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Local club gives Thanksgiving blessings

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As we all know, there are many people in need, especially around the holidays. In fact, it seems like the holidays are when people need others the most. There's one group in Warren that are doing their part to help out their community.

The Midnight Rydaz are a group of individuals that get together to go on trail rides. They enjoy getting out on the trails and being in the outdoors. But this year, they are getting to do something new. They knew they wanted to help out their community and they decided that Thanksgiving was a great time to start.

"We wanted to do something for the community," said Micki Charles, C.E.O of the Midnight Rydaz. "So we all decided to chip in and we picked out three families in need. They're going to get a ham, dressing, macaroni and cheese, green beans, cake, and a pie."

When I went to the location where they were putting together the meals for the families, the



Joanna Poole/Eagle Democrat

The Midnight Rydaz put together meals to give to three families that they've chosen. Group members: Angela Momon, Micki Charles, Audreyana Watson, LaKeshia Dismuke, NaKena Har- graves, Vanessa Farmer, Rod Charles, Garrick Jackson, Asia Jackson, Zyandrea Washington, DeAlex Henderson.

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BCMC to hold blood drive Thursday, Dec. 5 with donations in high demand

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

Bradley County Medical Center is issuing an urgent appeal to the community for blood donations in the upcoming LifeShare Blood Drive scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 5 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. The blood drive will take place in the LifeShare Bus that will be parked in the BCMC Rural Health Clinic parking lot, located across the street from the ER entrance at the hospital.

Blood donations have hit a 20-year low nationwide, so if you can donate, please come by and give blood on Thursday, Dec. 5. Blood drives such as this are the main source of blood for hospitals in our region. Potential donors can reserve a time slot online through the donor portal on www.lifeshare.org. You do not have to make an appointment as walk-ins are encouraged.

Every two seconds, someone somewhere needs blood. One

of every seven people who enter the hospital will need blood. That person could be you, your loved one, friend, or co-worker. With all the wonderful advances in modern medicine, there still is no substitute for human blood. The blood that helps patients comes only from caring people who volunteer to help others by donating their life-saving blood.

Every year, countless lives are saved through the generosity of blood donors, and Bradley County Medical Center is calling upon the community to join forces for this life-saving cause. The event aims to boost blood supplies during a crucial time, ensuring that hospitals and medical facilities in our region have an ample and steady blood inventory.

LifeShare Blood Center, established in Shreveport, La., in 1942, regularly supplies blood components and related services to more than 100 medical facil-



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ities and hospitals throughout Louisiana, East Texas and South Arkansas. LifeShare is a member of America's Blood Centers and the American Rare Donor Program, is licensed by the U.S.

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THE TWO CARPENTERS WHO SAVED THE WORLD

One carpenter had a limited career; to our knowledge, the only thing he ever built was a boat.

The other earned a living making things of wood, until something of wood killed him.

The first carpenter worked diligently for years to save the citizens of the world from water.

The second carpenter suffered terribly for six hours to save the world from a holocaust of fire.

Two carpenters who lived thousands of years apart touch hands briefly in the pages of history as heroes of the ages. One was named Noah. The other was named Jesus.

Noah was the world's most unlikely savior. He lived in a time of unparalleled sin. He didn't ask for the role God gave him. He did not solicit sainthood. All around him was depravity, God repented that He had ever created mankind and decided to destroy His work. "But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD" (Genesis 6:8).

In all recorded history, it had to be man's greatest mistake in judgment. It was man's most appalling error. The citizens underestimated God's reaction to sin. And they overestimated His tolerance of iniquity. The result was the destruction of the earth, and all creatures on it, by water.

"And GOD saw the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth" (Genesis 6:5-7).

Everywhere God looked He saw open, flagrant, public licentiousness and lawlessness. Vice and violence were the order of the day. Horrible sins were flaunted and applauded. Sin was not "under the counter" in Noah's society. It was open season on every haunt of hell. No restrictions. No taboos. Nothing too evil for that generation!

Why? Why didn't they accept Noah's message? That's so hard to say. Perhaps many looked at that massive coffin-shaped structure and were repulsed by

it. How ugly! How depressing! How plain! Surely if God were in it, they reasoned, the ark would be esthetic and beautiful.

But they mistook the purpose of the ark. It was never meant to be the Queen Elizabeth. It was a vast, enclosed chest designed only for the purpose of housing and preserving a large number of living creatures. When the avalanches of water came, and the ocean depths were rent asunder, and the earth became a boiling maelstrom of destruction, they would be safely inside the ark.

And so it is with the salvation given us by the Master Carpenter, our Lord Jesus - He, who worked with wood, nails beaten into His hands and feet. And for hour after hour He hung on that primitive torture chamber. His blood dropped into the dirt beneath the cross as His life ebbed away.

It was history's most cruel execution. Why was our Lord so abused? So that the eternal ark of safety could be constructed for everyone who would believe on Him and accept His offer of life.

Christ didn't die just so churches could have fancy pipe organs and elegant carpet or steeples that pierce the azure sky. Yes, all those things are lovely. But the crux of the whole matter is that the Great Carpenter of eternity, Jesus Christ, was constructing the Good Ship Zion, that stately and dependable craft that will transport every believer away from the coming judgment.

Most of the people of Noah's day rejected the carpenter. And they perished. You still have an opportunity to get on board. Our Carpenter waits for you patiently... now. But His Spirit will not always strive with you. Christ is waiting for your verdict. Now.

The old ship of salvation is still docked. You still have time to get on board. Tomorrow the ship may have left, never to return to your port again. That's why the Bible says, "Today is the day of salvation." You need Christ desperately, my friend. This reaching out for you is a matter of eternal life and death. This is your hour of salvation. Not next week or next year - but now! Come! Heaven's Carpenter is waiting.

