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## ATF National Response Team activated for Manhattan fire

The National Response Team (NRT) from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), along with ATF special agents from the Kansas City Field Division, have joined the investigation of an apartment complex fire that occurred at 4th St. and Leavenworth at the request of the Manhattan Fire Department. The fire was reported at approximately 2:38 a.m. on Nov. 6, 2011.

The Strasser Village Apartments is a 96 unit apartment building that was under construction.

The damage to the structure is considered a total loss. Dick's Sporting Goods and other nearby businesses also sustained fire, smoke and water damage. Damage estimates for the apartment building and nearby businesses are undetermined at this time. ATF's National Response Team (NRT) members arrived Tuesday and will initiate scene investigation today. The fire is being jointly investigated by the Manhattan Fire Department, the Riley County Police Department, the Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office and ATF.

Manhattan Fire Chief Jerry Snyder said, "Our fire crews did an outstanding job of containing this fire, especially in light of the weather conditions



The Strasser Village Apartments burned Sunday morning and Tuesday the National Response Team arrived in Manhattan to help local officials with the investigation. (Photo by Ben Brake)

and the extent of the fire upon their arrival. I greatly appreciate the assistance from Riley County Emergency Medical Services and the Riley County Police Department during this incident. I am also thankful for the resources that ATF, the Riley County Police Department

and the Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office are lending to this investigation." "This fire has caused considerable damage to multiple businesses. However, without the Manhattan Fire Department's swift response, the impact could have been even

more devastating," said ATF Assistant Special Agent in Charge Jeff Fulton. "ATF is proud to partner with the Manhattan Fire Department, the Riley County Police Department and the Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office to investigate this inci-

dent." The presence of the NRT in itself does not indicate that a fire is suspicious in nature. The NRT is often requested in instances where a fire scene is unusually complex, results in a high dollar loss or fatality or requires equipment and

expertise that the state and local agencies may not have the resources to provide. The responding NRT component normally has 13 to 18 members, including special agents who have fire origin-and-cause expertise; forensic chemists; fire protection engineers; accelerant detection canines and additional support services.

Once requested, the team can respond within 24 hours to lend ATF's expertise to state and local law enforcement or fire service personnel. The NRT consists of three regional components, organized geographically to cover the United States. ATF's partnership with federal, state and local departments is the key to an effective fire scene investigation. The NRT works alongside its partners in reconstructing the scene, identifying the origin of the fire, conducting interviews and sifting through debris to obtain evidence related to the fire.

The NRT has brought expertise and state-of-the-art equipment to the investigation of major fire and explosives incidents since its inception in 1978. This is the 3rd activation of the NRT in fiscal year 2012 and the 724th since the program began.

### Faculty Members Receive Inaugural Wildcat Pride Award

Two Kansas State University faculty members received the inaugural Wildcat Pride Award to recognize K-State faculty or staff who have been instrumental in advancing the mission of the K-State Alumni Association through support of its programs.

Dr. Barry Flinchbaugh, professor of agricultural economics, and Dr. Frank Tracz, director of bands and professor of music, are the 2011-2012 award recipients. They received their awards recently during the Association's fall board meeting.

The award honors a K-State faculty or staff member for his/her advocacy of alumni relations, with a special emphasis on support and participation in alumni programs that engage members of the Wildcat family.

"What brought these two faculty members to the top of our list was their extreme enthusiasm for K-State and their willingness to attend Alumni Association events throughout the country to connect with alumni, friends,

prospective students and others in the Wildcat family," said Amy Button Renz, president and CEO of the Association. "They are both outstanding representatives of K-State and have impacted the lives of countless students."

Flinchbaugh joined the K-State faculty in 1971. He earned his bachelor's degree in 1964 in animal science and his master's degree in 1967 in agricultural economics from Pennsylvania State University. He also earned his doctorate in agricultural economics from Purdue University in 1971.

A native of York, Penn., Flinchbaugh is a longtime adviser on agricultural policy to both political parties. He has served as adviser to numerous governors, U.S. senators, U.S. Secretaries of Agriculture and U.S. House and Senate committees, as well as international organizations.

As a professor of agricultural economics at K-State, Flinchbaugh has received the Outstanding Teacher Award from the College of Agriculture three times. He is the author of more than 100 publications, including an agricultural policy textbook.

Tracz is a native of Cleve-

land, Ohio, and came to K-State in 1993. He earned his bachelor's degree in music from The Ohio State University, his master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and his doctorate in philosophy (music education) from The Ohio State University.

As director of bands and professor of music, Tracz coordinates the undergraduate and graduate conducting programs, teaches classes in music education and administers and guides all aspects of the K-State band program. He is the director of the K-State Marching Band as well as the K-State Wind Ensemble. He oversees the Concert Band, University Band and Athletic Pep Bands.

In spring 2011, Tau Beta Sigma awarded Tracz the prestigious Paula Crider Outstanding Director Award. He also is a faculty member of Conn-Selmer Institute, as well as a past member of the Music Education Journal Editorial Board and is a contributor to the series Teaching Music Through Performance in Band.

### Kansas turns to managed care to curb state health costs

By Gene Meyer  
Kansas Reporter

TOPEKA — Kansas plans to reorganize its Medicaid program into a managed-care program using private contractors to slow the growth in state health care costs.

The changes reflect ongoing state budget challenges as costs for Medicaid, education and the state's pension system continue to rise while the state's economic recovery from the Great Recession is slow.

"Last budget year, we borrowed \$200 million from (the Kansas Department of Transportation) to help pay for Medicaid," Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback said. "We don't have that \$200 million this time, so we really need to look at the organizational structure and how we deliver this."

Brownback and his cabinet's top social services officers announced the proposal, called KanCare, on Tuesday.

Under the new system, about 350,000 Kansans who now receive Kansas Medicaid, including nursing home residents, and those who are disabled and mentally ill, will become part of managed care plans offered by three private medical care organizations July 1.

Kansas began soliciting proposals for running the

managed care program on an official state website Tuesday.

With an eye toward delivering services more efficiently, the state is proposing to reorganize its top three social service agencies:

The Department of Health and Environment will handle the financial and contractual management of Medicaid.

The Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services will be renamed the Department for Children and Families. The department will take over family preservation and other social programs now split between the Department of Health and Environment and the state's Juvenile Justice Authority.

