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## Former chief faces charges in guns case

Four  
indicted  
in federal  
court

By The Breeze staff

The firearms purchasing case involving the Bel Aire Police Department widened last month.

A former police chief and a third former officer of the department were indicted by a grand jury April 28 on federal charges, bringing to four the number of people allegedly involved in using the department to purchase military-style weapons for personal use.

The indictment alleges that former chief John R. Daily, 62, of Haysville, and former officer Ricky L. Swanson, 39, of Wichita, conspired to buy firearms at a discount by claiming the weapons were the property of the police department and would be used for law enforcement purposes, U.S. Attorney Barry Grissom said in a news release.

Daily and Swanson are the third and fourth defendants charged in the case. Both of them are charged

with one count of wire fraud and one count of mail fraud.

Also charged in the case are Nathan A. Mavia, 26, of Wichita, and Robert McCaslin, 41, also of Wichita and a former Valley Center police officer.

The indictment alleges that Daily, who was chief from May 2006 to December 2013, signed paperwork for the purchase of three Sig Sauer Model 716 Patrol, 7.62 mm rifles, falsely stating that the military-style weapons were

being purchased for use by the police department and would not be sold. In fact, the rifles were not approved for officers to carry on duty. By misrepresenting the rifles as police department property, the defendants were able to take advantage of special pricing and tax exemptions, the U.S. Attorney's Office said.

The indictment alleges that Swanson, who worked as an of-



Daily

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## Bel Aire's housing market heats up

By David Dinell

Spring is traditionally the time of year for increased activity in the housing market — and this year is no exception in Bel Aire. April was a particularly active month as the city recorded permits for 16 new housing starts with a total value of more than \$3 million, according to City Administrator Ty Lasher, who reported the figures at the May 5 city council meeting.

If that pace continues, Bel Aire could surpass its yearly average new home starts of 60 to 70 units, Lasher added.

It's exactly the news the city council and Mayor David Austin like to hear. Austin ran for re-election on a platform of growth and development, especially since it brings in new taxpayers.

The permitting process brings in new revenue, too, as it costs about \$4,000 in city fees to build a \$250,000 house. Those fees are for permits, inspections and water and sewer hook-ups. The homes are in a variety of prices ranging from \$170,000 to \$350,000 and more. Austin said one of the strength of the sales is that they're in all segments: starter houses, single-family houses, retirement and patio homes, duplexes and luxury houses that compete against the top homes in the region.

The reasons for the sales are varied, but Austin said the city's features have helped a lot, such as the park system and its safety rating. Bel Aire has been ranked as one of the top cities in the state for having the least amount of crime, and that attribute has been a prime selling factor, he said.

"It's putting Bel Aire on the map," Austin said.

The city and developers have recently kicked off a new marketing campaign aimed at increasing Bel Aire's profile and driving potential residents to the city, however, that effort didn't start until the end of the month, so its effect on April sales would be minimal. Austin and Lasher both say that they expect the campaign to start paying dividends soon with more inquires and sales.

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## Track could spur development

ABOVE: A new rail siding serving Sunflower Commerce Park in Bel Aire is officially opened with a May 6 ribbon-cutting ceremony. Mayor David Austin cuts the ribbon as (from left) council members Guy MacDonald, Betty Martine and Peggy Sue O'Donnell, City Administrator Ty Lasher and council member Ken Lee look on. Total project cost was \$1.3 million, with \$650,000 received as a grant and the remaining \$650,000 provided as a low-interest loan by the state.

RIGHT: City Administrator Ty Lasher addresses the crowd about the new track and the commercial park. Currently, about 50 acres of the 155-acre complex, which is on the east side of the city, have been sold. Ground was broken on the park in November 2012.

Photos by David Dinell

## Lions Club, city discuss civic relationship

By David Dinell

The agenda of the May 19 Bel Aire City Council meeting stated that Richard Caldwell, first vice president of the Bel Aire Lions Club, would provide the council with an update. He did just that — and more — as Caldwell and council members explored the alliance between the civic-minded organization and the city during an otherwise light council agenda.

The Lions Club, he said, is

considering projects to benefit Bel Aire.

"What can we do that the community needs?" Caldwell asked. "If you have an idea from the council or community, let us know."

Council member Betty Martine suggested a crosswalk with solar-powered warning lights at Woodlawn and Odessa by the south end of Bel Aire Park.

"Nothing fancy, just some lights to help children cross to get to the park," she said.

That, Caldwell said, was a project club leadership would consider. He wasn't sure of the cost, but said the group raised \$8,000 to \$9,000 from its annual Fourth of July fireworks sales.

The latest permanent project the Lions have undertaken was the pavilion at the recreation center, which Martine said has been extremely well received. Residents have commented to her about the structure and how it adds to the park's resources.

Caldwell also announced to the council that the club would be bringing in a "wellness trailer" Oct. 17 to the fall festival to provide basic screening tests.

The unit, known as the Lions Health Screening Unit, provides free screening for sight and hearing loss, along with diabetes and high blood pressure.

"It's really important," he said of the screening.

The tests are not be used as definitive medical exams, but as a

preliminary test that can be taken to a doctor.

They are particularly important for children as they catch vision problems that effect reading, he said.

Caldwell also reported on a shredding and electronics recycling event held from 9 a.m. to noon May 2 at City Hall that attracted 108 vehicles.

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**Mayor's corner**

By David Austin

Sweet 16. Sixteen new homes were started in Bel Aire in April. This is in addition to those already started for the recent Parade of Homes. Sixteen new home starts is an additional \$3 million in value. The excitement continues to grow in Bel Aire. And the news continues to be positive.

I am thrilled to announce that your city council approved yet another land purchase agreement at its April 21 meeting. This means that we will surpass our additional principal payments made in 2015 by at least \$700,000. And it is not even June yet. We have already sent an additional \$900,000-plus towards principal. This is on top of our budgeted debt payments.

On the commercial side, dignitaries from the Union Pacific, Buzzi, the county and more, along with your city council, braved the wind and cold rain on May 6 to officially hold the grand opening of the rail spur. Railroad representatives told me how nice our park and spur are. We already have two additional companies thinking very seriously about relocating to Sunflower Commerce Park because of the spur. KDOT paid for half, so this was a great investment.

In April, my wife and I made our way through many of the houses on the Parade of Homes in our great city. We ran into a family who lives in a neighboring town who said, "We keep hearing all these great things about Bel Aire and the homes here, we had to come check it out." Another family of six told my wife they were moving here and were using the parade to pick between two houses in the Central Park development area.

Those were just two conversations we had. Both made me extra proud to be your mayor and extra proud of our great city.

Last month, I visited my chiropractor near my working office at 21st and Amidon. He couldn't wait to show me the design for his new building and the forecast his realtor created for him, showing why relocating to Bel Aire was his best bet.

Our city is ripe with opportunity and primed for more growth. Your council had a workshop lasting until nearly midnight on May 12. There we collectively decided economic development will continue to be the primary goal and objective for the city.

The excitement is there. The growth and all the recent land sales haven't happened by accident. We will continue along this path. We will also look to form a partnership with Bel Aire churches, NPOs like Catholic Care Center and schools, both public and private, so we can enhance our being a Tree City USA, a Playful City USA and a Park City USA. These legal partnerships will not only allow us to share the city's legal protections from tort liability, but shows us as a cooperative community that is safe for a family to raise a kid in.

Speaking of schools and another reason to move to Bel Aire, a huge shout out goes to Bel Aire's own Northeast Magnet High School. It is the only local school to be ranked on U.S. News and World Report's annual Best High Schools list. The school was ranked No. 1,776 nationwide and No. 3 for Kansas.