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atmosphere was joyful and it smelled fantastic! Friends were talking and laughing. Kids were running around having a good time. To me, it seems like a family reunion. Everyone had a smile on their face and they all were very welcoming. It seemed like a place where you would stay long after the food was gone and catch up.

But riding trails isn't the only reason that they all like to get together. There's more on their minds.

"We're trying to do more to help the community," said Angela Momon, group treasurer.

"It's not just about going out and doing a lot of riding. We want to come together and do community events."

While their Thanksgiving event was their first, The Midnight Rydaz plan on doing more community events in the future.

"We want to do bar-b-cues and picnics," said Momon. "This is what we love to do."

The Midnight Rydaz are a perfect example of how communities can get together and help out those that need it. They want to make Warren better and they're on the right track. I can't wait to see what they do in the future!

Oldtimer's Notebook

The publishers of The Eagle Democrat have chosen to publish articles from the past Oldtimer's Notebook in memory of Robert L. Newton. This article was first published Dec. 1, 2004.

Wayne's was not always "the spot" in downtown Warren. For most of the first half of the last century, this distinction belonged to Glasgow's, established by Wilburn Glasgow and his brother on a North Main Street site, now a vacant lot next to Warren Printing. Glasgow's operated much in the same way as its successor, Wayne's, with soft drinks, hot dogs, burgers, and sandwiches for sale. The concern also had a pool hall in the back, as Wayne's was to have later, but Glasgow's also had a one-lane bowling alley. This was one of two active bowling alleys in town then. The other was in the basement of the old wooden YMCA.

Nelms B. (Jack) Fort worked at Glasgow's, as did Paul Whitaker and Jimmy Russell, plus, indeed, Wayne Wisener.

Dr. Hugh Moseley resided with his parents across Cedar Street from the Glasgow home, now owned by Edith and Charlie Eddington. Florence Kyle and Wilbur Glasgow had a full meal after midnight each night after Glasgow's was closed, according to Dr. Moseley.

Consequently, the Glasgows usually "slept in" in the mornings and their son, Bill, later an editor of The Eagle Democrat, would come to the Moseley house for breakfast. The Glasgows had a popcorn machine right by the front door. It was said a prom-

inent merchant, gone on to Glory (or someplace; there are differing opinions about that) would reach in and get a handful of popcorn on his way out the door, thus infuriating Proprietor Glasgow.

Glasgow's was the place to hang around, particularly if you were interested in baseball or other sports. Glasgow's had a good radio but, more importantly, had an aerial that stretched from the store front to the courthouse tower, thanks to county officials who permitted it. Consequently, radio stations in St. Louis and other centers of refinement could be brought in for the edification of the sporting public.

There was almost zero interest in the Razorbacks in those days of the thirties, though the Fordyce star, Louis Ramsay, and later Warren's own standout Robert Ed Green had joined the team.

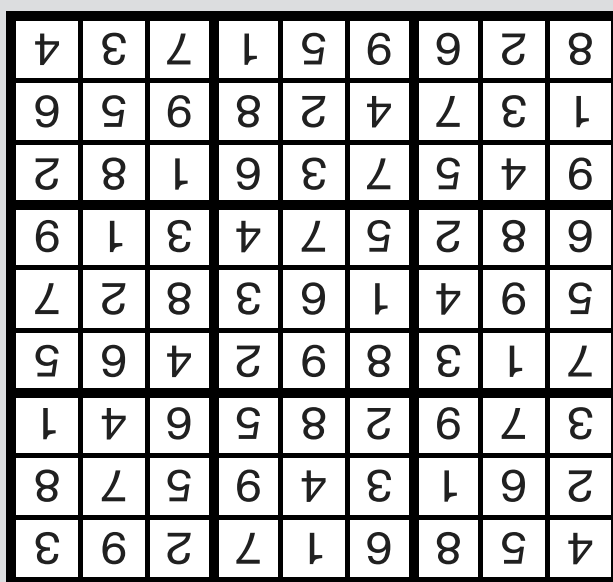
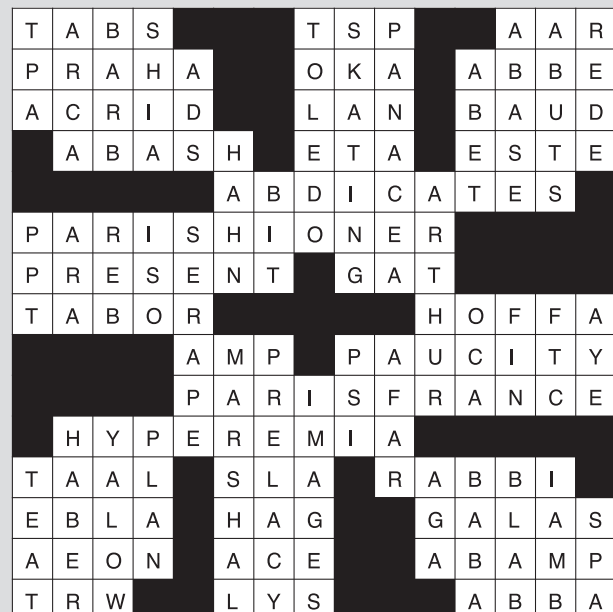
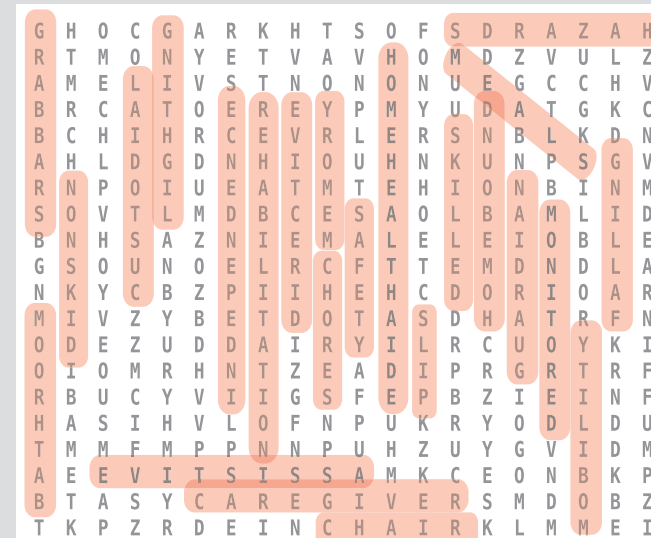
The Bailey family operated a drugstore on the site of the Sandwich Shop for years. After World War II, B. S. Hargis and his son-in-law, Urban Holland, purchased the business and operated it for a season. Mr. Hargis returned to the car business. Mr. Holland became the State Farm insurance agent in Fayetteville. He prospered.

