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## New building would mean more jobs

City hears plans for additional warehouse space

By David Dinell

A plan by Air Capitol Delivery & Warehouse owner Lou Robelli would mean at

least 25 to 30 new jobs in Park City during the next year.

Robelli discussed his plans for a 300,000-square-foot warehouse at the April 14 meeting of the Park City Council.

The site would north of 61st North and Prospect or near 7700 Hayes Blvd. He

was seeking an industrial revenue bond; however, the process for that is not quite ready.

In any case, he found a receptive audience among council members who were glad to hear of more employment.

Robelli said his business, based at 5841 N. Prospect, is

booming.

"The growth has been unbelievable. It keeps coming," he said. "If only we could find more truck drivers."

He also said he's working on deals that could bring even more work to the area, but isn't at liberty to name the potential parties, including a major employer.

"If that happens, we're talking about 500 jobs," he said.

In any case, getting buildings in place for new business growth is essential, said City Administrator Jack Whitson.

"The vast majority is looking for a building in place," he said.

Other council members cited the competition to attract new jobs and said if Park City wasn't ready, would-be customers would quickly move to another area.

Along with new jobs, the spending from those employ-

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## A WAY WITH WORDS



Cohen Johns, 4, (left) and Henley Johns, 1, look at books in the children's area of the Park City Public Library April 20.



Henley Johns looks at a book at the library.



ABOVE: Jaime Bakker and her daughter, Hannah, 3, select a book.



LEFT: Jaime Bakker helps Hannah read.

The Park City Public Library serves as a quiet refuge for moms and their children to take in some reading. A recent weekday morning found several doing just that. Park City resident Jacque Johns walked with her sons, Cohen, 4, and Henley, 1, to the library on East 61st Street.

"Now that the weather is nice, we can do that," she said.

Jaime Bakker and her daughter, Hannah, 3, also took in the library's offerings.

"We're going to try and have a good learning lesson today," Bakker said. "It's a nice spot for the kids."

For the latest on library activities, go to [www.parkcitypubliclibrary.com](http://www.parkcitypubliclibrary.com).

Photos and text by **David Dinell**

## Okla. man arrested, charged in homicide

By David Dinell

An Oklahoma man has been arrested and charged with the first-degree murder in the death of Dale Childress. Childress' body was found Feb. 15 on the north side of the road in the 3900 block of East 69th North, which is between Oliver and Hillside.



Marshall

James J. Marshall Jr., 55, made an initial appearance in Sedgwick County District Court April 8 to face the charge. His bond was set at \$250,000. He didn't post it, and was in Sedgwick County jail awaiting a preliminary hearing, which had been set for April 22.

Childress, 56, died of gunshot wound, according to the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office. Officials believe he was shot at the site the body was found.

The arrest comes after almost two months of investigation by detectives in both Wichita and Tulsa into the death. Childress, who had received prison time in Oklahoma on drug charges, had been

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## Election nets one new member for city council

By Chris Strunk and David Dinell

A new face joined the Park City Council last month. Jim Schroeder defeated incumbent Mike Alumbaugh 55-22 in the April 7 election and was sworn into office April 14.

Schroeder, a commercial loan officer at Central National Bank, represents Ward 1, the only race with more than one candidate. Incumbents Chris Johns (Ward 2), George Capps (Ward 3) and Thomas Jones (Ward 4) were elected to four-year terms.

Schroeder said he ran for office to encourage growth in Park City.

"I have had nothing but positive experiences while living in Park City the past 17 years," he said. "I want to make every effort to keep our current businesses prospering and attract more companies to our city to create an environment of job growth."

Schroeder has served on the Park City Convention and Tourism Committee for five years.

"Job growth should be our first priority," he said. "This can be achieved by attracting new businesses to



Schroeder

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# HIGHLIGHTS

## City issues 11 permits in March

The City of Park City issued 11 building permits in March for a total valuation of \$248,402. Of that number, one was for a new home. The permits are listed by date they were issued, address, type of work and valuation:

- March 2, 1817 Fairchild, siding, \$20,414; •March 13, 1321 Denver, reroof, \$3,000; •March 13, 1425 Beaumont, reroof, \$5,261; •March 16, 2320 Highland Court, new home, \$110,000; •March 17, 4836 Steeds Crossing, covered patio, \$34,798; •March 19, 2633 Cambridge, basement finish, \$2,600; •March 24, 1428 Beaumont, reroof, \$5,145; •March 27, 6740 Tarrytown, rebuild breezeway, \$994; •March 30, 2134 E. 77th North, reroof, \$59,990; •March 31, 2128 Charleston, reroof, \$4,000; •March 31, 1205 Broadbeck, reroof, \$2,200.

— The Post staff

## Graduation ceremonies set

Caps and gowns are ordered, and area high school seniors are preparing to become high school graduates.

Commencements have been set for area high schools.

Heights High School's ceremony will be 7 p.m. May 8 at Koch Arena on the Wichita State University campus.

Northeast Magnet High School's ceremony will be 7 p.m. May 13 in the Century II Convention Hall in Wichita.

Valley Center High School's ceremony will be 3 p.m. May 10 at Koch Arena.

— The Post staff

## Skate park to close for car show

The Park City council agreed on April 14 to close the skateboard park in McLean Park during the Fourth of July Car Show to allow for more room.

The request was made by Bob Robertson, who organizes the event.

The council also approved increasing funding for activities on the Fourth from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Robertson said the cost of fireworks alone has increased by \$2,500. Money for the activities comes from permit fees for fireworks sellers.

— David Dinell

# Pride the first to adopt a garden

## By Park City Pride

The Park City Park and Recreation Board is starting a program to encourage local organizations and businesses to adopt one of the small gardens in our parks. "Adopting" would involve

the purchase, planting and maintenance of plants and flowers, with a plaque noting the identity of the donor or donors. There are a number of small raised beds in the Grove Street parks (Prairie Wind, Habitude and Poston) that need to be planted and

maintained. Due to decreased park budgets, the beds have never been completed. There are also beds in the other parks in the city that could be adopted.

