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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HARVEY COUNTY, KANSAS  
Case No. HV-2025-PR-000062  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONNA M. NICKEL, DECEASED

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition for the Determination of Descent has been filed in this Court by Jerry Nickel, surviving spouse and heir of Donna Nickel, deceased, requesting:

Jerry Nickel be determined the descendant of Donna Nickel, and the below-described Kansas real estate and any other personal property of the decedent, should be assigned to The Jerry W. Nickel Living Trust dated February 25, 1991 As Amended and Restated.

The South Half (S1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section Eight (8), Township Twenty-three South (23S), Range One West (1W) of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Harvey County, Kansas

that the hereinbefore described real estate and any other Kansas real estate or personal property owned by decedent at the time of her death be assigned to the persons entitled thereto, pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before August 29, 2025 in the District Court of Harvey County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Jerry Nickel, Petitioner

Bret T. Christiansen

Attorney for Petitioner

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING							
The governing body of Prairie Lawn Cemetery Marion County							
will meet on September 11, 2025 at 6:30 PM at Peabody Senior Center, 106 N Walnut St, Peabody, KS for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied and Revenue Neutral Rate. Detailed budget information is available at the Marion County Clerk's Office, 200 S. Third St., Marion, KS and will be available at this hearing.							
SUPPORTING COUNTIES Marion County (home county) Harvey County							
BUDGET SUMMARY							
Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.							
FUND	Prior Year Actual 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget Year for 2026		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax
General	88,943	2.533	72,846	2.431	292,184	65,131	2.431
Totals	88,943	2.533	72,846	2.431	292,184	65,131	2.431
					Revenue Neutral Rate**		
					2.382		
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	88,943		72,846		292,184		
Total Tax Levied	63,846		63,832		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation:	25,198,888		26,254,917		26,791,816		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
Jan 1,	2023		2024		2025		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		0		
Revenue Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Pur. Princ.	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		0		
*Tax rates are expressed in mills.							
**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988							
Randy Dalke President							
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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING							
The governing body of City of Goessel							
will meet on August 18, 2025 at 6:00 PM at Civic Center for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at 101 S. Cedar and will be available at this hearing.							
BUDGET SUMMARY							
Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.							
FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget for 2026		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	229,490	47.244	228,150	41.135	946,037	114,064	36.806
Library	28,653	9.995	33,290	9.984	35,280	30,990	10.000
Special Highway	12,881		5,500		43,260		
Water Utility Fund	92,426		101,081		663,123		
Sewer Utility Fund	127,486		137,974		455,720		
Trash Fund	25,682		32,000		77,850		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	44,367						
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	4,262						
Totals	565,246	57.239	537,995	51.119	2,221,270	145,055	46.806
					Revenue Neutral Rate**		
					46.806		
Less: Transfers	42,000		42,000		42,000		
Net Expenditure	523,246		495,995		2,179,270		
Total Tax Levied	145,114		145,112		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	2,535,201		2,837,543		3,099,031		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
January 1,	2023		2024		2025		
G.O. Bonds	1,617,458		1,538,602		1,469,403		
Revenue Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	1,617,458		1,538,602		1,469,403		
*Tax rates are expressed in mills							
** Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988							
Jennifer Bliss							
Official Title: City Clerk							
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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

" S K T S X U S W B B U P Y K K Y M S X N J C S K  
K T N X N W B S X O W B K T . J B K T N K I N A  
Z Y E S X Y J B I Y B E K T Y L N M K J S L W N A . "  
- N W N X N W Z N

Previous Solution: "Maybe you're here for a reason. Maybe I was here to do 'Star Wars' and that's it. I'm living on borrowed time." — George Lucas

TODAY'S CLUE: n s p e n b e o

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SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

				8	9		7	
7	9				3	2		
2	8			1	7	5		
6		2		3	1			
				9	5		1	6
		7	3	2			1	5
		3	1				9	4
	1		8	9				

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

9	5	3	8	7	4	6	2	1
6	2	4	3	9	1	7	5	8
8	1	7	6	5	2	3	4	9
4	9	8	2	1	6	5	3	7
7	3	2	4	8	5	9	1	6
5	6	1	7	3	9	4	8	2
2	4	5	9	6	8	1	7	3
1	7	6	5	2	3	8	9	4
3	8	9	1	4	7	2	6	5

HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

BRIDGE

North 08-07-25

♦ K 9 4  
♥ 10 6 4 3  
♦ A 5  
♣ K 7 5 2

West

♠ Q 6 5  
♥ K 7 2  
♦ K Q 10 4  
♣ A J 9

East

♠ 10 7 3 2  
♥ --  
♦ 9 8 6 3 2  
♣ 10 8 4 3

South

♠ A J 8  
♥ A Q J 9 8 5  
♦ J 7  
♣ Q 6

Dealer: West  
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ K

FINESSING CAN BE DONE IN REVERSE

That well-known humorist A.N. Onymous said, "Too many people confine their exercise to jumping to conclusions, running up bills, stretching the truth, bending over backward, lying down on the job, sidestepping responsibility and pushing their luck."

One of those words is relevant to this deal. West leads the diamond king against four hearts. How should South plan the play?

After West opened one no-trump, showing 15-17 points, South and North pushed into game.

South faces a potential loser in each suit. But since only 15 high-card points are missing, he knows that West has them all.

South wins the first trick and plays a heart to his ace. If both opponents follow suit, another heart lead would endplay West. He could cash the diamond queen, but then would have to sacrifice a trick whatever he did. Here, though, West takes the second heart, cashes the diamond queen, and exits safely with his last trump, East discarding diamonds.

South wins in his hand and plays a club to dummy's king. West takes the next club and leads his last club. How can South avoid a spade loser?

West is known to have the queen. But he will not have a doubleton -- why not?

Because if East had five spades, he would have run from one no-trump into two spades.

South must try a backward finesse. He ruffs the third club and leads his spade jack, running it if West does not cover. Or, if West does cover, declarer wins with dummy's king, then plays a spade to his eight, hoping that East has the 10.

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