The Department on Aging will be renamed the Department on Aging and Human Services. It will take

over some current Health and Environment mental health programs.

No Kansans will be cut from state-federal Medicaid programs, of which Kansas' share is now about \$1 billion, and no payments that doctors, hospitals and other medical care providers receive will be reduced, said Kansas Lt. Gov. Jeff Colyer, who is also the Brownback administration's point man on medical policy.

Instead, the plan will slow what is now a 7.6 percent annual increase in state Medicaid costs by coordinating the treatment that Medicaid users now receive more efficiently and getting them out of hospitals, off Medicaid and into their houses or jobs more quickly, Colyer said.

### Mershon to be honored

The Kansas Bar Association will be honoring the Hon. Jerry L. Mershon, of Manhattan, for 50 years of service to the Bar at the Riley County Bar Association Meeting on Friday, November 11. The luncheon will take place at noon at the Manhattan Country Club, 1531 N. 10th St., in Manhattan; media are

invited to attend.

Mershon was chief judge of the 21st Judicial District, which encompasses Riley and Clay counties. He earned his undergraduate degree from Kansas State University in 1955 and his law degree from Washburn University School of Law in 1961.

## The difference between high schools in 1957 and 2012

#### Scenario 1:

Jack goes quail hunting before school and then pulls into the school parking lot with his shotgun in his truck's gun rack.

1957 - Vice Principal comes over, looks at Jack's shotgun, goes to his car and gets his shotgun to show Jack.

2012 - School goes into lock down, FBI called, Jack hauled off to jail and never sees his truck or gun again. Counselors called in for traumatized students and teachers.

#### Scenario 2:

Johnny and Mark get into a fist fight after school.

1957 - Crowd gathers. Mark wins. Johnny and Mark shake hands and end up bud-

dies.

2012 - Police called and SWAT team arrives -- they arrest both Johnny and Mark. They are both charged with assault and both expelled even though Johnny started it.

#### Scenario 3:

Jeffrey will not be still in class, he disrupts other students.

1957 - Jeffrey sent to the Principal's office and given a good paddling by the Principal. He then returns to class, sits still and does not disrupt class again.

2012 - Jeffrey is given huge doses of Ritalin. He becomes a zombie. He is then tested for ADD. The family gets extra money (SSI) from the govern-

ment because Jeffrey has a disability.

#### Scenario 4:

Billy breaks a window in his neighbor's car and his Dad gives him a whipping with his belt.

1957 - Billy is more careful next time, grows up normal, goes to college and becomes a successful businessman.

2012 - Billy's dad is arrested for child abuse, Billy is removed to foster care and joins a gang. The state psychologist is told by Billy's sister that she remembers being abused herself and their dad goes to prison. Billy's mom has an affair with the psychologist.

#### Scenario 5:

Mark gets a headache and takes some aspirin to school.

1957 - Mark shares his aspirin with the Principal out on the smoking dock.

2012 - The police are called and Mark is expelled from school for drug violations. His car is then searched for drugs and weapons.

#### Scenario 6:

Pedro fails high school English.

1957 - Pedro goes to summer school, passes English and goes to college.

2012 - Pedro's cause is taken up by state. Newspaper articles appear nationally explaining that teaching English as a requirement for

graduation is racist. ACLU files class action lawsuit against the state school system and Pedro's English teacher. English is then banned from core curriculum. Pedro is given his diploma anyway but ends up mowing lawns for a living because he cannot speak English.

#### Scenario 7:

Johnny takes apart leftover firecrackers from the Fourth of July, puts them in a model airplane paint bottle and blows up a red ant bed.

1957 - Ants die.

2012 - ATF, Homeland Security and the FBI are all called. Johnny is charged with domestic terrorism. The FBI investigates his parents - and

all siblings are removed from their home and all computers are confiscated. Johnny's dad is placed on a terror watch list and is never allowed to fly again.

#### Scenario 8:

Johnny falls while running during recess and scrapes his knee. He is found crying by his teacher, Mary. Mary hugs him to comfort him.

1957 - In a short time, Johnny feels better and goes on playing.

2012 - Mary is accused of being a sexual predator and loses her job. She faces 3 years in State Prison. Johnny undergoes 5 years of therapy.



# Obituaries

## Jake Yunk

Jake Carl Yunk, 85, passed away peacefully with his wife, son and daughter-in-law by his bedside Thursday November 3, 2011, at the Meadowlark Hills - Bramlage House, Manhattan, Kansas after a brief illness.

Jake was the son of Nicholas Carl and Anna Susan (Carl) Yunk and was born on June 8, 1926 on their farm near Tipton, Kansas. In his early school days, he attended a country school near Tipton and after his father died in a tragic drowning at a family picnic the family moved to Osborne where he attended school.

He served in the Pacific in World War II as a scout in the infantry prior to the fall of Japan and in the Military Police after the war ended. He was extremely proud of his service to his country.

When he returned home he

worked for years at Michealis Millwork and then at John Deere Implement Company where he retired after a 25-year career.

Jake was united in marriage to Elberta June Kaser on February 10, 1947. They celebrated 64 wonderful years together and were so looking forward to celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary in February 2012. For their 60th anniversary they took a memorable cruise with their son and daughter-in-law to several of the Hawaiian Islands.

Longtime residents of Osborne, Kansas, Jake and Elberta moved to Manhattan in 1997 to be closer to family.

Over the years Jake and Elberta traveled frequently with Dan and Cheryl and their children on trips all over the country where a strong bond developed between them and their grandkids. In addition, while growing up the grand-

kids frequently spent a week or more in Osborne playing golf, swimming, visiting the park nightly, and going to the do-nut shop or out for ice cream. Grandpa Yunk loved his grandchildren and they adored him.

When the great grandchildren started arriving, Jake was thrilled. They affectionately referred to him as Gpa. Whenever he saw them, his eyes would light up with joy. Just a week before his passing, he got to meet his only great grandson Nicholas. Jake's mother's maiden name was Carl as was his dad's middle name. When Jake was born Carl was chosen for his middle name. When Jake's son arrived, he was named Dan Carl. When Dan's son Craig was born the Carl middle name continued. To Jake's delight when Nicholas was born in May 2011, he became yet another Yunk to carry the

Carl middle name.