Park City Pride will be the first organization to adopt a garden in Poston Park this

spring. There are three raised beds along the walking path at the north end of the park. Pride members and volunteers will be planting flowers and some shrubs in them on May 16 starting at 8 a.m. weather permitting. Volunteers are invited to help in the planting.

There is also a plan in formulation for fall bulb planting to ensure early spring color next year. Daffodils and grape hyacinths will be ordered this spring for planting in November.

Volunteers should arrive ready to get their hands dirty.

# Pride members, volunteers host tournament

## By Park City Pride

Members of Park City Pride and their volunteers hosted the Kansas State 4A Div. 2 Basketball Tournament March 11 through 15 at Hartman Arena. They welcomed spectators and manned the pass gate and hospitality room over the four days, accumulating over 200 hours of service to the community. The March Pride meeting was moved to Tuesday night, March 10, due to the basketball tournament on Saturday. Lesley and Gary Davis provided

dinner. Due to inclement weather, the February Park City Alive! program was cancelled and will be rescheduled to July.

There were nine families served at the Food Pantry in February, and 23 children received bags of food to tide them over the spring break. Pride voted to send \$100 to the Kansas Sampler Foundation in Inman since their director, Marci Penner, had agreed to speak at the Community Improvement Day, which was cancelled due to lack of

participation by area volunteer groups.

Chairperson Dee Stuart reported on the Kansas State Pride Board of Directors retreat. Part of the discussion involved the difficulty in getting volunteers with older methods. Park City Pride will be investigating going to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram along with updating the website as a new way of getting the message out when there is a project needing volunteers from the community.

Members voted to allocate

\$500 to planting raised gardens in Poston Park on Grove Street, in conjunction with the Park Board. They also voted to donate plastic eggs and toys left from previous Easters to New Anthem Community Church's community Easter egg hunt on April 4.

The fall Trivia Night and Silent Auction has been scheduled for Nov. 7, and a second Tech Night for Oct. 17. In addition, there will be a rummage sale fundraiser in September when the city holds its city-wide garage sale.

The April Park City Alive! presentation will be "Legacy of an American Indian" at 7 p.m. April 25 at the Park City Public Library. Free, open to the public, with refreshments served to all. Visit the website for details.

If you are interested in helping with any of these projects, or if you have an idea for one to improve our community, call 744-8685 and leave a message, go to our website at [www.parkcitypride.info](http://www.parkcitypride.info) or just ask a member in a light blue shirt at almost any community activity.

## Jobs

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ees helps out the city as they eat, buy gas and otherwise shop in town, they say.

Robelli's track record is a winning one for Park City, said council member Tom Jones.

"Every project meets or exceeds expectations," he said.

In other action, the council:
 

- Canceled cleanup day, which had been scheduled for April 18. More information about the situation and alternatives, including free dumping for city residents at county facilities, will be sent out in the mail.

- Witnessed the swearing in of Jim Schroeder as the new council member of Park City's Ward 1. Schroeder beat incumbent Mike Alumbaugh 55-22 in the April 7 general election. Three other council members — Chris Johns, George Capps and Thomas Jones — were re-elected. None had any competitors. All three also were sworn in.

- Approved appropriations from March 25 to April 14 of \$315,111.

- Received a report from public works. The department reports that its staff painted the Youth Park con-

cession building and has been busy mowing on 61st Street and Hydraulic, sweeping streets and filling potholes. In March, it averaged 16 work orders a day.

- Received an update from the Park City Senior Center. It now has 529 active members. Also, there will be a Medication Management Workshop and Mini Health Fair from 9 a.m. to noon, April 18 at the center, 6100 N. Hydraulic. The free workshop will offer tips on managing medicines.

There also will be free health screenings. The event is hosted by students and faculty from the KU School of Pharmacy.

- Witnessed Mayor Ray Mann sign a proclamation declaring April 24 as Arbor Day in Park City. This year marks the 143rd for the annual celebration. As part of the proclamation, the mayor urged citizens to support efforts to protect trees

and woodlands and also for them to plant trees.

- Approved \$600 to fund the city's annual fishing derby. The event, which will be in its seventh year, is scheduled for 9-11 a.m., June 20 at Chisholm Pointe Pond on North Grove. There is no cost to attendees.

- Passed a revised rental contract for use of the Community Building.

- Approved a bid of \$1,012 from QTM LLC for mowing of 18 lots in the Bearhill addition and 27 lots in the Saddlebrook addition. The moving will likely be needed every two weeks, depending on weather conditions.

- Approved a quote of \$16,825 to equip two police department cruisers. One order is for \$13,675 for equipment from Salina, Kan.-based Ka-Comm and the other is for \$3,150 from Bolton, Ontario-based D&R Electronics.

- Received an update report from Code Enforcement. Year to date, there have been 322 animal control and nuisance cases, including 138 notices of violations. Also, there have been 181 building inspections.

- After some discussion, approved to have the Park City Post newspaper continued to be delivered to residents at a cost of \$500 a month, or \$6,000 a year.

Some council members expressed frustration that submitted information on their campaign positions wasn't printed. Post editor and publisher Chris Strunk was on hand and apologized for the situation.

Council member Tom Jones asked what they would replace the paper with if the contract was canceled. Some council members said they have received feedback from many residents that the Post is

their only source of city news and events and they want to keep it.

- Authorized Whitson to make waiver evaluation offers on Tract 26 and Tract 27. The land is associated with temporary construction easements for the 53rd Street North improvement project.

- Appointed Mann and Jones as Park City representatives to the Chisholm Creek Utility Authority.

- Held two executive sessions. One for the purpose of preliminary discussions related to a real estate acquisition and the other to discuss matters involving non-elected personnel.

