



Courtesy photo

A suspect is seen swinging a dog at a Park City police officer in this still frame taken from video recorded by the police car's dash cam Aug. 23.

Video of man using dog as a weapon goes viral

By David Dinell

A police dash cam video taken Aug. 23 in Park City has received national, even international, attention.

The video shows an officer questioning a Park City resident who was walking a small dog.

The incident unfolded on North Kerman Street after residents called police complaining of a suspicious person.

The man, Michael A. Rush, 28, whom Police Chief Phil Bostian said was drunk or on drugs, started attacking the officer and twice swung the dog, still on its leash, at the officer, using the dog as a weapon.

At least one of those swings was captured on video, shocking viewers. Comments on news blogs and under the video were universal in condemning the suspect's misuse of the dog, with many calling for his severe punishment.

The video was broadcast by Wichita TV stations Aug. 24 and quickly went viral. Major publication, such as the

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Courtesy photo

Most of the major parts of Ron Linenberger's prized 1967 maroon Dodge Charger were taken after it was stolen and stripped.

Stolen car recovered, not much left

By David Dinell

Ron Linenberger got his classic car back, but what he got made him upset.

"I'm sick," he said of seeing his stolen classic 1967 maroon Dodge Charger stripped down to its chassis.

After spending thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours of his time fully restoring the car, Linenberger found there wasn't much left of it.

"It's destroyed, it's bad," he said. "It's stripped down to the bone. It's really, really sad. I was hoping we would get enough of it back to restore it."

But with the seats gone, along with an expensive new engine and dozens of smaller, costly parts, that's not possible, he said.

The vehicle was taken by a thief or thieves who broke into the garage of a house he and his wife, Terry, are

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A rare accomplishment: Velva '100 years young'



Photos by David Dinell

One of Velva's granddaughter's, Tina Ricke, visits with her at Velva's 100th birthday party. "She's a beautiful lady inside and out and has inspired all of us," Tina says.

Park City woman celebrates milestone

By David Dinell

It was a much different world when Velva Smith was born on Aug. 22, 1915.

World War I was underway, Woodrow Wilson was president and airplanes were still a novelty. Now, 100 years later, with a world of computers, jets and cellular phones, Velva joins an elite group: centenarians.

So it was just natural that Aug. 22, 2015, was an occasion that went well marked, as family and friends congratulated Velva during an afternoon come-and-go reception at Valley Center's Lions Park Community Building.

One of Velva's granddaughter's, Tina Ricke, said her grandmother's 100th birthday is "quite an accomplishment."

"It's just amazing," Ricke said. "She's a beautiful lady inside and out and she has inspired all of us."

Despite her age, Velva's mind remains clear and she retains a positive attitude, Ricke added.

The party, of course, included a rousing rendition of "Happy Birthday" and a cake stating that Velva is "100 Years Young — AWE-SOME!!!"

The 70 people at the event also signed a T-shirt for Velva and looked over a collection of family photos and mementoes.

Among Velva's many friends there were Judy and Jerry Decker, who deliver a weekly hot meal to her as part of the Meals on Wheels program.

"She's a neat little old lady who still has all her faculties," Judy said during a recent visit. "Velva's a sweet-heart."

The Deckers have known Velva, who has lived in Park City since 1994, for the past



ABOVE: Partygoers sing "Happy Birthday" to Velva. Those who think that getting to 100 means laying off treats such as ice cream are mistaken as that's one of Velva's favorite treats, along with milkshakes. LEFT: Velva Smith welcomes Judy Decker for a visit at her home.

10 years.

"She was just a kid then at 90," Jerry joked. "I just love her — I don't know why because she's so ornery."

Indeed, Velva has a steady stream of one-liners going for her visitors, her still-sharp mind keeping them on their toes. Laughter is important to her, as is her spiritual life, and she makes a point to go to

nearby Randall Road Baptist Church for weekly services.

Asked the proverbial question about how she managed to live so long, Velva's reply was simple: "Take it one step at a time. That's all you need." No need to unnecessarily rush about, she added.

And don't forget the ice cream, either. Those who think that to hit the century

mark means laying off the sweet, cool stuff are sorely mistaken as ice cream is a favorite, along with milkshakes. One of Velva's daughters, Barbara Reeder, whom she lives with, picks up the treats frequently at a local drive-in.

"Give her a shake and she'll down that thing," Bar-

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HIGHLIGHTS

Park City issues 17 permits in July

The City of Park City issued 17 building permits during July for a total property valuation of \$990,025. Of that number two were for new homes and four for new duplexes. The permits are listed by date they were issued, address, type of project and valuation:

- July 2, 6506 Tarrytown, reroof, \$3,000; • July 6, 6473 Chisholm Pointe, new home, \$130,000; • July 9, 1473 Bearhill, deck extension and cover, \$5,600; • July 10, 4692 Briargate Court, deck addition and cover, \$3,440; • July 10, 400 E. 69th North, reroof, \$19,000; • July 10, 6701 N. Grove, reroof and siding, \$6,200; • July 28, 2000 Ravena, reroof, \$5,000; • July 16, 1225 Evanston, remodel, \$23,000; • July 16, 6550 Kerman, reroof, \$3,200; • July 23, 6519 N. Grove, replace deck and siding, \$3,000; • July 21, 6517 Randall, reroof, \$3,585; • July 28, 5101 N. Broadway, commercial remodel, \$40,000; • July 31, 5250 Lakewood Hills, new home, \$325,000; • July 27, 5917 Millsboro, new duplex, \$102,500; • July 27, 5921 Millsboro, new duplex, \$102,500; • July 27, 5925 Millsboro, new duplex, \$107,500; • July 27, 5929 Millsboro, new duplex, \$107,500.