The report says it scores schools based on how well they prepare students for college. It analyzed the test scores, performance of disadvantaged students, Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate test performance and other criteria for 29,070 public high schools across the country. Way to go.

It took nearly two years of planning, budgeting, discussion and seeking citizen input, but our entry monuments are in place. They are beautiful and I can't recall the last time I have received so many calls on any issue and they have all been positive. It is an entry to our great city and a fantastic first impression. And four of the five were paid for privately.

Another beautiful piece in Bel Aire is the pavilion at the recreation center. It was donated to the community by the Bel Aire Lions at the Spring Festival. Your Lions Club led by former Mayor Gary O'Neal, was responsible for getting all the materials and construction. It is amazing, so thank you to the Bel Aire Lions.

The bike racks have been installed. The new planter, which will save City Hall significant energy and repair dollars are in place and will add to the beauty of the building.

At the Austin household, we made what seems to be our monthly trip to TreeTop Nursery to brighten up the front porch and back deck with beautiful flowers and plants. That means summer is near. Kids are out and about, so please be careful and if you are looking for something to do this summer, don't forget Bel Aire has affordable pool passes for families.

# Local students earn Awana's Citation Award

By The Breeze staff

On May 3, five local students received the Citation Award from the Northside Bible Chapel Awana program in Kechi. The Citation Award is given to students who have completed all of the materials that are required in the Awana program, which is based in Streamwood, Ill.

Those who have completed the program are Hannah Williams of Bel Aire, Hannah Snow of Park City, Hannah Derkee of Wichita, Whitney Warner of Kechi, and Kayla Barton of Valley Center.

To achieve the award, each student had to complete over 10 years of lessons and activities in the Awana program. In those 10 years, they learned more than 700 Bible verses, read through the entire Bible, completed several Bible stud-

ies and fulfilled four dedicated years of Christian ministry service projects in their church and community. The Citation Award is the highest recognition that any participant can receive, enabling them to earn scholarships from select colleges and universities.

Awana, which stands for Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed (taken from a Bible verse in 2 Timothy 2:15), is an international weekly Bible-based ministry for youth ages 3 to 18 to help them build biblical foundations for their faith in Christ. Meetings consist of practical Bible messages, memorization and games. Each week, more than a million children and youth and 250,000 volunteers take part in Awana in over 17,000 churches worldwide.

The Awana program that



Courtesy photo

**Hannah Williams, Hannah Snow, Hannah Derkee, Whitney Warner and (not pictured) Kayla Barton received the Citation Award.**

meets at Northside Bible Chapel in Kechi starts in September each year and runs through

April. For more information about the program, contact Sid Johnson at 744-1128.

## PEOPLE HIGHLIGHTS

Anna Raab, a freshman creative writing major from Wichita, was among approximately 480 students at Bob Jones University named to the spring 2015 President's List. The list recognizes students who earn a grade point average of 3.75 or higher.

Located in Greenville, S.C., Bob Jones University is a biblically faithful, Christian liberal arts university focused on educating the whole person to reflect and serve Christ.

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Nicholas Connell of Bel Aire was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2015 semester at Bethany College in Lindsborg. To qualify for this list, students must be enrolled full time and earn a 3.5 semester grade point average. Bethany College, established by Swedish Lutheran immigrants in 1881, is a college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

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Kyle Burriss of Wichita was recently inducted into

the Wheaton College Scholastic Honor Society. The honor was announced at Wheaton College's Honors Convocation. Each year, the Wheaton College faculty selects a limited number of students for membership in the Scholastic Honor Society. Selection is made on the basis of high scholarship, Christian maturity and general promise. Burriss, a member of the class of 2015, was recognized for excellence in the study of mathematics and economics.

Located in Wheaton, Ill., Wheaton College is a coeducational Christian liberal arts college noted for its rigorous academics, integration of faith and learning, and consistent ranking among the top liberal arts colleges in the country.

†††  
Amy Hawley of Bel Aire completed requirements for a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Kansas State University this spring.

†††  
Heather Engle of Bel Aire

was named to the Honor Roll for the spring 2015 semester at MidAmerica Nazarene University in Olathe. To qualify for this honor, a student must carry at least 12 semester hours with a grade point average between 3.20 and 3.49.

MidAmerica Nazarene University is a private, Christian, liberal arts university of more than 1,860 students. Offering 40 plus traditional undergraduate majors, the university is also known for its accelerated professional and graduate programs.

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Trevor Schul, a 2015 graduate of Valley Center High School and former Bel Aire resident, attended the 32nd Annual Governor's Scholars Program held May 3 in Topeka. The recognition ceremony honored the top academic 1 percent of Kansas high school seniors. Scholars were selected from accredited public and private schools in the state. This program is coordinated for the governor by



Schul

the Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force and is funded by donations from private sector businesses

in Kansas. The Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force was formed 32 years ago to strengthen public confidence in education.

†††  
Jay Monahan of Wichita was named to the Grand View University Dean's List for the spring 2015 semester. To make this list, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale while carrying at least 12 hours of classes.

Located in Des Moines, Iowa, Grand View is an independent, liberal arts college affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

## DEATHS

**BETTY JACKSON**  
Betty J. Jackson, of Andover, died May 9, 2015.

Survivors include her daughter Vicki Jo (Everett Jr.) Payne of Bel Aire and son Mark Jackson of Andover; grandchildren Tyler (Etheta) and Jacob Jackson; sister Joyce Jones of Bel Aire, and brother Herbert



Jackson

Shaner. She was preceded in death by her husband James J. Jackson, sister Norma Daniels and brother Mike Shaner. Graveside service was May 13 at Sunset Lawns Cemetery in El Dorado. Carlson Funeral Home of El Dorado had charge.

**NATHAN and CALEB BROWN**  
Nathan Ryan and Caleb Matthew Brown, infant sons of Michael and Michelle Brown of Bel Aire, died April 21, 2015.

They are survived by their parents; siblings Jessica, Hannah, Dillon, and Jamie, all of

the home; grandparents Tom and Kaye Brown of Wichita and Alvey Jr. and Janice Turner of Medicine Lodge; great-grandmother Mary Lou Finan of Topeka; uncles Tim Brown of Wichita, Scott (Amy) Brown of Wichita and Corey Turner of Medicine Lodge; cousins Lani, Isabella, Josephine, Cody, Brandon, Andrew and Devon; many

aunts, uncles, and additional cousins.

Votive Mass was held April 24 at the Church of the Resurrection. Memorials to Resurrection Catholic School, 4910 N. Woodlawn, Wichita KS 67220. Downing and Lahey Mortuary had charge.

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## Bel Aire Seniors

All SENIORS 55+ are cordially invited to all events listed below. The Senior Center and library area are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. The library has a wide selection of books to check out with neither cost nor time restraints and computers are available for study or research. Any senior can belong to or attend more than one senior center/club in Sedgwick County.

### Locations

Senior Center/Community Room  
7651 E. Central Park Ave.  
744-2451  
Recreation Center  
5251 E. 48th North  
744-2700

Central Park pool is open for the summer!

