

## Council agrees to build new city hall

By David Dinell

A contractor's bid has been approved for Park City's new City Hall and police station.

The council voted March 8 to go with the lowest bid, which was \$5.1 million from Wichita-based Sauerwein Construction Co.

Under bid terms, the company will have 420 days to complete the project.

The city received eight construction bids and the striking thing about them, officials said, is how close in price they were.

There was only \$674,347 difference between the lowest and high-

est bids, which is unusual for a seven-figure project, they say.

The building, which will house both functions under one roof and is set to be built on the south side of 61st Street between the Medical Plaza of Park City and the Park City library, was projected to cost up to \$5.5 million, but many

of the bids, which were opened Feb. 17, came in lower. That means the city doesn't have to find other funding sources or scale it back in a redesign.

The winning bid went on to the Park City Public Building Commission, which was to meet March 9, for its approval. The five-member volunteer

body is overseeing the design, engineering and construction of the new building.

Mayor Ray Mann has made no secret of the fact that he wants to see the project move along.

Recently, he had a sign put out on the property to remind the public that the structure is coming.

There was a "protest period" in which the public could voice its displeasure about the project, but no one did. Mann said the only questions he received is when will the building get underway.

Council members have been receptive to the new

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Courtesy photos

Dan Holloway, owner and operator of the Holloway School of Martial Arts at 1063 W. 53rd North, coaches his grandson, Oliver Holloway, 7. Oliver says he wants to be "better than my dad," Noah Holloway, who is highly successful in karate.

## Youngster racking up karate wins

By David Dinell

Look for Oliver Holloway's name in the karate world for a long time to come. Only a year into the sport, the Valley Center first-grader has already gained a number of impressive wins, said his coach and grandfather, Dan Holloway, and he's just getting started.

"One of our main focuses with Oliver is to get him to level where he can win a national medal," said Holloway, owner and operator of the Holloway School of Martial Arts at 1063 W. 53rd North.

Being on the national karate team would be great, too, but Holloway is taking it one step at a time.

"I'm just bringing him along slowly," Holloway said. "I have goals set for him."

Holloway has Oliver wearing a yellow belt, the second step in the sequence of the martial arts skill level, but said he's much better than that.

"I don't know if you find too many green or purple belts who can do what he does," Holloway said.

Holloway called his protege "pretty unusual" for his age," he said.

What makes that so, he said, is Oliver's commitment to the activity along with the way he's able to pick up skills.

"He's real trainable," he said.



Oliver Holloway takes part in three aspects of karate: forms, sparring and weapons, where he has especially excelled. This weapon is called a bo stick.

Oliver takes part in the three aspects of karate: forms, sparring and weapons, where he has especially excelled. In the past year, he has won at eight tournaments, making Holloway proud of Oliver's karate debut.

Constant practice and work on his form is helping Oliver succeed, Holloway said. And if he needs inspiration, the practice studio is full of slogans, such as: "To perform like a champion, you must practice like one!" and "never, never, never quit."

Oliver, a virtual pint-sized tornado of energy, takes to the mat as if he has years of experience.

That streak continued during a mid-March tournament in Columbus, in which Oliver picked up



Coach Dan Holloway calls his grandson and protege, Oliver Holloway, "pretty unusual" for his age.

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## McGinn to face challenger in primary

Educator from Walton files

By Chris Strunk

Carolyn McGinn will have a challenger. Renee Erickson, a public school principal in Wichita and a Newton school board member, filed as a candidate for the Kansas Senate District 31 seat as a Republican. She will face McGinn in the Aug. 2 primary.



Erickson

"I appreciate my opponent's years of service, but her votes are not aligned with how she has campaigned, and constituents deserve to know the difference," Erickson said. "I am very proud to say that I will vote in Topeka in the same way I campaign back

home."

McGinn will be seeking her fourth term in the Senate.

"The voters in our community know there is a clear difference between where I stand on the issues and where my opponent says she stands," McGinn told The News. "I look forward to discussing those differences in the campaign."

Erickson, who lives in Walton, is in her sixth year as a member of the Newton school board.

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## Park City seeks funds for major road projects

By David Dinell

Council members in Park City make it clear that among their top complaints from constituents are the city's roads — and getting them fixed.

With that in mind, they more than willingly approved at their March 22 meeting two projects to be placed in the city's Capital Improvement Program.

Both projects are designed to make significant upgrades to the area's infrastructure.

They are improvements to 61st North from Broadway to one half mile west to the Wichita-Valley Center floodway. The other project concerns the bridge over Chisholm Creek on 61st.

The city's cost for the roadwork is placed at \$872,000 and the bridge at \$1.4 million.

Both figures are only about 20 percent of the actual costs, which is why the city submitted the two to WAMPO, or the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, for its consideration as fundable projects.

While they may not be undertaken until 2019 or 2020, it's important to get the project to WAMPO and show commitment by putting them within the capital program, said City Administrator Jack Whitson.

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# HIGHLIGHTS

## Student in 'The Birds'

Logan Wohlford of Valley Center will appear in the Emporia State University production of "The Birds: A Modern Adaptation" by Don Zolidis.

A revamping of Aristophanes' classic comedy, "The Birds" follows the story of Eulpidides and Pithetaerus, who are fed up with the petty problems of the modern world and flee to the kingdom of the birds in search of a simpler life. Wohlford, a junior theatre major, will play Pithetaerus.

"The Birds" will run from April 13 through 16. Tickets can be purchased by calling 620-341-6378.