Wayne Wisener came in and established Wayne's, bringing along Messrs, Fort, Whitaker, and Russell.

Glasgow's was effectively-dead, tho' the folks didn't know it then.

The Front Table at Wayne's became the site of knowledge See NOTEBOOK Page 3

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with people like Henry Young, Lawrence Haynie, Glynn Lyon, Albert Moody, Meek Singer, Lawrence Derby senior, Bernard Frazer, and the rest being charter members and seat holders. G. W. Botts never sat at a table. He was always at the counter. The place was laden with characters, like a little Jewish man from over in the Delta who'd come to town once a

week and stay at the Coker Hotel. He drove a van filled with combs, toiletries, and other novelties he peddled to neighborhood stores, a vanishing breed of merchandising.

He had a pipe he smoked with cigars stuck down in the pipe. Interesting.

"Zeno, what's the fastest thing in the world," asked Whitaker.

There was a stock answer from the traveling peddler of the Delta: "A Jew running past Hitler's

house!"

Another was a sort of eccentric gentleman named Mr. Henry Parrott. He had generated a nickname for himself while carrying a cup of coffee back into the pool hall at Glasgow's once.

"This coffee's sure limber," he chuckled.

From then on, Mr. Henry was "Limbercoffee."

But there are things that stick in your mind. It had to be 2/3 of a century ago. I was in Glasgow's

one Thursday night. My Mother provided the meal for the Y's Men's Club, for money (my father led the YMCA for \$150 a month). She let me go in Glasgow's and spend a nickel for a hot dog. I got that and a glass of water.

One of my classmates, a young girl, came in and ordered a hamburger. When it was ready, the cost was a dime. She had only a nickel. She fled from the store. But the store employee's parting shot still echoes with me.

"I was afraid of that," he said.

That was something that didn't need to be said.

I ran into an old friend, Frank "Buddy" Carson, the other day. Buddy flew airplanes for six decades. He says he's given it up. He married Eloise Groves from Warren. He says she's in a wheelchair. Buddy was in business in Monticello for years. He was a longtime director of Union Bank there. He told me he was taught to fly in the 30s by the legendary "Booger

Red" Vincell, who later owned the crop-dusting business at Moscow, out from Pine Bluff.

Buddy says "Booger Red" died in a plane crash but that he was dead before he hit the ground from inhaling crop insecticide for too long a time. We saw "Booger Red" in action in an air show at Pine Bluff almost six decades ago. He could make a two-wing airplane do things that were scarily-possible. He was crippled. You could see why.

USDA-NIFA grant aims to bring more job possibilities for neurodivergent individuals

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

With the help of a nearly \$500,000 grant, Arkansas food safety expert Kristen Gibson is working to increase job opportunities for neurodivergent individuals.

Gibson, a professor of food safety and microbiology and director of the Arkansas Center for Food Safety, received the grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture. The goal of the grant is to build more inclusive training models to integrate neurodivergent individuals in the produce industry.

Researchers will investigate the specific learning needs of neurodivergent individuals, or people whose neurological development differs from what is considered typical, including

conditions like autism, dyslexia and more. Then, they will identify the most effective teaching methods and then tailor training materials to match. Supervisors will also receive training on how to support these individuals more effectively.

In Gibson's previous work interviewing companies and growers on knowledge gaps in safety training for the leafy greens industry, she became interested in how she could help them live up to their commitments to inclusivity.

"I came across a few companies that had social missions with goals to provide employment opportunities for those who may be considered underserved or in the minority, and a group of those were people with neurodivergence," she said. "In

all of these companies, part of their food safety programs is to train workers, and those with different learning needs require different things."

Leaders at these companies said they often struggled to meet their social missions while also upholding food safety needs. Gibson became inspired to fill this gap and ensure quality training materials were available for all learners.

Strengthening Employment Prospects

Gibson said the grant gives the produce industry a chance to open more job opportunities for neurodivergent individuals. She noted that 30 to 40 percent of those with neurodivergent disabilities who want to work face difficulty finding or keeping a job.

"People want to provide

meaningful employment, and they don't want to be exclusive, but they don't know how" to be more inclusive, she said.

Gibson serves as project director for the upcoming project and is joined by five co-principal investigators: Barbara Chamberlin, extension instructional design and educational media specialist at New Mexico State University; Mathews Cezarotto, assistant professor and extension educational technology specialist with New Mexico State University's Innovative Media Research and Extension Department; Pamela Martinez, associate professor of learning technologies with New Mexico State University's Innovative Media Research and Extension Department and Learning Games Lab; Dorothea Lerman,

professor of behavior analysis at the University of Houston-Clear Lake; and Phil Tocco, a Michigan State University extension educator.

Gibson conducts research for the Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station, the research arm of the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture.

The research team will compile the job duties associated with roles in the fresh produce industry and then discuss with experts how neurodivergent individuals might have difficulties understanding these concepts or safety practices.

The team will then delve into the root causes of these difficulties and design training materials around them. Researchers will test these proposed solu-

tions in real-world settings to build a robust training program by the end of the three-year grant term.