— The Post staff

Customer mad about \$550 tab

Glasses were thrown and dancers were upset.

Area law enforcement officers responded to a disturbance at the Red Garter on West 53rd North Aug. 14, where a reportedly intoxicated man was mad about his bill.

Police said a patron wanted to settle his tab after spending about \$400 at the exotic dance club. The man claimed his tab accidentally ballooned to \$550. His credit card was declined, and an argument ensued.

The man was taken out of the club, but he returned. He returned and was taken out a second time. The third time he went into the club, the situation escalated into a fight. Police were called. As officers arrived, the man attempted to leave. The dancers did not wish to press charges and the man refused EMS treatment.

A sheriff's deputy took the man home.

— The Post staff

County property sold at auction

About 360 acres of land in northeast Sedgwick County was sold by auction Aug. 6, earning the county about \$1.38 million.

McCurdy Auction conducted the sale.

The land sold for an average of \$4,235 per acre. Three parcels sold together for \$1.43 million and one sold for \$94,600, totaling more than \$1.5 million. Costs of the sale and closing expenses were deducted.

The auction drew about 60 people, was conducted onsite and lasted about 45 minutes. There were 15 registered bidders, including one from California.

McCurdy did not identify the buyers.

The property, which has been used for agricultural purposes, is located near the 645-acre Northeast Sedgwick County Park.

Most of the property is near 85th North and Greenwich Road and 127th East.

— The Post staff

Center to host country dances

The Park City Senior Center will host two country dances in September.

On Sept. 5, Cindy McCaskey, Helen Bennett and Donald Fletcher will celebrate birthdays. Charmaine Shonk and Jack Long will celebrate their birthdays at the Sept. 29 dance.

Each dance will run from 7 to 10 p.m. and will feature the Wildwood Band.

Everyone is welcome. Cost is a \$4 donation at the door. Refreshments will be served. Bring a covered dish or snack to share.

For more information, call Madison Shriner at 744-1199 or Aggie Dry at 755-1060.

— The Post staff

Ice cream social, watermelon feed a hit

If you weren't at the ice cream social and watermelon feed in Hap McLean Park on Aug. 15, you missed out on a wonderful time.

The Park Board hosted a great group of folks who came to enjoy ice cream sandwiches and ice cream cones being served ice cold from a Schwan's truck. The ice cream was served by Pride members Eric, Tracy, Savannah and Katelyn Henderson. Keith Flower took photos and assisted in other areas.

Ice cold watermelon was served by Bruce Helberg with the assistance of Park Board Chairman Curtis Zerr. Other members of the Park Board who helped were Larry Kelley, Joel Pumphrey, Jon Seymore and Carol Flower. Other friends of the Park Board who helped us out were Darrell Hicks and Dr. Steve Dunn from Kansas Newman University.

The entertainment for the evening was Cosette, who provided the crowd and volunteers with a beautiful selection of music. The weather was perfect for the evening of free family fun. We had a good crowd, but we missed those of you who didn't come.

Thank you to the Park Board, the Park City park staff and all the volunteers for another successful family event.

The next event will be the Fall Festival in October. Be watching the Park City Post, Channel 7 and the city's website for more information about the next free family event put on by the Park City Park Board.

— Carol Flower, Park Board member



ABOVE: Several people help with the watermelon feed and ice cream social Aug. 15 in McLean Park.



LEFT: Entertainment is provided by the music duo Cosette.

Courtesy photos

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THE PARK CITY REPORT

CITY OF PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

City Council Meeting July 28, 2015:

- Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of July 14, 2015.
- Approved appropriations 821-2015 with Addendum.
- Considered the list of Delinquent Recycling Accounts and scheduled a public hearing for August 11, 2015.
- Approved Echo Hills Commercial Addition Improvements, including authorizing the spread of special assessments, and scheduled a Public Hearing on August 25, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
- Approved Resolution 897-2015, Determining the Advisability of Issuing Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds for the Purpose of Financing the Acquisition, Construction and Equipping of a Multi-tenant Commercial Outlet Center to be Located in said City; and Authorizing Execution of Related Documents.
- Approved a One Step Final Plat on land located north of 93rd Street North and east of Broadway.
- Considered the 2016 Budget and scheduled a Public Hearing on August 11, 2015.
- Considered an amendment to the 2015 Budget to enable the transfer of funds from the sale of City-owned property to the Capital Improvement Program and scheduled a Public Hearing for August 11, 2015.
- Approved a counter-offer from the landowner at 53rd & Hydraulic for Acquisition of Temporary and Permanent Street Right-of-Way in connection with planned improvements to 53rd Street North.
- Approved the use of block form to repair the soil erosion at the low water bridge with the funds

coming from the street fund; \$20,000 from drainage and the remainder from the Special Street and Highway fund.