## Students get scholarships

Two area students were recognized for the scholarships they have been awarded from Fort Hays State University at a recent Student Recognition Program in Wichita.

Maci Cushenbery, a 2016 Wichita Heights High School graduate,

accepted a \$500 Academic Opportunity Award in sociology. Cushenbery, the daughter of Bryan and Susan Cushenbery, Wichita, plans to major in sociology.

Jake Wendling, a 2016 Northwest Magnet School graduate, accepted a \$2,000 University Scholar Award and a \$900 Academic Opportunity Award in computer science and information systems engineering. Wendling, the son of Jim and Diana Wending, Wichita, plans to major in computer science and information systems engineering.

## City issues nine permits

The City of Park City issued nine building permits in February for a total valuation of \$477,676.57. Of that number, one was for new home construction. The permits are listed by date issued, address, type of work and valuation: •Feb. 4, 2010 Charleston, remodel, \$4,000; •Feb. 8, 996 Connolly Court, reroof, \$41,176.57; •Feb. 8, 5345 Lakewood Hills Boulevard, new home,

\$319,000; •Feb. 10, 1732 Beaumont, reroof, \$1,200; •Feb. 10, 4821 N. Hydraulic, cell tower foundation, \$90,000; •Feb. 11, 1231 Broadbeck, fire damage repair, \$15,000; •Feb. 16, 6125 N. Broadway, reroof, \$1,100; •Feb. 18, 5870 Kerman, reroof, \$1,400; •Feb. 22, 2652 Fairchild, reroof, \$4,800.

## Man hurt in wreck on I-135

A Washington man was critically injured in a one-vehicle wreck on I-135 in north Sedgwick County early Feb. 27.

The Kansas Highway Patrol said Ryan Galyardt, 41, of Vancouver, Wash., was driving a 1996 Toyota truck north on the highway. The vehicle left the road near the 77th North exit and struck a guardrail in the median. The vehicle spun around, crossed both lanes of traffic and ended up in a ditch.

According to a Valley Center police report, Galyardt was thrown from the vehicle. He was taken to Wesley Medical Center. The highway patrol said he was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the wreck.

# PRIDE NOTES MARCH 12 MEETING

PRIDE members welcomed guest Rachel Ewing at its regular March meeting on the 12th. After minutes and the treasurer's report were approved, Chairperson Lai-L Daugherty passed around a calendar of scheduled PRIDE activities for the year for members to add upcoming events.

Goals were discussed next with Lai-L proposing a three-tiered system for increasing membership: executive committee (officers), leadership (members who participate in planning and attend monthly meetings) and soldiers (the cadre of volunteers who want to help with projects but don't attend meetings. In that way, we can increase the opportunities for those who just want to contribute but may not have the time or inclination to sit through meetings.

Members will attend HOA meetings and improve contact with Valley Center and Heights schools, maintaining the relationship with Chisholm Trail Elementary.

Amber Pumphrey agreed to act as the contact person for information on the proposed disc golf course. Lai-L said that we will be using a mass mailing company to inform new residents about PRIDE. We will participate in the Kechi and Park City parades, improve our website and get started on Twitter. She will interview two candidates for social media development and arrange a presentation

meeting.

Lesley Davis agreed to co-chair a committee with Larry Perlman for the Soup Supper fundraiser next year and Dee Stuart, Len Warren and Jan McGonigle will plan the Trivia Night in July. Lai-L has contacted Cox Communications and Westar, soliciting overall sponsorship. Jan McGonigle reported that she served 13 families in February from the PRIDE Food Pantry, and provided food bags for 15 children over spring break. St. Michael's Orthodox Church held another food drive resulting in a donation of 78 pounds of food.

Movies in the Park have been selected and Chisholm Trail State Bank and the Park City Chamber of Commerce have contributed. Gary Davis reported no Project Friendship requests for February. Len Warren said that Mr. and Mrs. Dana Plamann had donated their prize money from Light Up Park City for Christmas to the City and the money had gone toward helping two families pay their water bills.

Linda Holsey said that the Park City Alive! program for April will be "The Sports Mascot Controversy" with Travis Larsen, April 23 at 7 p.m. at the Park City Public Library — free and open to the public as usual. Chisholm Trail Principal Larry Perlman reported that the Souper Bowl Supper broke even and was worth pursuing as an annual fundraiser. He thanked PRIDE for participating in the Community Resource Fair on March 3.

Donn Bischoff said that Christ Lutheran Church is working on Bags of Blessings. New Anthem Community Church and The Church at Park City will host an Easter egg hunt at Hap McLean Park on March 26. Landon Jordan said that New Anthem will hold a service day and asked for names of those needing lawns mowed, raked, painting, etc.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The next meeting will be Saturday, April 9, at 9 a.m. at the PRIDE Community Building, 6512 E Parkview. You are welcome!

# Senate

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She has been in public education for more than 16 years as a teacher and an administrator. She is principal of Brooks Center for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and Arts Middle School in Wichita. Her husband, Roger Rickson, recently retired as principal of Newton High School.

Erickson said she has experience with education and the state budget.

"When we're dealing with a budget shortfall, it's even more important to prioritize where the money is allocated and how it is actually spent, while still recognizing the importance of education and social services needs we face," she said. "I chose to run

because I have the experience and skill sets needed to provide important insights to these conversations."

Erickson said it's not appropriate for school districts to continue to sue the state for more funding.

"Attorneys are the only winners," she said. "Those dollars should be going to the classroom, not the courtroom."

The Valley Center school district has supported Schools for Fair Funding lawsuits.

