

# CHEROKEE COUNTY COURT DOCKET

*This is the schedule of the Magistrate Court Room with Judge Douglas R. Steele presiding. All of the hearings, conferences, arraignments, dismissals, appearances and trials are*

*open to the public. They are also subject to change or cancellation without notice.*

**Magistrate Court Judge Douglas R. Steele Monday, July 28**

9 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Alicia Marie Bid-  
dle, scheduling conference, (traffic)

9 a.m. - State of Kansas vs. Alicia Marie Bid-  
dle, scheduling conference,

(criminal)  
9 a.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Alicia Biddle,  
scheduling conference,  
(traffic)

9 a.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Christopher Orion  
McKinley, scheduling con-  
ference, (criminal)

10 a.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Juan Manuel Quin-  
tana, bench trial, (traffic)

11 a.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Danny Joe Thomas,  
scheduling conference,  
(traffic)

11 a.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Tanner Jacob Grant,  
first appearance, (criminal)

11 a.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Cody Dale Free-  
man, scheduling confer-  
ence, (criminal)

**Tuesday, July 29**

10 a.m. - Midland  
Credit Management, Inc.  
vs. Jeff Woldum, answer  
hearing, (limited civil)

10 a.m. - Capital One,  
N.A., vs. Jan L. Hilder-  
brand, answer hearing,  
(limited civil)

10 a.m. - Robert E.  
Myers vs. John Mogle,  
answer hearing, (limited  
civil)

10 a.m. - LVNV  
Funding LLC vs. Zachary  
Blades, answer hearing,  
(limited civil)

10 a.m. - LVNV  
Funding LLC vs. Tiffany  
Bryars, answer hearing,  
(limited civil)

10 a.m. - Bartlett Co-  
operative Association vs.  
Lori Egnor, answer hear-  
ing, (limited civil)

10 a.m. - Freeman  
Surgical Center, LLC vs.  
Sandra D. Evans, answer  
hearing, (limited civil)

10 a.m. - Synchrony  
Bank vs. Nicholas Rook-  
stool, answer hearing,  
(limited civil)

10 a.m. - LVNV Fund-  
ing LLC vs. Samantha  
Hersch, answer hearing,  
(limited civil)

10 a.m. - LVNV Fund-  
ing LLC vs. Kayladon  
Richardson, answer hear-  
ing, (limited civil)

10 a.m. - LVNV Fund-  
ing LLC vs. Amanda Por-  
ter, answer hearing, (lim-  
ited civil)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Racheal Michelle  
Turnbough, scheduling  
conference, (criminal)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Cheyanne Evalena  
Yvon Slichenmyer, sched-  
uling conference, (crimi-  
nal)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Cory Joe Spatafora,  
scheduling conference,  
(criminal) (2)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Rhonda Rosetta  
Faubion, scheduling con-  
ference, (criminal)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Gary Jack Hollis,  
Jr., scheduling conference,  
(criminal)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Dane Martin Raba-  
go, scheduling conference,  
(traffic)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Cheyanne Evalena  
Yvon Slichenmyer, first ap-  
pearance, (traffic)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Kendell M. Brown,  
scheduling conference,  
(traffic)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Kendell Melynda  
Brown, scheduling confer-

ence, (criminal)  
1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Boyce Earl Nevills,  
Jr., first appearance, (crimi-  
nal)

1 p.m. - State of Kan-  
sas vs. Caleb Jurrelle Hen-  
ry, scheduling conference,  
(criminal)

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**Southeast USD 247 is seeking applications for a full time school nurse.**

The contract length is 174 days, Monday to Friday 7:45am - 3:45pm.

**Education:**  
Bachelors (Preferred)

**Experience:**  
Nursing: 1 year (Preferred)  
License/Certification:  
BLS Certification (Preferred)  
RN (Preferred)  
An RN certification is preferred but an LPN, CNA, or CMA will be given consideration. Pay will depend on certification and experience.

**Benefits include:**  
4 paid holidays  
2 personal days  
8 hrs sick leave per month  
Employee only paid health insurance  
Employee only paid life insurance

**Optional benefits available:**  
Dental insurance  
Vision insurance  
Family health insurance  
Flex 125  
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, Kansas or it can be found on the website @ www.usd247.com. For more information call 620-457-8350.