7350 E. Central Park Ave. 744-7331

Call for more information about hours, prices, private/group swimming lessons facility rentals

## Weekly Events

- Bel Aire Walkers** — M-F, 8-9 a.m. at the Rec Center (indoors & climate controlled). Free for BA Senior members, alternate times available
- Yoga** — Mondays & Wednesdays, 6 p.m. at the Rec Center (monthly fee)
- Chair Exercises** — Tuesdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m., at the Rec Center
- Bridge Games** — Tuesdays, 1 p.m. at the Senior Center
- Low Impact Aerobics** — Wednesdays, 9 a.m. at the Rec Center
- Senior Coffee** — Wednesdays, 10 a.m. at the Senior Center
- Braum's Breakfast** — Fridays, 9 a.m. on North Rock Road
- Line Dance Class** — Fridays, 2:30 p.m. in the Community Room
- A Matter of Balance** — Thursdays, 9 a.m., Senior Center (RSVP 744-2451, ext. 121)

## Monthly & Special Events

- June 1, 6:30 p.m.** — Potluck dinner, Kansas Weather, with Ross Janssen and Millie, Community Room.
- June 3, 10 a.m.** — Volunteer library work time, Senior Center.
- June 3, 11:30 a.m.** — Master of Memory (Class 1) with Teresa Hatfield, RSVP to 744-2451, ext. 121.
- June 4, 11 a.m.** — Rite Bite Series, Reading Labels, Senior Center.
- June 4, 1 p.m.** — Game day, Rec Center.
- June 5, 6 p.m.** — Pitch, Senior Center.
- June 8, 3 p.m.** — Senior Self Defense (Class 1) with Officer Roney, RSVP to 744-2451, ext. 121.
- June 9, 6 p.m.** — Ladies Dine Out, call Anita 744-2840 for more info.
- June 10, 10 a.m.** — Open sewing, Rec Center.
- June 10, 11:30 a.m.** — Master of Memory (Class 2) with Teresa Hatfield, RSVP to 744-2451, ext. 121.
- June 15, 3 p.m.** — Senior Self Defense (Class 2) with Officer Roney, RSVP to 744-2451, ext. 121.
- June 11, 2 p.m.** — Transition into Medicare with Blair Finn.
- June 17, 10:15 a.m.** — Senior aerobics brunch, different locations.
- June 17, 11:30 a.m.** — Master of Memory (Class 3) with Teresa Hatfield, RSVP to 744-2451, ext. 121.
- June 17, 1:30 p.m.** — Book Club meeting, Senior Center.
- June 19, 6 p.m.** — Pitch, Senior Center.
- June 22, 6 p.m.** — Covered dish dinner and program, Rec Center.
- June 24, 7 p.m.** — Bunko, Senior Center, call 744-2451, ext. 121, for reservation.
- June 25, 2 p.m.** — Genealogy group, "Show and Tell," Senior Center.

## Bel Aire Recreation

**FISHING CLINIC**  
Bel Aire Recreation has partnered with the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks to bring you a free fishing clinic at 10 a.m. June 24. Parental/guardian assistance is required in this interactive clinic. Space is limited therefore registration is required.

**MAXIMIZE CAMPS**  
Bel Aire Recreation continues to partner with Brent Atwater to bring you several camps this summer. Please call 807-1036 or go to [www.maximizetraining.com](http://www.maximizetraining.com) for more information.  
**Summer Basketball Camp** (ages 5-13) — 9 to 11 a.m. July 15 & 16.  
**Speed & Agility Camp** (ages 6 & up) — 1 to 2 p.m. July 15 & 16.

**CHALLENGER SPORTS SOCCER CAMP** (July 13-17)  
Register for Challenger Sports' British Soccer Camp and join over 150,000 players who will learn the Challenger Way this year. Each camp will feature drills and practices designed to improve individual ball control, foot skills, fakes, moves, juggling and more. Register today at [www.challengersports.com](http://www.challengersports.com)

**SUMMER DAY CAMP**  
The Wichita YMCA will again offer a state-licensed day camp this summer

at the Bel Aire Recreation Center. Elementary age activities include arts & crafts, games, sports, swimming, field trips and much more. **For more information or to register, call the YMCA at 264-1610.**

**TAEKWONDO (ages 5 & up)**  
Classes meet on Monday and Friday from 5 to 6 p.m. or from 7 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. These are great classes for beginners to black belts.

**YOGA**  
Classes are held from 6:10 to 7:10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Participants will need to provide their own yoga mat. Teens and adults can join at any time.

**FITNESS CENTER (ages 16 & up)**  
The Fitness Center consists of elliptical cross trainers, treadmills, recumbent bike, multistation weight machine, and free weights. There is no charge for pass holders, or it is available with the purchase of a daily pass.

**A \$5 late fee will be charged to all sign-ups after registration deadlines. For more information on these or any Bel Aire Recreation Programs, call 744-2700.**

## Community Events

- City Council meetings** — First and third Tuesday of each month
- June 6, 8 a.m. to noon** — Red Cross blood drive, Community Room
- June 9, 7 p.m.** — Bel Aire Heights HOA meeting, Senior Center
- June 9, 7 p.m.** — Central Park HOA meeting, Community Room
- June 13** — Parkinson's Run, Catholic Care Center
- June 13** — Brush site open
- June 25-27** — Citywide garage sale

### Beautiful Bel Aire

Congratulations to our first WINNER of the Beautiful Bel Aire Contest, Kristopher Maat! The winning house is located at 4223 N. Saint James Place.

Great job on your home improvements! As the contest winner, the homeowner will receive a \$50 gift card from Tree Top and a sign will be placed in their yard

for one month. If you are interested in participating in this contest for June, please contact Tristin Terhune at [terhune@belaireks.gov](mailto:terhune@belaireks.gov).

BEFORE



AFTER



**CITY OF BEL AIRE**  
Consumer Confidence Report – 2015  
Covering Calendar Year – 2014

This brochure is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are the details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies. If you would like to observe the decision-making process that affect drinking water quality, please call TY LASHER at 316-744-2451.

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Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) included rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in sources water before we treat it include:  
**Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, livestock operations and wildlife.  
**Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.  
**Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as storm water run-off, agriculture, and residential users.  
**Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or the result of mining activity.  
**Organic contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-off, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulation which limits the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. We treat our water according to EPA's regulations. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system is required to test a minimum of 8 samples per month in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants.

Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public.

**Water Quality Data**

The following tables list all of the drinking water contaminants which were detected during the 2014 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. Unless noted, the data presented in this table is from the testing done January 1- December 31, 2014. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old. **The bottom line is that the water that is provided to you is safe.**

**Terms & Abbreviations**

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** the "Goal" is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** the "Maximum Allowed" MCL is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL):** recommended level for a contaminant that is not regulated and has no MCL.

**Action Level (AL):** the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** a required process intended to reduce levels of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Non-Detects (ND):** lab analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

**Parts per Million (ppm) or milligrams per liter (mg/L)**

**Parts per Billion (ppb) or micrograms per liter (µg/L)**

**Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L):** a measure of the radioactivity in water.

**Millirems per Year (mrem/yr):** measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

**Monitoring Period Average (MPA):** An average of sample results obtained during a defined time frame, common examples of monitoring periods are monthly, quarterly and yearly.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU):** a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person. Turbidity is not regulated for groundwater systems.

**Running Annual Average (RAA):** an average of sample results obtained over the most current 12 months and used to determine compliance with MCLs.

Testing Results for: CITY OF BEL AIRE

Disinfection Byproducts	Monitoring Period	Your Highest RAA	Range (low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAAS)	2014	6	3.2 - 7.8	ppb	60	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
THM	2014	16	9.7 - 22	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

  

Lead and Copper	Monitoring Period	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	Range (low/high)	Unit	AL	Sites Over AL	Typical Source
COPPER, FREE	2011 - 2013	0.11	0.0015 - 0.26	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing
LEAD	2011 - 2013	2.2	1.4 - 7.1	ppb	15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Your water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

During the 2014 calendar year, we had no violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Some or all of our drinking water is supplied from another water system. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants, which were detected during the 2014 calendar year from the water systems that we purchase drinking water from.

Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Water System	Your Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
ARSENIC	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	1.3	1.3	ppb	10	0	Erosion of natural deposits
BARIUM	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	0.074	0.074	ppm	2	2	Discharge from metal refineries
CHROMIUM	5/4/2012	CHISHOLM CREEK UTILITY AUTHORITY	3.3	3.3	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills
FLUORIDE	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	0.29	0.29	ppm	4	4	Natural deposits: Water additive which promotes strong teeth.
NITRATE	7/7/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	0.82	0.43 - 0.82	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use
SELENIUM	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	1.9	1.9	ppb	50	50	Erosion of natural deposits

  

Secondary Contaminants	Collection Date	Water System	Your Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	SMCL
ALKALINITY, TOTAL	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	98	98	MG/L	300
BROMATE	10/6/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	12	6.3 - 12	ppb	10
CALCIUM	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	31	31	MG/L	200
CHLORIDE	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	130	130	MG/L	250
CONDUCTIVITY @ 25 C UMHOS/CM	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	780	780	UMHOS/CM	1500
CORROSIVITY	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	-0.33	-0.33	LANG	0
HARDNESS, TOTAL (AS CaCO3)	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	140	140	MG/L	400
MAGNESIUM	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	15	15	MG/L	150
NICKEL	5/4/2012	CHISHOLM CREEK UTILITY AUTHORITY	0.0023	0.0023	MG/L	0.1
PH	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	7.8	7.8	PH	8.5
PHOSPHORUS, TOTAL	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	0.044	0.044	MG/L	5
POTASSIUM	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	5.5	5.5	MG/L	100
SILICA	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	3.1	3.1	MG/L	50
SODIUM	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	100	100	MG/L	100
SULFATE	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	57	57	MG/L	250
TDS	5/12/2014	CITY OF WICHITA	410	410	MG/L	500

During the 2014 calendar year, the water systems that we purchase water from had no violation(s) of drinking water regulations.  
**Please Note: Because of sampling schedules, results may be older than 1 year.**

## Guns

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ficer from November 2006 to December 2013, ignored an interim police chief's directions to cancel the order. Instead, he directed two of the rifles to be delivered to another location so he could take possession. He kept one of the rifles and sold the other one.

If convicted, Daily and Swanson face a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison and a fine up to

\$250,000 on each count.

Mavia has been charged with one count of mail fraud. Mavia served as a Bel Aire police officer from February 2012 to June 2014.

McCaslin is charged with one count of making false statements during a federal investigation. McCaslin served as a Bel Aire police officer from August 2007 to February 2014 before transitioning to the Valley Center Police Department, where he was fired after the firearms allegations were made public.

The indictment against

Mavia alleges that he devised the scheme to falsely certify that the firearms would be owned by the Bel Aire Police Department and would be used for law enforcement purposes in order to buy firearms at reduced prices for personal use or resale.

On Jan. 29, 2014, the interim police chief in Bel Aire found an FNH, model PS90, 5.7X28 caliber rifle in the department armory. Department policy did not allow officers to carry such a firearm on duty. He contacted FNH and learned that two other PS90 rifles were

purchased at the same time. The order for the guns was accompanied by a letter stating that the guns were being ordered for officers' official duties, not for personal use or resale. The City of Bel Aire sent information to the Kansas Department of Revenue stating that the rifles were tax exempt because they were being purchased for the exclusive use of the Bel Aire Police Department.

On Dec. 20, 2013, McCaslin was interviewed by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and the

Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office. He stated that he understood the PS90 firearms were purchased for personal use. He said that Mavia and another officer each ordered one. He said he did not know who received the third PS90. During a second interview on Dec. 23, 2013, McCaslin stated the third PS90 possibly was sold to one of his friends. Investigators located a man who purchased a PS90 from a Bel Aire officer for \$699. No ATF form was completed for the purchase.

The indictment alleges Mavia paid another officer

for one of the PS90 rifles, knowing that the rifle was being purchased by the officer, and that Mavia did not complete the required ATF form. Mavia knew at the time of the purchase that police department policy did not allow officers to carry this type of firearm.

If convicted, Mavia faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000 on the mail fraud count. McCaslin faces up to five years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000 on the charge of making a false statement.

## Housing

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Austin said the spring Parade of Homes was a major positive factor in helping sales.

"That brought in great traffic," he said. Targeting families also is helping, he said. In his scheduled council remarks, Austin noted the number of children he has seen out and about on the

sidewalks and in the parks.

"This is where families want to be," he said.

Existing houses are selling well, too, although the city doesn't keep figures on those since their sale doesn't call for a city permit.

"Homes are selling in a few weeks," said council member Ken Lee. Sometimes faster, as Austin recalls the recent sale of a house near his' within 72 hours.

About the only downside

for the new home builders, Lee said, is being able to find a firm that has the time and manpower to pour a foundation.

Officials hope the sales keep up and the city of about 8,000 can continue to grow. Growth also can help the city find buyers for its many acres of land it owns — and turn that land over to property taxpayers.

In other action, the council:

- Approved an ordinance allow-

ing conditional use on a property at 4101 N. Edgemoor zoned residential to be used for a counseling service owned and operated by Bel Aire resident Lisa Bellecci-st.romain, a licensed specialist clinical social worker.

Bellecci-st.romain said she would be seeing about 30 to 35 clients a week, but all individually, so there would be no traffic problems. She will operate until 8 p.m. two nights a week and is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. She is building an addition on the one-acre lot to handle the business operations.

- Saw a presentation from Gayle Martin, program director at the

Hugo Wall School at Wichita State of a Mini MPA Completion plaque to City Clerk Jamie Hayes.

- Confirmed the mayoral staff appointments of Ty Lasher as city administrator, Greg Keith as municipal court judge and Alison McKenney Brown as city attorney.

- Approved a memo of understanding with Greg Keith and a legal services agreement with Alison Brown.

- Elected Guy MacDonald to serve as council president for the next year.

- Set a workshop session for 6:30 p.m. May 12 at City Hall.

- Approved appropriations in the

amount of \$411,557. The amount includes debt service.

- Proclaimed May 15 as Police Officers Day. The day is aimed as a salute to the country's police officers, including Bel Aire's 12 sworn officers.

- Proclaimed May as Building Safety Month. The action is designed to recognize the role safe buildings play in our daily lives.

- Proclaimed May 16 as National Kids to Parks Day. The day is meant to encourage children to be active and use parks.

All five council members and the mayor were present. There was no executive session.

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"We're were busy and it was very successful," he said.

About eight Lions Club volunteers helped with the effort, which recorded some 4,800 pounds of paper for shredding. All electronic items were taken in for free except for older TV sets, in which there was a charge of 50 cents per square inch of screen glass. The electronic

recycling was handled by Electronix Recyclers Inc. of Wichita, which also assured patrons that it destroyed computer hard drives so data would not be compromised.

The event will be back next year, again set for the first Saturday of May.

Among the club's challenges going forward and continue to undertake projects is its aging membership, Caldwell said.

"We have a lot of older men and women," he said of the 30-member group.

That makes it difficult to do projects that require a lot of physical ability and also means that it needs to recruit younger members simply to keep the club active.

Two of the council members are in the Lions Club, Mayor David Austin and council member Guy MacDonald. MacDonald prompted Caldwell to explain that dues go to administrative expenses and all the money raised through fundraisers goes right back into community projects.

The club gathers at 11:30 a.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Gospel Assembly Church, 4230 N. Oliver, for a luncheon meeting.

In other action, the council:

- Approved a contract with Andale Paving Inc. of Wichita for reconstruction of Edgemoor from 41st Street North to 45th Street North at a cost of \$578,558. The majority of the work will be in concrete, however, a small part, from the north Edgemoor Court to 45th, will be asphalt. Martine questioned City Administrator Ty Lasher about draining, which she said has been a problem. Lasher said the nature of

the older streets makes it difficult to achieve the same type of quicker drainage that newer street have.

- Approved appropriations of \$1.75 million. Included in that sum, which is much higher than the regular appropriation, is a \$600,000 interest payment and a \$900,000 principal payment. "I'm excited about that," said Mayor David Austin about making progress on debt reduction.