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## CITY OF PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### City Council meeting Feb. 16, 2016:

- Considered distribution of 2015 carryover funds.

### City Council meeting Feb. 23, 2016:

- Approved minutes of Feb. 9, 2016, regular meeting.
- Approved minutes of Feb. 16, 2016, regular meeting.
- Approved Appropriations 835-2016 with Addendum.
- Considered purchase of two radar speed signs for school zone on 61st Street North.
- Considered an Ordinance Amending Section 15-217 of the Municipal Code of the City of Park City, Kansas, Relating to Service Charges for Returned Checks; and repealing the original of said section.
- Considered an Ordinance Amending Chapter 15, Article 7 of the Municipal Code, of the City of Park City, Kansas, Relating to Water Drought and Water Supply Shortage Emergency Events and repealing the originals of said sections.
- Approved the Park City Water Conservation Plan.
- Approved purchase of two new patrol vehicles for the Police Department.
- Approved purchase of two patrol vehicle outfit packages to include installation of equipment and markings for the Police Department.
- Approved sale of two used police vehicles and authorized the transfer of proceeds from the General Fund to the Police Capital Equip-

- ment Fund.
- Approved the Amendment of 2016 Budget and schedule publication of Public Hearing for March 8, 2016.
- Discussed status of the sale of city-owned lots in Prairie Hills Addition.

### City Council meeting March 8, 2016:

- Approved minutes of Feb. 23, 2016, regular meeting.
- Approved Appropriations 836-2016 with Addendum.
- Approved cereal malt beverage license for 81 Speedway, 7700 N. Broadway.
- Approved expenditure of Transient Guest Tax Funds as recommended by the Convention and Tourism Board.
- Public Hearing for 2016 budget amendment.
- Approved adoption of 2016 budget amendment.
- Considered a Resolution Declaring Intent of the City of Park City, Kansas to enter into a base lease and a lease between itself and the City of Park City Public Building Commission related to the financing of the City Hall/Law Enforcement Center project.
- Consider bids for construction of new city hall/police station.
- Considered applications for funding from the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) for 2019 projects.
- Considered funding for 4th of July Salute to Freedom Celebration.

Questions about these meetings may be addressed to [cityclerk@parkcityks.com](mailto: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.

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- Monday**  
9:15 a.m. Exercise  
10:15 a.m. 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 a.m. WellREP (Well-Rounded Exercise Program)  
1:00 p.m. Bridge lessons  
1:00 p.m. Pool  
6:00 p.m. TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly). 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 a.m. WellREP (Well-Rounded Exercise Program)  
7:00 p.m. Square Dance (except third Thursday)
- Friday**  
9:15 a.m. Exercise  
1:00 p.m. Pinochle  
1:30 p.m. Dance Aerobics
- Saturday**  
1:00 p.m. Pinochle

- ioned movie matinee "The Incredible Mr. Limpet"  
**April 11, 2 to 4 p.m.** Sedgwick County Health Dept. immunization clinic.  
**April 13** — Foot/nail care by Michelle Steinke. Call 946-0722 for an appointment.  
**April 15, 6 p.m.** Food/Fun/Games  
**April 18, 1 p.m.** — Movie matinee "Bruce Almighty"  
**April 19, 8 a.m.** — Breakfast, Cracker Barrel  
**April 21**  
1 p.m. — Card bingo, \$1 fee  
5:30 p.m. — Finger food

### Senior Dances

- April 2, 16, 30, 7 p.m.** The Wildwood Band. \$4 donation at the door. Refreshments served.

### Special Events

- Tech Tutor, 1 to 4 p.m., 1st & 3rd Fridays.** Questions about using your laptop, iPad, iPhone, Kindle, digital camera or other device? Want to learn how to use email, Facebook, Microsoft Word, Powerpoint or other programs? Sign up for a one-on-one session with our volunteer Tech Tutor. Call Madison at 744-1199 to schedule an appointment.  
**April 4, 6, 8, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.** — **Say Hello to Brazil!** WSU intern Andrea, from Brazil, introduces us to her home country with a fun three-session study of the Portuguese language and Brazilian culture. Each free session include language instruction and a quick introduction to a piece of Brazilian culture. Call 744-1199 to sign up.  
**April 5, 11 a.m.** — **Steps to a Healthier You.** Shirley Lewis, Sedgwick County Extension Office, with a quick refresher on how to be the healthiest you can be with focus on nutrition and food.  
**April 12, 11 a.m.** — **Intro to Arthritis.** Presented by Angels Care Home Health.

- Door prize/snacks. Learn about arthritis and how to maintain good joint health.  
**April 13, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** — **Senior Wednesday.** Trip to Senior Wednesday at the Sedgwick County Zoo and lunch at Jimmy's Diner West. Expenses are a \$4 program fee at the zoo and lunch. Space is limited. Call 744-1199 by April 8 for a spot.  
**April 13, 6:30 p.m.** — Severe Weather Safety Program. Presented by Cody Charvat with Sedgwick County Emergency Management.  
**April 14, 2 p.m.** — **Wichita East Jazz Band.** Enjoy an afternoon of live jazz, swing, and big-band music performed by the Wichita High School East Jazz Band.  
**April 16, 9 a.m. to noon** — **Senior Medication Management Workshop** and Mini Health Fair. Presented by the KU School of Pharmacy. This free workshop will offer tips about managing medicine and partnering with your doctor to stay healthy. A mini health fair will also be provided with free health screenings and educational presentations. Please bring a list of your medications with you.  
**April 19, 11 a.m.** — **Blood Pressure Clinic** & help to reduce stress. Sharon Wyatt, nurse from Park West Plaza, will take your blood pressure and present information on how to relieve stress.  
**April 22, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.** — **AARP Smart Driver Course.** A refresher driving course for seniors to stay safe on the road and receive an insurance discount. \$15 for AARP members; \$20 for non-members. Call 744-1199 to reserve your spot.  
**April 27, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.** — **Line dance party.** Join the area line dancers for their annual spring party. Bring a snack to share and get ready to dance and have fun!