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## Legal Notice

(First Published in the Columbus News Report Friday, July 25, 2025)  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS SITTING AT COLUMBUS**

In the Matter of the Estate of James A. Hunter, III, Deceased No. CK-2025-PR-000056  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on July 15, 2025, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary was filed in this Court by Kathy S. Cherney, the sole heir and Executor named in the Last Will and Testament of James A. Hunter, III, deceased.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

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ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER  
July 25, 2025 August 1, 2025 August 8, 2025

## Legal Notice

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**ORDINANCE NO. 1525**

An ordinance regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Columbus Kansas; incorporating by reference the Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, 52nd Edition, \*with certain omissions, changes, and additions; prescribing additional regulations; providing certain penalties and repealing ordinances numbered 1517.

Be it Ordained by the Governing Body of the City of Columbus:

**Section 1. INCORPORATING STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE.**

There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Columbus Kansas, that certain standard traffic ordinance known as the Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, 52nd Edition, prepared and published in book form by the League of Kansas Municipalities, Topeka, Kansas, \*save and except such articles, sections, parts or portions as are hereafter omitted, deleted, modified, or changed. One copy of said Standard Traffic Ordinance shall be marked or stamped "Official Copy as Adopted by Ordinance No. 1525" \*with all sections or portions thereof intended to be omitted or changed clearly marked to show any such omission or change and to which shall be attached a copy of this ordinance and filed with the city clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours. The police department, municipal judge, and all administrative departments of the city charged with enforcement of the ordinance shall be supplied, at the cost of the city, such number of official copies of such Standard Traffic Ordinance similarly marked, as may be deemed expedient.

**Section 2. TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS AND TRAFFIC OFFENSES.**

(a) An ordinance traffic infraction is a violation of any section of this ordinance that prescribes or requires the same behavior as that prescribed or required by a statutory provision that is classified as a traffic infraction in K.S.A. 8-2118.

(b) All traffic violations that are included within this ordinance, and are not ordinance trame infractions, as defined in subsection (a) of this section, shall be considered trame offenses.

**Section 3. PENALTY FOR SCHEDULED FINES.**

The fine for violation of an ordinance traffic infraction or any other traffic offense in which the municipal judge establishes a fine in a fine schedule shall not be less than \$75.00 nor more than \$2,000.00. A person tried and convicted for violation of an ordinance traffic infraction or other traffic offense in which a fine has not been established in a schedule of fines shall pay a fine fixed by the court not to exceed \$500.00.

**Section 4. REPEAL.**  
Ordinance No. 1517 is repealed.

**Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**  
This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the *Columbus News-Report*.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Governing Body on this 21st day of July 2025.

/s/ Grant Spieth  
Grant Spieth, Mayor

ATTEST:  
/s/ Ruth Hutley  
Ruth Hutley, City Clerk (SEAL)

Daily Data	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Max Temperature	95	90	108 in 1901	70 in 2000
Min Temperature	71	70	82 in 2011	51 in 1947
Avg Temperature	83.0	80.0	92.0 in 2011	65.0 in 2000
Precipitation	0.00	0.12	2.97 in 2000	0.00 in 2025
Snowfall	0.0	0.0	0.0 in 2025	0.0 in 2025
Snow Depth	0	-	0 in 2025	0 in 2025
HDD (base 65)	0	0	0 in 2025	0 in 2025
CDD (base 65)	18	15	27 in 2011	0 in 2000
Month-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	89.9	89.3	106.3 in 1954	81.2 in 1950
Avg Min Temperature	71.2	69.1	74.9 in 2011	61.4 in 1894
Avg Temperature	80.5	79.2	90.4 in 1954	73.1 in 1950
Total Precipitation	1.26	3.23	11.79 in 1950	0.00 in 1980
Total Snowfall	0.0	0.0	T in 1951	0.0 in 2025
Max Snow Depth	0	-	0 in 2025	0 in 2025
Total HDD (base 65)	0	0	4 in 1895	0 in 2025
Total CDD (base 65)	364	328	590 in 1954	188 in 2002
Year-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	65.9	66.2	88.6 in 1978	62.3 in 1912
Avg Min Temperature	45.1	45.2	65.9 in 1978	40.0 in 1979
Avg Temperature	55.5	55.7	77.1 in 1978	51.6 in 2002
Total Precipitation	30.82	27.64	43.68 in 1999	6.67 in 1978
Total Snowfall (since July 1)	0.0	0.0	T in 1951	0.0 in 2025
Max Snow Depth (since July 1)	0	-	0 in 2025	0 in 2025
Total HDD (since July 1)	0	0	4 in 1895	0 in 2025
Total CDD (since Jan 1)	799	770	1225 in 1934	393 in 2002

**Period of Record:**

- Max Temperature : 1892-12-01 to 2025-07-23
- Min Temperature : 1892-12-01 to 2025-07-23
- Precipitation : 1892-12-01 to 2025-07-23
- Snowfall : 1892-12-01 to 2025-07-23
- Snow Depth : 1898-12-04 to 2025-07-23

## EaglePicher to open new facility

EaglePicher will break ground on a new, state-of-the-art facility in Pittsburg, Thursday, July 24 at 10 a.m.. As the project moves forward, Greg Kirk will function as the building's Project Manager, while Neosho, Mo.'s Branco Enterprises will serve as Contractor.