City Council Meeting August 11, 2015:

- Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of July 28, 2015.
- Approved Appropriations 822-2015 with Addendum.
- Approved expenditures as recommended by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board: 1) \$700 for Ice Cream Social on August 15, 2015 (\$500 from Ice Cream Social Line Item in the Special Events Funds and the balance from the Unspecified Line Item of the same fund; and 2) \$1,150 for the installation of two windows on the south wall of the Community Building.
- Approved Resolution 898-2015 Certifying Delinquent Recycle Accounts to the County Clerk for inclusion on Real Estate Taxes.
- Approved Adoption of the 2015 Budget Amendment.
- Approved Adoption of the 2016 Budget.
- Approved the transfer of funds received from the damages to a Police vehicle from the General Fund to the Police Reimbursements Account.
- Approved Ordinance 960-2015 Establishing a Policy and Rules and Regulations for the Use and Occupation of City Rights-of-Way and Requiring Permits for Work Therein and for Annual Registration of all Occupants.

Questions about these meetings may be addressed to 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.

The Senior Center will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, for the Labor Day holiday.

- Monday**
9:15 a.m. Exercise
10:15 Bible study (except first Monday)
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. GiGi Roths 390-5531 for more information.
- Wednesday**
9:15 a.m. Exercise (except first Wednesday)
1:00 p.m. Walking
2:30 Line Dancing
- 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 (changes to 1:30 p.m. on Sept. 18)
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 are required. Call 744-0751. Homebound delivery Monday thru Friday.)

- First Place: Amazon Kindle
- Second Place: one-hour massage at Massage Envy
- Third Place: Fresh Market gift certificate

Monthly Events

Aug. 31, 10:30 a.m.
Chisholm Trail board meeting

Sept. 2, 10:30 a.m.
Chisholm Trail Seniors catered lunch and meeting (lunch by reservation)

Sept. 3, 1 p.m.
Movie Matinee- "Taking Chance"

Sept. 9
Foot/Nail care by Michelle Steinke. Call 316-946-0722 to schedule an appointment.

Sept. 14, 2 to 4 p.m.
Sedgwick County Health Department Immunization Clinic

Sept 15, 8 a.m.
Breakfast out, Auntie C's

Sept 17
1 p.m. — Card bingo, \$1 fee
5:30 p.m. — Finger food

Sept. 18, 6 p.m.
Food/Fun/Games

Sept. 21, 1 p.m.
Movie Matinee — "My Fair Lady"

Senior Dances

\$4 donation at the door. Refreshments served.
Sept. 5 and 19, 7 p.m.
The Wildwood Band

Special Events

Begins Sept. 1: Passport to Health & Wellness Challenge. Celebrate National Senior Center Month by taking part in the Passport to Health and Wellness Challenge. Here's how it works:

- Pick up your "Passport" at Park City Senior Center through Sept. 1.
- Starting Sept. 1, participate in the healthy activities listed in the passport to receive "stamps" indicating you completed the activity
- Turn in your passport by 4:30 p.m. Sept. 28.
- The three participants with the highest number of stamps will receive a prize
- Winners will be announced at the Park City Senior Center at 10 a.m. Sept. 29.

Please join us for the kickoff party from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Sept. 1 with health-centered presentations, demonstrations and healthy snacks. Those who attend the kickoff party will receive a stamp in their passport. For more information, please call 744-1199.

Sept. 10, 1 p.m. Old Fashioned Movie Matinee, presented by Rick Every. Be transported back in time for our second showing. View a documentary on the beginnings of film in Hollywood and several cartoons/newsreels including "The Little Rascals" and "Tom & Jerry" on the big screen with Rick's 16-mm sound projector and reels. \$5 per person. Popcorn will be served.

Sept. 15, 11 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic and Pain Management presentation by Sharon Wyatt, nurse from Park West Plaza.

Sept. 16, 10:15 a.m. Rite Bite Series. Shirley Smith from the Sedgwick County Extension office instructs the last of this six-session series with a presentation and cooking demonstration on how to prepare healthy foods. This month's topic: "Sweeteners."

Sept. 23, 11:30 a.m. Falls Prevention Workshop. Presented by Samantha Maehs from Brookdale Senior Living. Join us in recognizing the first day of Fall by learning different techniques and tips on how to prevent falls and the injuries associated with them.

Saturdays, Sept. 26-Nov. 7, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Square Dance lessons. Grab your dancing shoes and come to the Senior Center to learn how to square dance! Beginners welcome. For more information please call Tammy Gough at 371-3991.



City Hall will be closed Monday, Sept. 7 in observance of the Labor Day holiday

Nifty facts to know ...

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 wards to send to the Park Board, who will select a winner from each ward at their monthly meeting.

Park City Project Friendship

Project Friendship is a charitable organization that helps families in the city of Park City with their water/sewer bill. If you are experiencing a financial hardship and need assistance, please call 744-2026 and someone at City Hall will get you in touch with one of the Project Friendship board members. The board meets at 9:30 a.m. on the second Friday of the month in the City Hall conference room.

To make a tax-deductible contribution to Project Friendship, simply round up the amount of your utility bill and write the extra amount on the donation line that is located on the left side of your return stub. You may also pledge an

amount that will automatically be added to your bill each month. For more information, call the water clerk at 744-2026.

Keep the ditches clean

Fall is a beautiful time of year. The trees are a true work of art as the leaves turn. Then the leaves fall and it becomes a lot of work.

Remember to bag or mulch leaves. Please make sure your ditches are clean and free of debris. This is important for the free flow of water and so that the ditches can be maintained.

Do not throw yard clippings, brush, trash or other debris into the ditches. Homeowners are responsible to mow some of the ditches; the City is responsible to mow dedicated ditches. City crews are not able to mow or work along ditches if they are full of debris.