- Proclaimed May 17th to 23rd as Public Works Week.

- Listened MacDonald propose creating a full-time information technology position and filling it with a qualified candidate. MacDonald brought about the possibility after pointing out the amount of money the city spends on technology-re-

lated services, including web design and services. The figures is about \$75,000 a year, and its possible to save money by conducting that work in-house, he said. No action was taken on the matter.

- Heard a report by Lasher on the city pool at 7350 E. Central Park Ave. Refurbishing work had been done on the pool, including putting in a Fiberglas liner, but recent heavy rains and adverse weather have effected the schedule. Lasher said the pool should be open the last week of May, however, patrons should check the website for the latest status of it.

Four council members and the mayor were present. Member Ken Lee had notified the council that he would be absent and there was no executive session.

## CHURCH HIGHLIGHTS

### Christ Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran is located at 53rd North and Hillside, across from Wichita Heights High School. Worship service is at 9 a.m. (contemporary) and 11 a.m. (traditional). Communion is offered at both services. Sunday School is at 10:15 a.m. 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. Pastor Chad Langdon is the minister.

### Church of the Resurrection

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), and the telephone number is 744-2776. The Rev. James F. Weldon is the pastor.

### Community Bible Chapel

Community Bible Chapel is located at the corner of 45th North and Arlene. Please call Amy Smith at 316-323-2819 with any questions.

### Cornerstone Christian Church

Cornerstone Christian Church is located at 5531 E. 37th St. North in Wichita KS 67220-2037. The church phone number is 686-0208.

Our pastor is Jim Rackham and youth pastor is Brandon Morrow.

Sunday Worship is at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and a nursery is provided.

Our Wednesday Study Groups include Adult Studies, Youth and AWANA. They all meet at 6:30 p.m.

Please join us for the service of your choice.

### Fairmount United Church of Christ

The church welcomes a new

minister, the Rev. Larry Young.

Visit the newly renovated building at 1605 Fairmount in Wichita, one block south and one block east of Hillside and 17th North.

Sunday worship is at 10:30 a.m. which includes children's church. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m.

For more information, call 682-1597 or visit at [www.fairmountuccc.org](http://www.fairmountuccc.org).

### 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 at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Praise and worship is at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. The first Saturday evening of each month are youth activities.

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

### Greenwich United Methodist Church

Sunday worship service at 9 a.m. with fellowship and coffee afterward.

Pastor Jeff Miller can be reached at 744-0203.

Senior Day is at 10 a.m. the first Tuesday of each month.

United Methodist Women meet at 1 p.m. the first Thursday of each month.

Movie night is at 6:30 p.m. the second Saturday of each month. A snack is served.

The church is located about a mile south of K-254 on Greenwich Road. The phone number is 744-0203.

### Kechi United Methodist Church

You are invited to worship at 9:03 a.m. (contemporary service) or 11:00 a.m. (traditional service) Sundays at Kechi United Methodist Church, 4533 E. 61st North in Kechi.

All sixth- through 12th-grade youth are invited to the church at 4 p.m. Sundays for youth group.

CareGivers Support group meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of the month in the basement parlor. Bingo is at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Find us at [www.KechiUMC](http://www.KechiUMC).

and "Like" us on Facebook.

Pastor Mitch can be contacted at [Mitch@kechi.umd.org](mailto:Mitch@kechi.umd.org) or by calling 744-1221.

### LifePoint Church

A fellowship of the Assemblies of God, LifePoint is located at 400 S. Abilene, Valley Center.

Sunday worship service and Kids Church are at 10:30 a.m., and Life University/Sunday school for all ages is at 9 a.m. No regular Sunday night service. For special activities, see the Website at [www.lpcag.org](http://www.lpcag.org).

Wednesday evening is the Launch children's program at 6:30 p.m. Velocity Student Ministries for youth meets at 6:30 p.m.

Adult small groups meet throughout the community.

Senior pastor is Steve Rains. Youth pastor is Jacob Soyce. Children's pastor is Nathaniel Thurman. The phone number is 755-2331.

### Risen Savior Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

Contemporary Sunday worship services are at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Communion is the first and third Sunday. Adult Sunday School and Bible class meet at 9:15 a.m. with children's church at 10:30. A nursery is provided during Bible class and second service.

Vacation Bible School is from 5:45 to 8 p.m. June 28 through 30. The theme of our VBS is "Camp Discovery: Jesus At Work Through Us." VBS is for all ages. Come and Join us! Please go to our website at [www.risensavior.net](http://www.risensavior.net) to register.

Their are two weekly sessions of Lifetree Café in Valley Center: Thursday at 1 p.m., with lunch at noon, at the Community Building, 316 E. Clay, and Sunday at 5 p.m. at the home of Pastor Terry and Barb Wiechman, 1241 S. Park Ave. Lifetree Café is a "conversation café" — a place and time for people to gather weekly to experience stories and talk about thought-provoking topics relating to life and faith.

Wednesday Evening Ministries is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. There are activities for all ages. A nursery will be available for preschool age

children. King's Kids is for children in K through fifth grade. Confirmation class is for children in grades six through eight. IMPACT! is for grades nine through 12. There will also be adult Bible classes available.

Risen Savior Preschool classes for 3- to 5-year-olds are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 to 11:45 a.m. Enrollment forms and information are available at the church office. Please contact Michelle Peshek, Director/Lead Teacher, with questions at [michellep@risensavior.net](mailto:michellep@risensavior.net) or call the church office at 683-5538.

The church is located at 6770 E. 34th North in Wichita. The phone number is 683-5538 and the Website is [www.risensaviorwichita.net](http://www.risensaviorwichita.net).

Senior pastor is Tom Harmon. **St. Michael's Orthodox Christian Church**

Saint Michael's Orthodox Christian Church is located at 2710 E. 61st North, Park City, KS 67219. 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.

Men's Bible study group will meet at 7 p.m. June 1 and June 15 for study of Old Testament Deuterocanonical books.

Women's Bible study group meets at 10 a.m. June 12 and June 26, and will study "God's Plan for Sanity."

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

Wednesday program will be at 7:15 p.m. June 3 and June 17, following Liturgy at 6 p.m. and potluck supper. Topic is "The 7 Churches of the Apocalypse."

Holy Days for June are: June 9, Saint Columba of Iona; June 14, Saint Basil the Great; June 18, Saint Ephrem the Syrian; June 24, Nativity of Saint John the Baptist; June 28, Saint Irenaeus; and June 29, Saints Peter and Paul.

Fasting during the month of June: The Apostles' Fast begins June 8 and runs through June 28.

Call the church for more information at 734-6248 or visit our website at [www.saintmichaelorthodoxchurch.com](http://www.saintmichaelorthodoxchurch.com).

Email inquiries to [jflora@cox.net](mailto:jflora@cox.net).

### Wichita Three Angels Seventh-Day Adventist Church

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.

Vacation Bible School will be June 22 through June 27. Designed for children ages 4 through 12 to discover tools for getting to know Jesus, "Plug Into Power" will include activities, creative crafts, Bible stories, nature discoveries, memory fun and Tool Man interviews. For more information call either 831-0030 or 640-3207.

For more information about the church, find us at [www.gods-closet.com](http://www.gods-closet.com), on Facebook, email [eric@godscloset.com](mailto:eric@godscloset.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.

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# BEL AIRE POLICE REPORTS

**May 21** — Officer Roney stopped a vehicle for a seat belt violation in the 6100 block of East 45th North. The driver was cited for driving with a suspended license and seat belt violation.

**May 20** — Lt. Foxx took a report of a lost pistol from the 4600 block of North Farmstead Court.

**May 20** — Officer Crice took a report of inappropriate sexual contact between several juvenile males. The case was referred to the Exploited and Missing Child Unit.

