

Public Notices

Petition filed in court for final settlement

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of DUANE P. WILKENS, Deceased.) Case No. 2010-PR-02

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said court by Ashley Wilkens, executor of the estate of Duane P. Wilkens, deceased, praying for a final settlement of said estate, approval of the acts, proceedings and accounts of the executor, allowance for the services of the executor and attorney's fees and expenses; and also praying that the court determine the heirs entitled to the estate and the proportion or part thereof to which each is entitled, and distribute and assign the same to them in accordance with the provisions of decedent's will; that the administration of the estate be closed; that the executor be discharged and released from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 24th day of June 2011, at 10:00 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the city of St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

/s/
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Petition filed in court for Frank Nelson estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS
FILED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59 OF THE
KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED

In the Matter of the Estate of FRANK L NELSON, Deceased.) Case No. 11 PR 12

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 2ND day of JUNE, 2011, a Petition was filed in this Court by Elexis Lamberton, an heir at law of the decedent praying that she be appointed Administrator of the Estate; that petitioner be granted Letters of Administration herein.

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.

Elexis Lamberton, *Petitioner*

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Petition filed to appoint estate administrator

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS
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In the Matter of the Estate of VIRGINIA NELSON, Deceased.) Case No. 11 PR 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 2ND day of JUNE, 2011, a Petition was filed in this Court by Elexis Lamberton, an heir at law of the decedent praying that she be appointed Administrator of the Estate; that petitioner be granted Letters of Administration herein.

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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RELAXING in the shade during the down time to test the chemicals in the pool. (l to r) Briana Vandike, Mikaela Barnett, Makenzie Barnett. Times staff photo by Norma Martinez.

More charges filed

By Mike Corn
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Norton County Attorney Doug Sebelius has filed three additional charges against the Norton police officer who already faces two counts of rape.

The charges were filed Friday just as the preliminary hearing for Ryan Zwegardt was scheduled to begin.

Because Sebelius had filed a motion to amend the charges and Zwegardt's defense attorney had filed a motion for discovery of evidence, Graham County District Magistrate Judge Barbara Stites opted to forego the hearing.

Instead, she agreed to let Sebelius file the amended complaint, with the three additional charges -- two counts of aggravated battery and a single count of aggravated sodomy. All three are felonies and are in addition to the two felony counts of rape that were filed in April against Zwegardt.

Stites is hearing the case rather than Norton County District Magistrate Judge Deb Anderson, who felt she should recuse herself in the case, Sebelius said.

The new charges, he said, are based on the same incidents that prompted the rape charges. That main charge in the case stems from an alleged incident that was reported to law enforcement on April 11.

Zwegardt was placed on suspension shortly after the incident was reported, and the case was investigated by the Norton County Sheriff's office and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation.

He remains in jail in Graham County, a move made because the Norton County jail is being renovated.

Stites rescheduled the preliminary hearing for Zwegardt for July 7.



McDonald News By Sandy Binning

Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson attended the Myers family reunion at Palisade, Neb. Sunday.

Wednesday dinner and afternoon guests of Fred and Lavina Waters were Jim and Bonnie Car-

penther of Brewster, Marvin and Joan Bishop of Brownsville, Texas, and Jerry and Sandy Binning.

Iris McIntosh was a Friday overnight guest of Dave, Nancy, and Alan Pallozzi in Lakewood, Colo..

Nancy and Iris attended the retirement party for Sherry Burgener in Golden Friday, and brunch on Saturday with Karel Steele, and Stacey and Jane Brown in Aurora.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Governor Brownback's Veto of the Arts affects rural Kansas

With a stroke of his pen, Gov. Brownback vetoed funding for the Kansas Arts Commission. How does that affect the people of Northwest Kansas you ask? If you've ever attended a Western Plains Arts Association show in one of our nine corner counties of Northwest Kansas, it was probably funded in some way through the Kansas Arts Commission. This state funded arts group was the funnel for federal money from the National Endowment for the Arts; regional money from Mid America Arts Alliance, and Kansas tax funding for the Kansas Touring Program.

So immediately, the Western Plains Arts Association lost \$9,000 in Kansas Touring Program funds. The Mid America Arts Alliance funding is in question, so that left our organization in a panic as we start our membership drive for the 2011-2012 year. What do we do?

The Board decided it was in the best interest of the entire organization to have fewer, larger shows in central locations, rather than so many programs. The Board regrets, that for this year at least, the outlying communities will probably not be able to host a show...either because of demanding technical requirements by the larger shows, or poor attendance in the past.

Governor Brownback's vision is that the Arts will be privately funded. Whether that is possible or practical remains to be seen. We do

hope that our citizens of Northwest Kansas will "step up to the plate" and support the Arts as never before. Please support Western Plains Arts Association (WPAA) with a sponsorship this year if you possibly can. Individual memberships are great, but it takes the higher levels of support to bring quality programs to Northwest Kansas.

Contact your local Western Plains Arts Association representative before July 10 if you can help out at the sponsor level or above. Thanks so much for all your past and future support!

Looking forward to a great 2011-2012 season!

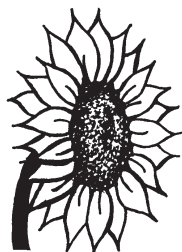
Leona Dickman,
Secretary, WPAA

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