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BELOW: The commemorative sign marking the Lester Dent Memorial Bridge in La Plata. AUSTIN MILLER

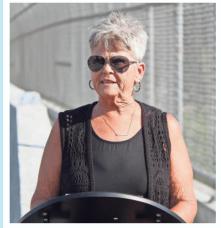


Ed Lewis speaks at the
Lester Dent Memorial
Bridge ceremony in La
Plata. AUSTIN MILLER

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Mark Lambert, a fan of Lester Dent's writing who worked to get La Plata's new bridge named after him, speaks during Friday's ceremony. AUSTIN MILLER



La Plata Mayor Lois Bragg speaks at Friday's ceremony to commemorate the Lester Dent Memorial Bridge.

La Plata names bridge after renowned author



State Senator Cindy O'Laughlin speaks at Friday's bridge commemoration in La Plata. AUSTIN MILLER

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ark Lambert was 14 years old when he first met Doc Savage. Lambert was in a pharmacy in Iowa, looking over the book selection, when "The Man in Bronze" stuck out to him. He read the blurb on the back, was fascinated by it, and bought the book. • "The Man in Bronze" was the first appearance of the character Doc Savage, a predecessor to modern superheroes. That story originally ran in a pulp magazine in 1933 — five years before Superman and six years before Batman first appeared — and many other Doc Savage stories were reprinted as paperback books decades later. • Kenneth Robeson was the credited writer for 181 Doc Savage stories. However, that was a pen name. Lester Dent, a man born and raised in La Plata, was the actual author behind most of those stories and many more.

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2020 Census data shows a more diverse Kirksville population

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Kirksville is a much more diverse town than it was a decade ago.

That was the big change in demographics coming out of the 2020 Census. The census was delayed many times due to the pandemic, with final results just being released in August. And a more multicultural Kirksville was shown in that data.

Growth in diversity

Kirksville saw a 226.7 percent increase in the number of Black residents from 2010 to 2020. A total of 389 Black residents were counted in the 2010 Census, making up 2.2 of the city's population. But in 2020, the Black population increased to 1,271, now 7.3 percent of Kirksville's total population. The census didn't include any migration data, but a large section of that growth is attributed to the influx of African people to Kirks-

ville

Additionally, the mixed-race population increased 169.5 percent, the Asian population increased 54.7 percent, those who classified their race as "other" increased 43.3 percent, and the Hispanic or Latino population increased 18.6 percent.

"As we continue to grow, we're also becoming more diverse," said Kirksville Assistant City Manager Ashley Young. "And I think that's reflective of most communities across the country that are growing. America becomes more diverse. If we continue to grow, so will Kirksville."

As a whole, the United States also showed big changes in diversity. So seeing those national trends trickle down to a city of Kirksville's size isn't surprising. And similar to other national trends, the White population decreased 10.7 percent in Kirksville. There were 16,160 White residents counted in the 2010 Census, down to 14,424 in the 2020

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An aerial shot of Kirksville taken in July 2018 shows commercial business expansion on North Baltimore Street. MISSOURI

Doing good work

Partly cloudy



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On Friday, Dent was honored by fans of his work, local and state leaders, and community members as La Plata's new Route D bridge was named in his honor as the Lester Dent Memorial Bridge.

"I discovered these books when I was 14 years old. I still read them today. I've read them my entire life and I love them," said Lambert, who is an attorney in Ames, Iowa. "To us fans, it is such an amazing thing to see our favorite author honored in this way."

Friday, Sept. 24 was selected as the ceremony's date because it is 85 years to the day that the original bridge at that location was commemorated, which Dent was a key figure at. La Plata was in need of major repairs to that bridge as it showed its age nearly a decade ago.

La Plata Mayor Lois Bragg first reached out to the Missouri Department of Transportation in April of 2014, making them aware of the serious deterioration of the bridge. She said she was told at a legislative meeting in Jefferson City that repairing La Plata's bridge wasn't a serious need and was lower on the priority list.

After La Plata residents wrote many letters and emails in favor of the "Moving Forward" tax issue that would have funded fixes, Missouri voters voted against the tax. In December of 2014, a MoDOT inspection found more deterioration of the bridge since its previous inspection and set a 20-ton weight limit. The bridge only received minor and temporary fixes after that

Then in July of 2017, La Plata was notified that the bridge was placed on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) list for 2020. The original projected cost was \$1,769,000, with most coming from federal funds. The final cost ended up being more than \$1.8 million.

