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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

THE HI-PLAINS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION,)
)
) Plaintiff,)
))
) SD-2024-CV-000014)
) Title to Real Estate Involved)

The heirs of James Edward Pratt, the heirs of Helen A. Shaw, executor or executrix, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of such of the defendants as may be deceased; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of such defendants as are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of such defendants as are partners or in partnership; and the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of such defendants as are minors or are under any legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any such person alleged to be deceased, and made defendants as such,)
)
) Defendants.)

(Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60)

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Kansas to the heirs of James Edward Pratt, the heirs of Helen A. Shaw; executor or executrix, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of such of the defendants as may be deceased; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of such defendants as are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of such defendants as are partners or in partnership; and the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of such defendants as are minors or are in any way under legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any such person alleged to be deceased, and made defendants as such, herein, and all other persons who are or may be concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in the District Court of Sheridan County, Kansas by The Hi-Plains Cooperative Association, praying to quiet title to the following described real property:

A tract of land in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Twenty-one (21), Township Eight (8) South, Range Twenty-eight (28) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Sheridan County, Kansas, being more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the Northeast Corner of said Section Twenty-one (21); thence S01°28'27"W along the easterly line of said Section Twenty-one (21), a distance of One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy and Thirty-five Hundredths (1,470.35) feet to a point on the former centerline of the main track of the Union Pacific Railroad; thence S78°47'22"W along said main track a distance of Forty four and Twenty-three Hundredths (44.23) feet to the westerly right-of-way of Kansas Highway 23 and the True Point of Beginning; thence S78°47'22"W along said former Union Pacific Railroad main track a distance of Five Hundred Twenty-seven and Eighty-six Hundredths (527.86) feet; thence N05°58'24"W a distance of Three Hundred One and Twenty-six Hundredths (301.26) feet to a point on the former northerly right-of-way of said Union Pacific Railroad; thence N78°47'22"E along said former northerly right-of-way a distance of Two Hundred Sixteen and Eleven Hundredths (216.11) feet; thence S10°34'53"E a distance of Forty-three and Eighty-one Hundredths (43.81) feet; thence N84°11'55"E a distance of Three Hundred Thirty-six and Forty-six Hundredths (336.46) feet to a point on said westerly right-of-way of Kansas Highway 23; thence S01°24'09"W along said highway right-of-way a distance of Two Hundred Thirty and Two Hundredths (230.02) feet to the point of beginning; and

A tract of land in the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Township Eight (8) South, Range Twenty-eight (28) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Sheridan County, Kansas, being more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the Northwest Corner of said Section Twenty-two (22); thence S01°28'27"W along the westerly line of said Section Twenty-two (22), a distance of One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-five and Thirty-five Hundredths (1,265.35) feet; thence N78°47'22"E a distance of Fifty-two and Eighty-six Hundredths (52.86) feet to a point on the easterly right-of-way of Kansas Highway 23 and the True Point of Beginning; thence N78°47'22"E parallel with and Two Hundred (200) feet northerly of as measured at right angles to the former centerline of the main track of the Union Pacific Railroad a distance of Five Hundred Sixty-seven and Fifty-four Hundredths (567.54) feet; thence S11°12'38"E a distance of Three Hundred and Zero Hundredths (300.00) feet to a point on the former southerly right-of-way of said Union Pacific Railroad; thence N78°47'22"E along said former southerly railroad right-of-way a distance of Nine Hundred Sixty nine and Fifty-six Hundredths (969.56) feet to a point one (1) foot westerly of an existing fence line; thence S08°21'06"W along a line one (1) foot westerly of said fence a distance of Five Hundred Thirty-one and Eighteen Hundredths (531.18) feet to a point one (1) foot northerly of said existing fence line; thence N87°44'05"W along a line one (1) foot northerly of said existing fence line a distance of Eight Hundred Fifty-one and Twenty-two Hundredths (851.22) feet; thence N02°00'58"E along an existing fence line a distance of Two Hundred Ninety-eight and Seventy-five Hundredths (298.75) feet to a point on the southerly line of a tract of land described in Book 211 at Page 162 of the Sheridan County, Kansas records; thence S78°47'22"W along said southerly line a distance of Two Hundred Twenty-four and Six Hundredths (224.06) feet to the Southwest Corner of said tract; thence N01°24'09"E along the westerly line of said tract a distance of Thirty and Zero Hundredths (30.00) feet to the Northwest Corner of said tract on the former southerly right-of-way of said Union Pacific Railroad; thence S78°47'22"W along said former railroad right-of-way a distance of Five Hundred Eleven and Seventy-six Hundredths (511.76) feet to a point on the easterly right-of-way of Kansas Highway 23; thence N01°24'09"E along said easterly right-of-way of Kansas Highway 23 a distance of Three Hundred Seven and Forty-two Hundredths (307.42) feet to the point of beginning.