Despite the three-year timeframe for the forthcoming study, Gibson said she hopes to see the effects of this work long after 36 months and translate to agricultural areas outside of fresh produce.

"Ideally, you would see higher employment within the industry of this group that maybe struggles with finding meaningful employment. Creating that environment for them to stay and stick with it," she said. "I think that's the goal."

This grant is part of the Food Safety and Defense Program from USDA-NIFA. The project award number is 2024-70020-43021.

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Arkansas House Report

Jeff Wardlaw
Ark. State Representative



As the holiday season approaches, many of us are starting to think about our shopping lists and where we want to spend our hard-earned money. Now is the perfect time to consider supporting small businesses in Arkansas.

First and foremost, shopping at small businesses is a direct way to support your local community. With over 280,000 small businesses across the state, they represent 99.3 percent of all Arkansas businesses. By choosing to shop locally, you're not just supporting the owners and employees of these establishments; you're contributing to the economic health of your neighborhood. Small businesses are often the backbone of communities, providing jobs and a unique sense of identity. In fact, 47.5 percent of all Arkansas employees work for small businesses, underscoring their importance in our local economy.

Many small retailers curate products made locally or sourced from independent artisans, allowing you to give truly one-of-a-kind gifts to your loved ones. By supporting these businesses, you are investing in the creativity and talent of artists and craftsmen within your community.

Moreover, when you spend your dollars at small businesses, you ensure that a significant portion stays within the local economy. Research indicates that 68 cents of every dollar spent at a small business remains in the community, creating a ripple effect that helps to create jobs and contribute to the overall economic well-being of your area. This reinvestment is crucial, especially during the holiday season when many businesses are counting on the influx of seasonal shoppers to sustain them through the year.

Additionally, small businesses play a critical role in job creation, accounting for two-thirds of net new jobs in our country. They drive innovation and competition, which ultimately benefits consumers by providing more choices and better services.

This holiday season, let's celebrate local businesses and the vital role they play in making Arkansas a vibrant place to live and work.

The ethical dilemma of having U.S. rights

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I live in a small town that has the small town vibe. Everybody pretty much knows everybody. Kids ride on their bikes up and down the streets and you can walk to the nearest gas station. There's not a single stoplight. You know, all the cliché things.

I've always felt safe when I go outside to take my dogs or just enjoy the quiet. But before I get into why I'm writing about where I live, I wanna talk about something else; our rights as United States citizens versus ethics. We all know that we have the rights and freedoms to do certain things. We all learned about it in middle or high school.

In case you forgotten, I'll name just a few. We have the right to choose our religion. We have the right to keep and bare arms. We have the right to refuse to let soldiers stay in our homes in times of war and peace. We have the right to a fair trial. I'm not going to list all of them but if you need a refresher, go to the Google.

There are other rights that are newer than the constitution and one of them is the right to photograph and record anything and anyone we'd like as long as it or they are in plain view. You see this all the time when you see tabloids in the grocery stores. If I wanna walk down the street and photograph someone I see I do not have to have their permission. The United States is a single party consent country. That's just the way it is.

But hang on...saying all that does not mean that it is okay to do that. Not everyone wants to be photographed or recorded. Just because I have the right to do so does not mean that I should. That's

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Arkansas History Minute

by Dr. Kenneth Bridges



The Red River Campaign in spring 1864 initially aimed to take Shreveport, but instead of marching triumphantly to victory, Gen. Frederick Steele and his troops were running for their lives, fending off Confederate forces and worsening flood conditions across the area. The month-old Camden Expedition had already cost the lives of nearly two thousand Union troops. The coming battle at Jenkins' Ferry would determine whether Union forces would survive their catastrophically poor planning.

Days earlier, caught off-guard by their own hunger and desperation, Union forces had fallen into a trap at Poison Springs near Camden and later cut off from reinforcements in Pine Bluff and any hope of escape to the east by disaster at Marks' Mills.

Confederate troops under the command of Gen. Edmund Kirby Smith swarmed after Steele. Gen. James Fagan and the 1st Arkansas Cavalry rode outward from their victory at Marks Mills while infantry under Gen. Sterling Price and cavalry under Gen. John S. Marmaduke rode northward.

On April 26, Union forces abandoned Camden in the dead of night, hoping to reach the safety of Little Rock. The flooded Saline River now threatened to block their escape.

The Saline River runs west of Little Rock south into what is now western Grant County before curving toward the southeast into Cleveland County. At that time, the area was still considered part of Saline and Jefferson counties. The heavy rains that had dogged the Union effort into southern Arkansas had turned the marshy lands surrounding the Saline into a torrent of muddy water that threatened to sweep away any men or equipment that attempted to cross the river bottom.

Confederate forces sensed Steele's desperation. It was now a race to see who could reach the river first. Union troops arrived at Jenkins' Ferry (about 13 miles south-southwest of present-day Sheridan) on April 29. With no bridge or ferry to bring troops to safety,

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Senate Week in Review from Ben Gilmore, Senator

The state Senate held its traditional organizational meeting to name its leaders and choose committee assignments.

Senator Bart Hester of Cave Springs (Benton County) had previously been elected President Pro Tempore of the Senate for the 95th General Assembly. On January 13, the first day of the 2025 legislative session, he will be officially installed. It will be his second term, and he will be the third senator in the modern era to serve two terms as the leader of the Senate.

Senator Jonathan Dismang of Searcy will be Senate co-chair of the Joint Budget Committee. During legislative sessions, Joint Budget and its subcommittees will review in detail all state government spending requests. All appropriations that authorize state

government expenditures must be approved by Joint Budget.

Senator Dismang was elected President Pro Tempore during the 89th General Assembly, after the resignation of the incumbent President. He was then elected President Pro Tempore for the 90th and 91st General Assemblies.