- A scheduled report by Capt. Theimer of the Sedgwick County Fire Department on area activity was not received.

All eight members of the council were present. The next meeting is set for 7 p.m. April 28 at City Hall.

# BUSINESS & SERVICE GUIDE

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Cindy Payne-  
Robertson, D.V.M.  
Lori Mitchell, D.V.M.  
Kelly Martin, D.V.M.  
Chisholm Trail  
Animal  
Hospital, P.A.  
744-0501  
1726 E. 61st North, Park City

## Arrest

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named in a January search warrant in connection with the murders of Amanda Douglas, 26, and Jennifer Sudar, 37, near an apartment complex in east Tulsa.

Marshall was arrested by the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office and extradited to Wichita, according to the Tulsa World newspaper. The World also cites Marshall's residence as Owasso, Okla., which is a northern suburb of Tulsa.

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# THE PARK CITY REPORT

## CITY OF PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### City Council Meeting March 24, 2015:

- Approved the minutes of the March 10, 2015, regular meeting.
- Approved the most recent appropriations.
- Approved the purchase of trees and seedlings for Arbor Day at Chisholm Trail Elementary School as recommended by the Tree Board, \$600.
- Approved an agreement with Cox Communications for improved Internet service, additional annual cost \$360.
- Approved the purchase of video cameras for police vehicles, cost \$20,080.
- Approved the renewal of the annual property, casualty and workmen's compensation insurance, cost \$149,760.
- Held an executive session related to the acquisition of real estate. No action was taken during the meeting.
- Authorized the City Administrator to make offers on a tract associated with the 53rd Street North improvement project.
- Designated the Chisholm Trail Seniors to receive the proceeds of the spring citywide garage sale and the Park Board to receive the proceeds of the fall sale.

### City Council Special Meeting April 3, 2015:

- Held an executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel.
- Transferred supervision of code enforcement to the police department and added a supervisory position for code enforcement to the police department.

### City Council Meeting April 14, 2015:

- Proclaimed April 24, 2015, as Arbor Day in Park City.
- Approved the minutes of March 24, 2015, regular and the April 3, 2015, special meetings.
- Approved the most recent appropriations.
- Approved funding for the annual fishing derby on June 20 as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, cost \$600.

- Revised the rental contract for the Community Building.
- Presented outgoing city council member Mike Alumbaugh a plaque in appreciation for his faithful service.
- Administered the oaths of office to three returning councilmembers and a newly elected one.
- Deferred action on a resolution related to industrial revenue bonds for a warehouse to be located in the city.
- Approved a request from Bob Robertson to close the skateboard park on the 4th of July to aid in setting up and presenting the annual concert.
- Held an executive session related to the acquisition of real estate. No action was taken during the session.
- Authorized the City Administrator to make offers on tracts associated with the 53rd Street North improvement project.
- Accepted the low bid for mowing city-owned lots at a cost of \$22.50 per lot.
- Approved equipment for two new police cruisers, cost \$16,825.80.
- Approved the continued delivery of the Park City Post to residents of the city, cost \$500 per month.
- Approved the appointments of Mayor Mann and council member Jones to the CCUA board and council members Aldrich and Kerr as alternate members.
- Due to an ongoing scheduling issue, voted to cancel the annual citywide "Dump Day" in favor of mailing residents a coupon allowing them to make a free trip to the transfer station.
- Held an executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. No action was taken during the meeting.

Questions about the meetings may be addressed to Terry Coltraine, finance director, at 316-744-2026, Ext. 204, or at cityclerk@parkcityks.com.

## SENIOR CALENDAR

For more information or a complete schedule of all daily/weekly activities and programs, call Madison Shriner at 744-1199.

- Monday**  
9:15 a.m. Exercise  
10:15 Bible study (except May 4)  
1:00 p.m. Crochet/art class  
6:00 p.m. Pitch
- Tuesday**  
8:30 a.m. Wii Bowling  
10:00 WellREP (Well-Rounded Exercise Program)  
1:00 p.m. Bridge lessons  
1:00 Pool  
6:00 TOPS
- Wednesday**  
9:15 a.m. Exercise (except 1st Wednesday)  
1:00 p.m. Walking  
2:30 Line Dancing  
7:00 Round Dance
- Thursday**  
8:30 a.m. Wii Bowling  
10:00 WellREP (Well-Rounded Exercise Program)  
7:00 p.m. Square Dance (except third Thursday)
- Friday**  
9:15 a.m. Exercise  
10:30 Dance Aerobics  
1:00 p.m. Pinochle
- Saturday**  
1:00 p.m. Pinochle

(Lunch offered by Good Neighbor Nutrition at 11:30 a.m. Monday

thru Friday. Reservations required. Call 744-0751. Homebound delivery Monday thru Friday.)

### TOPS

Take Pounds Off Sensibly meets Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. For more information on joining call GiGi Roths at 390-5531.

### Monthly Events

**May 4, 10:30 a.m.**

Chisholm Trail Board Meeting

**May 6, 10:30 a.m.**

Chisholm Trail Seniors catered lunch and meeting (lunch by reservation)

**May 7, 1 p.m.**

Movie Matinee — "Mrs. Doubtfire" (popcorn will be served)

**May 11, 2 to 4 p.m.** — Sedgwick County Health Department immunization clinic. For questions please call 660-7300.

**May 13, 1 p.m.**

Foot/nail care by Michelle Steinke. Call 946-0722 for appointment.

**May 15, 6 p.m.**

Food/Fun/Games

**May 18, 1 p.m.**

Movie Matinee — "Moneyball" (popcorn will be served)

**May 19, 8 a.m.**

Breakfast out, Auntie C's

**May 21**

1 p.m. — Card bingo, \$1 fee

5:30 p.m. — Finger Food

### Senior Dances

\$4 donation at the door.

Refreshments served.

