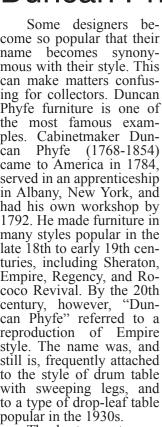
Duncan Phyfe furniture synonymous with style



The best way to recognize an authentic piece of Duncan Phyfe furniture is by its label. Phyfe was one of the first American cabinetmakers to mark his pieces with a paper label. Unfortunately, paper labels tend to deteriorate over time. This classical recamier sofa, which sold for \$4,305 at Brunk Auctions, did not have a label or identifying marks. However, it was attributed to Duncan Phyfe and dated to about 1840 because of how closely its design, including proportions, matches confirmed Phyfe pieces.

Q: I purchased this larger size hourglass (about 15-minute timer) from the gift shop of the Pirates of the Caribbean ride at Magic Kingdom at Disney World in April 1976. Unfortunately, it has no marking or labels anywhere. It has no damage whatsoever. Do you know of any collectors who might be interested in this piece? Other than a Disney collector, I believe it would have limited interest.

A: You are right that a Disney collector would be the best buyer for your Fortunately, hourglass. there are plenty of Disney collectors out there! While Disney memorabilia, including theme park souvenirs, can be found at many auctions, particularly toy auctions, and antique stores, there are some auction houses that specialize in it. You may want to contact an auction house like Van Eaton Galleries (vegalleries.com) or Hake's Auctions (hakes.com), both of which hold auctions dedicated to Disney memorabilia. Your hourglass could be worth hundreds of dollars to the right buyer. A souvenir hourglass from the Haunted Mansion ride sold for \$130 at an auction in 2024. A Pirates of the Caribbean souvenir mug from about 1990 sold for \$380 at another auction.

Q: I am wondering if you could tell me where to find the value of three paintings by Felix Tabasco. One painting is 26 x 33 inches and two are 16 x 32 inches. These were given to my partner when he was living in Spain and was a good friend of the painter. They are early paintings and somewhat different in style from later ones. What I was told is that after a night of partying, Felix fell on some church steps and broke his arm. The arm did not heal properly and he started painting with his other arm. I also have some notes from Felix and brochures showing some of his artwork.

Tabasco A: Felix (1947-2007) was a modern Spanish painter. There are several online databases, such as Artnet and ART-Bnk, that have recent sale prices for paintings. They require paid subscriptions, but you may be able to access them through a library or museum in your area. Another way to find the value of your paintings is to consult an art gallery or an auction house that deals in fine art. Because yours are unusual and have an interesting story attached, they may be worth more. If you are planning to sell your paintings, the notes and brochures will add to

their value.





A lot of "Duncan Phyfe" furniture consists of later copies of Federal pieces. This recamier is attributed to Phyfe himself, thanks to its close resemblance to his documented works. Photo Credit: Brunk Auctions (c) 2025 by Cowles Syndiproduced faience, a tin-

Q: Years ago, my mother-in-law was looking for treasures and found a porcelain box with painted cows and roses. Knowing my fondness for cows, she gave it to me. I have been curious about its age and value. The bottom is marked "Lille 1767."

northern France that has ed. Beware, however: The

glazed earthenware pottery, since the 15th century. Royal Manufacturers of Lille, one of the first factories in the area to make porcelain, was founded in 1764. Your box was probably made in the 1800s. The "1767" in the mark may be the year the factory that A: Lille is a city in made the box was found-

"Lille 1767" mark has been faked on recent copies. Decorative boxes marked "Lille 1767" typically sell for about \$100. Don't confuse it with Fives Lille faience, which is a different maker. Fives Lille has more elaborate, sometimes three-dimensional decorations; has an impressed mark; and sells for higher

Premium sale brings \$87,400

 Continued from Page A-1 and received a premium of \$2,000 from Rainbow So-

Last year (2024) the only market rabbit entry in the sale received an \$1,100

In 2023 the grand champion colony received a \$1,200 premium.

Saturday night there were three rabbits in the sale receiving a record total of \$4,200 in premiums. In 2023 there were two rabbit entries in the sale and they received a total of \$1,400 in premiums.

The three volunteer auctioneers Saturday night included David Holmes, JB Robinson and JB Robinson, Jr.

Rabbit Sale

Glittering Stones 4-H member Allison Brown showed the Grand Champion Rabbit colony and received a premium of \$1,100 from American Bank. She had the only rabbits in the sale.

In 2023 the grand champion colony received a \$1,200 premium.