## Clean Up Park City

Brush and limb cleanup day will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 23 at the west end of Hap McLean Park, 6801 N. Hydraulic. **Brush and tree limbs only will be accepted.** This event is free to Park City residents; proof of residency is required.

In conjunction with the Park City cleanup day, the Sedgwick County Household Hazardous Waste Program will host a remote collection from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 23 at the west end of Hap MacLean Park, 6801 N. Hydraulic.

All Sedgwick County residents, which includes Park City residents, may bring items such as paint, aerosols, batteries, used motor fluids, lawn and garden chemicals, household cleaners, fluorescent light bulbs, and more to the collection free of charge for recycling or proper disposal. The collection is intended for individual households; no business waste please. **Tires, electronics, ammunition, explosives, empty containers and controlled substances will not be accepted.**

Friendship Meal lunch is offered through Aging Projects Inc. at noon Monday thru Friday. Homebound delivery of Meals on Wheels is Monday through Friday, except for the first Wednesday of the month. Reservations are required. Call 744-0751.

### Monthly Events

- April 4, 10:30 a.m.** — Chisholm Trail board meeting  
**April 6, 10:30 a.m.** — Chisholm Trail Seniors catered lunch & meeting (lunch by reservation)  
**April 7, 1 p.m.** — Old-fash-

## Free tax help available through April 14 at Park City Senior Center

The AARP Foundation is offering free tax help for low- to moderate-income taxpayers, especially those 60 and older, again this year at the Park City Senior Center.

Please call Madison at 744-1199 to schedule an appointment.

## Volunteer Opportunities

Would you like to serve on a board?

Currently there is an opening on the Park, Recreation and Tree Advisory Board.

If you are interested, applications are available at City Hall or at [www.parkcityks.com](http://www.parkcityks.com).

The Senior Volunteer

Transportation Program is looking for a volunteer coordinator to assist with scheduling and coordinating rides, as well as volunteer drivers.

If you are interested, call Madison at 744-1199 for more information.

The Commodities

Program is seeking a volunteer. The program distributes commodities to needy families at Leeker's every two months. The time commitment is about four hours every two months.

If you are interested, please call City Hall at 744-2026.

## Commodities

8 to 10 a.m. April 22

Leeker's Family Foods, 6223 N Broadway

Commodities are distributed to qualified individuals and families.

## Free coupon to get rid of trash

Do you have trash, old furniture, appliances or bulk waste that you need to get rid of?

The city will distribute 175 coupons to Park City residents, on a first come, first serve basis, that can be used to take up to 1,000 pounds of trash to the Waste Connection Transfer Station. The coupons will be valid through Dec. 31, 2016.

The council voted to distribute the coupons in lieu of hosting a citywide cleanup day for trash and debris. There will still be a brush and limb cleanup day April 23 at Hap McLean Park that is free to residents.

Call City Hall at 744-2026 for your coupon.

## Planning a new lawn or landscaping?

This means that you will need to install silt fencing along the edge of the curb and will need to remove and dispose of any soil that drains into the street.

The City of Park City recently received a

new Storm Water Permit from the state. The permit requires the City to develop and implement a Storm Water Management Program that will outline measures to be taken to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff in

order to meet EPA standards. Over the next few months, we will implement a public education program to outline steps you can take and how you might help the City to conform to the new requirements.

## PRIDE FOOD PANTRY

The Park City Pride food pantry is open from 1 to 2:30 p.m. the third Saturday of each month at the Pride Building, 6512 E. Parkview. You must live within the boundaries of Park City and meet income guidelines for the program. If you have questions, please call 744-8685 and leave a message.

the water in wading pools, pet dishes and bird baths several times a week.

## Get rid of mosquitoes — eliminate standing water

Mosquitoes are annoying and can also cause serious health problems, like the spread of the West Nile and Zika viruses.

Standing water is a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Make

sure when it rains to eliminate any water that has not drained from pots, gutters, tires, tarps, wagons wheelbarrows — anything that holds water no matter how large or small it is. Change

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

- April 2, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Dance, SC  
**April 4, 7 p.m.** — Park Board, CH  
**April 6, 10:30 a.m.** — Seniors catered lunch, SC  
**April 7, 6:30 p.m.** — Court, CH  
**April 7, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Square Dance, SC  
**April 9, 9 a.m.** — PRIDE, PC  
**April 11, 7 p.m.** — Lions, CB  
**April 12, 7 p.m.** — City

- Council, CH  
**April 14, 1 p.m.** — Court trials, CH  
**April 14, 6:30 p.m.** — Court, CH  
**April 14, 7 p.m.** — Library Board, PCL  
**April 14, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Square Dance, SC  
**April 16, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.** — Cleanup Day, west end of main park  
**April 16, 1 p.m.** — Pride Food Pantry, PC  
**April 16, 7 p.m.** — Senior Dance, SC  
**April 18, 7 p.m.** — Planning/BZA, CH  
**April 21, 5:30 p.m.** — Seniors finger food  
**April 21, 6:30 p.m.** — Court,

- CH  
**April 23, 7 p.m.** — Park City Alive, PCL  
**April 25, 7 p.m.** — Lions, CB  
**April 26, 7 p.m.** — City Council, CH  
**April 27, 11:30 a.m.** — Chamber Luncheon, CH  
**April 28, 1 p.m.** — Court trials, CH  
**April 28, 4:30 p.m.** — CCUA Bel Aire, CH  
**April 28, 6:30 p.m.** — Court, CH  
**April 28, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Square Dance, SC  
**April 29, 8 a.m.** — Commodities, Leeker's  
**April 30, 7 p.m.** — Seniors Dance, SC

# CHURCH HIGHLIGHTS

## Christ Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran is at 53rd North and Hillside, across from Wichita Heights High School.