**May 2, 16 and 30, 7 p.m.**

The Wildwood Band

### Special Events

**Every Tue. & Thur., 10-10:45 a.m.**

WellREP (Well-Rounded Exercise

Program). Exercise program for older adults. WSU exercise science students will teach strength, flexibility and balance training.

**May 5, 10:45 a.m.**

Depression Screening and Mental Health. Vickie Heigel, Mid-Kansas Senior Outreach. She will perform depression screenings and discuss the importance of mental health.

**May 12, 10:45 a.m.**

Chiropractor Chat with Dr. Josh Jausel. Free muscle tension readings. Discuss the importance of nutrition in overall health.

**May 15, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.** AARP Smart Driver courses. A refresher course targeted for seniors to receive an insurance discount. Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers. Call 744-1199 to reserve a spot.

**May 16 and 23, 10-11:30 a.m.** Savvy Social Security Workshop. Sandi Henderson with Executive Planning Services will explain the many ways to choose your Social Security benefit. Discover the correct time and procedure to enroll. For anyone ages 55 to 66 who has not claimed yet. Refreshments will be provided. Call Madison at 744-1199 to RSVP.

**May 19, 11 a.m.** Blood pressure clinic and discussion on bone and joint health. Sharon Wyatt, Park West Plaza nurse.

**May 20, 10:15 a.m.**

Rite Bite Series.

Shirley Smith, Sedgwick County Extension Office. A six-week series about how to prepare healthy foods. Each session is on the third Wednesday of the month and will focus on a new topic. This month's topic: "Carbs and Fiber."

## RECYCLING DAYS IN PARK CITY

**East of I-135**  
Tuesdays – 12th & 26th

**West of I-135**  
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## Things for Park Citians to know

### Pride Food Pantry

The Park City Pride Food Bank will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. May 16 at the Park City Pride Building, 6512 E. Parkview.

The food pantry is required to follow USDA income guidelines for commodities. Proof of income and residency is required. An information packet with guidelines and requirements is available.

If you are in need of food assistance or would like more information, please call Park City Pride at 744-8685.

### Volunteer opportunity

The Good Neighbor Nutrition Program is in need of volunteers to deliver meals. If you are interested, please call Jill at 744-0751.

### Yard of the Month

Spring is here and it's time for the Yard of the Month!

The City Council and the Park Board will be recognizing beautiful yards. Council members will be taking pictures of yards within their ward to send to the Park Board who will select a winner from each ward.

### Cleanup coupon

The citywide clean-up day scheduled for April 18 was cancelled due to a conflict at McLean Park. In lieu of

the spring clean-up day, all residents will be mailed a coupon that can be used to take a pick-up load or 1,000 pounds of trash to the transfer station. The coupon will be valid for 60 days.

### Citywide garage sales

The Park City citywide garage sale will be June 6. You can sign up to participate for \$5. The cost covers a one-day garage sale permit and the rest goes toward advertising the sale. Permits for additional days may be purchased at the rate of \$1 per day. The sponsor for the Spring Garage Sale is the Chisholm Trail Senior Club.

### Enjoy your city parks

It's time to start thinking about nice weather and enjoying outside activities. Park City has wonderful parks where you can enjoy outside activities with your family. From walking animals, playing on swings and slipper slides, a friendly game of baseball, skate boarding or riding BMX bikes — our parks have a fun activity waiting just for you!

Do you like baseball? You can take in a baseball tournament at Hap McLean Park on May 1 through 3, May 8 through 10 or May 15 through 17.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

PC = Pride Center / SC = Senior Center / CB = Comm. Bldg. / CH = City Hall / PCL = Park City Library

- May 2, 7 p.m.** — Senior Dance, SC  
**May 4, 7 p.m.** — Park Board, CH  
**May 5, 7:15 p.m.** — C&T Committee, CH  
**May 6, 10:30 a.m.** — Seniors catered lunch, SC  
**May 7, 6:30 p.m.** — Court, CH  
**May 7, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Square Dance, SC  
**May 9, 9 a.m.** — PRIDE, PC  
**May 12, 7 p.m.** — City Council, CH  
**May 14, 1 p.m.** — Court Trials, CH  
**May 14, 6:30 p.m.** — Court, CH  
**May 14, 7 p.m.** — Library Board, PCL  
**May 14, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Square

- Dance, SC  
**May 16, 1 p.m.** — Pride Food Pantry, PC  
**May 16, 7 p.m.** — Senior Dance, SC  
**May 18, 7 p.m.** — Planning/ BZA, CH  
**May 21, 5:30 p.m.** — Seniors finger food  
**May 21, 6:30 p.m.** — Court, CH  
**May 25** — City Hall closed, Memorial Day (observed)  
**May 26, 7 p.m.** — City Council, CH  
**May 27, 11:30 a.m.** — Chamber Luncheon  
**May 28, 1 p.m.** — Court Trials, CH  
**May 28, 4:30 p.m.** — CCUA Bel Aire, CH  
**May 28, 6:30 p.m.** — Court, CH  
**May 28, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Square Dance, SC

### City Hall telephone directory 744-2026 plus extension below

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- 215 Assist. City Admin./HR
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- 214 City Attorney
- 206 Mayor
- 202 Accounts Payable
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- 207 Utility Billing
- 201 Utility Billing
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## Looking Ahead ...

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### Casino Trip

Thursday, June 11  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Cost: \$18 per person — everyone will receive \$10 FREE play at the casino**

The Park City Senior Center is planning a day trip to the Kansas Star Casino on Thursday, June 11. Come and enjoy a day of gambling at the Kansas Star Casino, and then visit Mulvane's premier winery Wyldewood Cellars for a virtual tour of the winery and a free sample of up to five wines.

Transportation will be provided by Spot's. The bus departs at 9 a.m. sharp from the Park City Senior Center and will leave the casino at 3 p.m. for a stop at Wyldewood Cellars before a 5 p.m. return to the center.

