, Rutgers, in the inaugural Texas Bowl.

"We couldn't be more excited to showcase our football program, Kansas State University and our national alumni and fan base in the inaugural New Era Pinstripe Bowl, and I am pleased to accept the invitation on behalf of President Kirk Schulz, Coach Bill Snyder and our entire institution," said Currie. "The chance for our student-athletes, band members, cheerleaders and fans to experience New York City and compete in one of the most famous venues in all of sports is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. We look forward to turning the Big Apple purple."

The Wildcats' seven regular season victories in 2010 were the most since 2006 and included home wins over UCLA, No. 25 UCF and traditional Big 12 Conference power Texas. K-State also kept the Governor's Cup trophy in Manhattan for the second straight season under Snyder with a 59-7 win over in-state rival Kansas.

In addition to sporting the Big 12's No. 1 football graduation rate for the fourth consecutive season, excitement in Wildcat football was also evidenced by four sell-out crowds at Bill Snyder Family Stadium this season and the largest total attendance for a six-game home season in Kansas State history.

"We are proud of the young men in our program and the courage they have shown this season to get Kansas State University back to a bowl game, and we are very pleased to represent the Big 12 Conference in the inaugural New Era Pinstripe Bowl against Syracuse," said Snyder. "The New York Yankees are a first-class organization and we appreciate the Steinbrenner family, Randy Levine, Lonn Trost, Mark Holtzman and the entire Pinstripe Bowl staff for their efforts and support of collegiate football."

The Orange earned its first bowl bid since 2004 on the strength of a 7-5 record in head coach Doug Marrone's second season. Syracuse finished Big East play with a 4-3 record, which included a 19-14 win at No. 20 West Virginia.

K-State has faced Syracuse on two occasions all-time on the gridiron with both coming in bowl games. The Wildcats defeated the Orange, 35-18, in the 1997 Fiesta Bowl before dropping a 26-3 contest in the 2001 Insight.com Bowl. The game will also mark the fifth time that Kansas State has faced a Big East opponent in the postseason.

"We are excited to have the Kansas State Wildcats representing the Big 12 Conference in the inaugural New Era Pinstripe Bowl," said New York Yankees Managing General Partner



RadioShack. - Manhattan

Act now and get:

FREE
HBO® & SHOWTIME For 3 months
Over 18 channels including HD

FREE DVR
DVR is leased. (\$6.00/mo DVR Service fee applies)

FREE INSTALLATION
in up to 6 rooms



Digital Home Advantage plan requires 24-month agreement and credit qualification. If service is terminated before the end of agreement, a cancellation fee of \$17.50/month remaining applies. Programming credits apply during the first 12 months. Free HD for life of current account, requires Agreement, AutoPay with Paperless Billing. HBO/Showtime offer requires AutoPay and Paperless Billing; credits apply during the first 3 months (\$72 value); customer must downgrade or then-current price applies; requires continuous enrollment in AutoPay and Paperless Billing. Free Standard Professional Installation only. Monthly fees may apply based on type and number of receivers. All prices, packages and programming subject to change without notice. Local channels may not be available in all areas. Additional restrictions may apply. First-time Dish Network customers only. Offer ends 9/30/10. HBO® and related channels and service marks are the property of Home Box Office, Inc. SHOWTIME and related marks are registered trademarks of Showtime Networks Inc. a CBS Company.

**Why would you
EVER pay more for TV?**

**NOW OFFERING OVER
200 HD
CHANNELS**
available

**HD
FREE
FOR LIFE**

Offer requires 24-month Agreement and AutoPay with Paperless Billing.
HD channel availability will vary based on package.
200 HD channels require subscription to additional packages and VIP® 922 receiver.