Besides Senators Hester and Dismang, Senator William Norrell of Monticello was the only other senator in the modern era to be elected twice as President Pro Tem. He served from 1933 through 1936.

Senator Ben Gilmore of Crosssett will be Senate co-chair of the Legislative Council. Senator Jim Petty of Van Buren will be Senate co-chair of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee.

Council and Audit are two of the most important committees that meet in the interim between legislative sessions, monitoring the operations of state agencies and making sure appropriations are properly spent.

Senator Terry Rice of Waldron will be Senate co-chair of the Joint Performance Review Committee. Commonly referred to as JPR, it

reviews the performance of programs and agencies. JPR can hold hearings on government operations initiated by citizens and has authority to investigate violations of election law, with authority to subpoena documents and records.

Senator Blake Johnson of Corning will be Majority Leader and Senator Breanne Davis of Russellville will be Majority Whip. Senator Greg Leding of Fayetteville will be Minority Leader and Senator Fred Love of Little Rock will be Minority Whip.

The Senate has nine standing committees that will review all proposed legislation filed during the session, depending on its subject matter. Senator Missy Irvin of Mountain View will chair the Public Health, Welfare and Labor Committee. Senator Jimmy Hickney, Jr., of Texarkana will chair the Revenue and Taxation Committee.

Senator Jane English of North Little Rock will chair the Education Committee and Senator Alan Clark of Lonsdale will chair the Judiciary Committee. Senator Ronald Caldwell of Wynne will chair the Agriculture, Forest-

ry and Economic Development Committee.

In addition to his duties as Majority Leader, Senator Blake Johnson will chair the Insurance and Commerce Committee. Senator Gary Stubblefield of Branch (Logan County) will chair the City, County and Local Affairs Committee and Senator Scott Flippo of Bull Shoals will chair the State Agencies and Governmental Affairs Committee. Senator Ricky Hill of Cabot will chair the Transportation, Technology and Legislative Affairs Committee.

Senator Jim Dotson of Bentonville will be Senate co-chair of the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs. Senator Gilmore, the senate co-chair of Council, also will chair the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth. Senator Mark Johnson of Ferndale will be Senate co-chair of the Joint Energy Committee.

Senator Kim Hammer of Benton will chair the Efficiency Committee and Senator Davis, the Majority Whip, will chair the Senate Rules Committee.



There is no greater friend to the United States in the Middle East than Israel, our longtime ally and partner. The bond between our countries has frequently been tested, yet it is stronger than ever and must remain so.

In the aftermath of the brutal Oct. 7, 2023, attack on over 2,000 innocent victims in Israel, including some American citizens, our steadfast support for the Jewish State was vital as it vowed to deliver justice while protecting its sovereignty and security – not just from Hamas but against other enemies that might seek to exploit the chaos and vulnerability.

I recently joined dozens of my colleagues to introduce a Senate resolution marking the first anniversary of that vicious assault. We forcefully and fully condemned Hamas' actions in addition to expressing our support for the eternal survival of Israel and calling for the safe release of American hostages.

We also recognized the importance of standing united in opposing the violent antisemitic protests that sprang up soon after on college campuses and in

the streets of U.S. cities, because those fringe views do not represent most Arkansans or Americans who see Israel as a trusted, special friend.

Now, those forces are working once again to undermine and isolate Israel in troubling ways. The International Criminal Court (ICC) is the latest venue.

Anti-Israel sentiments and false equivalencies have been elevated to an alarming level there. The ICC recently issued arrest warrants for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his former defense minister alongside a top Hamas military commander. This outrageous and shameful campaign irresponsibly comparing Israel's self-defense to a U.S.-designated terrorist group's barbaric tactics should be a devastating blow to its own credibility.

Sadly, attempts to thwart Israel's efforts to prevent its own annihilation at the hands of Hamas and other Iran-backed proxies like Hezbollah have also occurred in the U.S. Senate.

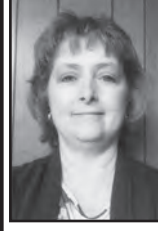
Over a dozen Senate Democrats moved to block arms sales, including weapons, ammunition

and equipment, to Israel at a time when it is facing an existential threat. Thankfully, the overwhelming majority of my colleagues joined me in voting down these unacceptable and extremist measures. And further efforts in the Senate are underway to stand with Israel, diplomatically and economically.

I was pleased to join Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR) on legislation to combat the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) Movement against it by prohibiting the Biden-Harris administration from reversing current guidelines that require Israeli goods produced in areas where Israel exercises the relevant authorities to be labeled as "Made in Israel." The United States should have no part in any policies that embolden activists seeking to undermine Israeli enterprises and potentially fuel antisemitism.

The state of Israel is also about to welcome a very vocal proponent next year when the Trump administration installs former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee as our nation's ambassador to the Holy Land. He deeply understands the importance of our relationship with the Jewish State and will work tirelessly to protect and strengthen it. I look forward to supporting his nomination in the Senate and seeing him move expeditiously to reinforce America's goodwill toward Israel, including its safety and prosperity.

Our focus must remain on continually confronting and defeating proposals that delegitimize Israel or jeopardize its security. I will always work in a bipartisan way to ensure that is the case and protect our vital partnership.



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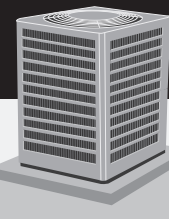
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Obituaries

Mary Jo Wisener

Mary Jo Wisener, of Kingwood, Texas, formerly of Monticello and Warren, passed away at home on November 22, 2024. She was born on June 30, 1949, in Little Rock, to the late Joe and Mary Reaves. She was predeceased by her husband, Bill Wisener, and by an infant son, William Matthew Wisener.

Surviving are a daughter, Kate Lightfoot (Ronny) of Huffman, Texas; a son, Sam Wisener (Jenny) of Huffman, Texas; a brother, John Barry Reaves (Cindy) of Montgomery, Texas; and five grandchildren, Ally Swartz, Will Swartz, Braydon Wisener, Izzy Wisener, and Gavin Lightfoot, all of Huffman, Texas.