Space is limited! Please see or call Madison at 316-744-1199 to reserve your spot and pay before June 1!

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# Tasty Coffee Bean opens in Park City

By David Dinell

Local coffee fans have a new place to get their taste for java fulfilled. Offering a wide variety of specialty drinks, Tasty Coffee Bean has opened at 434 E. 61st North in Park City.

The business is a partnership between Penny Roths and her daughter, Crystal Arnold.

Tasty Coffee caters to early risers as it opens at 5 a.m. and serves its drinks, muffins and cakes until 1 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

"Coffee people are generally morning people," Roths said.

Indeed, a shop sign speaks to the effect of the need for a jolt of joe in the a.m. by stating: "Just Give Me the Coffee and No One Gets Hurt."

Roths said she is considering evening hours, depending on demand.

The building formerly housed Jerry's Barber Shop and sat empty for two years before being bought by Roths in February.

While the 1,000-square-foot single-story, wood-and-brick structure took a bit of effort to remodel inside, Roths said it was worth it.

"This little building has a lot of character," she said.

Inside, the 500-square-foot shop is cozy but comfortable.

There are 14 chairs, including four stools at the



Photos by David Dinell

**Penny Roths (left) and her daughter, Crystal Arnold, have opened Tasty Coffee Bean at 434 E. 61st North.**

bar. Roths is thinking about adding a patio in back. She did consider a drive-through, but having to relocate a gas meter and knocking a hole in the wall make it a difficult proposition.

Prices for regular coffee range from 75 cents to \$2, depending on size. Tasty Coffee has something a bit different: a small 8-ounce coffee for those who simply want a little bit without paying for a huge serving.

"Not everyone wants a big cup," Arnold said.

It also sells cold beverages such as pop, juice, milk, water and an energy drink.

So far, the business has been in the building stage as Roths and Arnold work to grow their customer base. While they want lot of new customers, their business' aim is to build their venture through word-of-mouth and referrals and to build a steady stream of repeat pa-

trons. In that regard, they offer a punch card for frequent customers. Once people come in the door, they like what Tasty Bean serves, they say.

"Those who have come in have been back," Roths said.

For those with a sweet tooth, the business has a wide selection of desserts and cakes, including a popular coconut raspberry torte.

"I'm proud of our selection," Roths said.



**Crystal Arnold (left) and Penny Roths work at Tasty Coffee Bean. The shop, remodeled from its former role as a barbershop, has seating for 14 customers.**

Seems others like it, too, as one woman recently bought a whole cake.

Food prices range from 75 cents for cream cheese pastries to \$4.25 for a piece of a fancy dessert.

"I try to keep our prices as low as possible," Roths said.

Roths picked up her taste and skill in making specialty coffee drinks when she lived in Italy for three years while her husband was on a contractor assignment for the Boeing Co. There, coffee-making is a specialized craft.

Roths worked to bring that expertise to Kansas.

Italian coffee drinkers like their drinks much stronger and with a fuller-bodied flavor than American custom-

ers, Roths said.

"The American palate is different," she said.

However, for those willing for a taste of adventure, she can make a true European-style drink — or temper it anyway they want it.

They also make unusual drinks such as a "Chunky Monkey" latte, based on similar flavorings in the ice cream of the same name.

Arnold was in the insurance business, but decided to switch careers and has been happy with the change, even having to get to work at 5 a.m.

"I can't think of anything more fun and exciting," she said, smiling as she worked on a drink.

## CHURCH HIGHLIGHTS

### Christ Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran is located at 53rd Street North and Hillside, across from Wichita Heights High School. Worship services are at 9 a.m. (contemporary) and 11 a.m. (traditional). Communion is offered at both services. Sunday School is at 10:15 a.m.

For more information about the church and its activities, find the church online at [www.christ-lutheran.org](http://www.christ-lutheran.org) or call 744-1242. Pastor Chad Langdon is the minister of Christ Lutheran Church.

### Church of the Resurrection

(Roman Catholic) is located at 4910 N. Woodlawn in Bel Aire.

Masses for the Lord's Day are 5:30 p.m. Saturday, and 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday. Weekday Masses are 8 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Resurrection Catholic School has students from preschool through eighth grade.

The parish/school website is [www.resurrectionwichita.com](http://www.resurrectionwichita.com). Phone number is 744-2776. The Rev. James F. Weldon is the pastor.

### Gospel Assembly Church

Located at 4230 N. Oliver in Bel Aire, service times are 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. Prayer service is 7 p.m. Tuesday. Praise and worship is 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. The first Saturday evening of each month are youth activities.

Phone number is 744-1502. The Rev. Gary D. Green is the pastor.

### Greenwich United Methodist Church

Sunday worship service at 9 a.m. Fellowship and coffee follow the service.

Pastor Jeff Miller can be reached at 744-0203.

Senior Day first Tuesday of each

month at 10 a.m.

United Methodist Women meet the first Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.

Movie night is the second Saturday of each month at 6:30 p.m. A snack is served.

The church is located about a mile south of K-254 on Greenwich Road. The phone number is 744-0203.

### Kechi United Methodist Church

You are invited to worship at 9:03 a.m. (contemporary service) or 11:00 a.m. (traditional service) on Sundays at Kechi United Methodist Church, 4533 E. 61st North in Kechi.

The "Epic of Eden" Bible Study is being presented in the KUMC Sanctuary at 5:30. This Old Testament Bible study by Dr. Sandra Richter will clearly and powerfully communicate a history of God's redeeming grace, weaving together a story that runs from the Garden of Eden to the garden of the New Jerusalem. All are welcome.

All sixth- through 12th-grade youth are invited to the church at 4 p.m. Sundays for youth group.

CareGivers Support group meets a 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month in the basement parlor. Bingo is at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Find us at [www.kechi.UMC.org](http://www.kechi.UMC.org) and "Like" us on Facebook. Pastor Mitch can be contacted at [Mitch@kechi.UMC.org](mailto:Mitch@kechi.UMC.org) or at 744-1221.