Survivors include his best friend and loving wife Elberta, his son Dan and daughter-in-law Cheryl, three grandchildren - Carey (Steve), Jill (Brannan) and Craig (Johanna), and four great grandchildren - Kailey Rawson, Addison and Elliott Riffel, and Nicholas Yunk - a brother Nick and wife Georgia Yunk of McKinney, Texas, and a host of nephews and nieces who loved their Uncle Jake.

Memorials may be made to the St. Isidore's Catholic Student Center in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

Online condolences may be left for the family through the funeral home website at: [www.ymlfuneralhome.com](http://www.ymlfuneralhome.com).

## Frank Carpenter

Dr. Frank Robert Carpenter, age 91, of Manhattan, died November 6, 2011, at Mercy Regional Health Center in Manhattan, KS.

He was born August 15, 1920, in Troy, Kansas, the son of James Fredrick and Lucile (Case) Carpenter.

Frank R. graduated from Webster Rural High School, Kansas State University with a Bachelors and Masters degree and the University of Missouri at Columbia with a PhD. He

served in the United States Navy during World War II as a Seaman 2nd Class.

He was a member of First Christian Church, Solar Kiwanis, Retired Teachers Association, AARP, Little Apple Barbershop Chorus, and the National Association of College Teachers of Agriculture.

Frank Carpenter was married to Alice Alberta Biery on March 24, 1940, in Webster, Kansas. Alice preceded him in death on November 28, 2009. He was also preceded in death

by two brothers, James and Fred Carpenter, infant daughter Alice Carpenter and one infant great granddaughter, Graycee Carpenter.

Survivors include four children: Roberta Andrews and her husband Jim of Topeka, KS, LaJean Whitcomb and her husband Carl of Stillwater, OK, Frank E. Carpenter and his wife Janis of Manhattan, and Myron Carpenter and his wife Sue of Manhattan; two siblings: Margaret Tuscher of Spokane, WA, and Byron Carpenter of Enid, OK; four-

teen grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Online condolences may be left for the family through the funeral home website at [www.ymlfuneralhome.com](http://www.ymlfuneralhome.com).

Memorial contributions may be made to the The First Christian Church of Manhattan, KS or Meadowlark Hills Staff Gift Holiday Fund. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502.

## Frances Dearing

Frances W. Dearing, age 90, of Manhattan, Kansas, died Friday afternoon, November 4, 2011, at Meadowlark Hills-Lyle House in Manhattan.

She was born on August 27, 1921, in Waynoka, Oklahoma, the daughter of William Thomas and Belva Elizabeth (Norris) Moore. Her father died tragically two weeks prior to her birth so following her birth they went to live with her grandmother. Her mother preceded her in death when Frances was 9 years old. She was raised in the Waynoka area and later moved to Pasadena, California for one year where she graduated from high school at the junior college in 1939. Following her high school graduation she returned to Oklahoma where she attended Northwestern Oklahoma State University for one year.

While at college she met her future husband, Loy Clark Dearing, and they were united

in marriage on March 23, 1940, in Cheyenne, Oklahoma. They made their home in several Oklahoma communities for the next ten years as Loy taught school. In 1950, they moved to Wichita, Kansas where Frances went to work in various capacities, first for Boeing and later for Cessna. She later drove a school bus for 10 years. While in Wichita, they were members of Midway Baptist Church.

Mrs. Dearing was active in 4-H and was a former 4-H leader in the Sedgwick county area. She was also active with Gideon's and served as a state officer for three years with the Gideon's Auxiliary. Mrs. Dearing also served alongside her husband with the Wichita Union Rescue Mission and together they ministered to numerous foster children. Helping those who were down in life or going through a difficult time was their mission in life.

In 1999, they moved to Little Rock, Arkansas where

Mr. Dearing would precede her in death on July 11, 2000.

In 2001, Mrs. Dearing returned to Wichita and became the Director of the Agape House. In January of 2003, she moved to Manhattan to make her home. Upon moving to Manhattan she joined Emmanuel Baptist Church and later Grace Baptist Church.

She is survived by five children: Frances Lana Brooks and her husband, Ron, of Little Rock, Arkansas, Larry C. Dearing and his wife, Bonny, of Monument, Colorado, Beverly Ann Richardson and her husband, Ralph, of Manhattan, Kansas, Belva Lynn Heikes and her husband, Henry, of Ft. Sumner, New Mexico and Roger A. Dearing and his wife, Becky, of Greeley, Colorado. She is also survived by her sister: Mary Anna Lee Hinderliter of Woodward, Oklahoma, 13 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild. Preceding her in death were granddaughter, Jean Ann Heikes Gammill and grandson, Mark Loy Heikes.

The family will receive friends during a visitation from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, November 10th, at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home in Manhattan.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, November 11th, at the Midway Baptist Church, 5135 S. Broadway, Wichita, Kansas. Viewing will be available 30 minutes prior

## Martin Miller

Martin J. Miller, age 44, of Manhattan, Kansas, died Monday October 31, 2011 at the Stormont-Vail Health Center in Topeka, Kansas

Martin was born on February 27, 1967 in Knoxville, Iowa the son of William and Shirley (Hyde) Miller. He grew up in Melcher-Dallas, Iowa and graduated from high school in 1986. He joined the army where he retired after 22 years after proudly serving his country.

He was an avid sports enthusiast throughout his life and enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. Martin was a member of the VFW Post 1786 in Manhattan.

On May 29, 2010 in Manhattan, Kansas he was united in marriage to Marsha Tisdale. She survives at their home in Manhattan.

Martin is also survived by his mother Shirley Miller, his grandmother Theda Hyde; three brothers: Mark Miller (Pat) of Montrose, Iowa, Mitch Miller (Lyn) of Frisco, Texas, and Mike Miller (Keri) of Prosper Texas. He is also survived by several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Memorial graveside services for Mr. Miller will be held on Friday November 11, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. at the Dallas Cemetery in Melcher-Dallas, Iowa, with Pastor Bruce Thomas officiating.

Online condolences may be left for the family by clicking on "Send Condolences" on this page.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the VFW Post 1786 of Manhattan. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

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# Qualified for Cross Country Nationals



November 8, 2011  
Hi!

My name is Aaron Roche & I am 12 yrs old. Two days ago I ran in a cross-country meet in Garnett Ks. It turns out that it was a qualifying time meet for Nationals! Well, believe it or not; I qualified and will be going to the Huntington, West Virginia on November 19th of this year representing Kansas in my age group at Nationals.