Demolition of the old bridge began on Aug. 17, 2019, and the new bridge officially re-opened on March 4, 2021. The new bridge is wider with a protected pedestrian walkway.

In early 2020, discussions began in La Plata with naming the bridge in Dent's honor, spurred by Cindy Moore with the Friends for La Plata Preservation. Dent was born in 1904 in La Plata and graduated from La Plata High School in 1923, then attending Chillicothe Business College. Dent and his wife, Norma, moved back to La Plata part-time in the mid-'30s to be closer to his parents. Dent was a prevalent fixture at many La Plata events from then on.

He sponsored boxing matches on Saturday nights at La Plata's town square. He drove around in a yellow Packard convertible, with loudspeakers mounted on the front, to advertise the matches. Dent helped found the Boy Scouts chapter in 1944 and was a longtime fire



The Lester Dent Memorial Bridge in La Plata. AUSTIN MILLER

department member, purchasing the first firetruck the department had. Though he had no children of his own, Dent was a key figure to many kids and people in

And he kept writing. It is estimated that Dent wrote a 60,000-word manuscript each month until he died in 1959 at age 54 following a heart attack.

"If any one person has put La Plata, Missouri on the map, that person was Lester Dent," Bragg said. "Lester was truly a strongly moral man in all he did."

After La Plata's Board of Aldermen approved naming the bridge after Dent in 2020, Lambert later submitted the application to MoDOT. It needed legislative backing, which was given by State Senator Cindy O'Laughlin. And it needed support from relatives. Sherry Robertson, a distant cousin, and other relatives then supported the effort. And on April 6, final approval was given.

"Well, unlike a lot of politicians, I'm not here to take credit for this bridge," O'Laughlin said. "But I do think that it exemplifies how we in the rural area can get something done if we just don't take no for an answer. It's too bad we don't have 1,000 Lois Bragg's, but I want to congratulate her and I want to congratulate the community, and I'm thankful for people that live out here and believe that the rural area is important."

District 6 Rep. Ed Lewis echoed O'Laughlin's sentiments.

"This is really a testament to what your mayor has done for your community, and then also your writing

and keeping on MoDOT," Lewis said. "Those emails make a difference because when they get 100 emails, they know there are more people behind those emails. ... If there hadn't been someone like Lois and your community, the bridge would have continued to deteriorate until something happened."

Though the bridge was paid for, someone else had to pay the \$3,200 for the two signs. So Lambert organized a crowdfunding effort and fans of Dent's writing quickly covered that cost. There were Dent fans from Missouri, Minnesota, Ohio and one who drove his motorcycle to La Plata from Seattle, present at Friday's ceremony. There are many Doc Savage and Lester Dent fan clubs around the world. La Plata has also hosted several fan conventions over the years.

"I've been coming down to La Plata for over 20 years and putting flowers on Lester and Norma Dents' graves. I've been to this town a lot and I love this town," Lambert said. "So I'm really excited to be involved and helping to make this happen."

Though Sherry Robertson never got to meet her relative in person, she has continued to learn more about him through the years. She said she had to do a history report her senior year at Macon, and when she was told about her famous family member, she picked Dent as her subject.

"It's interesting that from that point to now, I'm still learning more and more about this man and all that he did for the community," Robertson said. "It's a real honor to be related to him."

Diverse

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Census. While still the majority, the White population in Kirksville decreased from 92.3 percent of the city's population in 2010 to 82.3 percent in 2020.

With a more diverse population, Young said that has created a more diverse economy and culture. New churches have opened in the last decade and different kinds of businesses have opened in the same time-frame.

"So that diversity has led to additional businesses and new community organizations — that's what makes the work to bring folks together to co-operate in a community work," Young said.

Overall growth in Kirksville

The city did see growth over the last 10 years, but not the growth most would have expected. Kirksville had a counted population of 17,505 residents in 2010. The 2020 Census counted 17,530 residents.

Adair County saw a small decline, dropping 1.1 percent from 25,607 residents in 2010 to 25,314 in 2020. Every county in northeast Missouri saw a decline, so for Kirksville to see growth is still a good sign, Young said.