Contemporary worship service is at 9 a.m. with a traditional service at 11. Communion is offered at both services. Sunday school for all ages begins at 10:15.

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.

Chad Langdon is the pastor of Christ Lutheran Church.

## Church of the Resurrection

The 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 at 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. Youth activities are on the first Sat-

urday evening of each month.

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

## Greenwich United Methodist Church

Greenwich UMC, at the edge of Wichita, is a traditional, family church that serves all ages. Sunday worship is at 9 a.m. Life Studies (study group for all ages) is Sunday from 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Paula Scott is available at the church each Wednesday for prayer and fellowship. United Methodist Women meet at 10 a.m. the first Wednesday of each month and also host a church brunch quarterly. Special events are announced on the church sign, Facebook and by mailings. Please call to be added to our mailing list or email [shagemeister@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shagemeister@sbcglobal.net).

Greenwich UMC missions support large local charities like Open Door, Grace Med or Youthville, as well as small charities like Flint Hills Therapeutic Riding Center and Wichita Children's Home, to name a few.

The church is located at 5500 N. Greenwich Road, about one mile south of K-254 and five miles north of 21st North.

Like us on Facebook at Wichita Greenwich United Methodist Church. We would love for you to come join us Sunday. Feel free to call anytime at 744-0203.

## Kechi United Methodist Church

Sunday worship is at 9:03 a.m. (contemporary service) or 11 (traditional service), with Sunday school at 10 a.m., at Kechi United Methodist Church, 4533 E. 61st North in Kechi.

Caregivers support group meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month.

Men's Bible Study is at 6:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Bingo is at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month.

Our pastor is Greg Reed. Find us at [www.Kechi-UMC.org](http://www.Kechi-UMC.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](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 at 6:30 p.m. 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 I 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](http://www.facebook.com/TheChurchAtParkCity)) or follow us on Twitter @ChurchatParkCity or visit our website ([www.churchatparkcity.com](http://www.churchatparkcity.com)) for more info.

## Riverview Baptist Church

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).

Awana Club is Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Youth group is Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Call the church office for more information.

## St. Michael's Orthodox Christian Church

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

Saint Michael is a western rite congregation using the Liturgy of Saint Gregory. It is the only western rite Orthodox Church in 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. will study Paul's letters to the Church in Corinth.

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

Men's Bible Study Group will meet at 7 p.m. April 4 and

18 to study A Christian Appraisal of the Quran.

Women's Bible Study Group meets at 10 a.m. April 8 and 22 to study The Ladder of Divine Ascent: Thirty Steps to Heaven.

We are in Orthodox Lent throughout the month of April. Orthodox Easter is May 1 this year. Our spiritual journey through 40 days of fasting and prayer culminates in the liturgies of Great and Holy Week and the celebration of Our Lord's Resurrection.

Call the church for more information at 734-6248 or visit our website at [www.saintmichaelsorthodoxchurch.com](http://www.saintmichaelsorthodoxchurch.com). Email inquiries to [jlflora@cox.net](mailto:jlflora@cox.net).

The Very Rev. Dr. John Flora is archpriest and pastor. The Rev. Father Basil Anderson is the deacon, and James Finneran is the reader.

## Wichita Three Angels Seventh-Day Adventist

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](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.

# Karate

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two first-place trophies and a rare second place.

The only reason he got that, Holloway said, was he competed with 10-year-olds and even then he only lost first place by one-tenth of a point.

Holloway plans to

keep Oliver on a busy schedule for the rest of the month, with at least one event a month, sometimes more.

"We go to all the tournaments because we want to be well-rounded," Holloway said.

And Oliver's wins are against a lot of competition, too, as there can be 25 contestants in the 7- to

8-year-old group.

This summer he heads to the Ozark Mountain Nationals, a major tournament in Springfield, Mo.

There are other Holloways who excel at karate, including Oliver's father, Noah, and Oliver is showing at his tender age, even better balance than Noah. Oliver also is highly competitive — even within

the family.

"I want to be better than my dad," he said.

Noah Holloway is the head instructor at the center and has been successful at the national and international level. Ironically, Dan got Noah involved in martial arts when he was just about the same age as Oliver. Noah's sister, Erin, also

has done well at the highest level of competition.

Asked what he likes about karate, Oliver was quick with a reply: "It gets us stronger, faster and more flexible."

When not at karate practice or in a tournament, Oliver is busy at West Elementary School where his favorite subjects are art and math. He

also loves to play soccer.

The 16 months are going to be busy ones for the Holloways, but the goal is to get to Las Vegas in the summer of 2017 and win at the highest level in the country. It won't be easy, but Holloway is confident that Oliver has it in him to make that goal.

"We're on a roll right now," he said.