Now my problem; because I was not anticipating this for months, I did not have time to save up any money for the trip. I would really like to go! If you by any chance can donate ANY amount of money for the expenses I will have; that would be absolutely great. Know that my parents & brother would sure like to be there to see me run, but they tell me that it is more important that I get to experience this rare opportunity; so I will be riding a bus to get there which leaves on November 17th.

Please, even if you can only send a couple of dollars to get me there, it would so very much be appreciated!! My address is, 4695 Bluebird Rd. Wamego, Ks 66547. And thanks so much to all that are able to donate. Wish & pray for this Kansas boy, as I will be doing my best.

## VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

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Friday, November 11, 2011

7:00-9:00 a.m. Veterans Day Breakfast  
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American Legion Post #17  
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9:00 a.m. State and Territorial Flag Display  
City Hall Front Entrance

9:30 a.m. Veterans Day Honor Parade  
Poyntz Avenue  
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# There's No Place Like Home



By Eunice Boeve  
Illustrated by Michelle Meade

## Chapter 12

### Susan B. Anthony

*Last Chapter: Wearing their glasses, the twins walk to their school where they expect a big welcome. When no one even looks up and the date on the board is the day they left, they realize they are invisible and time has stood still. At home even their dog can't see or hear them. And so they travel on. This time they are in Goodland to witness the trial flight of a forerunner to the helicopter.*

"When I was six," the woman at the podium said, "we moved from Massachusetts to Battenville, New York, and I was enrolled in the school there. When it came time to learn long division, the teacher refused to teach me because I was a girl."

Just minutes before, Jack and Mollie found themselves sitting on chairs in a big room among an audience of men, women, and boys listening to the woman who had just spoken those words.

Mollie nudged Jack. "The teacher wouldn't teach her math because she was a girl?" she hissed. "What kind of a school was that?"

"Look at our clothes, Mollie," Jack said. "It was a long time ago."

"Still," Mollie muttered indignantly. "It wasn't fair."

"Shush," said the woman seated beside her.

Embarrassed, Mollie focused her attention on the woman speaker who was dressed in a black long sleeved dress, the skirt brushing the floor, her dark hair parted in the middle and pulled back into a bun. As the woman spoke of women's suffrage, it took Mollie a moment to realize she meant women's voting rights. From their clothes, she knew they were back again in the 1800s, and as always, in Kansas. The question was, where in Kansas and who was this woman?

As she listened to the woman talk so earnestly for a woman's right to vote, Mollie could feel her heart fill with the same emotion, and she laughed right out

loud when the woman said that all women should be allowed to vote in all elections and the men were blockheads if they didn't think so, too.

Jack rolled his eyes at his sister and pulled slightly away. It wasn't that funny.

He looked at the men's faces and saw that they didn't think it was so funny either. Some of them scowled at the woman and moved uneasily in their seats.

Mollie noticed that although the men frowned, the women's eyes sparkled and they held up small fans and embroidered handkerchiefs to hide their wide smiles and delighted grins. Mollie wondered why she was the only girl in the audience. Had the fathers dragged their sons here? And where were the women's daughters? She thought the boys looked really bored. She was sure they'd rather be outside playing baseball or something.

Now the woman talked about a convention held in 1859, eight years ago, called the Wyandotte Constitutional Convention. There, the woman informed them, it was decided that Kansas women could vote for school issues. "So that, I imagine, was to appease Kansas women,"



she said. "Although it is definitely better than not at all, it is not good enough. We will fight until we gain full suffrage"

Jack had a hard time paying attention and kept nodding off. He heard the speaker say, "Today, the seventh day of September, 1867, not just here in Manhattan, Kansas, but all over this state, half of the population does not have full suffrage. And that is deplorable."

Mollie poked him with her elbow and he jerked awake. "We're in Manhattan," she

whispered, "and I didn't know women couldn't always vote. Did you?"

No, Jack mouthed silently.

Still not knowing the woman's name, Mollie whispered to the woman beside her.

"You don't know?" Shocked, the woman forgot to keep her voice low and earned a few frowns. Lowering her voice, she whispered, "That's Susan B. Anthony. She is fighting for us, for our right to vote. You're too young to understand, but it is a right all women should have. A right we must fight for in every way we can."

Mollie thought of her mother and wished she could be here.

After Susan B. Anthony's speech, several women, including the woman who sat beside Mollie, went up talk to the speaker, and Mollie followed.

"I am so glad to see you here, my dear," Susan B. Anthony said, when she came to her. "You are the future and I pray we'll have the vote by the time you are grown."

Mollie wanted to tell her about her mother and grandmother. Both always voted. But they didn't see eye-to-eye on politics. In the last presidential election, Mom, a Democrat, had voted for President Obama. Grandma Andrews, a Republican, had voted for John McCain. Instead, she said, "Thank you for trying to help us get the vote."

Later she told Jack she also wanted to tell her that the Susan B. Anthony dollar was minted in her honor.

"Too bad it was so small," Jack said.

"I know. Mom said people got it confused with the quarter, so no one wanted it. But a regular dollar was too heavy. Maybe they should have made paper ones."

"And get rid of George Washington?" Jack said.

Mollie frowned. "That doesn't seem right either. I wonder if her picture was ever on a stamp?"

"The computer will know," Jack said.

The twins had found their glasses in their pockets and they put them on as soon as they were outside. Instantly the modern town of Manhattan and the time machine appeared.

Inside the time machine, the twins read about the struggle it took for women to get the right to vote. Some women were jailed for protesting. Some women were even beaten and kicked. One doctor was asked to declare a woman insane for wanting the vote.

They read about Charley Parkhurst, a

woman in the early days of California who passed herself off as a man. At election time, she voted under her assumed name many years before the right was granted to women. They also read about Susanna M. Salter the first woman mayor of Argonia, Kansas, the first woman ever to be elected mayor or to hold a political office of any kind in the United States.

A man put her name on the ballot as a joke. He thought she wouldn't get any votes and be embarrassed. Instead she won. She served one term. She had nine children. One baby was born and died while she was in office. She did her job well and the men who joked about "Petticoat Rule" soon grew silent.

Reading on, the twins found that the women in Kansas got the right to vote in 1912. Figuring in his head, Jack said, "That was forty-five years after this talk we just heard."

Mollie grinned. "Forty-five years after this talk you almost heard."

"Sorry," Jack said.

