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The National Rifle Association (NRA) is the largest gun rights organization in the United States. It is a non-profit organization that advocates for the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution. The NRA is also a major sponsor of the annual NRA World of Long Rifles, a gun show and festival that takes place in various locations across the United States.

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Judge sentences Albert Green, 73, for pot-growing operation Page 3A

**City to purchase new Jaws of Life**  
By STEVE MCGONIGAL  
The city of Lawrence is set to purchase a new set of Jaws of Life hydraulic rescue tools. The tools are used by firefighters to cut through metal and other materials that can trap victims in vehicle accidents. The city is currently in the process of evaluating different options and is expected to make a decision in the next few weeks.

**TO GRADE OR NOT TO GRADE**  
Concerned parents and educators discuss pros and cons of competency-based grading being implemented at LHS. Page 6A

**hunter Education**  
Class being offered for those seeking to earn a hunter safety card. Page 3A

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**Appeals court won't stop Keystone in Okla., Texas**  
By STEVE MCGONIGAL  
The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit has ruled that the federal government cannot force Oklahoma and Texas to stop the Keystone pipeline project. The court's decision is a significant victory for the pipeline's supporters, who have been fighting the project for years. The court found that the federal government's attempt to force the states to stop the pipeline was an unconstitutional violation of the states' sovereignty.

**AINES CANAL**  
By STEVE MCGONIGAL  
The Aines Canal project in California is facing a new challenge. The project, which would divert water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta to the Central Valley, has been approved by the state's water board. However, the project has faced opposition from environmental groups and some farmers who fear that the project will reduce water availability for their crops.

**Kansas to stop using federal food stamp grant**  
By STEVE MCGONIGAL  
The state of Kansas is set to stop using federal food stamp grants to fund its own food assistance program. The state's Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services (DSRS) has announced that it will be implementing a new program that will be funded by state and local dollars. The new program is expected to be implemented in the next few months.

**Fossil hunter wants Kansas state fossil**  
By STEVE MCGONIGAL  
A fossil hunter in Kansas is seeking to have a fossil designated as the state fossil. The fossil, which is a large, ornate fossil, is believed to be one of the largest and most ornate fossils ever found in Kansas. The fossil hunter is currently in the process of gathering the necessary documentation to support his request.