# Roads

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The work will depend on what the federal government gives the state for funding, but if the city gets on the list, the chances of the project happening look good, he said.

The 61st Street road project is needed to upgrade that stretch from what Whitson called a "rural road" to urban standards. It's justified considering the amount of truck traffic the narrow, shoulderless road gets to area warehouses. Any disabled vehicle would really cause problems on the rough road, he said, given the steady daytime traffic.

The bridge, built in the 1960s, is aging and it shows, he said. That's understandable given the amount of traffic it gets.

Bridges are scored on a zero to 100 scale, with 100 being the best. Anything below 50 is cause for concern and at this time, the

bridge gets a 48.2, he said.

Alert motorists will notice white spots on the bridge, signs of patchwork that the city has undertaken to shore up where the deck has deteriorated.

As planned, the bridge will be replaced, not repaired, a project that should provide service to motorists for decades.

In other action, the council:

- Authorized a household hazardous waste collection site to be set up from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 23 at McLean Park. The one-time event will allow city residents to dispose of old paint, solvents, oil, anti-freeze and other materials that are not permitted to be disposed of in the normal trash collection. The operation will be run by staff from Clean Harbors, a contractor that works with Sedgwick County. There is no charge to residents or the city for the service.

- Heard from public works director Rick Norman. He reported that the Street Department carried out 624 square feet of patching, conducted street sweeping work and sprayed tree rings on 61st Street. The Park Department removed old scoreboard signs in McLean Park and, for the Water/Sewer Department, the average work orders each day from March 1 to 15

was 21.

- Approved the purchase of trees for planting during Arbor Day celebration, which is the last Friday in April. Cost is \$600 and the money is available in the special events budget.

- Reappointed Jennifer Woodson to the Park City Library Board. Also appointed Lois Huddleston and Jason Brabander to the board.

- Approved moving appointments and reappointments to the awards and presentation section of the meeting, which is the beginning of the agenda.

- Heard Whitson report that the city has stepped up its sales of house lots. It sold three in Bear Hill and two in Saddlebrook recently. "That's a very positive deal," he said.

- Heard member George Capps comment on the amount of email spam he's been getting at his city account. Whitson suggested a spam filter and also said he would look into what else he could do about it.

- Approved renewal of insurance with EMC for one year starting on April 1 at a cost of \$148,977, a savings of \$766 from the previous year. While some coverage areas increase, the city's workers compensation costs went down. Workers compensation, at \$36,118, is the second most costly coverage, just behind property. The city has fewer employees, leading to the decrease.

- Proclaimed April 5 as Na-

tional Service Recognition Day in Park City. Madison Shriver of the Park City Senior Center was on hand to tell the council how important volunteers are to the facility.

- Authorized the purchase of four ballistic shields and protective storage bags for the police department at a cost of \$5,604. The funds will come from the police forfeited assets fund and won't impact the operations budget. Police Chief Phil Bostian said "recent events have re-emphasized the vital importance of ballistic shields. The shields are bulletproof and, as far as Bostian can tell, no other area departments, including the county sheriff, have them available for ready use. The Wichita Police Department's SWAT team has the shields, but it would take time to call it and get the shields to a scene, Bostian said. The shields will prove to be useful in active shooter situations, he said, and serving arrest and search warrants when using a SWAT team is not called for. The purchase includes a heavy duty shield and three lighter shields

that can be kept in police vehicles in case of an active shooter situation. The protective bags prevent minor damage to the shields that could effect their ballistic ratings.

"I feel like this is an important purchase," he said. "They will protect both our officers and citizens."

- Approved a modified land sales contract with Tom Smeidler for 25.3 acres on the southeast side of Park City. The contract requires Smeidler to obtain multi-family zoning if he wants to put in senior housing and have the city put in a sidewalk by the property.

- Approved appropriations of \$149,457. There were open purchase orders of \$407,777.

- Approved a change order for the 53rd Street North improvement project that calls for removal of 1,000 feet of fencing on the south side of 53rd Street at a cost of \$6,400. Council members weren't pleased at

having to spend the extra money, but holding up the project or getting into a dispute with the county over it wasn't worth it, they decided. Member George Capps voted against the measure.

- Approved scheduling a workshop at 7 p.m. March 29 to discuss the proposed disc golf course in McLean Park.

All eight members and the mayor were present. There was no executive session. The next meeting is 7 p.m. April 12 at City Hall.

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# DEATHS

**DANIEL DIEDRICH**  
Daniel L. Diedrich, 33, died March 10, 2016.



**Diedrich**

He was born Nov. 26, 1982, in Newton. He attended elementary school in Valley Center and a magnet school for the performing arts in Wichita. He performed in bands and street venues in Wichita and Omaha, Neb. He wrote and illustrated several comic books.

Survivors include his mother, Judy Lynn Shewmake of Park City; father and stepmother Raymond L. (Judy A.) Diedrich of Wichita; sisters Gina (Doug) Crossman and Gayla (Kevin) Kelly;

brother Troy Lanning; stepbrothers Billy Joe Gracy and Steven Gracy; and many other nieces, nephews and family members.

He was cremated. A celebration of life was held March 26 at the Park City Community Building in Hap McLean Park. A second celebration of life will be at 1 p.m. April 2 at Tyler Road Baptist Church, 571 S. Tyler Road. Memorials to the Kansas Humane Society, 3313 N. Hillside, Wichita KS 67219 or to Suicide Prevention, 934 N. Water, Wichita KS 67203. Baker Funeral Home of Wichita had charge.