"Look," Mollie said, reading off the computer. "That was Kansas. It wasn't until 1920 that all the women in all the states could vote."

*To Be Continued.*

This is an original serial story that is written and illustrated by two Kansas women. To learn more about them, go to their websites: [www.euniceboeve.net](http://www.euniceboeve.net) and [www.michellemeade.weebly.com](http://www.michellemeade.weebly.com)

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# Letters to Tom: Veterans day 2011

This Friday, November 11, 2011 we observe Veterans Day. In November 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day to recognize the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the Victory in World War I - known at that time as "The Great War." The 11th of November was a legal holiday and observed as Armistice Day until June 1, 1954 when the word "Armistice" was replaced with "Veterans." November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars. By the way, Stephan Riold of Emporia, Kansas originated the idea of expanding Armistice Day to celebrate all veterans, not just those who died in the Great War.

This year I would like to observe Veterans Day by telling you about three American soldiers whose lives exemplify the meaning of Veterans Day. Two of them were born in Kansas, the third was a native of Mesquite, Texas and stationed at Fort Riley. Each is a genuine hero and sadly, in our age of cheap celebrity, you are probably unaware of what they did and how much we all owe them. The three soldiers are: Lieutenant General Richard J. Seitz, Senator Merrill H. Werts, and First Lieutenant Dustin Vincent. The accomplishments of each of them would fill a book, but today we will look at them as veterans. Soldiers who took up arms to defend our Constitution.

In May 1943, then Captain Dick Seitz took command of the 2nd Battalion of the 517th Parachute Infantry Regiment.



Mike Kryschal

At 24, his selection for command made him one the youngest infantry battalion commanders during World War II. During the Battle of the Bulge, now Lieutenant Colonel Seitz headed up "Task Force Seitz," made up of his battalion, a tank company with some half tracks from the 7th Armored Division, a detachment of engineers, and some self-propelled anti-tank guns. "In twin attacks on two days, one after dark and the other in late evening, Seitz sent the Germans reeling back to the village of Hunnange, which was the gateway to St. Vith. In both attacks, paratroopers had to cross long stretches of open ground. With all guns blazing and with a massive artillery support fire, they locked up the crossroads village and waited in broad daylight for the huge armored assault that came behind them headed for the next stop, St. Vith. The battered battalion, which lost more than 400 of the original 600 who entered Belgium only four weeks earlier, won acclaim for its grueling feat in the freezing evenings of a Belgian January" (Gerald Astor, "Battling Buzzards: The

Odyssey of the 517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team 1943-1945).

Like Lieutenant General Seitz, Senator Merrill H. Werts attended Kansas State University and like the General his college career was interrupted by his service with the United States Army. Senator Werts and his cousin, the only two boys in the family to carry on the family name, went into the military during World War II. "My cousin was killed early in the war," Werts said. The two had grown up together, worked the farm together and became fraternity brothers in college. But on Werts' 21st birthday, his cousin was killed. Despite this Senator Werts went off to Europe to fight, proud to represent his family. He served from June 1943 to March 1946. He earned a commission as a Second Lieutenant from the Infantry Officer Candidate School and was assigned to Company I, 271st Infantry, 69th Infantry Division. At 0600 hours, 27 February 1945, the 271st Infantry entered combat, attacking the Siegfried Line. On 28 March the 271st crossed the Rhine and continued east until 26 April when elements of the 69th Division linked up with the Red Army at the River Elbe. In 65 days of continuous combat, Senator Werts and the soldiers of the 69th Division went from green replacements to seasoned veterans who crushed the Third Reich. Fighting across Germany, Senator Werts was wounded, losing his leg.

On November 4, 2011, First Lieutenant Dustin Vincent, a native of Mesquite, Texas gave his last full measure of devo-

tion to our country. He was on his first tour of duty in Iraq and was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas. He was killed during an enemy attack on his convoy. The 25-year-old soldier always wanted a military career. It was his childhood dream. Dustin Vincent was also a husband and father. He leaves behind his wife, Samantha. They married two days before he was deployed. He also legally adopted her daughter, Nacomias. Before he deployed he gave his military Bible to his mother. The day after his mother, Marty Vincent, learned of her son's death, she decided to pick up his Bible. She had not touched it since his deployment. A purple ribbon marked a page near the end of the volume in the book of Ephesians. "That he might comfort your heart," read his mother from the sixth chapter, 22nd verse. "It's exactly what it did." The passage gave her comfort and so much more — a special message.

Today, Americans serving in our Armed Forces are supported by the majority of their fellow citizens. This was not always the case, and even today there are some who feel that our warriors should be treated as if they are bureaucrats working for the Department of Education. I invite them to imagine what it was like to attack through two feet of snow in the Ardennes, to lose one's leg in combat, or to give one's life at 25, leaving behind a loving family and unrealized potential. These are America's veterans. They fought for us yesterday, they

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# What Ray Stevens told me

It was in the mid-1970s on a typical summer evening that I first learned about Ray Stevens. I was with my family in the Southeast Kansas town of Independence, and we were preparing to enjoy a nice leisurely dinner at the local Pizza Hut. The pizza pie was delivered to our table and a hot juicy slice had just made it to my plate when it happened. A commotion started at the east side of the restaurant. I looked up and saw a young man, probably in his twenties, sprinting past the cashier's counter. He was wearing no clothes! Yes it's true. The only item this fleet-footed fellow of tomfoolery had on was a set of sneakers and one of those gasoline station bathroom keys, the kind with a chain connected to a piece of wood which most likely had the inscription "Men's" written on it in black magic marker. The naked man ran across the street, but soon he made his way back for what my Dad called "an encore run." I would never be one to say that there are no interesting people here in the state of Kansas, but for the most part, the majority are always clothed. As the runners "checks" faded into the distance, I remember asking my parents the "under-ten-year-old equivalent of "why is this so?" to understand this nude-running-man. The answer was quick and to the point. This guy named Ray Stevens had



Paul A. Ibbetson

written a song about streaking. In my last bit of full disclosure, it is only fair to add that we got our pizza for free that night. That was when I first learned about Ray Stevens, and years would follow in which I enjoyed his humorous and obviously creative songs. Whether Stevens was lamenting about adventures with out-of-control Shriners or deep breathing phone stalkers, his language was always clean, his content funny, and one never had to worry if grandmother was listening too. That would be enough for most people to buy Ray Stevens' albums. This singer-songwriter-comedian has stayed successful with his unique product for decades. However, Stevens has one more quality that has been made public in recent years.