and you are hereby required to plead to the petition on or before the 21st day of November 2024, in the District Court in Sheridan County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

The Hi-Plains Cooperative Association

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of)
))
) Case No: SD-2024-PR-000030)
))
) VIVIAN APPELHANS, Deceased)
) (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59))

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Beverly Appelhans, one of the heirs of Vivian Appelhans, deceased, requesting:
Descant be determined of the following described real estate situated in Sheridan County, Kansas: The East Fifty feet (50') of the West One-Half (1/2) of Block Thirty-nine (39), Original City of Hoxie, Sheridan County, Kansas.
and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.
You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before November 5, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the city of Hoxie in Sheridan County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Beverly Appelhans, Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

Ricky Dean Moss & Audrey K. Moss,)
) Plaintiffs)
))
) vs.) Case No. SD-2024-CV-000013)
))
) Carl King, Theodore Patrick Bauer,)
) Ralph Eugene Hurt, State of Kansas,)
) Kansas Department of Revenue, Division)
) of Motor Vehicles,)

If the above Defendants are living, and if dead, then their unknown spouses, heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns; and
The unknown executors, guardians and trustees of such of the above named Defendants who are minors or are in any way under legal disability; and
The unknown executors, administrators, trustees, creditors, successors of such Defendants as are or were partners or in partnership; and
The unknown executors, administrators, trustees, creditors, successors, receivers and assigns of any of the above named Defendants who are or were existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; and;
The unknown spouses of the Defendants, and all other persons concerned, Defendants

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Kansas to the above named Defendants, and all other persons who are or may be concerned:
You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the above entitled District Court by the above named Plaintiffs praying for a judgment and decree quieting Plaintiffs' title in and to the following described motor vehicle situated in Sheridan County, Kansas, to-wit:

1934 Ford, Model 40, Style 2D, VIN # 1839529633
and further praying for a judgment and decree barring and excluding you and each of you from hereafter asserting any claim of right, title, interest or estate in or lien upon said above described real estate and you are hereby required to plead to said Petition on or before November 13, 2024, at 10:00 am in said Court at Sheridan County, Kansas. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Ricky Dean Moss
Audrey K. Moss
Plaintiffs

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**Commission Minutes
10/15/2024**

Now on this 15th day of October 2024, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Joe Bainter, David Stithem, Joe Pratt, County Attorney and County Clerk, Heather Bracht. Guest was The Sheridan Sentinel.

At 8:00 a.m. Mader called the meeting to order. Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor came to the table. Tire bids were opened by Mader for grader tires, size 1400R24. Mader made a motion to purchase 18 Bridgestone VUT tires from Allie Repair at a cost of \$1,221.00/each. Stithem seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Allie Repair had the low bid.

There was a brief discussion on gravel pits. Murphy Tractor delivered the demo grader on Monday. They will come back on Wednesday to demo it, and Road & Bridge will have it all week to try.