**May 19** — Officer Menges took a report of a larceny in the 6900 block of East Odessa Court. The calling party reported the theft of a credit car, which the suspect attempted to use at several locations.

**May 18** — Officer Roney stopped a vehicle for a seat belt violation in the 4100 block of North Oliver. The driver was cited for driving with a suspended license and seat belt violation.

**May 18** — Officer Menges stopped a vehicle for speeding in the 3800 block of North Oliver. The driver was cited for expired driver's license and expired liability insurance.

**May 18** — Officers Camplin and Elpers stopped a vehicle for seat belt violations in the 3700 block of North Oliver. A woman was arrested on a warrant through Derby. The arrestee's name was not available.

**May 18** — Police responded to a possible large fight in the 4500 block of North Rushwood. The group of teen males was dispersing as officers arrived. Two people in parked vehicles were issued citations.

**May 16** — Officer Menges took a fraud report in the 5700 block of Odessa. The calling party said a debit card number had been stolen and used at two different Walmart stores.

**May 16** — Officer Menges took a vandalism report in the 4100 block of North Battin. The calling party said while he was out of town, someone destroyed his tetherball pole and swingset. The suspect also took a canoe and three oars from his yard.

**May 16** — Officer Davis took a report of four suspects shooting BB guns in a neighbor's yard in the 5900 block of East Denise. Four BB guns were recovered.

**May 16** — While investigating the BB gun incident, Officer Roney was invited into a garage in the 5900 block of East Denise, where he detected the odor of marijuana. A marijuana grinder filled with a green leafy substance was observed in plain sight on a table in the garage. A man at the resident said the grinder was his. The man was cited for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**May 16** — Officer Steele responded to a burglary in progress in the 4300 block of North Rushwood Circle. The calling party thought someone was trying to burglarize the residence. There was no suspicious activity inside our outside the residence.

**May 16** — Officers Davis and Steele assisted Park City police with a burglary in progress in the 1400 block of East Denver. A suspect was arrested.

**May 15** — A resident reported the theft of a shepherd's hook and three hanging plants from his yard in the 4800 block of North Indian Oak.

**May 15** — Officer Davis took a report of a two-vehicle wreck in the 5700 block of Denise. No injuries were reported.

**May 15** — Officers responded to the report of a death in the 6700 block of East 45th North.

**May 15** — Officers took a report from Northeast Magnet High School staff that two 16-year-old students engaged in consensual sexual contact on school property. Parents of both students were contacted. The students were expelled for the remainder of the school year.

**May 13** — Lt. Foxx responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the 9300 block of East 53rd North. No injuries were reported.

**May 13** — Lt. Foxx responded to a one-vehicle wreck in the 9300 block of East 53rd North. The driver, Carrie Lorraine Gonzalez of Bel Aire, was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license and failure to appear in court.

**May 13** — Chief Atteberry stopped two vehicles for speeding in the 4900 block of North Woodlawn. It was discovered that both drivers were students at Northeast Magnet High School traveling to Century II for graduation practice. One driver was cited for having no driver's license.

**May 13** — Lt. Foxx took a report of a dog bite from the 7900 block of Caribou Place. A woman said while attending a surprise birthday party May 6, her son received a serious dog bite. A Great Dane lunged at her son, biting his glasses on his face and then biting his left arm. The boy's arm was broken during the attack. The boy underwent surgery May 13.

**May 13** — A mother called 911 saying her son refused to get into the car and ran away in the 6100 block of East Danbury. Officer Davis arrived and contacted the mother. The boy was located and released to his mother.

**May 12** — Officer Camplin discovered a stolen vehicle out of Wichita in the 4700 block of North Rock Road. As the officer pulled his vehicle behind the stolen vehicle, it fled. Officer lost sight of the vehicle on K-254 and ended the pursuit.

**May 12** — Officer Crice responded to Northeast Magnet High School in the 5500 block of North Lycee Drive, where a 15-year-old boy was found to be in possession of drugs when searched by the school staff. The boy was taken to the Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center.

**May 12** — Officer Davis took a report over the phone of a woman who said she could not find her handicap hanging tag and thought it may have been stolen.

**May 12** — Officer Davis took a report of a possible scam in the 6900 block of East 45th North. A man said he gave a computer company based in India, Window Car, permission to check his computer for viruses. The man said he checked his computer and saw a money order was sent to his brother in Denver through Western Union. The man said his brother never received a money order. The man contacted his bank, Western Union and Window Care Company. The money for the money order was refunded.

**May 12** — Officer Davis took a report of a sex offense in the 6700 block of East 45th North. An aide reported to her supervisor that she witnessed a patient viewing child pornography on his personal laptop computer. Detectives with the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit arrived, served a search warrant and seized computer equipment for the investigation.

**May 11** — Officer Camplin stopped a vehicle for speeding in the 5000 block of North Woodlawn. The driver was cited for driving without a license.

**May 11** — Officer Menges stopped a vehicle for speeding in the 4700 block of North Woodlawn. The driver was cited for driving with a suspended license.

**May 11** — Officer Toomey stopped a vehicle for speeding in the 5700 block of East 53rd North. The driver was cited for driving without a license.

**May 10** — Officer Menges assisted Wichita police with a hold-up alarm at Mirror Inc. in the 3800 block of North Toben. There was no hold up. The panic button was pressed because two residents had gotten into a fight in a bathroom.

**May 10** — Officer Menges responded to a domestic violence report in the 6300 block of East Quail Ridge. A man said his uncle, who is mentally disabled, had become violent with his family. There was no physical violence.

**May 10** — Officer Elpers responded to a disturbance in the 4000 block of North Clarendon. The calling party said her foster son refused to get in the car. The son alleged that the foster father was mean and would not let him eat ice cream. The foster son was taken to the hospital for an assessment and then taken to the Wichita Children's Home.

**May 9** — Officer Menges found a dog at-large in the 5300 block of North Oliver. Officer took the dog to the Wichita Animal Shelter.

**May 9** — Officer Davis responded to a report of a barking dog in the

5700 block of East Hanover. Officers were unable to contact the dog's owner. The reporting party said the dogs bark every night.

**May 8** — Officer Elpers responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the 4800 block of North Woodlawn. No injuries were reported.

**May 7** — Lt. Foxx responded to a pit bull on the loose in the 4200 block of Janesville. Citizens told officers that the owner retrieved the animal and placed it back in her residence. Attempts to contact the owner were unsuccessful. A ticket was completed and will be served on the owner for allowing the dogs to run at-large on multiple locations.

**May 7** — Lt. Foxx responded to a larceny in progress at Tree Top Nursery in the 5900 block of East 37th North. Officers found a vehicle in an alley near the greenhouse. Two men had permission to be there.

**May 6** — Chief Atteberry responded to a report of vandalism to a vehicle in the 4900 block of East Willow Point Circle. The calling party, who works for Cox Communications, reported that someone pried the cabinet doors of his work truck open. Nothing was taken.

**May 6** — Lt. Foxx responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the 6500 block of East 53rd North. No injuries were reported.

**May 5** — Officer Menges assisted EMS with a man who fell and hit his head and shoulder while getting the mail in the 4800 block of North Chapel View.

**May 5** — Officer Roney responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the 6600 block of East Summerside Place. No injuries were reported.

**May 3** — Officer Camplin responded to a disturbance with weapons in the 4800 block of East 44th North. A person had been cut with a beer bottle during an argument. The calling party said her husband cut another man. The victim said he did not want to press charges.

**May 3** — Officer Elpers responded to a found property call in the 4000 block of North Edgemoor. A woman said her son found two laptop computers in the backyard of their home. The laptops belonged to the Wichita school district.