He is without a doubt an American Patriot.

In October 2011, I had the opportunity to interview Ray Stevens on my radio show, Conscience of Kansas. Stevens was gracious and funny, but he also very candid about his concern for the future of America. He told me that as he has got older, he pays more attention to what is taking place in America. The comedian is unhappy about the current direction the country is heading. Stevens said a certain amount of blame should be shared by the liberal media who, he believes, lies repeatedly to the American people about the news. He also places blame on many teachers who, Stevens feels, are not teaching children accurate history of our country. This comedian was very serious when he spoke about his rude awakening to the problems this country is facing. He contributes much of his current knowledge to listening to Fox News and conservative talk show hosts, such as Rush Limbaugh.

Ray Stevens is not a Barack Obama supporter, and his highly successful 2010 album, "We The People," as well as his new release "Spirit of 76," both reflect his concerns over issues such as out-of-control government spending, border security, national security, and in many ways, the arrogance and incompetence of the current President in the White House. During our interview, Stevens was gracious, humble,

funny, and very honest about who he is and who he is not. This song writer made it plain that he is not a politician and made no assertions about being a specialist or an expert in the world of politics. What he did make clear was that as an American he needed to do something, and so he decided to take his song writing and singing skills and take his stand. I think he is accomplishing more than even he knows.

The truth is that taking back this country will be a long, frustrating, and protracted battle. To win in the end, conservatives must keep their morale up as well as have a strong spine. Humor has always been the conservatives' ally but sometimes it's in short supply. That is where conservatives with a true funny bone like Ray Stevens come in and re-energize the Americans who continue the struggle to keep conservative values. Indeed it is something worthy of a Nobel Peace prize though that award is now reserved for those who have not yet accomplished anything. That's not to worry, however because in the greater scheme of things, Stevens will leave a much more beloved legacy to more Americans than will Obama. For me, the interview with Ray Stevens was a pleasant journey over the years, beginning with hot pizza and a naked runner and ending with an insightful, indeed delightful exchange with a comedic, patriotic icon.

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# Hannah Duff named KU global scholar

LAWRENCE, KS (11/04/2011)(readMedia)--Fifteen sophomores at the University of Kansas have been competitively selected as Global Scholars, including Hannah Duff, of Manhattan, Kan.. Duff is a sophomore in environmental studies and global and international studies. She is the daughter of Mark and Annette Duff. This program, coordinated by Brent Steele, director of faculty programs for International Programs, recognizes and encourages undergraduate students who have an interest in global studies and a strong academic record. The 15 students come from a wide range of disciplines across the university. They were selected for their demonstrated interest in global and international studies, plans for studying abroad, and potential for high academic achievement and leadership.

Each student will participate in a three-hour seminar, "Imperialism in a Modern World," taught by Associate Professor Megan Greene. Students will be paired with a faculty mentor with similar interests for the remainder of their undergraduate studies and present research on global and international studies during the spring semester of their senior year. Each will receive a

\$1,000 scholarship to be applied toward a KU-approved study abroad program.

"The selection process for this second cohort of Global Scholars was highly competitive, with a large increase in applications. Through interdisciplinary coursework, mentorship, student networks and a research experience in global studies, Global Scholars have an abundance of opportunities to develop their intellectual capabilities and research interests vital to participating in the dynamic global society they will encounter following their KU undergraduate careers," Steele said.

On the web: <http://read-about.me/achievements/Hannah-Duff-Named-KU-Global-Scholar/3097568>.

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## Sports Update...

Hello Wildcat Fans,  
 What a wild game against now #2 OSU on Saturday! This game was everything that it wasn't supposed to be. The Cowboys were a three touch-down favorite, but the Wildcats had something different in mind. K-State battled until the very last second to come up short on the last play of the game with a 45 to 52 loss. This game would have to rank as one of my top 5 games of all time for K-State. The Cowboys played a good game, the officials in my opinion did a good job, and the Cats played well also. The two blazing offenses were just incredible on how exciting the game could be. Both teams' offenses combined for over a thousand yards. Both team's defenses had a difficult time trying to stop the other's offense. Every fan in the stadium was able to get their monies worth out of this back and forth battle. It's just too bad that one of these teams had to come out with a loss. K-State (7-2, 4-2 Big 12) is still ranked 14th in BCS, 17th in the AP, and 22nd in the USA Today Coaches Polls. If K-State loses this weekend to unranked TAMU they will drop out of all rankings.



Ben Brake

Offense: I now have a new favorite K-State quarterback. We have had several really great quarterbacks in the last 20 years, but Collin Klein has really stepped up to take that top spot. Chad May, Michael Bishop, Jonathan Beasley, and Ell Roberson III all had a love for the game and K-State, but Collin Klein puts his heart into every single play. He doesn't have the flash that the other quarterbacks have had, but he has his heart in every game. I have never seen a quarterback blocking 60 yards downfield from a play from scrimmage like Klein did for Tyler Lockett on his 60 yard double reverse run. He doesn't give up on any play and when a game is over he sacrificed his body so much he looks like he

has been in a car wreck with bandages and blood all over his body. Oh, not to mention that Klein was the leading rusher for the Cats with 144 yards on 29 carries with 3 touchdowns and passed for 231 yards completing 22 of 38 passes with one touchdown and one interception.

Defense: Hmmm... Allen Chapman and Tysyn Hartman each had an interception during the game against OSU. Chapman returned the interception for 60 yards for a touchdown. Now, would the person that removed the pages labeled "Blitz" and "Quarterback Pressure" from the defensive playbook please return those pages by Saturdays game against Texas A&M Please? You can turn them in to any person in Manhattan that is wearing purple and they will rush them to the defensive coordinator immediately! Thank you for your help in this matter... At the beginning of the season I was praising Defensive Coordinator Chris Cosh for using the 4-3 defense and putting pressure on the opponents quarterback; however, the last 2 games the Wildcat defense hasn't pressured the quarterbacks and recorded zero sacks. In both games, the quarterbacks have broken school passing records. K-State

defense gave up 575 yards to the OSU offense; however, on the bright side they were able to force 4 turnovers. Hope to see some changes this coming Saturday.