She was a 1967 graduate of Warren High School. In 1971, she received a B.S.E. from the University of Arkansas, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She later earned a M.Ed. from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

She taught in the Dermott, Drew Central, and Warren School Districts and served as assistant superintendent for the

Warren School District, completing 38.5 years in education. She was a life-long Methodist. Graveside services were held Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at Oakland Cemetery in Warren by Frazer's Funeral Home. Charles Graham officiated the service. Pallbearers were Curt Barger, Doug Bigham, Wil Maxwell, Brad Denton, Patrick Ellis, Corey Atkins, Terrance Moore, and Jeremy Denton.

Memorials can be made to Strawbridge United Methodist Church, 5629 Kingwood Drive, Kingwood, Texas, 77345 or the Bill Wisener Men's Basketball Scholarship, University of Arkansas at Monticello Foundation Fund, P.O. Box 3520 Monticello, Ark. 71656. (Paid obituary)

Brenda Perry

Brenda Perry, 78, of Warren died November 22. Born November 17, 1946 in Warren, to the late Walter Lee and Connie Blankinship Adams.

Survivors: husband, Daniel; son, Danny of Warren; daughter, Gina; sister, Ann.

Graveside was at Wheeler Springs Cemetery by Frazer's Funeral Home.

Doyle "Tiny" Reynolds

Doyle "Tiny" Reynolds, 93 of Warren, died November 29;

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born February 15, 1931 in Log Cabin, La. to the late Malvin and Laura Reynolds.

Survivors include his sons, Joe, Terry, and Jimmy. Graveside was December 1, at Union Hill Cemetery by Frazer's Funeral Home.

T.J. Moran

T.J. Moran, 89, of Crossett, died November 23. Born June 13, 1935 in Vick.

Survivors: step-children, Danny, Gayle, Lavon, Virgil; brother, James; sisters, Carolyn, Charlotte, Sherry, Sheryl; sister-in-law, Donnie.

Funeral was November 27, at Trinity Freewill Baptist Church. Burial in Carlock Cemetery by Frazer's Funeral Home.

Clydine Preston

Clydine Preston, 84, of Harrell, died November 12, 2024.

Born February 28, 1940, to Sandy and Eva Preston.

Survivors: Wife- Lola Preston; Children- Kimberly, Clydine, Sylvia, Ricky, Sharon; Sister-Emma

16 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren

Funeral service was November 23 at First Baptist Church, Harrell. Hammons Funeral Home

Michael Wayne Wyman

Michael Wayne Wyman, 55 died November 24, 2024, near Banks. Born October 28, 1969, in Camden to the late Archie Conway Wyman and Elizabeth Diane Fowler. Survivors: son, Brayden, aunts, Sandra and Joyce, uncles, Tommy and Richard. Funeral was November 29 at Frazer's. Burial was in Williams Cemetery.

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EDITORIAL

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As a reporter, I can pretty much write about anything. But I have an ethical responsibility to uphold.

Now, to the reason I'm bringing this up. I want to bring something else to your attention. In Hermitage, we have an individual, (we'll call him Mr. So-And-So) who walks around with his phone in front of him constantly. He records everything. If you're in your yard and he walks by, chances are that you've made the cut. You're being recorded. If you see him, nine out of ten times, he's recording. He has even recorded a city employee in her yard with her children.

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I don't know if his actions are considered harassment in terms of what the law says. I do know that it feels like a violation. At the moment, I don't feel okay going outside. My guard is constantly up. I'd rather not be recorded in my own yard by a man that I don't know. What is he doing with the footage? Why does he need it? I know for sure that the aforementioned employee doesn't want to have her children recorded by anyone either.

Surely there have to be others in Hermitage that want his "documentation" to stop.

Now, I have a favor to ask you, my lovely reader. If you're a resident of Hermitage and you've experienced what I'm talking about by the person I'm talking about, please send me an email. My email address is reporter@theeagle Democrat.com.

HISTORY

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Union forces desperately tried to piece together a pontoon bridge to get their 12,000 troops across the Saline River while watching the rising floodwaters before them and listening to approaching Confederates behind them.

Nearly 10,000 Confederate troops now charged toward the Saline River, blinded by thick fog and heavy rains and slowed by mud and thick forest. In the confusion, Confederate forces could not communicate with one another to concentrate their attack. They arrived a little at a time, firing all along the way. Marmaduke's forces were blunted by a spirited rear-guard defense from the 2nd Kansas Infantry, a newly commissioned African-American unit, and the 29th Iowa Infantry. Fagan's troops continued westward,

vainly trying to find the Union Army.

By the morning of April 30, Steele's forces began crossing the Saline River and had herded themselves into a narrow opening which only a fraction of Confederate forces could attack at one time. The confusion of the Confederate attack and the low visibility from the weather gave Union forces the precious hours they needed to withdraw. Up to the last minute, Union forces held off the Confederates until their entire army slipped away by the early afternoon.

Confederate forces had driven the Union Army out of the area at the cost of over one thousand of their own troops and 700 Union troops. While Union forces would not venture back into the region, the Confederates lost their last, best opportunity to change the tide of the war in Arkansas at Jenkins' Ferry. The battle site is now a state park.