**RICHARD DUNN**

Richard "Dick" Allen Dunn, 64, retired Valley Center City Superintendent, died March 14, 2016.

He was born in Marion to Gail William Dunn and Arlene Lucille (Davison)



**Dunn**

his family greatly.

He is survived by his sons Adam and Tracy Dunn of Valley Center, Aron and Lisa Dunn of Valley Center, and Matthew and Sarah Dunn of Blue Springs, Mo.; grandchildren Valerie Dunn, Erica Dunn, Derek Dunn, Dylan Dunn, Taylor Dunn and Aiden Dunn; sisters Beverly (Darrell) Davis of Valley Center, Karen Crego of Valley Center and Carol (Richard) LaFalier of Oklahoma City; brother Bradley (Cindy) Dunn of Park City; sister-in-

law Susan (Don) Saylor of Wichita; numerous nieces, nephews, other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife Cynthia Dunn and parents Gail and Arlene Dunn.

Service was March 19 at the First United Methodist Church, Valley Center, with graveside service at the Valley Center Memorial Cemetery. Memorials may be designated in his memory to the First United Methodist Church. Baker Funeral Home Valley Center had charge.

**CHRISTIE KOSS**

Christie L. (Valcoure) Koss, 42, of Park City, died Feb. 28, 2016. She was a medical assistant.

She was preceded in death by grandparents Elden Walker and Eugene and Verleta Valcoure, and sister Shelly Valcoure.

Survivors include husband James Koss of

Park City; children Keith Koss of Wichita, and Kyla, Kameron, and Ashlie Koss, all of the home; father Perry Valcoure of Concordia; mother and stepfather Ellen and Lonnie Schwindaman of Wichita; sister Lisa Parks of Evergreen, Colo.; grandmother Laura Walker of Clearwater; and stepgrandparents Bill and Phyllis Klamm of Wichita.

Funeral service was March 4 at Clearwater Church of Christ. Memorials to the Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Inc., 410 Allied Drive, Nashville TN 37211. Webb-Shinkle Mortuary of Clearwater had charge.

**THOMAS TURNER**

Thomas Wayne Turner, 60, of Valley Center, died March 10, 2016. He was a retired MetLife and Wichita Eagle systems analyst.

Survivors include



**Turner**

children Sara Turner of Dexter, Kevin (Rachel) Turner of Dodge City and Tegan Turner of Park City; brothers Carl Turner and Kent Turner of Valley Center; the mother of his children Vicki Turner of Park City; and numerous other family and friends.

Service was March 16 at Believers Tabernacle, with burial at Wichita Park Cemetery. Memorials to Voice of the Martyrs or in support of his daughter's missionary work with Assemblies of God World Missions. Baker Funeral Home of Valley Center had charge.

## Valley creates opportunities to keep students learning during summer

By Chris Strunk

The Valley Center school district will keep some of its doors open this summer.

The school board on March 7 approved a slate of summer learning opportunities, including a couple of new initiatives.

At the high school, the credit recovery program will see no changes. It will

meet during morning and afternoon sessions in June and July. Cost is \$140 per half-credit class.

The district will introduce a new program at the high school. It will offer a physical education summer program. Tuition is \$200 and students earn one credit. It will be a 20-day course in June. Instruction will include health curriculum (about one hour per

day) and a physical education module (about two hours per day). In addition, the course will require about 20 hours of activity outside of class time.

The summer program for kindergarten through eighth grade will have some changes this year.

Now called Camp Hornet, the enrichment courses will be offered in one-week blocks during June,

rather than month-long sessions. Classes will be at the middle school. Subjects include art, cooking, social studies, geography and creative writing and illustrating. Cost of each week-long class is \$20.

Summer school also will include remedial classes in math and reading, as well as kindergarten classes.

Call the district of-

office at 755-7000 for more information about summer school.

In a separate but related move, the school board approved a kindergarten prep class for the 2016-17 school year.

The class will meet in the afternoons at Abilene Elementary and be limited to 12 students ages 4 and 5, enrolled on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost of

class would be \$115 per week, with an additional \$85 enrollment fee.

Gibson said the class is designed to pay for itself. If it doesn't work, it could be canceled the following year.

Gibson said the district has a waiting list every year for its existing pre-kindergarten classes, which serve at-risk students.

## City

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building.

The sole exception has been Melvin Kerr, who previously stated: "I don't think we need it." Kerr was not at this meeting.

To finance the project, the city is making a \$2 million down payment and will be using \$3.5 million of industrial revenue bonds. Council members were pleased with the big financing inroad the city has already made on the project.

At the same time, they didn't want to hold on to the present City Hall, saying it should be sold.

The new City Hall will be 24,922 square feet with a 10,819-square-foot basement. As planned, the structure has the ability to expand to handle future growth, which Mann said is

important.

"We expect to grow during the next 20 to 25 years," he said.

Mann said officials visited a lot of other city halls to see what they were like and incorporate their best concepts into this one.

City offices are now in a structure at 6110 N. Hydraulic that appear house-like in layout and appearance because that was its original design when it was built in the late 1980s.

It has had problems with cracking, but more of a challenge has been its convoluted layout, making it inefficient for staff and visitors, officials say.

The bigger problem has been for the police department, whose operations have been split between City Hall and an aging facility on West 53rd Street. A new centralized building will make it easier for the public and officers, said

Police Chief Phil Bostian.

Bostian said that while a building itself doesn't make or break a police force, this one will "make a tremendous difference" for the staff of 21, including 17 officers, and citizens.