If you have questions regarding your responsibilities for maintenance of a ditch, or to report illegal dumping in a ditch, call the Department of Code Enforcement at 744-

2026, ext. 225. regarding your responsibilities for maintenance of a ditch.

To report illegal dumping in a ditch, call the Department of Code Enforcement at 744-2011.

Water quality report

The City of Park City Water Quality Report is posted at www.krwa.net/ccr/Parkcity or you can pick up a copy of the report at City Hall.

Automatic payment of utility bills

You can also enroll now for automatic payment of water and sewer bills. Once enrolled, a billing will continue to be mailed to you that shows the amount to be deducted from your bank account.

If you would like to enroll, come by City Hall and complete the authorization form or call the water clerk at 744-2026, Ext. 207.

Dates of important upcoming events

Park City Alive!

Shakespeare in the Park
7 p.m. Sept. 19, 2015
McLean Park
Free and open to the public

Pride Food Pantry

The Park City Pride Food Pantry is a food bank that is required to follow the USDA income guidelines for com-

modities.

If you are in need of food assistance, come to the Park City Pride Building, from 1 to 3 p.m. Sept. 19. Pride members have prepared a packet of information with guidelines and requirements. Proof of income and residency is required.

If you would like more

information, please call Park City Pride at 744-8685.

Citywide garage sale

Needing some extra cash? As the saying goes, one man's trash is another man's treasure. So take time to clean and turn your junk into cash. It is

time for the Fall Citywide Garage Sale on Sept. 26.

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 a rate of \$1 per day.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

- Sept. 1, 7:15 p.m. — C&T Committee, CH
- Sept. 2, 10:30 a.m. — Seniors catered lunch, SC
- Sept. 3, 6:30 p.m. — Court, CH
- Sept. 3, 7 p.m. — Seniors Square Dance, SC
- Sept. 5, 7 p.m. — Senior Dance, SC
- Sept. 7 — City Hall closed, Labor Day holiday
- Sept. 8, 7 p.m. — City Council, CH
- Sept. 10, 1 p.m. — Court Trials, CH
- Sept. 10, 6:30 p.m. — Court, CH
- Sept. 10, 7 p.m. — Library Board, PCL
- Sept. 10, 7 p.m. — Seniors Square Dance, SC
- Sept. 12, 9 a.m. — PRIDE, PC

- Sept. 14, 7 p.m. — Park Board, CH
- Sept. 17, 5:30 p.m. — Seniors finger food
- Sept. 17, 6:30 p.m. — Court, CH
- Sept. 19, 1 p.m. — Pride Food Pantry, PC
- Sept. 19, 7 p.m. — Senior Dance, SC
- Sept. 19, 7 p.m. — Park City Alive, Shakespeare in the Park
- Sept. 21, 7 p.m. — Planning/BZA, CH
- Sept. 22, 7 p.m. — City Council, CH
- Sept. 24, 1 p.m. — Court Trials, CH
- Sept. 24, 4:30 p.m. — CCUA Bel Aire, CH
- Sept. 24, 6:30 p.m. — Court, CH
- Sept. 24, 7 p.m. — Seniors Square Dance, SC
- Sept. 26 — Citywide garage sales
- Sept. 30, 11:30 a.m. — Chamber Luncheon

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CHURCH HIGHLIGHTS

Christ Lutheran Church

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

For more information about the church and its activities, find the church online at www.christ-lutheran.org, or call 744-1242.

Chad Langdon is the pastor 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. Weekly 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. 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 is the 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 (traditional service) Sundays, with Sunday school at 10 a.m., at Kechi United Methodist Church, 4533 E. 61st North in Kechi. All are welcome.

Men's Bible Study is at 6:30 a.m. Wednesdays. The coffee is always on.

CareGivers Support group meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of every month in the basement parlor.

Bingo is at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Thursdays throughout the summer, KUMC hosts the Kechi Farmers Market from 4 to 6:30 p.m. in the parking lot. Come see what's going on.

Our pastor is Greg Reed. Find us at www.KechiUMC.org and "Like" us on Facebook. The church phone number is 744-1221.

New Anthem Community Church

New Anthem Community Church meets at Chisholm Trail Elementary, 6015 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 or via email at 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.

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Tuesday — Zumba with Jeni Jo at 9 a.m. Celebrate Recovery 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.

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

All events and activities are open to the community.

Contact the church at 744-0029. You can find the church on Facebook (www.facebook.com/TheChurchAtParkCity) or follow us on Twitter "@Churchparkcity" or visit our website (www.churchatparkcity.com) for more

info.

Randall Road Baptist Church

Randall Road Baptist is located at 6556 N. Randall Road, 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 email jmcquery@cox.net.

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

Sunday's 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 (grades nine through 12).

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Email inquiries to jlflora@cox.net.

Wichita Three Angels Seventh-Day Adventist Church

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

The pastor is Nathan Stearman. The Sabbath school is at 9:30 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m.

For more information find us at www.godsclot.com or on Facebook, email eric@godsclot.com or call 530-1040.

Send your church's upcoming events and service times to legals@arkvalleynews.com or call 755-0821.

Dog

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New York Daily News and Toronto Sun, used it along with newspapers in Europe. On Aug. 25, Bostian was fielding calls from a variety of news outlets, including NBC-TV and Reuters news service.

The video also has been posted on YouTube.