In 2023 there were two rabbit entries in the sale this year and they received a total of \$1,400 in

The swine sale had the largest number of entries with 25 pigs going through the auction ring. In 2023 there were 10

Market Beef were shown with a total of \$18,400 premium.

In 2022 six Market Beef went through the sale bringing a total of \$11,900.

Tax rates are expressed in mills

** Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Feeder Calf Sale

For the fourth consecutive vear Shamrock 4-H Club member Samantha Ohmart showed the top Feeder Calf that went through the premium sale. This year she showed the Grand Champion and receiving a premium of \$1,900 for her work from Dr. Rob Herron Dental Clinics he also bought the premium in 2023. This was the 36 year Dr. Herron has purchased a grand champion at the Cherokee County

Samantha is the daughter of Bub and Angel

Ten feeder calf projects went through the ring this year bringing a total of \$15,300. Twelve Feeder Calf projects went through the ring in 2023 bringing a total of \$15,000. In 2022 there were 13 feeder calves in the premium sale bringing \$14,800.

The annual 4-H and FFA auction is a premium only auction, the bidder does not receive the animals they are recognizing the efforts of the youngsters paying them the premium price for their ef-

The exhibitors will also receive the market value of the animal if it is sold and other premiums.

The professional auctioneers Jack Garner, David Holmes and JB Robison volunteer their services.

Southeast USD 247 has an immediate opening For an Experienced Diesel/Gas Mechanic for a Transportation fleet.

Candidates must demonstrate a positive attitude, be dependable flexible, self-motivated, self-starter and a team player. Other required skills: utilize cell phone, email and basic office computer skills. Candidate will work a 40hr base week and must be available for overtime if needed Benefits include:

9 paid holidays 2 personal days 8hrs sick leave per month

2 weeks' vacation, after 1 year of employment

Employee only paid health insurance Employee only paid life insurance Company vehicle provided during work hours

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Optional benefits available: Dental insurance

Vision insurance

Family health insurance

KPER's life insurance

The successful candidate must be able to pass a drug testing and a federal background check. Non-certified applications may be obtained at the District Office

located at: 506 S Smelter St, Cherokee, KS or it can be found on the website at www.usd247.com. For more information call 620-457-8350.

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Legal Notice

(First Published in the Columbus News Report Tuesday, July 22, 2025) NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of City of Weir

will meet on August 11, 2025 at 6:30 PM at Weir City Hall 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 Weir City Hall 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.

	Prior Year Actual for 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget for 2026		
							Proposed
		Actual Tax		Actual Tax	Budget Authority for	Amount of 2025	Estimated Tax
FUND	Expenditures	Rate*	Expenditures	Rate*	Expenditures	Ad Valorem Tax	Rate*
General	304,581	47.997	285,242	57.061	492,532	152,731	53.961
Debt Service	00.1001						
Library	8,988	3.002	9,034	3.003	9,681	8,492	3.000
Special Highway	26,268				136,588		
Water Utility	172,182		150,544		150,600		
Sewer Utility	92,756		83,835		101,851		
	92,756						
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	24,822						
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	33,183						
Totals	755,536	50,999	528,655	60.064	891,252		
						nue Neutral Rate**	56.962
Less: Transfers	28,345	ļ	31,900		27,400		
Net Expenditure	727,191		496,755		863,852		
Total Tax Levied	126,626	[161,223		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed							
Valuation	2,482,898	Į	2,684,177		2,830,398		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
January I,	<u>2023</u>		2024		2025	,	
G.O. Bonds	0		0		0		
Revenue Bonds	0	[0		0		
Other	0		0		0]	
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		35,000]	
Tetal	0		0		25.000	I	

LABETTE COUNTY JAIL REPORT

Gamaliel Correa-Bermudez, 42, was arrested Sunday by Chetopa Police officers on charges of distribution of marijuana and maximum speed limits and is being held without

The Information presented in this column is collected from the Labette County Sheriff's Department and includes arrests

made by the Chetopa Police Department, Oswego Police Department and the Kansas Highway Patrol or other state and federal jurisdictions and is provided for the convenience of the reader. Every effort is made to keep such information accurate and upto-date. Charges and bond amounts may change after court appearances.

Moving Auction Sunday, July 27 at 1 p.m.

Auction Will Be Held at 1406 W. Cedar Brook,

Columbus, KS 66725. Selling Personal Property, Household Items, Guns and Golf Cart.