Special Lockett Teams: Tyler Lockett is just an amazing young man with producing 305 all purpose yards and receiving Big 12 special team's player of the week. Lockett 193 yards on kick returns, 84 rushing yards, and 32 receiving yards. I wonder if he has considered playing defense also. The best thing

about Tyler is that he's just a freshman!

Texas A&M Preview: Two weeks ago TAMU was ranked #16 until they lost to an unranked Missouri team in overtime. They have a very powerful offense that leans a little more on the pass than the run, but is very capable of both. The K-State defense will be the key to the outcome of this football game. If the Wildcats put pressure on Texas A&M QB Ryan Tannehill the defense will be able to keep him flustered and cause some

hurried passes that will most likely fall short or be intercepted. However, if Tannehill is given the time in the pocket he will pick apart the K-State defense much like OU's Landry Jones and OSU's Brandon Weeden did against the secondary. K-State's offense will score enough to win the game; however, I am hoping that the Wildcat defense won't allow the Aggies offense to score enough to win the game.

Prediction: KSU 42 TAMU 38 - bbrake@msn.com

## Lockett Named Big 12 Player of the Week

Kansas State wide receiver/kickoff return specialist Tyler Lockett earned his second Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week honor in three weeks following his performance against No. 3 Oklahoma State, the conference office announced today.

Lockett earned the sixth weekly conference award by a Wildcat this season, while it was the second in the freshman's career. He is also the first Wildcat true freshman to earn Big 12 Player of the Week accolades twice in a season since Josh Freeman in 2006.

The Tulsa, Okla., native continues to put up All-

America numbers in the return game and collected the fifth-most all-purpose yards in K-State history against Oklahoma State (315 yards). He returned a fourth-quarter kickoff 80 yards to set up a game-tying score late in the game and totaled 193 yards in kick returns for the game. The freshman currently ranks second in the nation in kickoff return average. Lockett also rushed three times for 84 yards and caught three passes for 32 yards and a score.

No. 14 Kansas State (7-2, 4-2) hosts Texas A&M (5-3, 3-3) on Saturday in a game that will be televised by ABC at 2:30 p.m.

### 2011 K-State Big 12 Players of the Week

Sept. 26: Linebacker Tre Walker (Defensive)

Oct. 3: Linebacker Arthur Brown (Defensive); Kicker Anthony Cantele (Special Teams)

Oct. 17: Defensive Lineman Raphael Guidry (Special Teams)

Oct. 24: Wide Receiver/Kick Returner Tyler Lockett (Special Teams)

Nov. 7: Wide Receiver/Kick Returner Tyler Lockett (Special Teams)

### Kansas State Wildcats

#### 2011-2012 Football SCHEDULE

		Record
Sept. 3 vs. Eastern Kentucky	W 10-7	1-0
Sept. 17 vs. Kent State	W 37-0	2-0
Sept. 24 at Miami Miami,	W 28-24	3-0
Oct. 1 vs. Baylor * Bill Snyder Family Stadium TBA	W 36-35	4-0
Oct. 8 vs. Missouri * Bill Snyder Family Stadium TBA	W 24-17	5-0
Oct. 15 at Texas Tech * Lubbock, Texas TBA	W 41-34	6-0
Oct. 22 at Kansas * Lawrence, Kan. TBA	W 59-21	7-0
Oct. 29 vs. Oklahoma * Bill Snyder Family Stadium TBA	L 17-58	7-1
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma State * Stillwater, Okla. TBA	L 45-52	7-2
Nov. 12 vs. Texas A&M * Bill Snyder Family Stadium 2:30		
Nov. 19 at Texas * Austin, Texas 7:00		
Dec. 3 vs. Iowa State * Bill Snyder Family Stadium 11:30 AM		

### Big 12 Football Standings

	Big12	Overall
Oklahoma State	6-0	9-0
Oklahoma	5-1	8-1
Kansas State	4-2	7-2
Texas	3-2	6-2
Texas A&M	3-3	5-4
Baylor	2-3	5-3
Iowa State	2-4	5-4
Texas Tech	2-4	5-4
Missouri	2-4	4-5
Kansas	0-6	2-7

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## K-State falls to 7-2, after 52-45 loss



Tyler Lockett (16) is congratulated after scoring on a pass from Collin Klein (7)

Photos by Ben Brake



Allen Chapman (3) steps in to get an interception.



Kansas State's Quarterback Collin Klein (7) drives in for a touchdown.



KSU's David Garrett (27) breaks up a Cowboy's pass in the end zone.



No, no, John Hubert (33) you need to take the ball the other way.

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## Bill Snyder knows best for Tyler Lockett



Tyler Lockett's (16) kickoff return for a TD against TT.

By Mark Janssen  
K-State Sports Extra

The kid had planned to red-shirt, and the dad had agreed. But the head coach had other thoughts.

"I had redshirted and it worked for me, Aaron had red-shirted and it worked for him, so it only made sense that it would work for Tyler," said Kevin Lockett, Tyler's father, and Aaron's brother. "Coach thought he could play and be a factor, and coach is rarely wrong. Once again, he was absolutely right."

Snyder has said that the youngest Lockett is a blend of dad and uncle, and certainly with the same makeup: "He really wants to do well. More importantly than that, he wants to do all the things that you have to do in order to perform well on and off the field."

The youngest Lockett has definitely performed on the field saving his best for this past weekend's game with Oklahoma State just a few miles from where he grew up in Tulsa.

In K-State's 52-45 loss to the No. 3-ranked Cowboys, all Lockett did was rush for 84 yards, which included a 57-yard double-reverse sprint, catch three passes for 55 yards and returned six kickoffs for 193 yards, including an 80-yarder in the final minutes of the game.

That total of 315 all-purpose yards ranks fifth most in a single game in K-State history and helped him to the Big 12's Special Teams Player of the Week honor.

At the end of the night, the freshman talked like a veteran: "I think we showed the nation that you can't just look down on us. This game showed that you can't look ahead when you play us."

Just nine games into his K-State career, Lockett, who just turned 19, has caught 18 passes for 246 yards and three touchdowns, plus became the first Wildcat in history to return kickoffs in consecutive games - Texas Tech and Kansas - for touchdowns.