### New Anthem Community Church

New Anthem Community Church meets at Chisholm Trail Elementary, 6015 N. Independence, Park City KS 67219. Sunday service is at 10 a.m.

The church phone number is 260-5048. You can also contact us online at [www.newanthemchurch.com](http://www.newanthemchurch.com) or via email at [info@newanthemchurch.com](mailto:info@newanthemchurch.com).

### The United Methodist Church at Park City

The United Methodist Church at Park City, located at 1510 E. 61st North, has worship every Friday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 9 and 11 a.m. Professionally staffed childcare and children's ministries are provided, and a mother/baby room is also available.

Each week we have small groups and events designed with the entire community in mind. We'd love to have you and your family join in!

Monday — Men's coffee at Cracker Barrel at 6:30 a.m. Zumba with Jeni Jo at 8 p.m. in the worship area.

Tuesday — Zumba with Jeni Jo at 9 a.m. Celebrate Recovery is at 6:30 p.m. and is open to anyone with a hurt, habit or a hang-up. Call David at 841-0777 for more info. Childcare is provided.

Wednesday — Family ministry night is at 6 p.m. Join us for a meal, followed by Worship, Small Groups and Youth Group (MS/HS), AWANA Truth Seekers Children's ministry and a professionally staffed nursery. (Youth group meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Call Steve at 680-8399 for more info.)

Thursday — Men's coffee at Country Kitchen on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 a.m. Women's Study Group at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

Friday — New Generation Worship at 7 p.m. will study 1 Thessalonians 3:5. Call Ben at 303-4958.

All events and activities are OPEN to the community. Feel free to contact Pastor Rob with any questions about upcoming events and activities at either 744-0029 or 200-0156.

You can find the church on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/TheChurchAtParkCity](http://www.facebook.com/TheChurchAtParkCity)) or follow us on Twitter "@Churchparkcity" or visit our website ([www.churchatparkcity.com](http://www.churchatparkcity.com)) for more info.

### Randall Road Baptist Church

Randall Road Baptist is located at 6556 N. Randall, Park City. Sunday School starts at 10 a.m. Worship is at 11 a.m. Sunday evening activities start at 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible study begins at 7 p.m.

Contact Pastor Jim McQuery at 201-1696 or via email at [jmquery@cox.net](mailto:jmquery@cox.net).

### Riverview Baptist Church

Located at 844 W. 53rd North, the church office can be reached at 838-4861.

Sunday schedule has Bible study at 9:30 a.m., morning worship at 10:45 and evening worship at 6 p.m.

Fellowship meal is at 6 p.m. Wednesday. At 7 p.m. is adult Bible study and prayer and youth group for grade nine through 12.

Awana Club and Youth Group both meet at 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Call the church office for more information.

### St. Michael's Orthodox Christian Church

Saint Michael's Orthodox Christian Church is located at 2710 E. 61st North, Park City, KS 67219. It is a congregation of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America. "The disciples were first called Christians at Antioch." (Acts 11:26).

It is the only western rite Orthodox Church in the state of Kansas. Join us for our worship of the Holy Trinity using the ancient and beautiful liturgy of the Undivided Church.

Sunday Adult class at 9 a.m. is "Jesus: The Man, the Message and the Meaning."

Men's Bible study group will meet at 7 p.m. May 4 and will study Old Testament Deuterocanonical books.

Women's Bible study group meets at 10 a.m. April 24, May 8 and May 22. They will study "God's Plan for Sanity"

Wednesday service is at 6 p.m.; Saturday Vespers is at 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday program will be at 7:15 p.m. May 6 and 20 following Liturgy at 6 p.m. and potluck supper. Topic for May 6 is "Feast Days of our Patron Saint Michael" and May 20 is "Why is the Ascension of Christ Important for our Salvation?"

Holy Days during May are May 8,

Apparition of the Archangel Michael; May 21, Ascension Day; and May 31 Pentecost.

There is no fasting during May, according to Antiochian Orthodox custom.

Call the church for more information 734-6248 or visit our website at [www.saintmichaelorthodoxchurch.com](http://www.saintmichaelorthodoxchurch.com).

Inquirers and Catechumen Class is held at 5 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. If you are interested in an introduction to the faith and practice of the Holy Orthodox Church, please feel free to join us. Upcoming classes are April 28, May 12 and May 26.

Email inquiries to [jlflora@cox.net](mailto:jlflora@cox.net).

### Wichita Three Angels Seventh-Day Adventist Church

The church is located at 4558 N. Hydraulic, Wichita, KS 67219.

The pastor is Birger Draget. The Sabbath school is at 9:30 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m.

For more information find us online at [www.godsclot.com](http://www.godsclot.com) or on Facebook, email [eric@godsclot.com](mailto:eric@godsclot.com) or call 530-1040.

Send your church's upcoming events and service times to [legals@arkvalleynews.com](mailto:legals@arkvalleynews.com) or call 755-0821.

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# Little miss aims for big achievements

By David Dinell

Layla White of Park City may be only 5, but she's ready to take on the world. She gets that chance July 17 and 18 when she takes to the stage at the Hyatt Regency in Wichita as a contestant in the National American Miss Pageant.

If she places in the top four, she goes on to the national contest this November in Anaheim, Calif., at Disneyland.

Naturally, her mother, Peggy White, is pleased about the prospect.

"Oh, my gosh, I'm so proud of her," she said.

Even if Layla doesn't get a national placement, she's already jumped quite a few hurdles. Just to get to the state contest, she had to go through a rigorous interview process



Layla White

in January with more than 20 other young girls to make the final round of 12 contestants.

Layla also has had to overcome another challenge, this one a serious medical issue as she was born with a 2-inch hole in the wall of her heart.

The opening was temporarily repaired, but she will have to have additional surgery when she weighs more than 50 pounds.