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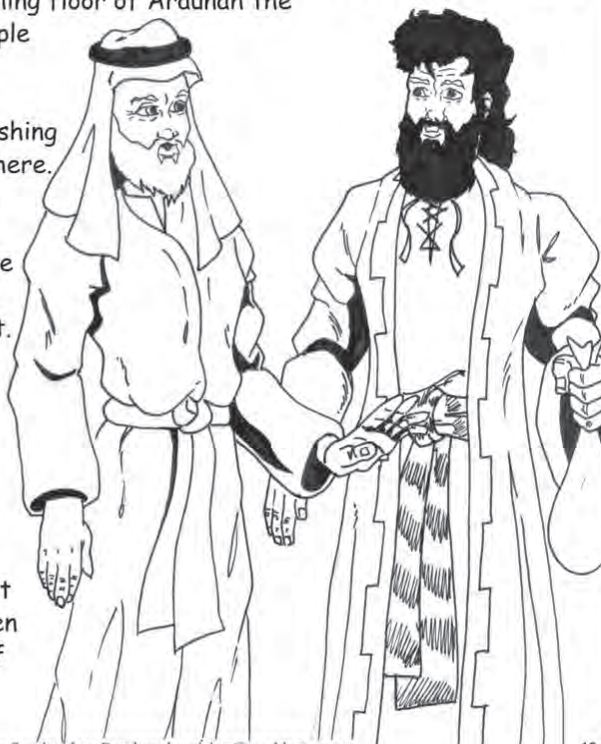

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 II Samuel 24
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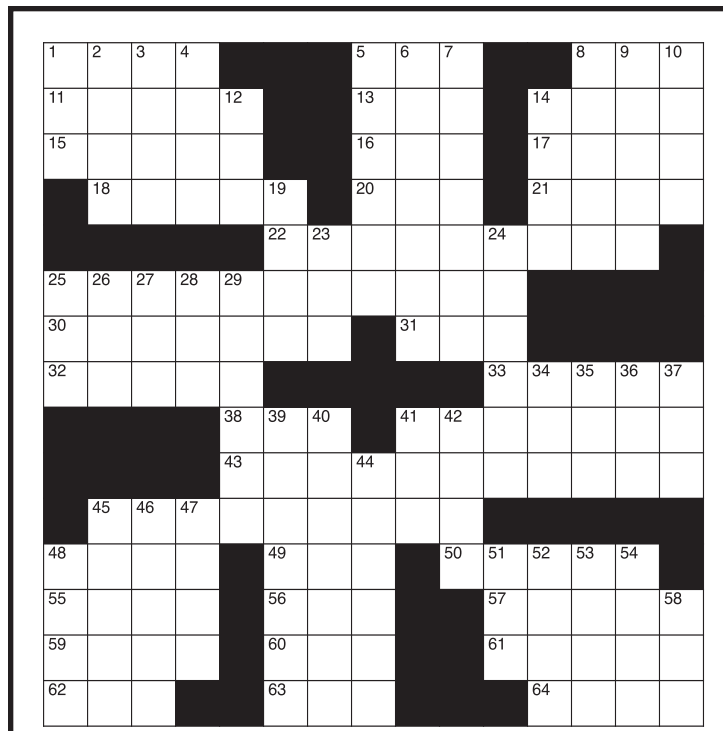
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- 1. Bar bills
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8. Swiss river
11. Czech Republic capital
13. "Officially known as"
14. A French abbot
15. Having a strong sharp smell or taste
16. Local area network
17. Data transmission speed measure
18. Embarrass
20. When you hope to get there
21. This (Spanish)
22. Gives up
25. Churchgoer
30. Current
31. Slang for gun
32. Small drum
33. Vanished union bigwig
38. Rocker's tool of the trade
41. Dearth
43. 2024 Olympics host
45. Excess blood in the vessels
48. Afrikaans
49. Agreement between provider and customer
50. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
55. Ancient Syrian city
56. Witch
57. Celebrations
59. Long period of time
60. A team's best pitcher
61. Current unit
62. One-time aerospace company
63. French/Belgian river
64. Swedish rock group

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
2. Genus of clams
3. Remark
4. Actor LaBeouf
5. Ohio town
6. Olympic sport
7. Cure
8. Behave in a way that belittles
9. Shares a boundary with
10. Give advice
12. Promotional materials
14. Assist or encourage, usually in some wrongdoing
19. "Agatha All Along" actress Kathryn
23. Small piece
24. King of Camelot
25. Parts per thousand (abbr.)
26. Small Milky Way constellation
27. One who challenges authority (abbr.)
28. Equal (prefix)
29. Shawl
34. S. American wood sorrel relative
35. The end
36. Supervises interstate commerce
37. Yes vote
39. Officer of high rank
40. Church office
41. Tire pressure measurement
42. From a distance
44. Photographs
45. Industrial process
46. Nobel Prize-winning physicist
47. Map out
48. Mammary gland part of female mammal
51. Honorable title (Turkish)
52. Spongelike cake leavened with yeast
53. Speak incessantly
54. Poetry term
58. Relaxing space

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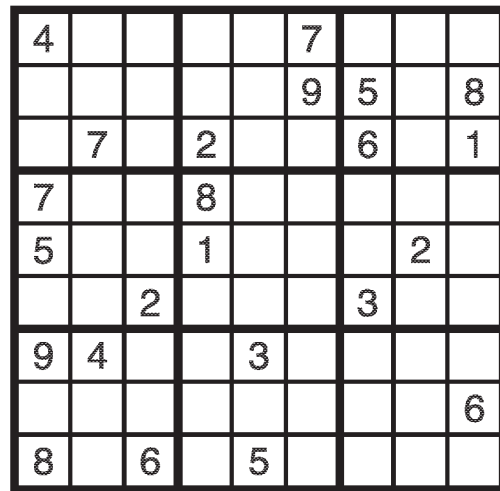
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

Answers can be found on Page 2

SUDOKU



Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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CRYPTO FUN



Solve the code to discover words related to senior safety. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 4 = I)

- A. 8 10 17 9 5 12
Clue: Caution
B. 8 9 26 4 22 24 8
Clue: Older adults
C. 10 11 4 26 11
Clue: Growing older
D. 19 22 7 4 17 12
Clue: Change or adapt

Answers: A. safety B. seniors C. aging D. modify

Recipe: Lemon cupcakes are on the menu

Cupcakes are handheld treats that can make any celebration even more spectacular. If guests expect the standard flavors of chocolate, vanilla or even red velvet, change things up with a sunny surprise: lemon!