"Because of all of the investments and growth and development and migration that we've seen into the city of Kirksville over the last 10 years, we were able to hold our own against demographic trends that are not working in favor of rural communities all across America," Young said.

He cited the Kraft-Heinz expansion, the construction of A.T. Still University's Missouri School of Dentistry & Oral Health, and the influx of African residents

and the big causes for growth in the last 10 years. Those occurrences worked against continued migration away from rural areas and aging populations. The city has stayed in the ballpark of 17,500 residents for the last decade.

Young also expects undercounting likely occurred since the census was taken during the pandemic.

The United States' population only grew 7.4 percent in the last 10 years, the slowest growth seen since the 1930s. And about 52 percent of all counties in the country saw declines.

Though most people would have expected a larger population increase for Kirksville, any growth is good.

"It's no secret that rural America, for decades, has been facing demographic and macroeconomic forces that have led to overall decline, in both the economies of rural America and therefore the population of rural America," Young said. "Whether that's the decline in manufacturing, the aging population, or what have you, none of that is a secret. Kirksville is a community that has weathered those storms. We've seen what happens when large industry leaves our community. Going back before that, we've seen the effects that events like the farm crisis have on our community. And right now we're seeing what lower overall birth rates 20 years ago and the effect that's having on communities, as a college town in rural America. Despite that, Kirksville is punching above its weight class.

"... We have been able to succeed in growing where so many others have failed. That's a great success and something we should celebrate. Would we all like for that growth to be higher? Would we have liked for our community to have seen more growth in our population? Of course, we would. I would also say this story isn't over. The 2020 Census is a snapshot of the makeup of our community in April 2020 — and that was a year and a half ago. We must continue to move forward with the investment and the improvement and devel-

opment of our community and our economy if we want to continue the success — however small — that we have seen, overall, in the last 10 years, particularly in terms of population."

Housing

Total housing units in Kirksville increased 5.1 percent in the last decade, moving up from 7,434 units to 7,814. Subdivisions such as Weatherstone, Lakeside Estates, The Villages and Baltimore Meadows have been created or further developed over the last 10 years. The northeast side of town saw an increase between 6 and 9 percent, with more growth expected in that area in the coming years.

But with a housing increase larger than the population increase, there was a rise in vacant units. More than 12 percent of units were vacant in 2020, up from 9.7 percent in 2010. Overall, 955 units were vacant in 2020.

Young said one likely cause in that market is the decrease in higher education enrollment in recent years. With Truman State having fewer students, more rental properties go unfilled.

A planned housing study by the city should provide a better look at the housing market in Kirksville. City officials have been planning one this year, aiming to find a better breakdown and evaluation of what needs are and what is available.

Young said the city will receive proposals from outside entities by Oct. 1. Officials will then look over the proposals, with the plan to pick one and present it to the City Council for approval on Nov. 15.

"The results of that study should provide far more insight into the preliminary and surface-level information that we have received through the 2020 Census when it comes to housing in the community," Young said.

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Kirksville Daily Express wins 3 awards

Daily Express staff

The Kirksville Daily Express won three awards from the Missouri Press Foundation's Better Newspaper Con-

The awards, which came from reporting done in 2020, were announced Saturday at the 155th Annual MPA Convention in Excelsior Springs.

The Daily Express took the top two spots for Best News or Feature Obituary in the Dailies - Class 1 group. Daily Ex-

press Editor Austin Miller's story on the passing of longtime Macon football coach Hugh Dunn took first place in the category. And Miller's reporting on the funeral of former Kirksville Chief of Police Steve Farnsworth took second place.

Additionally, Miller's profile of Sloane Totta, a four-year starter for the Truman State women's basketball team, was awarded first place in the Best Sports Feature Story Category.

Missouri elections official calling for photo ID, ballot curing laws

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JEFFERSON CITY — Missouri's top elections official is urging lawmakers to pass laws requiring photo ID to vote and changing how absentee ballots are fixed when they meet next year ahead of midterm elections.

Testifying to House and Senate committees last week, Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft said he was "throwing his support behind" legislation focused on "keeping our elections secure." Requiring a government-issued photo ID to cast a ballot has been a priority for some lawmakers in recent years, and an uptick in absentee voting last year due to COVID-19 prompted some officials to encourage further regulation of the process.