Golf Cart -2005 Yamaha Electric Golf Cart, Tools - Hand Tools, Long Handled Garden Tools, Power Tools, Skil Push Mower, Air Compressor, Paint Sprayer, Edger, Pull Type Sprayer, Ryobi Miter Saw, Air Tools, Brand New Powermate 1200 Watt Generator, Brand New Electric Concrete Mixer, Battery Charger, Extension Ladder, Step Ladder, Two Wheeler Dolly Guns – Keltec CNC INC P-11 Cal 9mm Luger, Ruger Wrangler 22 LR Revolver, Ruger 380 Auto w/ Lazer Sight, New England Firearms Handi Rifle Cal 243 w/ BSA Scope, CZ 557 Target Rifle w/ Vortex Scope Cal 308 Win, Winchester 12 Ga Model 1400 2 ¾ Shells, Miscellaneous Ammo, Shooting Targets, PSE Compound Bow, Silver Coins and Diamond Rings, Furniture - Sectional Couch, 2 Recliners, High Top Kitchen Table and 4chairs, Matching Bar Stools and Table and Chairs, Dining Room Table and 6 Chairs, Bedroom Sets, Beds, Dressers, Sleeper Sofa and Sleeper Loveseat, Patio Table and Chair Set, Coffee Table and End Tables, Kids Wooden Rocker, Miscellaneous-Pots, Pans, Dishes, 2 LG TV's, TV Stand, Nordictrack Treadmill, Char Broil Grill, Board Games, Space Invaders Arcade Game, Keyboard, Cast Iron Skillet and Dutch Oven, Yeti Cooler, Lots of

Auctioneers Note: Brian has sold his property and is moving and downsizing to a new property. Come out for a very nice and clean household auction. Items selling are in new condition.

TERMS: Cash or Good Check with Proper ID. Nothing removed until settled for. Not responsible for accidents, Theft or Breakage. Refreshments and Bathroom Provided.

Owner: Brian Smith

Torchia-Holmes Real Estate Agency, LLC 129 S. Pennsylvania, Columbus, KS 66725

Auctioneer: David Holmes 620-674-2183 www.davidholmesauctions.com Clerks: Ron Holmes, Laura Holmes & Donna Westervelt



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ORDINANCE NO. 386W (2025) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 386W(2024), ESTABLISHING RATES AND FEES CHARGED FOR WATER SERVICE FROM THE WATER WORKS SYSTEMS AND SETTING FEES FOR USE OF THE SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF WEIR,

CHEROKEE COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WEIR, KANSAS:

Section 1: Statement of Purpose, Review. It is the purpose of this Ordinance to establish minimum rates for each service unit for which consumers within the corporate limits of the City of Weir and minimum rates for those consumers outside the City limits who receive water service furnished by the water works system and to establish set fees for use of the sewer system of Weir,

Section 2: Amendment of Section 3, Parts 1 and 2 of Ordinance No. 386W(2024) shall be amended to read as follows:

PART 1. That beginning with the meter readings on or near the first day of August 2025, the rates to be charged for the water service furnished by the water works system of the City of Weir, Kansas for *consumers within the city limits* shall be as follows:

A minimum charge of \$36.00 shall be made for each service furnished by the water works unit for which each consumer within the corporate limits of the City of Weir, Kansas, shall be entitled to 1,000 gallons taken during each meter reading month. This rate will be increased by \$0.25 each year thereafter, on or around June 1st.

For amounts in excess of the minimum gallon usage above set forth, the charge shall be:

\$4.50 per thousand

PART 2. That beginning with the meter readings on or near the first day of August 2025, the rates to be charged for the water service furnished by the water works system of the City of Weir, Kansas for *consumers outside the city limits* shall be as follows:

A minimum charge of \$39.50 shall be made for each service furnished by the water works unit for which each consumer outside the corporate limits of the City of Weir, Kansas, shall be entitled to 1,000 gallons taken during each meter reading month. This rate will be increased by \$0.25 each year thereafter, on or around June 1st. For amounts in excess of the minimum gallon usage above set

forth, the charge shall be: \$5.00 per thousand

Section 3: Section 4, PART 1 to Ordinance #385W shall read as

PART 1. That beginning on the first day of August 2025, there will continue to be a Water Maintenance Fee to be charged for water service furnished by the water works system of the City of Weir, Kansas, for *consumers inside AND outside the city limits*; and the fee shall be \$3.00. Section 4: Amendment Section 1 of Ordinance 52-S shall be

amended to read as follows: **SECTION 1.** That beginning on the first day of August

2025, the rates to be charged for sewage service furnished by the sewage system of the City of Weir, Kansas, for consumers inside and outside the city limits shall be \$23.00. This rate will be increased by \$0.25 each year thereafter, on or around June 1st. **Section 5:** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect on July 14th, 2025, and upon its publication as required by law. ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City

of Weir, Kansas this 14th day of July, 2025. Joe Tavernaro, Mayor

ATTEST Amy Zortz, City Clerk