Enjoy this recipe for "Lemon Drizzle Cupcakes" from "Jane's Patisserie" (Sourcebooks) by Jane Dunn. Anything with sweet drizzle is a hit, and these cupcakes deliver plenty of lemony flavor in every bite.

Note: Imperial measurements were approximated from the metric and may not be exact. Using a food scale set to grams and weighing ingredients will produce the most authentic version of this recipe.



ly into the cupcake cases (liners) and bake for 18 to 22 minutes

Lemon Drizzle Cupcakes

Makes 12

- Cupcakes:
150 grams (1/2 cup) butter or baking spread
150 grams (1/2 cup) caster sugar
3 eggs
150 grams (1 cup) self-raising flour
Zest of 1 lemon

- Drizzle:
Juice of 2 lemons
75 grams (5 1/2 tablespoons) caster sugar

- Lemon Buttercream:
150 grams (1/2 cup) unsalted butter, at room temperature
300 grams (2 1/4 cups) icing sugar
Juice of 1/2 lemon
Sprinkles
Lemon zest

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 180 C (350 F) and get 12 cupcake cases (liners) ready. Beat the butter with the sugar until light and fluffy. Add the eggs, self-raising flour and lemon zest and mix until combined. Spoon the mix even-

until they are baked through and springy to the touch.

Mix together the lemon juice and sugar for the drizzle in a bowl. Once the cupcakes are out of the oven, carefully spoon the drizzle over the cupcakes, then leave them to cool fully on a wire rack while you make the buttercream.

Beat the butter until smooth; this can take a couple of minutes. Add the icing sugar in two batches, beating well after each addition, then add the lemon juice and beat again.

Pipe or spread the buttercream onto your cupcakes, then sprinkle each one with some sprinkles and lemon zest.

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Exploring new approaches to combat bovine respiratory disease

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It's commonly known in the cattle industry that bovine respiratory disease is the most costly illness affecting cattle in North America.

Despite extensive research and treatment efforts over the years, it continues to lead to high rates of sickness and death among livestock, according to Samantha Howe, a post-doctoral fellow for the Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station in the animal science department. The experiment station is the research arm of the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture.

Howe received a two-year, \$225,000 U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture grant to explore the use of probiotics in bovine respiratory disease prevention.

Howe said bovine respiratory disease is estimated to be responsible for about 70 to 80 percent of feedlot illnesses, and between 40 and 50 percent of all feedlot deaths, and that those numbers have not declined in the last 45 years.

Howe's research project aims to develop probiotics derived from healthy cattle to prevent bovine respiratory disease.

"By exploring the natural microbial defenses of cattle,

this study will investigate the potential of probiotics to offer new, effective solutions to longstanding problems in animal health," Howe said. "This would benefit cattle producers by increasing the profitability and sustainability of their operations while also ensuring a safer food supply for consumers."

The research will focus on increasing cattle health and making them less prone to the disease with a microbiome-based therapeutic, or a probiotic, to decrease antimicrobial resistance. Howe expects that these probiotics will decrease the growth of opportunistic pathogens.

Common culprit in BRD

A common culprit in bovine respiratory disease is the bacteria *Mannheimia haemolytica*, which causes severe infections in the lungs of cattle. Although meat quality or safety is not compromised, cattle suffer from respiratory symptoms, have a fever and lose appetite so they do not gain weight properly.

"We have multiple causative events, but a bacterial opportunistic pathogen is present in most cases," Howe said.

Traditional methods to combat bovine respiratory disease have had limited success, Howe

said, and the rise of antibiotic-resistant strains of *M. haemolytica* makes finding new solutions even more urgent.

"There's an increased risk of antimicrobial resistance and increased consumer pressure to have an all-natural treatment method, so this research hopes to satisfy both," she said.

Innovative research on probiotics

Probiotics are beneficial bacteria that can help maintain a healthy balance of microbes in the body. The respiratory systems of healthy calves contain different bacteria than those suffering from bovine respiratory disease. Among these beneficial bacteria are species of *Corynebacterium*, which may help protect cattle from harmful pathogens like *M. haemolytica*.

Howe says her team's preliminary studies have shown that these *Corynebacterium* strains can inhibit the growth of *M. haemolytica* in lab conditions. She said this is likely due to secondary metabolites — compounds produced by the bacteria that can affect other microbes. Howe's research seeks to understand how these metabolites work and to explore other potential benefits of these probiotic bacteria.

Howe will investigate how

Corynebacterium strains could inhibit the growth of *M. haemolytica* in the lab. The research will also determine if the strains can colonize the respiratory tract, influence the immune system and prevent *M. haemolytica* from causing disease in cattle.

"I'm very passionate about my work, and it's nice to know that other people see its value," Howe said. "But I could not have done it without my adviser, Dr. Jiangchao Zhao, who taught me everything I know, and the people on my team who have helped."

Zhao was a researcher for the experiment station and a professor in the animal science department when this grant was awarded. He has worked to prevent and mitigate bovine respiratory disease since 2015 and developed nasal microbiome biomarkers to help predict the onset of bovine respiratory disease in cattle.

"The development of nasal microbiome biomarkers has provided us with valuable insights into early detection, but there is still much to be done to mitigate its impact," Zhao said. "Samantha's research into probiotics is a promising avenue that could transform our approach to disease prevention by harnessing the natural

defenses of cattle, ultimately leading to healthier herds and more sustainable practices in animal agriculture."

Howe also credited animal science professors and experiment station researchers Beth Kegley and Jeremy Powell, for their mentorship and support.

This grant is part of the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative from USDA-NIFA. The project award no. is 2024-67012-42409.

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