While some may not realize it, City Hall also hold the city's court, and court time can get crowded and even uncomfortable as suspects are sometimes walked right by their victims.

"It's about time," member George Capps said of the development. "We were talking about this in the 1990s."

Capps was especially content that the police would be in one place and getting the resources he said they need.

If all goes as planned, work should start in May.

Mann said he's pleased about seeing the building become a reality.

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"We've gone a long way to get to this point and everything is working out as projected," he said. "I'm excited we're near the finish line. Now we just have to cross it."

In other action, the council: Received a report from Madison Shiner, director of the Senior Center. The center has 417 active members, she said, and is seeking to increase its programming in order to qualify for additional county funding. The center has been extra busy due to the additional of a seasonal income tax service.

Approved renewing a cereal malt beverage license for 81 Speedway, 7700 N. Broadway. Application was made by owner Charles Hall, who paid a \$200 fee.

Authorized distributions from the transient guest tax funds for: a partnership for Hartman Arena for 2016, \$22,200; a partner-

ship for 81 Speedway for 2016, \$22,200; sponsorship of 11 NCRA events at the speedway in 2016 for \$4,200; sponsorship of the USA BMX National 2017 event, \$15,000, subject to bid approval; sponsorship of 2016 Salute to Freedom Fourth of July events, \$5,000; sponsorship of Jeeps Motorcycle Club, Park City Supercross and Flat Track series, \$9,000; funding for improve-

ments to the BMX park including lighting, paving and equipment rental for up to \$45,000, sponsorship of the Hot Rod Magazine Power Tour set for June 16 at the Kansas Pavilions, the \$10,000 cost of which is to be split with Visit Wichita.

There was no executive session and seven members of the council and the mayor were present.

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# Changes in store for highways

By David Dinell

Motorists could experience major traffic flow changes in north Sedgwick County where four highways merge, but whether all — or any — are implemented or not remains to be seen.

The plan, called the “Wichita North Junction Concept Study,” deals with the I-135, K-96, K-254 and I-235 interchanges.

The changes aim to replace decaying bridges, cut down on rush-hour congestion and provide for infrastructure upgrades and smooth connections between highways. With a total projected price tag of more than \$250 million, given the state’s fiscal condition, observers say there’s no certainty of it being completed.

But the plan is in place.

The design was presented to 34 business and community leaders Feb. 24 at the monthly meeting of the Park City Chamber of Commerce at the Best Western on 53rd Street by Mitchell Coffman, a planner for Professional Engineering Consultants PA of Wichita.

An initial study of the area was completed in 1998 but nothing was done after that.

This updated plan builds on that study and re-evaluates the area’s needs.

Kansas Department of Transportation officials say they want to address issues such as “increased traffic count, bridge replacement, bottleneck areas and modern traffic needs.”

Its planners say the design could handle traffic through 2050.

Commuters are familiar with rush-hour congestion in the junction and it’s only going to get worse if nothing is done, Coffman said.

Along with longer drive times, congestion also is a safety issue. Some 82 percent of accidents in the area are rear-end collisions, Coffman said,



Photos by David Dinell

The “Wichita North Junction Concept Study” deals with four plans for the I-135, K-96, K-254 and I-235 interchanges. Total estimated cost of all work is more than \$250 million.



Tom Hein (left) of KDOT and Tom Jones of the Park City City Council listen to Mitchell Coffman of Professional Engineering Consultants explain the design. Poor condition of the bridges is a serious concern, Coffman says.

which are frequent on roads with traffic that quickly slows mixed with faster-moving vehicles.

In addition, the poor condition of bridges is a serious concern, Coffman told the meeting’s attendees.

KDOT has identified three bridges that are “structurally deficient” and 18 other bridges that are “functionally obsolete,” Coffman said.

Bridges with structural problems are a serious concern because of the danger of collapse, which

can lead to injuries or fatalities.

The plan breaks the project up into four phases, known as the Green, Gold, Purple and Orange projects.

Funding has been identified for the final design, right-of-way acquisition and utility relocation of the Green Project, but not for construction. The project is anticipated to get underway in fall 2017, but that is not a done deal. Funding has not been identified for any of the other projects.

As for scope, the projects break down as such:

- Green: Replace bridges and add I-235 continuous auxiliary lanes. It also contains improvements to the interchange at Broadway. Cost estimate: \$71 million.

- Gold: Ease traffic congestion during the morn-

ing and late afternoon rush hours. Cost estimate: \$65 million to \$80 million.

- Purple: Undertake major infrastructure improvements. It also completes interchange connections to all major roadways. Cost estimate: \$110 million to \$124 million

- Orange: Change an

upgraded connection from K-96 to I-135 from an existing ramp to an improved loop ramp that can expand in the future if needed. Cost estimate: \$5 million to \$6 million.

The Gold plan gets the most reaction, Coffman said.

“That’s the one everyone gets excited about because it gets rid of the congestion,” he said.

The first part of the plan, or the Green Project, is a “good start,” said Park City council member Tom Jones, but he said it all needs to be done, especially considering the amount of traffic the area gets at rush hour.

Dee Stuart, co-chairman of Park City Pride and a regular motorist through the interchanges, said the presentation, which she hadn’t seen before, was informative.

If she was surprised by one thing, it was the cost estimates; she thought they would be higher than they were. The work, she said, needs to be done, especially on the area’s bridges.

“Those bridges are in terrible shape,” she said. For more on the study, go to [www.wampo.org](http://www.wampo.org) and click on the Resource Library link.

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