While the scene of seeing a little dog forced to hit a police officer was unsettling to viewers, the good news, Bostian said, is that the dog was unhurt and is now in protective custody in a secured area of the Kansas Humane Society. It will be up to a judge as to whether the dog, a Pekingese mix, goes back to its owner or not, Bostian said.

Rush was taken to a local hospital for an evaluation after the incident and then

booked into the Sedgwick County jail. He was charged with aggravated battery on a law enforcement officer, which is a felony, and three misdemeanors: animal cruelty, resisting arrest and being a pedestrian on a roadway under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Bond was set at \$25,000 and he remained in jail Aug. 25.

Bostian said the officer, whose name is not being released, did a good job of

dealing with the suspect.

"He did what he could without hurting him," Bostian said, despite the fact that the suspect hit the officer.

Compounding the officer's problem was the fact that his Taser didn't work properly when he first attempted to use it. The officer used pepper spray on Rush to no avail. At that point, the suspect swung the dog as a weapon, attempting to knock the officer down.

The officer did put out a call for help, but the nearest officer was six to seven minutes away handling a burglary call. He rushed to the scene as quickly as he could along with Sedgwick County sheriff's deputies.

In the video, viewers can see the officer moving about in a circular motion, getting away from Rush, but not leaving the scene so he could keep Rush occupied until help arrived.

Bostian, a veteran law enforcement officer, said the experience was a new one.

"I've never seen anyone use a dog as a weapon," he said.

City officials said they were pleased at the department's response.

"I think he (the officer) showed great restraint," Park City council member and former police chief George Capps said. "It's hard to be a police officer these days."

Car

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building in Park City just north of the Kansas Coliseum. The theft took place sometime between 6 p.m. Aug. 7 and 6 a.m. Aug. 8, he said. Also, numerous tools were stolen.

Linenberger was notified that police found his vehicle in a garage Aug. 18 in south-east Wichita. It was taken to a salvage yard, where Linen-

berger was able to view it and take photos of its remains.

He does have insurance on the car, but even with it covered, there's no compensation for the sweat equity he put into the car, he said.

Park City Police Chief Phil Bostian said the situation was not unexpected, given the time that passed.

"I had a feeling it was going to turn out like this," he said. "It's unfortunate that someone's prized possession

was taken like that. Hopefully, we will be able to solve the case, find out who did it and bring them to justice."

The case remains an active investigation and Bostian said the department has a couple of suspects and evidence, but he can't say anything more about them. He also couldn't reveal how the police found out where the car was.

Whether the owner of the property where the car was found will be charged de-

pends on whether he knew if the property was stolen or not, Bostian added.

No arrests had been made in the case by Aug. 24.

Linenberger's active work on social media to get word out about the theft worked to his benefit, Bostian said. Linenberger posted photos of the stolen car on his Facebook page, pictures that were shared more than 22,000 times.

Linenberger also took a

pro-active stance on the case, combing through Internet sites such as Craigslist to see if the car, its parts or his tools were up for sale.

If arrests are made, the suspect or suspects would be charged in Sedgwick County District Court rather than Park City because the crimes are felonies.

Bostian didn't have an update on a stolen tools.

"We've been so focused on getting the car back," he

said. Linenberger said he was pleased with the effort police put into case.

"They were real understanding about it," he said. "They didn't just leave me hanging."

Linenberger may, in the future, tackle restoring another classic car, perhaps a 1967 Dodge Charger again, but for now, he's still digesting the loss.

"I didn't really get enough time to enjoy the car," he said.

Velva

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bara said. As far as medicine, Velva doesn't take anything extra, but does believe in flaxseed as something providing a health benefit.

Velva's birthday makes her one of the few people, not just in the United States, but in the world, who are 100 years or older. According to the last U.S. Census in 2010, there are slightly more than 53,000 centenarians in the United States, which has about 318 million people.

Worldwide, her achievement is even greater. While there is no precise count, United Nations officials estimated in 2012 that there are 316,600 people around the globe who are 100 or older. That's out of population of some 7.3 billion, putting Velva at the very pinnacle of age achievement.

Barbara makes sure that Velva is well-dressed and groomed daily. Velva's freshly painted bright red fingernails reflected that care.

"You look beautiful," Barbara remarked, viewing her mother on a recent morning.

Velva was a homemaker and spent much of her life in Lincolnville, in Marion County. There she raised five girls with her husband, Harold, who passed away in 1988. It was a good marriage of more than 50 years and

Harold was a hard worker and provider. He also was a man of many talents, mostly with a knack of being able to fix anything mechanical.

"He was a multipurpose guy," Velva said. "Anytime someone broke down they would call him and he would go."

Velva was known as an accomplished baker whose cinnamon rolls and breads were relished by the whole community.

"She would give them out to the neighbors and then ration them to us kids," Barbara laughed.

The couple also had one son, Harold Smith Jr., who died at 6 of polio. At 100, Velva also has outlived two of her five children. Donna Clark and Nancy Decker have passed away. Another daughter, Sharon Kuether of Augusta, is still living, along with Barbara and Kathy Johnson of Park City, who also helps care for her.

Although she's in good health, Barbara, now 66, said she doubts she will be able to emulate her mother.

"I think to myself, 'I wouldn't live that long,'" Barbara said.

Velva has not been without health challenges of her own, including a broken wrist after stumbling off a curb. She has had a kidney infection, an ordeal that taxed her sense of humor, and a broken hip, a situation that can be fatal for the elderly.

She also had a cyst removed from her stomach and a double mastectomy.