Her mom, who adopted Layla when she was 7 months old, said Layla takes the challenge in stride.

"You wouldn't know it by the way she acts," White said. "It doesn't slow her down a bit."

To be sure, the brown-haired girl with the rosy cheeks and friendly smile is an attractive youngster, but White said she's pleased the pageant puts its emphasis on personality and poise — and not looks.

"Everything has to be age-appropriate," she said. "They don't allow the girls under 12 to wear make up. It's not at all like you see on TV. Everything

is respectful and they really care about the girls. They want them to act their age and I appreciate that."

There also are other rules, such as requiring the contestants to have only one formal outfit, so the event doesn't become a fashion extravaganza.

Contestants can be escorted on stage by a friend or family member. There, Layla will complete a personal introduction and speak into a microphone. At this point, she will be stating her hometown.

Layla, who is a pre-kindergartner at Chisholm Trail Elementary School in Park City, will take part in the Miss Kansas Princess division, which is for girls ages 4 to 6.

There are four other divisions as the event's participants range in age from 4 to 18.

She will be undertaking an interview with judges in which her speaking and interview skills will be rated. She also will be scored on community involvement, which calls for her to help other children in her city.

Layla has no shortage of show business spunk, White said.

"She's quite the entertainer," she said, "and not at all shy." Layla will even walk into a store with her "microphone purse," belting out a favorite tune — more than likely "Let it Go" from the popular Disney movie, "Frozen."

"When she does it, it's so cute," said White, although she added that she's heard the song many a time.

No matter what happens, White said she's pleased with

the way her daughter has grown in recent months and the way she has been able to channel her talent to share with others and build community pride.

"Not only will she be representing herself, she'll be representing Park City in the pageant," she said.

White is interested in finding sponsors to help with Layla's expenses. Sponsors receive placements in the pageant program. Those who want to help can reach her at (316) 559-6851.

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## DEATHS

### WILLIAM BALL

William Ball, 66, Haysville, died April 7, 2015. He was a retired Park City police chief.

Survivors include his wife Mary Sue; sons Timothy Ball of Haysville and Billy Ball of Denver; daughter Marjorie Brown (Curt Stevens) of Haysville; sister Barbara Smith (Dr. Martin Smith) of Wichita; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life service was held April 11 at Smith Mortuary in Haysville. Memorials to Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice.

### KATHLEEN SCHMIDT

Kathleen Annette (Delk) Schmidt, 72, of Park City, died March 25, 2015. She was a retired medical records clerk.

She was born in Goessel to Clifford Delk and Evelyn Ruth (Warkentin) Delk. She graduated from Hillsboro High School. She worked at Claremore Regional Hospital and Via Christi St. Francis as a medical records and coding clerk.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her husband Phillip Schmidt; children Dwight (Crystal) Johnson of

Hillsboro, Darrin Schmidt of Wichita and Aimee Davis of Wichita; grandchildren Patrick (Petra) Johnson of Oklahoma City, Okla., Brooke (David) Phillips of Newton, Hunter Davis and Zander Davis, both of Wichita; brother Jim (Elaine) Delk of Hillsboro; sisters Margaret (Martin) Tice of Marion, Beverly (Allen) Flaming of Pagosa Springs, Colo., and Pamela Abbott of Hillsboro; and many other family and friends.

Service was March 31 at Baker Funeral Home, Valley Center.

### PEGGY SEABURN

Peggy Lynn (Gourley) Seaburn, 62, died April 2, 2015. She was a daycare provider.

Survivors include her husband Gary Seaburn; children Melanie Seaburn of Wichita, Felicia (Trent) Herrmann of Pleasant View, Colo., Melissa Joynt of Park City, and Luke (Jessica) Seaburn of Haysville; 15 grandchildren; brother Bill Gourley of Wichita; and many other family and friends.

Service was April 8 at General Assembly Church of the Firstborn, Wichita. Baker

Funeral Home of Valley Center had charge.

## Election

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our community, which in turn will attract more citizens to Park City to fill those jobs."

In other races across north Sedgwick County, Valley Center elected a new mayor for the first time since 2006.

With 75 percent of the vote (224-60), Laurie Dove, a writer and small business owner, won the race over Jaque Davis, a paraprofessional in the Valley Center school district.

"The first thing I thought about was how appreciative I was for everyone who put out yard signs, who shared with neighbors, who had kind thoughts for me and shared good words," Dove said. "... I am really looking forward to making the transition from city council to mayor."

Dove has served on the city council, representing Ward 2, for the past two years.

"I have a good handle on the projects we are working on now and the ones we are considering in the future," Dove said. "... I am a hands-on person and I expect to be a hands-on mayor who really shows some leadership for our community. ... I have a clear and passionate vision for our community and I really look forward to drawing people into the process who also are just as passionate about our community."

Dove was elected to the council in 2013. The appointee will serve through 2017.

In Valley Center City Council races, Dale Kerstetter unseated incumbent Judith Leftoff in Ward 1. Leftoff is finishing her first four-year term. Ward 1 is primarily the northwest part of the city. Kerstetter had 58 percent of the vote, 50-34.

In Ward 2, Gina Gregory won the seat over Ricky Sheltenbarger, 47-30. Gregory will take over for Terry Ishman, who was serving the remainder of an unexpired term and decided not to seek to retain the seat.

Ward 3 and Ward 4 races were unopposed. Marci Maschino was re-elected to serve Ward 3 (the southeast part of the city) and Ben Anderson was elected to Ward 4 (southwest).

Dove, Kerstetter, Gregory, Maschino and Anderson were sworn in during the April 21 city council meeting.

Meanwhile, Bel Aire voters appeared pleased with the job their mayor and city council members are doing as Mayor David Austin was re-elected along with council members

Ken Lee and Betty Martine.

Austin, who won a second two-year term with an unofficial vote total of 503-134, said he was "humbled" and encouraged by the victory.