In a statement last week, Ashcroft outlined his office's priorities for election legislation when lawmakers convene in January. They include photo ID for in-person voting, "strong ID requirements" for absentee, a shift to paper ballots, eliminating "curing" (or fixing errors) on absentee ballots and several measures pertaining to voting machines and cybersecurity.

The secretary of state's push for new measures comes following the 2020 election — which Ashcroft has called the most secure in Missouri's history as well as the state's previous photo ID law being struck down by the state Supreme Court last year. Ashcroft views his new slate of proposals as preparing for the future as midterm elections approach next year.

'We want to be proactive rather than reactive." Ashcroft said. "We are not trying to enact legislation because something happened, we want to establish legislation that will prevent something from happening."

Voting rights' advocates and some lawmakers have characterized the policies past and present as attempts to disenfranchise some Missourians, specifically low-income communities, people of color and older populations, many of whom traditionally have less access to photo identification and the ballot

Missouri currently requires all voters to show some form of identification when they cast a ballot — including driver's license, utility bills, student ID, and other documents.

Ashcroft, a Republican, wants to restrict that identification to ones that are government-issued and include a photo, arguing that it would be "a great opportunity not only to secure our elections, but also to make it simpler."

In 2016, 63 percent of voters approved a constitutional amendment requiring photo ID to vote. That law eventually went to court, where the Missouri Supreme Court ruled in January 2020 that a provision of that law, which required voters to swear who they were on penalty of perjury, was "misleading," "contradictory" and unconstitutional. That returned Missouri's system to its pre-2016 method, allowing non-photo

forms of ID. The Republican-dominated legisla-

ture looked to revive the law earlier this year, citing its importance to prevent "in-person fraudulent votes" despite no evidence that there has been widespread election fraud. The effort died in the Senate.

A voter fraud investigation by Ashcroft's office completed last month found two people in St. Charles County who allegedly sent a mail-in ballot to Florida and voted in-person in Missouri, his office said in a statement.

Denise Lieberman, director and general counsel for the MO Voter Protection Coalition, told lawmakers a strict photo ID law in the Show-Me State was "patently unconstitutional," citing the Missouri Supreme Court's ruling. Lieberman, who has been involved in previous lawsuits involving voting rights and ID, threatened legal action if lawmakers pass another version of the measure.

"This has been litigated time and time again," Lieberman said. "We will file a lawsuit, it will be struck down. ... I suggest that it is folly for this committee to yet again consider legislation that it knows to be unconstitutional."

Several Republican lawmakers and Ashcroft disagreed with that sentiment, arguing that the court's 2020 decision "has not held that photo ID is unconstitutional" and that the will of the voters was to implement the pol-

Greene County Clerk Shane Schoeller also testified to the House committee last week, saying he favored photo ID because "it's much easier to make a counterfeit paper document than it is a photo ID, period."

Banning 'ballot curing'

Accounting for the pandemic, Missouri lawmakers temporarily expanded eligibility for submitting an absentee ballot, allowing all voters to send one via mail but requiring the majority to have theirs notarized. More than 28 percent of the state's voters cast ballots by mail in 2020.

The state is unlikely to return to that method, House committee chair Rep. Dan Shaul, a Republican from Imperial, said last month. Ashcroft is pushing for not only "strong ID requirements" on those absentee ballots, according to his list of priorities, but the elimination of a practice known as "ballot cur-

Election officials in some counties choose to contact voters whose ballots are filled out incorrectly or have an error and offer to help them fix them. Deputy Secretary of State Trish Vincent, who testified to a House committee last month, asked "why is it OK for an election authority to call them and say 'you didn't sign this, do you want to come and sign it?"

Democrats on the committee suggested that lawmakers instead standardize the process to allow ballot mistakes to be fixed.

Lawmakers will be able to propose new legislation on elections and voting rights in January, when they convene for their annual session.



Missouri Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft speaks during a press conference outside of the Greene County Elections Center on the first day of absentee voting on Tuesday, Sep. 22, 2020. ANDREW JANSEN/SPRINGFIELD NEWS-LEADER

Adair County records 33rd **COVID-related death as** case count nears 3,500

From the Adair County Health **Department**

The Adair County Health Department confirmed the COVID-related death of a previously reported 64year-old female. She was admitted to Boone Hospital on Sept. 2 and discharged to hospice care on Sept. 22. She passed away on Sept. 24.