However, she overcame it all, Barbara said.

"We've been through a lot," she said.

She's also a little hard of hearing, a normal condition for someone at the century mark.

While her mobility is limited, Velva still gets around, using a walker and a wheelchair as needed. She also strives to keep her strength by working with rubber exercise bands, but she can no longer play the accordion like she once did.

Living at home has a lot to do with Velva's long life, Barbara said.

"She wouldn't want to go

to a nursing home," she said. "It's the environment you're in that makes you healthy."

Still healthy in body and mind, Velva prepares to say goodbye to Judy after a recent visit.

"You take care of yourself," Judy said to Velva as she headed out the door.

Without missing a beat,

Velva shot back: "What else can I do?"

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Policy regulating work in city rights-of-way approved

By David Dinell

Members of the Park City Council agreed with the assessment of city attorney Douglas Moshier that the city needs more control with its rights-of-way. With that in mind, they approved a new ordinance doing just that at the Aug. 11 meeting.

While it may seem like an obscure topic to many citizens, as it stands now, a private company can come into the city and use a right-of-way without permission to profit its business.

Moshier said the measure is not designed to discourage

enterprise, but give the city a grasp of what's going on.

"It's good for the city and for the community; we want to allow people to use the rights-of-way," he said.

Spurring on the ordinance is the work of a business putting in fiber optic cable along Hydraulic.

Moshier said the company wants to work with the city and he said the new ordinance spells out a franchise agreement that does that.

The agreement details what the company is doing, at what depth and other facts. That helps control the situation if, for example, it's running too

close to a sewer line.

The ordinance calls for the company to pay a fee of \$50 along with applying for the permit. Moshier said an increasing number of smaller cities are passing the ordinances because they're more attractive to work in than cities such as Wichita, where the rights-of-way are more "crowded." The permit also will make the process the same for all parties involved.

"We have to be fair and equal to everyone," he said.

In other action, the council:
•Approved the 2016 budget and an amendment that called for a funding transfer of \$918,613. Other than that paperwork move, the

budget remains unchanged from its earlier form, said Jack Whitson, city administrator. There is no mill levy or tax increase.

•Approved transferring \$1,344 received for damages to a police vehicle from the general fund to the Police Reimbursements Account.

•Approved a resolution certifying delinquent recycle accounts to the county clerk for inclusion on real estate taxes.

•Authorized two expenditures recommended by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. They are: \$700 for an ice cream social on Aug. 15 and \$1,150 for the installation of two windows on the Community Building's south wall.

•Heard a report from director of public works Rick Norman. Seasonal mowing and trimming is continuing, he said, along with street patching. Year to date patching total is 2,269

square feet, he said.

Rain has taken its toll on his department's work schedule, he said. "We've had eight rain days since July 20, but we're catching up," he said.

Norman also reported that the crosswalk lights would be back in operation Aug. 17 for the new school year. "Please be aware of the kids crossing," he said.

•Heard Whitson report that there's a contract on a lot in the Bear Hill subdivision. The city had taken over that development on the north side of town and is hoping to sell off as many lots as possible.

•Heard council member Tom Jones comment on Park City companies, including an entity that does business with the city, on the delinquent property tax rolls. "I'm a little disappointed with the names on that list," he said.

•Gave verbal permission to Mayor Ray Mann for his idea of putting up a 4-foot by 8-foot "future home" sign at the site of the planned new city hall building on 61st Street. "I'd like to get something out there," Mann said. Some citizens have asked him about the project. He didn't need a motion for the \$400 expense as it's in his discretionary budget, but he wanted to get the backing of the council, which he did.

•Received a code enforcement report stating that there were 182 department actions taken in July. It also got a building inspection report showing that there were 104 inspections in July. Year-to-date there have been 586 inspections.

•Approved appropriations of \$275,701 for July 29 through Aug. 7. There also were \$299,597 in open purchase orders.

DEATHS

ALICIA LUNA

Alicia (Graves) Luna, 41, died Aug. 12, 2015. She was a surgical nurse at Wesley Medical Center.



Luna

She was borne June 12, 1974, to David and Jeanette Graves in Oklahoma City.

She was a 1992 graduate of Wellington High School and later

graduated from WSU with a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing. She married Andy Luna on Jan. 3, 2009.

She was preceded in death by her brother Jeremy Graves and grandparents Clyde and Andrea Hartman and Bill and Delora Graves. Survivors include her husband; sons Spencer Martin, Colby Martin, Preston Luna and Landon Luna, all of Park City; parents of Jenks, Okla.; sister Kimberly Sterling (Rob) of Tulsa, Okla.; nieces and nephews Elexa Yessen, Skylar Cunningham, Reese Sterling, Luke Sterling, Matt Sterling, Madison Sterling, Hunter Graves,

Ellis Fellin, Hughes Fellin and Percy Fellin.

Funeral Mass was Aug. 17 at St. Anthony/St. Rose Catholic Church with interment at Sumner Memorial Gardens, both in Wellington. Memorial to Sedgwick County Zoo. Cornejo/Day Funeral Home of Wellington had charge.

KRISTINA TRAYLOR

Kristina Kae Traylor, 53, died July 21, 2015.

She was born Aug. 7, 1961, in Fredonia to Clint R. Traylor and Mary Churchill Saxion.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Helen and Earl Churchill and Doro-

thy and Ray Traylor, all of Fredonia; and her uncle, Tab Traylor, Fredonia.

Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Mary and Steve Saxion, Park City; father and stepmother, Clint and Jean Taylor, Hazelton; sister Paula Lingafelter, Derby; nieces Megan and Kasi Lingafelter, Derby; and nephew, Tanner Lingafelter, Wichita.

Service was Aug. 1 at the Traylor Family Cemetery in rural Fredonia. In lieu of flowers, the family request memorial contributions to the Humane Society of your choice.

CLYDE WENIGER

Clyde Edward Weniger, 86, Wichita, died Aug. 8, 2015.

He was the owner of Bonnie & Clyde's ABC Auto Salvage.

He was born in Highmore, S.D., to Jesse Max Weniger

and Minerva Marie (Daum) Weniger. He was a U.S. Army and Korean War veteran serv-

ing from 1948 to 1952. He married Bonnie Lou Hauck on Oct. 19, 1969.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, brother Jesse Jr., and sisters Aldythe, Lois, and Dois. Survivors include children Anna Weniger, Debra Weniger and Joseph Weniger, all of Wichita; grandchildren Seth Beebe and Jesse Beebe; brother-in-law Gary Hauck and wife Janice of Park City; sister-in-law Vera Weniger; and other family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Baker Funeral Home Valley Center has charge.

Car chases are rare and risky, chief says

Recent one ends with no injuries

By David Dinell

A police chase late Aug. 7 ended with the arrest of Joseph D. Bussart Jr., 24, a felon who had violated his parole.

The incident, which began near the Best Western motel on 53rd Street in Park City, took a circuitous route throughout Park City and north Wichita and involved officers from Park City with assistance from Valley Center, Sedgwick County and Wichita departments.

The important thing, said Park City Police Chief Phillip Bostian, is that the suspect was apprehended and no one was injured.

"That's the way we always hope it ends," he said. "Plus we got someone off the road who was a wanted felon in possession of a handgun."

The event started unfolding at 11:58 p.m. when a Park City officer noticed a man driving a 2001 Chevrolet Blazer erratically. The officer attempted to pull him over, but he took off south on I-135.

From there, the driver, Bussart, went east on K-254 to Hillside, where he got off and

then headed west on K-254, before going back on I-135, this time north. He then made a U-turn over the median strip and went south on the Interstate before going west on I-235.

Highway speeds reached 100 mph, although Bussart varied them wildly, sometimes slowing down dramatically.

"He keep hitting the brakes like he was trying to get the officer to hit him," Bostian said.

The chase finally ended at 1-235 and K-96 after Bussart's car ran over spike strips laid down by Wichita police and was disabled. There was a short foot pursuit, but he was captured without further incident.

Park City police also have spikes, but the Wichita officers were in the right place to put them down.

"They can be kind of tricky to use," Bostian said.

Bussart was booked into Sedgwick County Jail after the incident and charged with eight criminal counts, including a state parole violation.

Other charges included fleeing and eluding, criminal possession of a firearm, possession of opiates, possession, of drug paraphernalia, criminal distribution of a firearm to a felon, driving with a suspended license and interference with law enforce-

ment officers. On Aug. 11, Bussart remained held in jail for a state warrant.

The car wasn't stolen, but it didn't belong to Bussart. The case is still under investigation.

"It's going to take a while to sort this out because of all the charges involved," Bostian said.

Bussart also may face federal charges on the weapons issue.

"We will consult with ATF (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives) and see if they adopt this case," Bostian said.

The department doesn't do a lot of chases, but when it does, it is extensively reviewed.

"We watch the video, we read the reports," Bostian said.

All of the city's vehicles have video cameras.

Deciding whether or not to continue a pursuit can be a

controversial call.

"If you don't stop them and they hit someone, you get criticized and if you chase them and they hit someone, you get criticism for that as well," Bostian said.

In fact, earlier that Friday, a chase was called off in Wichita and the driver went on to hit another vehicle, killing two people along with himself.

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New transportation service for seniors on its way

By David Dinell

Park City's senior citizens will have a new way to get around starting Oct. 1. The city council approved a contract with Sedgwick County's Department of Aging's transportation program at its Aug. 25 meeting, entering into a year-long agreement.

Rides in private vehicles will be provided by other seniors who are screened by the Park City Senior Center. A compensation of \$7 a round trip will be paid to the center by the county, up to a total of \$2,037, or 291 roundtrips, and those 55 and older are eligible for rides.

Madison Shriner, director of the center, said she noticed

a need for transportation for those who are too old or frail to drive or don't like driving at night.

"I think it'll be a great benefit to residents and will help grow our programming, too," she said.

Council members liked the concept, but did wonder about insurance and liability. Shriner and Lona Kelly, the county's program manager, assured them that the program included additional liability insurance.

"I think this is a great program," said Mayor Ray Mann. "I'm glad we're one of the cities to jump into it."

Other cities in the county operating it are Bentley, Mount Hope and Clearwater.

Kelly said the service, which has been underway for several years, helps with seniors' quality of life, as it allows them to stay in their own homes longer, rather than be forced to move to a facility because they can't drive.

"It's about getting them out so they're not isolated," she said.

Typical trips include going to the grocery store, running errands or visiting a doctor's office. Officials say the program also helps develop friendships among seniors and network with each other. All the drivers work on a strictly volunteer basis and, according to the agreement, rides cannot be provided by family

members.

In other business, the council:
•Authorized a request for approval of a final plat on land west of Hartman Arena Drive and north of 77th Street North. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the plat.