"We're keeping taxes level, we're making improvements, we're reducing the debt, we're expanding our tax base, we're attracting new rooftops, we're attracting new businesses and that is the right road and that was the message sent out loud and clear tonight," he said.

Reducing the city's debt is a top concern, along with improvements to streets and sewers and water availability, he said.

Also, expanding the tax base is a top priority for the long term, Austin said.

Austin had praise for his opponent, Andrew Uhlschmidt, and the civility of the campaign.

"I've come to know Andrew throughout this; he's a good guy," Austin said.

He added that they agreed on

many goals, but disagreed on how to achieve them.

"And that's OK," he said. There are no term limits for the Bel Aire mayor slot, so Austin could run again in two years. However, he said he's not "looking too far down the road"

Ken Lee said he was excited about his victory.

"I felt there was a lot of unfinished business," he said. Infrastructure matters are important, he said, along with

keeping water rates low.

Lee, who was on council for 2 1/2 years, won a four-year term. Martine also won a four-year term.

They beat out challenges from Jeanette Clement, Michael Gordon, Jeff Oldenettel and Stephen Scholtz.

In Kechi, Brian Adams, David McConaughay and Kevin Opat will retain their at-large city council seats. Challenger Michael Hoffman came up 16 votes short of Opat.

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# New owners re-open liquor store in Park City

By David Dinell

Michelle and Gary Sandy are getting a welcoming reception after they recently opened their business, MGS Liquor, at the northeast corner of Broadway and 61st Street in Park City.

It was the site of Tomlin Retail Liquor, so customers are used to patronizing the high-traffic location. However, former owner Mark Tomlin decided to go out of business, and that's where the Sandys came in.

It worked out well for everyone, including customers. "We've had so many people tell us that they're glad this store has opened back up," said Michelle Sandy. "People are used to a liquor store being here."

The Sandys took possession of the property March 13 and opened the 1,800-square-foot store for business March 26.

"So far, it's been working out well," she said. "Our first weekend, we were busier than we anticipated. It's been a very friendly, very positive response."

The business, whose name comes from the owners' initials, is open from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and noon to 8 p.m. Sundays. The busiest time is in the late afternoon, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. The Sandys do have help during the long hours at 6200 N. Broadway:



Michelle Sandy and her son, Travis, greet customers at a new area business, MGS Liquor, 6200 N. Broadway.

Photos by David Dinell

their 23-year-old son, Travis. "He puts in quite a few hours," Michelle said.

For the most part, the business is Michelle's to operate, although Gary helps out behind the scenes.

Other than new signs, they haven't had to make a lot of changes, although they did add new coolers and a new cooling system. Along with the location, the Sandys have been impressed with the secure feeling they get operating

a business in Park City.

"We see the police patrolling around here all the time," Michelle said. "They must go by every 15 minutes or so and they keep a close eye on the area." She also cited the ease of working with city officials in getting the proper permit to sell liquor.

"They were quite helpful," she said. They also had to get a variety of other licenses to open.

"There are a lot of rules

and regulations with liquor sales," Michelle said. The Sandys make sure they follow them, along with strict age enforcement on purchases.

They're also tracking what could be a major challenge to the business: a State House bill that would open liquor sales to grocery stores. They say that would be unfair to independent retailers such as themselves and are urging customers to sign an online petition to prevent such a



MGS Liquor, at 61st Street and Broadway, was the site of Tomlin Retail Liquor. Mark Tomlin sold the property to Michelle and Gary Sandy.

development.

Michelle prides herself in the business' selection of Kansas-made wines, including choices from Grace Hill, Smokey Hill Winery and Wyldewood Cellars. The Sandys also are working to increase the store's inventory of craft beer.

Sandy said of the business' goal is to try and give customers a fair price and to be competitive.

The store's prices follow suggested retail guidelines, although they do have specials on certain products, including an extremely popular selection of single cans of 25-ounce beer for 99 cents plus tax.

"Those really sell," she

said. In general, beer is the most popular product, with Bud Lite and Coors leading the sales pack.

The couple is new to retailing. Gary is retired from the military and civil service and Michelle, who has a master's degree in business, has switched careers from physical therapy to retailing. She also was in the military for 10 years. That training, she said, has come in handy.

"It certainly has helped us to be organized," she said. Both have entertained the thought of having a small retail liquor store for a long time — and now that concept has been realized.

"It's been a lifelong dream for us," he said.

# Valley Center school district selects new Hornet logo

By Chris Strunk

The Valley Center school district has a new Hornet logo, but it may be a while before it can be fully utilized.

The school board approved final versions of the logo on April 13. Now, the district must begin a trademark process that could take up to a year.

It's unclear when the new logo can be used, Superintendent Cory Gibson said.

The logo is purple and has a gold outline when on a purple background. Compared to the former logo, the new Hornet has decidedly sharper edges, with fierce eyes, antennae and stinger pointing forward and wings pointing back. On the wing in the foreground are the letters "VC."

Gibson said there have been opposing opinions about the new design.

He likened the reaction to differing opinions to the same restaurant. Some people like it, some don't.

"We could look at the logo and say we love it and we could look at the logo and say we hate it," Gibson said.

The district was forced to design a new image when Georgia Tech University officials said Valley Center's



The new Valley Center Hornet logo, which was approved by the school board April 13, will have a yellow outline when printed on purple and no outline when on yellow.

Hornet was too similar to the university's Yellowjacket.

Now that the new logo has been developed, Georgia Tech has softened, Gibson said, allowing the district at least four

years to fully scrub itself of the old logo, including gym floors and walls.

The district had been pressured to have the old logo removed immediately, an expen-

sive prospect.

Even with the new modified permit from Georgia Tech, no new products may be made with the old logo. The district already has banned its use in

all communications, whether electronic or printed.

Gibson said a survey of resi-

dents showed that most people wanted the new logo to feature the colors of gold and purple

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