There was a discussion about the bridge at 110S/50W. Herskowitz will look at the cost of new and used planking. The Grinnell bridge was hit by some type of machinery on the southwest corner. Law enforcement was contacted so there is a police report. The Board and Herskowitz discussed the damage.

Stithem asked that the map be updated so the Board is aware of how things are coming along on the roads.

Herskowitz advised he had talked with Scott Foote about the striping on the feedlot road. Foote states he will pay for one-half the cost of striping. Herskowitz will also talk with Jeff Stewart. Could possibly wait until work starts on Highway 23 south to do the striping.

There was a brief discussion about the BOMAG at the landfill and employees.

Pratt distributed a Petition to Vacate an alley in the town of Studley. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 8:00 am.

The Board signed the Agreement pertaining to copies and the Register of Deeds office.

Mindy Harting, Appraiser, joined the meeting and briefly discussed the Reinvestment Housing Incentive District (RHID) program which the City of Hoxie has agreed to establish in Sunrise Addition. The County Clerk will receive further information from the City as the process continues.

Evan Turley, Noxious Weed Director, came to the table. Turley distributed an example of the notice to be sent to landowners with prairie dog issues. The Board and Turley briefly discussed the process. Turley stated he would like to start spraying the FAS roads only using the residual chemical he was able to purchase. Other counties use this procedure, and it saves money. Turley distributed bid information on the chemical Method and Escort. Mader made a motion to purchase 25 gallons of Method at \$357.12/gallon and 32 pounds of Escort at \$1.59/oz. from Van Diest and 25 gallons of Method at \$357.12/gallon from Nutrien Ag. Stithem seconded the motion. Carried 3-0

ARPA funds will be used to pay for a portion of the ballistic vests the Sheriff's Office is ordering.

Chamber scrip will be given to employees for Christmas, same amount as previous years.

Bracht advised the board the elevator was down with no estimated repair timeframe. The parts had to be ordered.

Mader made a motion to approve the October 8, 2024 minutes as amended. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0

Viktorija Briggs discussed the trail plan that had been discussed a few years previously.

At 10:05 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Stithem. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room.

Attest: Heather Bracht, County Clerk, Mike "Buck" Mader, Chairman



Prairie Dogs?
If you have a prairie dog problem on your property, please contact
Evan Turley, Noxious Weed Director
at
785-657-7569 or 785-675-3621

The prairie dog towns will be plotted and treated.
Thank you.

Andy Coffman
September 12, 1968 - October 16, 2024

Nathan Andrew "Andy" Coffman, 56, Gardner, KS, passed away at Olathe Medical Center, Olathe, KS, on Wednesday, October 16, 2024. Andy wished for cremation with a service at a future date. Condolences may be left at www. BruceFuneralHome.com.
Andy was born in Hays, KS, on September 12, 1968. He attended junior high in Mankato, and in 1988 graduated from Hoxie High School, Hoxie. Andy earned a vocational technical degree in Goodland, and worked as a drafter, and CAD Manager for various engineering firms in Kansas City. On March 9, 1991, Andy married Carla Kay Peterson in Hays. Together they had a son Caiden Andrew, and a daughter Caenah Alaine. Andy loved anything scientific or dealing with space and had a passion for history. He enjoyed many hobbies including woodworking, cooking, gardening, and making jam. Andy was most proud of his role as Papa Dandy to granddaughter, Clara Zaida.
Andy is survived by his wife, Carla, and daughter Caenah, Gardner; son, Caiden, wife, Brianne, and their daughter Clara Coffman, Olathe; sister, Nannette Coffman, Ottawa; many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Andy was preceded in death by his parents Charles Calvin Coffman and Kathrine B. (Margheim) Kurka, as well as aunts and uncles.