The 20,000 square foot building will offer a major economic boon to the city of Pittsburg. Starting off, more than 50 new jobs will be created with the facility, all of which start above the average area wage.

First-year revenue generation expectations are at \$10 million, with \$15-17

million anticipated for the three years following that. Facility production will largely serve the United States Department of Defense.

"We are excited to announce the addition of a new, state-of-the-art facility in Pittsburg, Kansas to supply key components used in the manufacture of our batteries and energetic devices," announced EaglePicher Senior Vice President of Defense Systems Ron Nowlin.

"This facility will be a captive production facility to EaglePicher and will create a second source production location that

will improve supply chain resilience and support the increasing demand for our products. We really appreciate the support we've received from the state of Kansas and city of Pittsburg."

The project is poised to strengthen the already strong, longstanding bond EaglePicher shares with the city of Pittsburg, Pittsburg State University, and the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce.

"The City is excited to continue our partnership with EaglePicher with the development of their new facility," claims Pittsburg City Manager Daron Hall. "EaglePicher has been an important employer and partner in the past, and with this new opportunity, they will continue to provide important jobs and create valuable products going forward. We would like to thank the entire EaglePicher team for their confidence and investment in Pittsburg."

About EaglePicher: EaglePicher Technologies is a leading producer of batteries and energetic devices. For more than 80 years, it has served the mission-critical space, defense, and aviation battery markets.

EaglePicher's batteries are a key component of the U.S. space program, including providing the emergency power that successfully brought the Apollo 13 crew home. Today, EaglePicher batteries power the Mars rovers, unmanned underwater vehicles, launch vehicles, and more than eighty-five percent of U.S. missile platforms.

**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  
Company cell phone provided during work hours

Optional benefits available:  
Dental insurance  
Vision insurance  
Family health insurance  
Flex 125  
KPER's life insurance

The successful candidate must be able to pass a drug testing and a federal background check.

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## August is national wellness month

**Valori Stone Family and Community Wellness Agent, Wildcat Extension District**

August is National Wellness Month, a time dedicated to focusing on self-care, stress management, and building healthy routines. Whether it's improving your physical fitness, enhancing mental health, or simply slowing down to rest and recharge, this month reminds us of the importance of nurturing overall well-being.

Wellness is more than just being free from illness. It's an active process of making choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life. It encompasses many areas, including physical, mental, emotional, and even social health.

When we prioritize wellness, we're better equipped to handle life's challenges, stay productive, and enjoy deeper relationships. Research shows that self-care practices

can reduce stress, improve sleep, boost immune function, and reduce the risk of chronic illnesses.

Ways you could celebrate National Wellness Month are to try a new fitness class, schedule your health screenings, go for daily walks, or stretch during breaks at work. Be sure to hydrate regularly, incorporate more fruits, vegetables, and whole foods into your meals. Practice gratitude by taking time to reflect on what you're thankful for. Spend time outside and with loved ones through a coffee date or volunteering. Prioritize Mental Health with journaling, talking to a counselor, or meditating.

Wellness doesn't require a complete lifestyle overhaul. Small, intentional habits when practiced regularly can make a big impact. Use National Wellness Month as a motivation to start new routines that support a healthier, happier you.

## Legal Notice

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**Sidewalk bid for new park 2025**

Replace 615' of curb and gutter. New pour needs to be set at the current grade.

Install 615' of sidewalk that backs the curb. The sidewalk should be 5' wide.

The 175' of sidewalk that runs parallel to Park Ave shall be 10' wide.

Installation of 4 ADA compliant ramps with ADA mats (mats provided by the city).

2 ramps shall be on the Northwest corner of the lot (one facing north, the second facing west).

2 ramps shall be on the southwest corner of the lot (one facing south, the second facing west).

Any rock aggregate will be provided by the city.

Any other dump truck services will be provided by the city. An on-site pre-bid meeting is required.

Amended on July 21, 2025, sent back out to be published in the newspaper.

Bids are due Monday August 11th, 2025 at Baxter Springs City Hall, by noon.

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