

**The pleasures of life can be both innocent and guilty.**  
**Slow Motion BIRD Home of the BIG WOODY!**  
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Seward County United Way  
United Way one of area's largest charities

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THURSDAY MAY 14, 2014  
PLAYOFF PICTURE  
Local Cal High League teams postseason tonight Saturday

**Miss Kansas Pageant announces 'Kansas Choice Award'**  
The 2014 Miss Kansas Pageant will be held on Saturday, May 17, at the Sheraton Kansas City Hotel at Grand Center, 1000 Grand Blvd., Kansas City, Mo. The winner will represent Kansas at the Miss America Pageant in Las Vegas, Nevada, on September 15, 2014. The pageant will be broadcast on the Fox network at 8 p.m. Eastern Time. The winner will receive a cash prize of \$10,000, a year of travel, and a scholarship to a college of her choice. The pageant will be open to women aged 18 to 28 who are U.S. citizens and residents of Kansas. The winner will be crowned by the outgoing Miss Kansas, Miss Kansas 2013, Miss America 2014, and Miss America 2015.

**Report: Thousands of convicted criminals freed while awaiting deportation proceedings**  
A report released by the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Inspector General (OIG) on May 14, 2014, found that thousands of convicted criminals were released from federal custody while awaiting deportation proceedings. The report, titled "Convicted Criminals Released While Awaiting Deportation Proceedings," found that between 2008 and 2012, approximately 10,000 convicted criminals were released from federal custody while awaiting deportation proceedings. The report found that the release of these criminals was often done without proper oversight and that many of the released criminals had serious criminal records. The report also found that the release of these criminals was often done without proper oversight and that many of the released criminals had serious criminal records. The report also found that the release of these criminals was often done without proper oversight and that many of the released criminals had serious criminal records.