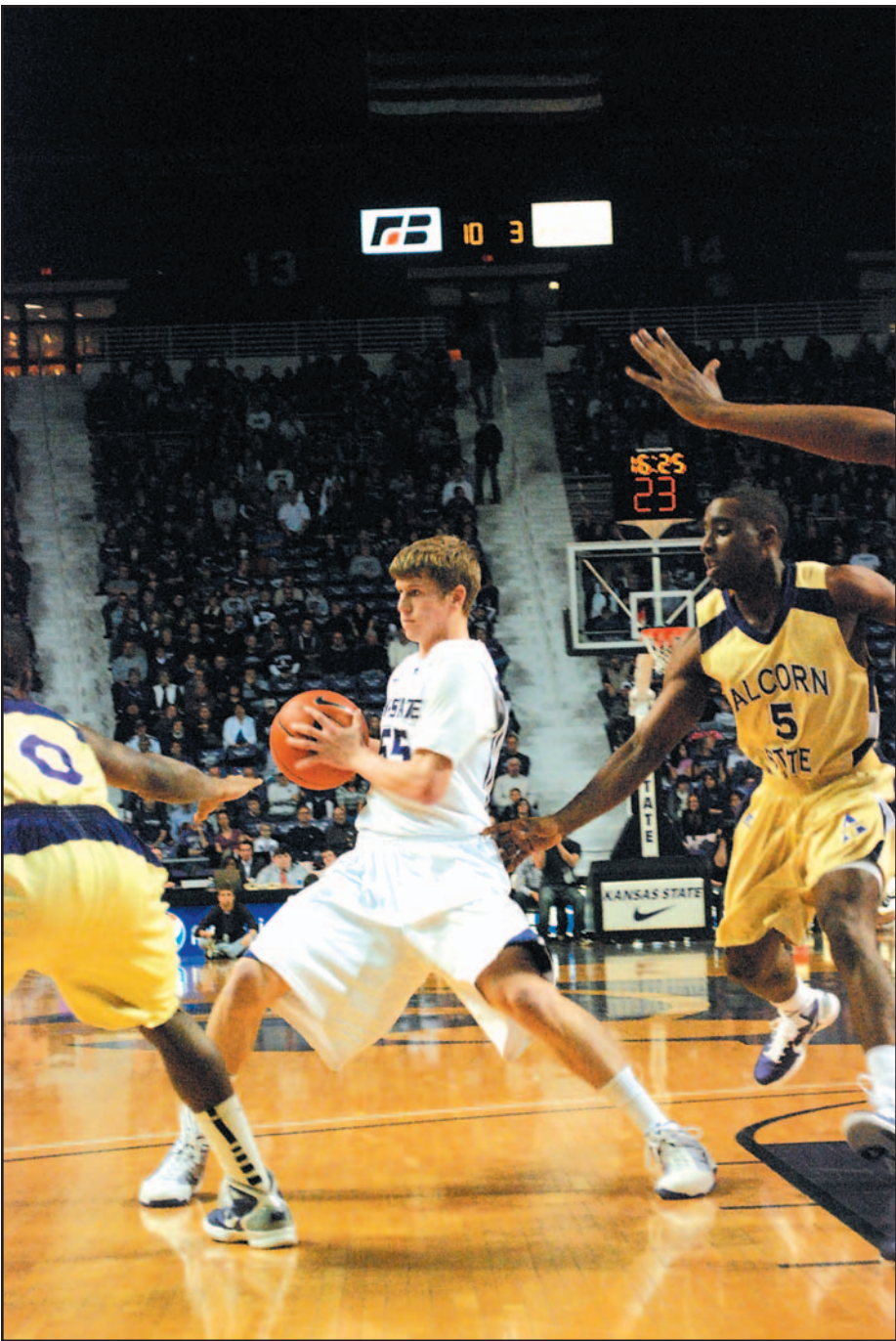
537-1476



Thursday, December 9, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

Kansas State - Alcorn State - Photo Page



Kansas State's Will Spradling (55) fakes out Alcorn State. (Photo by Ben Brake)



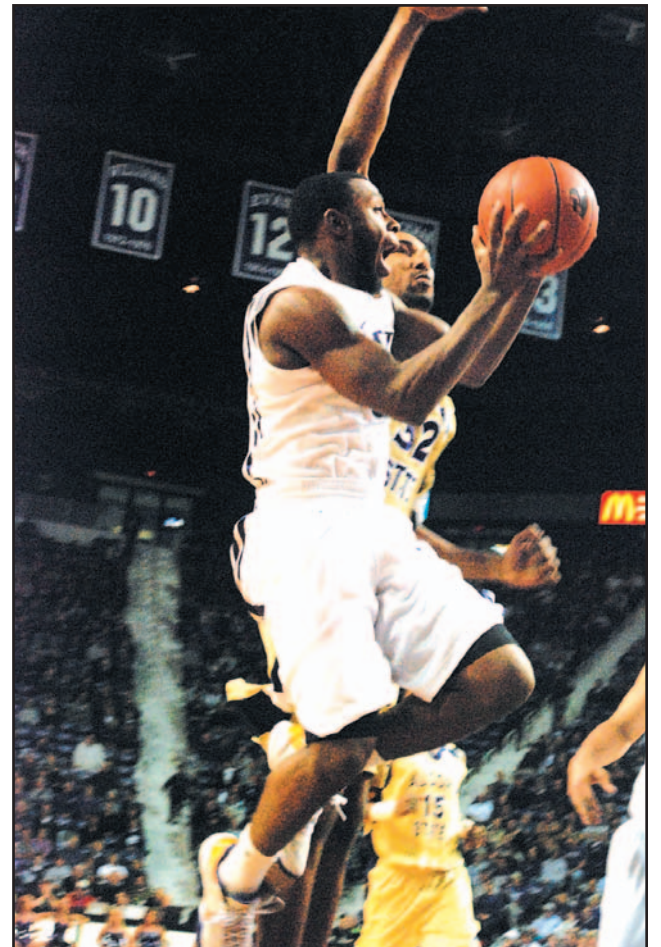
K-State's Victor Ojeleye (10) dominates over Alcorn State. (Photo by Ben Brake)



K-State's Jamar Samuels (32) got his first double-double of the season with 16 points. (Photo by Ben Brake)



K-State's Jordan Henriquez-Roberts (21) goes for the net. (Photo by Ben Brake)



K-State's Jacob Pullen (0) led the scorers with 24 points. (Photo by Ben Brake)

(Photos by Tonya Ricklefs and Ben Brake)



Call Julie Oaks,
Internet Advisor
call or e-mail today!
julie@littleapplecars.com
24-HOUR CELL
785-410-2388



LITTLE APPLE

TOYOTA / HONDA

2828 Amherst • Manhattan, Ks
785-539-7441 • 1-800-365-0017

One mile north
of Target, Seth
Child &
Amherst

LITTLEAPPLECARS.COM

Your Internet Connection