

**What's the speed of dark?**  
**Thursday Prime Risks**  
A 4-page Prime & Risk, 8:25-9:25 AM. Another Saturday.  
Risk is a word with two very different meanings in this department. It could mean danger.

**Rep. Petty won't seek re-election this fall**  
By Tom Ichniowski  
After six years in the House, Rep. Tim Petty announced today that he will not seek re-election in 2014. Petty, who represents the 1st District, said he will be leaving the House at the end of the session in May. Petty's decision comes as he faces a tough re-election campaign in a district that has become increasingly conservative. Petty served as the House majority whip from 2009 to 2013.

**City may sell half-town parking lot**  
By Tom Ichniowski  
The City of Lawrence is considering selling a portion of its half-town parking lot to a private developer. The lot, located on the corner of 10th and 11th streets, is currently used for parking and storage. The city is looking for a developer who would like to build a new building on the site. The sale would be subject to city council approval.

**Cobin honors grads**  
By Tom Ichniowski  
The John Jay Learning Center of Small Business Administration celebrated its 10th anniversary on Tuesday. The center, which is located in Lawrence, has provided training and support for small business owners since 2004. The center's director, John Cobin, presented awards to the top graduates of the center's programs. The awards were presented to a group of students who had completed the center's Small Business Administration course.

**Severe weather awareness presentation**  
By Tom Ichniowski  
The Lawrence Police Department is sponsoring a severe weather awareness presentation. The presentation will be held on Tuesday, April 22, at 7 p.m. at the Kiwanis Community Park. The presentation will discuss the dangers of severe weather and how to stay safe. The presentation is free and open to the public.

**Still 'no' votes**  
Helm, Sutherland-Abbott continue crusade against bond despite overwhelming public vote of approval  
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**Brownback signs Kansas school funding bill**  
The Kansas Supreme Court is expected to review the funding issue. The bill, which was signed by Governor Brownback, would increase funding for schools in the most economically distressed areas of the state. The bill would also provide for a gradual increase in funding for all schools over the next five years. The bill is expected to be reviewed by the Supreme Court in the next few months.

**Girl who died of abuse could have been rescued**  
By Tom Ichniowski  
A girl who died of abuse could have been rescued if her mother had been taken into custody. The girl, who was 10 years old at the time of her death, was found dead in her home. The girl's mother, who was charged with the girl's death, had a history of domestic violence. The girl's mother had been arrested several times for domestic violence. The girl's mother was charged with the girl's death. The girl's mother was charged with the girl's death. The girl's mother was charged with the girl's death.