**May 3** — Officer Elpers responded to a wrong-way driver on K-254 near Woodlawn. Officer stopped the vehicle. The driver was arrested on a charge of DUI. The arrestee's name was not available.

**May 2** — Officer Elpers stopped a motorcycle for speeding in the 5600 block of North Greenwich. The driver was cited for driving with a suspended license.

**May 1** — Officer Steele discovered a vehicle with an attached trailer enter and then stop in the north court of the Lycee Heights addition in the 5600 block of North Lycee Court. Officer discovered the driver was not in possession of his driver's license. The driver fled the scene of the stop.

**May 1** — Officer Crice took a report from Isley Elementary School of a misbehaving 9-year-old boy. The child was suspended from school.

**May 1** — Officer Menges took a report of a missing trailer tag in the 4900 block of North Hedgerow.

**May 1** — Officer Menges assisted EMS and firefighters with a combative patient in the 6200 block of Woodlow Drive. The patient was taken to the hospital.

**May 1** — Officer Menges responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the 6700 block of East 45th North. No injuries were reported.

**May 1** — Officer Crice took a report of rape in the 5300 block of North Rock Road. A 15-year-old female reported non-consensual sexual contact

with a 17-year-old male.

**April 30** — Lt. Foxx responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the 6300 block of East 45th North. No injuries were reported.

**April 30** — Officer Steele stopped a vehicle for speeding in the 5400 block of North Webb. The driver was cited for speeding and driving without a valid license.

**April 29** — Officer Roney took a runaway report in the 4500 block of North Frittillay Court. A girl left the residence after an argument with her mother. The girl returned home while the officer was taking the report.

**April 28** — Officer Camplin stopped a vehicle for a tag that didn't belong to the vehicle in the 4300 block of North Oliver. The driver was cited for having no driver's license. The driver said the vehicle was recently purchased.

**April 28** — Officer Camplin arrested a woman on a warrant through Wichita in the 4300 block of North Oliver. The arrestee's name was not available.

**April 28** — Officer Menges took a report of a stolen 70-inch TV in the 4300 block of North Rushwood. The reporting party said his ex-girlfriend took the TV and sold it to her sister in Hutchinson. He told police that he had a picture from SnapChat showing the ex-girlfriend saying "sold the TV, time for beer."

**April 28** — Officer Elpers was contacted at the police department by a resident who said he was missing drugs from his residence in the 6000 block of East Clarendon and he suspected his son's friend took the drugs.

**April 28** — Officer Elpers stopped a vehicle in the 5200 block of North Lycee. The driver was known to have warrants and a suspended license. The driver, James Rufus Arnold II of Bel Aire, was arrested on warrants and driving with a suspended license.

**April 27** — Officer Camplin stopped a vehicle for speeding in the 4900 block of North Rock Road. The driver was cited for speeding and driving with a suspended license.

**April 27** — Officer Camplin was flagged down on the off ramp of Hillside at K-254. The driver of a semi advised the officer that the brakes of his trucks were on fire. Officer requested a fire department response and attempted to extinguish the fire. Sedgwick County Fire Department arrived and extinguished the fire.

**April 27** — Officer Menges took a fraud report in the 4800 block of North Battin. The reporting party said she received a phone call from an unknown number. The caller said they had her husband's Social Security number and would be sending new cards. The reporting party said the call sounded suspicious so she called police and the Social Security Administration.

**April 27** — Officer Crice responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the 5300 block of North Rock Road. No injuries were reported.

**April 27** — Officer Crice responded to a wreck in the 8000 block of East 53rd North. A First Student bus struck a guardrail with the passenger side front tire rim.

**April 27** — Officer Elpers responded to a vandalism in progress in the 5100 block of Industry Road. Five juveniles were driving "donuts" in the parking lot of the FedEx Distribution Center. The juveniles were cited for

criminal destruction of property and trespassing. They were released to their parents.

**April 27** — Officer Camplin responded to a domestic violence report in the 4500 block of North Eagle Lake Drive. Officer spoke with the calling party who said her ex-boyfriend had been writing to her on Facebook after being served with a protection-from-abuse order.

**April 26** — Officer Menges received a bag of ammunition from a resident in the 4400 block of North Rushwood. The woman said she did not want the ammunition because it scared her to have it in her house.

**April 24** — Officer Menges checked an abandoned vehicle in the 5600 block of East Perryton. The vehicle had been there for three days. Officer discovered that the vehicle was stolen out of Hutchinson. The owner was contacted.

**April 24** — Officer Roney took a report of a person finding a cellphone on a sidewalk in the 4200 block of North Country Lane. Officer determined who owned the phone and returned it.

**April 24** — Officer Elpers responded to a report of a runaway in the 4000 block of North Clarendon. Officer located the girl and took her to the hospital for evaluation.

**April 24** — Officer Elpers responded to a report of two found bicycles in the 4400 block of North Gunnison. The bicycles were not reported stolen. Both were taken to the police department.

**April 23** — Officer Roney responded to a report of a juvenile leaving a home in the 5800 block of East Clarendon and not returning. Officer located the boy and took him to his residence.

**April 22** — Officer Roney noticed a vehicle park in the 5800 block of East 47th North while observing the intersection for stop sign violations. Several children exited the vehicle with an adult male and female. The male appeared to be looking in the direction of the officer and began shouting something that was inaudible and raising both his arms in the air and holding out his middle fingers. After several minutes the man picked up one of the children in front of the residence and walked down the street toward the officer. The male approached and claimed that he knew the police were watching him and it was scaring the children. The officer advised the man that he was watching for stop sign violations. The man did not identify himself. The officer noticed the man was recording him with a mobile phone. The man did not realize the officer was also recording the encounter.

**April 22** — Officer Roney responded

to a report of a juvenile who ran away from a residence in the 5300 block of North Rock Spring. The teenager returned and threatened to break items in the home.

**April 22** — Officer Roney assisted Park City police with a large disturbance in the 6400 block of North Scottsville in Park City.

**April 20** — Officer Camplin and Sedgwick County deputies responded to an attempted suicide in the 4800 block of East 44th Court North. The subject was taken to the hospital for treatment and evaluation.

**April 20** — Officer Toomey ticketed a driver for illegal parking in the 6500 block of East 45th North. The Georgia plate was suspended. It was seized.

**April 20** — Officer Elpers responded to a runaway report in the 6000 block of East Danbury.

**April 19** — Officer Camplin stopped a vehicle for speeding in the 5000 block of North Greenwich. The driver was cited for DUI.

**April 19** — Officer Elpers contacted an individual in the Bel Aire police parking lot at 7651 E. Central Park Ave. The juvenile said he was a runaway from the boys' ranch. He was transported to the Wichita Children's Home.

**April 19** — Officer Camplin responded to a report of an ex-boyfriend driving by a residence in the 4500 block of North Eagle Lake. The calling party was advised to go to the Sedgwick County Courthouse to apply for a protection order.

**April 18** — Lt. Foxx responded to a larceny at a construction site in the 6300 block of East Perryton. Nowak Construction reported that a generator was missing.

**April 18** — Officer Elpers responded to a disturbance in the 6000 block of East Clarendon. Officer contacted a girl who said she and her father were arguing. Both separate for the evening.

**April 17** — Officer Steele responded to a burglary in progress in the 5600 block of North Lycee. Officers checked the residence and found nothing out of place or suspicious.