•Approved creating a new Internet service account to serve the police department. The administration would then have its own account, too. Cost of the new account will be \$99.95 a month and be provided by Cox Communications. Police Chief Phil Bostian said the new service will help the police be more effective, especially when faced with downloading large files. Security also will be improved, he said.

•Approved a conditional right of way clearance agreement with Kansas Department of Transportation for the 53rd Street North improvement project. Also, concerning the same project, the council approved a waiver of valuation for the William Lewis and Marlene L. Lewis

Trust and offer to the trust \$6,270 for a temporary easement and right of way. The property is at 5420 N. Broadway and is currently occupied by a business, Ireland Sales LLC.

•Heard a report from Rick Norman, director of public works, who said that both the park and street departments have been busy with seasonal moving and trimming. The park department has completed repairs to the aerator at Chisholm Pointe Lake and the Xeriscape project at the Senior Center. Also, street department staff has painted crosswalks at Chisholm Trail School and worked on the right of way on Old Lawrence Road. And, for the water and sewer department, the average daily work orders numbered 16.

•Approved the purchase of 150 tons of bulk deicing road salt for treating ice and snow in the upcoming season by the street department. Norman obtained two bids for the purchase request. One was for \$53 a ton and the other for \$52 a ton. The council went with Norman's recommendation of low

bidder Kunshek Chat & Coal of Pittsburg, Kan. Total cost will be \$7,800 and includes delivery of six loads within 30 days.

•Approved an appropriation of \$121,333. There were open purchase orders of \$248,419.

•Approved specials for the Echo Hills commercial addition improvement.

•Approved amendments to the municipal code concerning motor vehicle nuisances. City attorney Douglas Moshier said the changes were mostly a matter of "cleaning up the language." He also was instructed to do additional work on rules concerning trash service and containers with rental properties and will be returning at an upcoming meeting with those.

All eight council members and the mayor were present. There was no executive session. An item concerning approving a recommended candidate to fill the post of city clerk and finance director was taken off the agenda due to a change in his employment status.

Valley Center school district hires 16 new teachers

By Chris Strunk

As more than 2,800 Valley Center students headed back to school last month, many were greeted by new teachers and some had a new principal.

The school district hired 16 new classroom teachers, a couple of counselors and one principal to start the 2015-16 school year. Last year, 11 new teachers joined the district.

Two of the departed teachers are now principals at schools in the Hutchinson district. Two left education altogether.

Superintendent Cory Gibson said this year's turnover number is normal.

Gibson said he was impressed by the group of new employees.

"The people we hired are well experienced and well educated," he said.

Many of the teachers hold master's degrees or are working toward one.

The entire staff has an average of 13 years of experience in education, up from 12 years last school year. Additionally, 45 percent of the district's teachers have advanced college degrees, up from 42 percent in 2010.

Two new employees — Drenda Higgins, a second-grade teacher at West Elementary, and Nancy Roth, a counselor at Wheatland Elementary — are married to area school district superintendents. Higgins' husband, Chad Higgins, is the new superintendent of the nearby Maize district, while Roth's husband, Larry Roth, is the new superintendent in neighboring Sedgwick.

Valley Center's only new administrator is Adelyn Soellner, who is principal at Wheatland Elementary. She replaced interim principal Andy Gottlob, who was filling in after Kathy Bradham resigned last year.

"She is a great balance to our entire administrative cabinet team," Gibson said of Soellner. "I almost forget that she's new because she just fits in so nicely."

Valley Center Middle School and Wheatland Elementary will have new counselors.

Courtney Traxson takes over for Rob Glenn, who is on military leave, while Roth is the new counselor at Wheatland.

The district has one additional section of elementary this year to handle growing numbers in kindergarten through fourth grade. The district also hired an additional half-time Spanish teacher for the high school, a position the school

board approved two years ago but was unable to fill last year.

Valley Center is anticipating an enrollment increase of about 70 students.

That number could balloon when enrollment figures start rolling in. From Sept. 20, 2014, through the end of the 2014-15 school year, the district gained 64 students. If most of those students return, it wouldn't take many new students this fall to eclipse the 70-student estimate.

The district used that number, which could change on the Sept. 21 official count day, to apply for additional state aid through a new extraordinary needs fund the state set up as part of the block grant funding

approved in the spring.

Districts this year will receive block grants based on the number of students they had in 2014-15, which doesn't account for enrollment increases.

Gibson said Valley Center requested about \$260,000 from the extraordinary needs fund.

However, the state granted the district about \$60,000.

Gibson said he likes to see the district grow at a reasonable rate.

"It's more difficult as a superintendent when you see year after year after year of decreases," he said. "When you have growth, that's a good sign for both the community and the school district. But if your

growth is too rapid, your facilities and infrastructure may not be there to accommodate that growth."

Gibson said 2 to 3 percent growth, which the district has seen on average for the past several years, is sustainable.

Also in August, the school board approved a 2015-16 budget that includes a property tax increase.

In a 7-0 vote, the board blessed a \$34.5 million budget that is supported by a property tax mill levy of 62.304 mills, up from 59.894 mills in 2014-15.

District officials said the 2.41-mill increase was the

result of a decrease in state aid, forcing local taxes to make up the difference.

With the increase, the owner of a \$150,000 home in the school district will pay about

\$43 more in taxes next year.

The additional property tax will bring in about \$295,000, based on assessed property valuation, which increased by about 2 percent.

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