Vayle Rohan
June 21, 1931 ~ October 18, 2024

Vayle Meredith Rohan passed away on October 18, 2024, in Oberlin, Kansas at the age of 93. Vayle was born on June 21, 1931, to Harvey and Amy (Wenihan) Rohan in rural Decatur County Kansas.
Vayle was a band teacher for more than 30 years in Colorado Springs. Summers were spent helping on the family farm. He especially liked hauling the wheat to town. He enjoyed watching NASCAR on TV and Barrett Jackson Auctions. He enjoyed conversation with the coffee group and enjoyed a beer too.
He is survived by nephews: Kevan Neal, Kendal (Tammy) Neal; niece: Kayla (Tony) Korte; great-nephews and nieces: Jimmy, Katrina Neal, Braden, Elliott, Beau, Bennett, Brooks, Rileigh, and Toby Korte; cousin: Bill (Lois) Heilman and family. He was preceded in death by his parents, stepdad: Ray Kincaid; sisters: Sybil Rohan, and Irma Joy (Varlan) Neal.
Funeral services were held on Thursday, October 24, 2024, at Plumer-Gobber Funeral Home, Oberlin. Visitation was Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at Plumer-Gobber Funeral Home. Burial was in Big Timber Cemetery in rural Jennings. Memorial contributions may be made out to Good Samaritan Society of Decatur Kansas. Condolences can be left at www.plumergobber.com.

NEWS from the OUTSIDE
with John Liestor

October is coming to a close. The leaves are changing and everything is so colorful now. What a time to be an outdoors person. With the change of weather comes old memories. I remember going pond jumping for ducks with my dad and friends and family. We had some awesome times and always had fun. But as we get older some of the group moved away or just lost interest. I'm glad I never did. I'll be a hunter until I die. I may be slower, but I get the job done, and I have learned a lot too. It's not always about bagging a limit or even filling your tags. It's about the experiences and the memories made. I remember vividly the first time my dad took us to Kirwin NWR. I never knew you could see so many geese in one spot, let alone hunt them. It opened a new world for me that I will never get tired of. I've been witness to new refuges, the banning of lead shot, and the massive flocks of snow geese. When I was young, we never saw snow geese here. I think I was seventeen when I killed a blue goose. I'd never seen one in person before. Now the pond I got him off of is all gone and being farmed; the dam was removed. For a few more bushels. I remember the soil bank program in the 60s. And the CRP in the 80s and 90s, that really helped our pheasants out! But now the pheasants are far and few between. Oh, we see and hear a few while out and about, but nothing like 30 years ago. But by golly, every square inch that can be farmed is, and at what price?

The fall migration has started! I've been seeing more and more cranes flying over! This gets me really excited for goose season because when cranes are moving, so are geese. I am so ready for goose season to start! Guns are cleaned, decoys and calls lined up, and ammo secured. Now, time to wait for the fun to begin.

I see on social media all these young guys hunting geese with 28 gauges and 410s and I ask myself, what happened to goose hunters. I grew up where bigger was better and to this day I shoot the biggest shells I can. I gave up on the mighty ten-gauge when you had to take out a loan to afford the ammo. But the 3.5" 12-gauge is my go-to for all geese and late season ducks. I've said it before, not one bird has complained I hit it too hard. Not one. I guess men just aren't as tough as they used to be. But what the small gun users don't tell or show you are how many birds they cripple with their pop guns! Having watched them in the field, it's a bunch. I've seen too many fly off to die later, and that's a shame.

Are you folks ready for this election to be over? I know I am. The sheer amount of flat out lies coming from the media is disgusting. You all saw how they covered for "Sleepy Joe" when he couldn't even finish a sentence, but now they say Trump is going downhill? Geez, Kamala has never gotten up the hill. There used to be an old office joke about brown-nosing your way to the top. Well, Kamala has done it! Oh, by the way, Epstein still didn't kill himself, and Hillary is still a crook. We all know that this last term was actually run by Obama and Hillary, and if you think differently, you need help. I'm praying for Trump to win just to see the Democrats lose their ever loving minds! I wonder what kind of lies they'll make up this time to 'impeach' him? It'll be amusing to watch!

Not much else so until next time, stay safe, and enjoy the outside. I know I will.

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