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6 - 8 p.m. Fishing Derby (if water in pond) Park & Tree Board  
6 - 8 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament practice  
6 - 9 p.m. Face Painting, Kelly Eden  
6:30 - 9 p.m. FREE Ice Cream Social, sponsored by Emprise Bank  
7:30 - 9 p.m. Gymnastic tumblers, ages 6-14  
9 - 9:30 p.m. Fireworks, Krehbiel Wholesale Fireworks  
Saturday, June 27, 2015  
7 - 10 a.m. Sausage and Pancake Feed at Kechi United Methodist Church (\$6 adults, \$4 kids, 3 & under free)  
8 - 9:30 a.m. Drop off for Kechi Baking Contest (all items donated to cake walk)  
8 a.m. - noon Karg Art Glass free glass blowing demonstrations  
8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Arts, Crafts and Antiques Fair, booths on west side of City Hall  
9 - 9:30 a.m. Bike Contest, in front of City Hall  
9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Judging for Kechi Baking Contest  
10 - 10:30 a.m. Kechi's 30th Annual Parade "30 Years of Turtle Power"  
10:30 - 11 a.m. FREE Ice Cream, sponsored by Chisholm Trail State Bank  
10:30 - 11 a.m. Crown Carriage rides  
11 - 11:30 a.m. Donut Eating Contest, west of City Building  
11 - 11:30 a.m. Cowtown Cowboys Professional Firefighters, southwest corner of 61st North and Oliver  
11:30 a.m. to noon Sand Pile Treasure Hunt, ages 10 & under, west of City Hall, sponsored by Buck & Lane Alley  
11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Ident-a-kid, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office, City Hall Community Room  
Noon - 12:30 p.m. Cake Walk, Kechi Community Room  
12:30 - 1 p.m. Turtle Races (BYOT), Gary Meitler, behind City Hall  
12:30 - 1 p.m. Cowtown Cowboys Professional Firefighters, southwest corner of 61st North and Oliver  
1 - 2 p.m. Sedgwick County Fire Department trucks display, SE of Kechi Convenience Store (cool off with fire hoses)  
1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament, south end of park  
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# Local runner looking to organize group in Kechi

By The Breeze staff

Kechi resident Lee Owens is a dedicated runner. He wakes up at 4:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and drives into Wichita to meet a group of runners at 13th North and Tyler at 5:15

a.m. for a seven-mile run. After the run, Owens quickly drives back to Kechi and gets ready for work. Owens is a teacher at Valley Center High School. "Even though I lose a little sleep, running gives me energy throughout the day,"

he said. "Meeting a group holds me accountable for the mornings when I want to hit the snooze button. It also pushes me to be a better and faster runner." Over the course of a year, Owens met Andy Renich from Bel Aire and the two

have decided to organize a morning running group that meets at the Kechi Park. To get other runners' input, two informational meetings will take place at the Kechi Park shelter. The meetings will be at 7 p.m. June 7 and 8. At the meet-

ings, the group can decide what day of the week and time in the morning works best for most people. All runners are welcome no matter what their pace is. It will also be a time to meet different runners who live in the area and network with

each other. All runners agree that running as a group in the morning is safer and more fun for everyone. Contact Lee Owens by email at lowens3@cox.net or by phone in the evenings at 214-7423.

# Mother and son avoid death penalty

By David Dinell

The fact that Kisha Schaberg and her biological son, Anthony "Tony" Bluml, both pleaded no contest in their capital murder cases is a relief, said Sedgwick County District Attorney Marc Bennett. "Do I think this is a good thing? Yes. I just don't see a downside to it," Bennett said. "It's final."

Schaberg, 36, and Bluml, 20, were accused of shooting and killing Melissa and Roger Bluml Nov. 15, 2013, outside their rural Valley Center home. It was an attempt to collect on assets that Anthony Bluml believed he could obtain from their estate. He is the adoptive son of the murdered couple.

Melissa Bluml, 53, died the day after the shootings. Roger Bluml, 48, lived for five more weeks before he died. Two others are involved in the case, Braden Smith and Andrew Ellington. Both are Valley Center High School classmates of Bluml and are set to go on trial later this year. Smith has worked out a deal in which he would testify against the others — now just Ellington — in exchange for facing lesser charges of second-degree murder.

Along with the capital murder charge, Bennett had filed charges of aggravated robbery against Schaberg and Bluml. Bennett made it clear that he would seek the death penalty against them — had they chosen to go to trial and were found guilty. That was a fate the mother and son wanted to avoid.

By entering their pleas May 15 in Sedgwick County District Court, the two can't be put to death by the state, but they can be sentenced to life in prison without parole, and in these circumstances, the judges' sentencing discretion is limited, Bennett said.

The speedy end in capital murder cases like this is unusual, he added, but spares everyone a lot of energy, finances and resources as the trial of each defendant had been expected to take about a month.



**Kisha Schaberg is led into a courtroom May 15, where she pleaded no contest to a charge of capital murder.**

He added that there is now an "acceptance of responsibility." Furthermore, the penalty of life without parole is as "profound" as anything available, he said. Bennett pointed out that even if the death penalty had been imposed after a jury trial, the possibility of it being imposed was low. The last time such a penalty was carried out in Kansas was in the mid-1960s.

A death penalty case would mean close examination from the appellate courts and the reopening of painful wounds for family members, he said. "I talked at length with the families," Bennett said of the process. "This puts this to rest for the families."

Family members were present at both hearings. They sat quietly with themselves, although the trauma of the proceedings and the emo-

tion of the situation were clearly etched on several of their faces by the time the Bluml proceedings got underway. Some had their heads lowered at times. Throughout both hearings, the judges worked to ensure that the pleas were what the two wanted.

Late on the morning of May 15, Schaberg entered the courtroom, escorted by deputies. Her long black hair fell onto a turquoise blouse, which was left untucked over black pants. She was without makeup and her face was emotionless throughout the court appearance, which lasted about 25 minutes.

Sedgwick County District Court Judge Jeffrey Goering,



**Tony Bluml in a previous court appearance.**

looking right at Schaberg, repeatedly asked her about the decision. "That's what you want to do?" he asked Schaberg when informing her that she was waiving her right to a jury trial.

She said it was. The questions kept coming from Goering. "Do you feel like you have a full understanding of this?" "Do you understand this?" "Do you realize no one can force you to do this?" "Do you have any questions?" Throughout it, she answered the judge's questions either "yes, sir," "yes," or "no sir," depending on the nature of the query.

Goering asked her if a signature of a two-page waiver of right form was her signature, and she said it was. And for the four-page plea agreement, Goering asked Schaberg if a signature of a two-page waiver-of-rights form

was her signature, and she said it was.

And for the four-page plea agreement document, Goering again asked her if that was her signature on it, even holding the document up.

"Yes, sir" was reply from the emotionless Schaberg. "You are not going to be able to appeal your conviction," he informed her.

Nearing the end of the proceedings, Goering asked her if the decision to plead no contest was her decision alone.

Another "yes, sir" and the appearance was done.

Before leaving the courtroom, Schaberg bent over to say a few words to her attorney, Jeffrey Wicks, and then was led out of the courtroom by deputies, although she was not handcuffed as is usually the case.

She is due back in court June 24 for her sentencing. A few hours later, Anthony Bluml made his court appearance. Dressed in a green jail jumpsuit, he also entered a no-contest plea, this time it was in front of District Court Judge Ben Burgess.

Bluml said he understood that he is giving up his right to a jury trial and to an appeal. Bluml affirmed to Burgess that he made the decision on his own. However, unlike his

mother's flat voice, his had a hint of emotion in it.

The judge asked Bluml if he needed more time to contemplate the decision and Bluml said he didn't.

The hearing was originally set to determine whether statements made by Bluml to the state were admissible, but changed to the no-contest plea.

He will be sentenced June 16.

Mother and son are in Sedgwick County Jail, each on \$2 million bond, as are Smith and Ellington. Schaberg and Bluml will remain in that jail until their sentencing and then will be turned over to the Kansas Department of Corrections. Its officials will direct them to their assigned detention center.

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