His 35.2-yard average on 16 kickoffs presently ranks second in the Big 12 and the nation only to Texas' Fozzy Whittaker's 42.4-yard average on 10 returns. Should he maintain such an average, it would

on the team to Darnell McDonald's record-setting 75 catches for 1,092 yards. Lockett did not return punts or kicks as those duties were performed by David Allen and Frank Murphy, respectively. K-State started the season 10-0 and ranked No. 1 in the nation, but ended up 10-2, Big 12 North Champions and participants in the Alamo Bowl.

2011: In his true freshman season, Tyler Lockett became the first Wildcat in history to return kickoffs for touchdowns in consecutive games - 100 yards vs. Texas Tech and 97 yards vs. Kansas. As mentioned, his 35.2-yard average

ranks second in the Big 12 and nation, and his two TDs are tied for first. As a receiver, Lockett has caught 18 passes from Collin Klein for 246 yards and three touchdowns. The Wildcats are 7-2 and bowl eligible.

Of the trio of Locketts, Snyder has said of Tyler, "He has his uncle's athleticism and speed, and his dad's technique and hands."

Dad Lockett agrees as he says, "He has the best of me and the best of my brother."

And the Lockett family is having the best of times.

While Kevin's parents - John and Beatrice - were in

attendance for 43 of his 44 Wildcat games, dad has missed only one game of Tyler's games, which was at Texas Tech where he returned a kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown.

"We were home and it went from dead quiet to crazy," said Lockett of watching the return on TV. "His mom and I were jumping on the couch with the twins (3-year olds Jacob and Jordan) and the 8-year-old (Sterling) was doing back flips."

Laughing, Lockett said, "People tell me we need more Locketts at K-State, so Sterling is coming in 2022, and the twins two years after he's

done, but that's it for this Lockett family."

Lockett reports that Sterling is in his second year of playing flag football.

"He doesn't understand the magnitude of what Tyler is accomplishing, but he understands enough that when he scores in flag football he's been known to call Tyler and say, 'I scored, what happened to you?'"

Today, Kevin Lockett is the chief operating officer for Ewing Kaufman's Urban Entrepreneur Partnership program in Kansas City, while Aaron works for Conoco Phillips in Houston, Texas.

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# Sports Second Front

## No. 3 Cowboys survive 52-45 against No. 17 K-State

By JEFF LATZKE  
 AP College Football Writer  
 STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Brandon Weeden threw for a school-record 502 yards and four touchdowns, and Joseph Randle scored the final, tiebreaking 23-yard touchdown with 2:16 remaining to lift No. 3 Oklahoma State to a 52-45 victory against No. 17 Kansas State on Saturday night.

The Cowboys (9-0, 6-0 Big 12) matched the best start in school history and survived quite a scare from K-State (7-2, 4-2), which had three shots at the end zone in the final 12 seconds.

Collin Klein missed on 5-yard passes intended for Tyler Lockett and Chris Harper and then overshot Tramaine Thompson in the end zone as time expired. Oklahoma State's players rushed on to the field to celebrate, their national championship hopes still intact.

All-America receiver Justin Blackmon caught 13 passes for 205 yards and two touchdowns, atoning for his two-fumble game with a 54-yard touchdown catch with 4:47 remaining that pulled the Cowboys out of a 38-37 deficit.

He also caught the 2-point conversion for a 45-38 lead.

Kansas State responded right back with Lockett's 80-yard kickoff return and three straight runs by Klein, who barged in from 12 yards out to tie it up with 3:18 remaining.

It took Oklahoma State's quick-strike offense just four plays and 62 seconds to respond again. Weeden found Isaiah Anderson for a 33-yard gain, and Randle ran through a big hole on third-and-1 before



Kansas State's Collin Klein (7) goes into the endzone for "Another Kansas State Touchdown!"

Weeden hit Moore for a 44-yard gain to set up the Cowboys' second score.

Blackmon stutter-stepped at the line to get Nigel Malone on his heels, then caught Weeden's pass and stutter-stepped again to get past him for an 11-yard score.

Then the Cowboys' stars made a series of mistakes to let K-State get back in the game.

Blackmon fumbled on a punt return to set up Anthony Cantele's 37-yard field goal, then Weeden gave the ball right back by throwing a pick to Tysyn Hartman on a deep ball. Angelo Pease and Klein had short TD runs on Kansas State's next two possessions before another Weeden interception was returned 60 yards for a score by Allen Chapman.

Kansas State led 24-14 — the biggest home deficit this season for the Cowboys — then started piling up errors of its own.

James Thomas intercepted a pass that Klein threw into coverage and Brodrick Brown tipped. His 47-yard return set up Weeden's 5-yard TD pass to Moore on the next play.

Then, instead of pinning Oklahoma State deep, Ryan Doerr's punt went out of bounds after only 19 yards and gave OSU good field position to drive for Quinn Sharp's 29-yard field goal and a 27-24 halftime lead.

The Cowboys were 1 yard away from claiming a 41-31 lead late in the third quarter when Blackmon fumbled for the second time in the game and Lyndell Johnson recovered in the end zone for Kansas State.

dodging safety Jordan Zimmerman to waltz in for the game-winner.

Klein drove the Wildcats down for a chance to tie — or perhaps go for the win with a 2-point conversion — by converting a fourth-and-4 with a quarterback keeper and then connecting with Harper for 22 yards to set up first-and-goal at the 5-yard line.

With no time to rely on his

potent running game, coach Bill Snyder called three straight passing plays but none got the job done.

Klein finished with 231 yards passing with one touchdown and one interception. He also ran for 144 yards and three scores.

Minutes after the game ended, the stadium shook from an apparent aftershock from a

4.7-magnitude earthquake earlier in the day.

The thrilling finish came after a wild back-and-forth game filled with turnovers and plenty of offense — nothing like what was on display in LSU-Alabama clash in the SEC that ended 9-6 in overtime.

While LSU will likely remain first when the BCS standings come out on Sunday,

Oklahoma State will probably be the new No. 2.

With starting receivers Josh Cooper and Hubert Anyiam out, Tracy Moore set career-highs with nine catches for 146 yards for Oklahoma State.

Oklahoma State capitalized on Klein's fumble on the Wildcats' second play from scrimmage to strike first with Randle's 4-yard touchdown run, and it was soon 14-0 after



Ty Zimmerman (12) makes an open field stop.



Tyler Lockett (16) takes off on an 80-yard kickoff return for Kansas State.



Look at the way the K-State line holds for another Anthony Cantele (10) extra point.



Kansas State running back John Hubert (33) picks up yardage.

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