There have been 12 new cases of COVID-19 confirmed since Friday. Sept. 24. The overall case count is now 3,492 with 61 active cases, 3,398 people who have left isolation, and 33

Monday's cases involve females ages 19, 27, 43, and 74, and males ages reside at addresses with at least one other positive case. One is in the higher education sector, and one is a breakthrough case.

Among the active cases as of Friday, Sept. 24, 50% were among residents ages 0 to 30, and 33% of active cases were among those in the K-12 schools

The Adair County Health Department recommends that all county residents ages 12 and older get vaccinated against COVID-19 and the Delta variant. Vaccines are easily accessible, free, and continue to demonstrate that they prevent serious illness, hospitalization, and death.

IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD: KIRKSVILLE EVENTS

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Debi Boughton, Kirksville Tourism Director, has some suggestions for enjoying time "In Your Own Backyard." For any activities, be sure to follow the CDC guidelines for health and safety. If you have ideas or suggestions email: debi.boughton@visitkirksville.com.

Thursday, Sept. 30

Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital and the Columbia Vet Center are teaming up to provide area veterans with services such as Veterans Health Administration enrollment, and counseling for post-traumatic stress disorder and military sexual trauma. Services are available from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Kirksville VA Outpatient Clinic, 506 Rosewood Drive. Through use of the Mobile Vet Center (MVC), a 37-footlong mobile resource unit, bereavement, marriage and family counseling also are available. Additional resources for Veterans through the MVC include VA benefits information and suicide prevention referrals. For more information, call 573-814-6206.

Thursday, September 30

Enjoy a free movie night outside at the Missouri Conservation Center. 3500 S. Baltimore. Disney Nature presents Wings of Life, a stunning adventure full of intrigue, drama and mesmerizing beauty beginning at 7:30

p.m. You are welcome to bring snacks and a blanket or lawn chair to sit on the grass and watch the movie. For more information call 660-785-2420

Friday, October 1

You are invited to the Missouri National Guard Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at 11:00 a.m. in the Rieger Armory, 500 S. Elson. This event is open to the public. Lt. Governor Mike Kehoe will be the keynote speaker. For more information call 660-627-1225.

Friday, October 1

The Truman State University Statesmen Marching Band performs on the Truman Quad, 100 E. Normal, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Enjoy this outdoor performance that is open to the public. For more information call 660-785-4417.

Friday, October 1

Do you love jazz? The Truman State Jazz Band performs a concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Baldwin Hall Auditorium. For more information call 660-785-4300.

Saturday, October 2

It is time for the Annual Red Barn Arts and Craft Fair in downtown Kirksville from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Enjoy arts and crafts booths, live music, entertainment, food vendors and much more. For more information call 660-665-0500.

'Momnibus' bill aims to reduce deaths for Black mothers

Kathleen Ronayne ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - California

has among the lowest death rates nationally among pregnant women and new mothers, but the numbers for Black mothers tell a different story.

They were six times more likely to die within a year of pregnancy than white women from 2014 to 2016 and had a higher rate of death than Black women nationally from 2014 to 2017, the most recent time frame for which data is available.

A bill before Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom aims to change that. Nicknamed the "Momnibus" bill, it would collect more details about pregnancyrelated deaths, diversify the experts looking at that data and require them to recommend ways to reduce racial gaps. It also would expand access to doulas and midwives, whose presence can drive better care.

"If you really want to address the issue, it is going to take a serious investment and resources, whether that means providing every Black mother a doula or really investigating what's happening when Black mothers die," said Jen Flory, policy advocate for the Western Center on Law and Poverty, which supports the bill.

Newsom backed past efforts to improve care for Black pregnant women by requiring implicit bias training for health care workers involved in perinatal care, and he's made support for women and mothers a priority for his administration. But his Department of Finance opposes the bill because the \$6.7 million price tag for expanded data collection wasn't included in the state budget.

Among wealthy nations, the United States ranks poorly in maternal death rates, and California's effort is part of a



Mashariki Kudumu, maternal and infant health director for the March of Dimes in Los Angeles, talks about her work to improve outcomes for Black women and babies Sunday in Los Angeles. RICHARD VOGEL/AP

national push to improve outcomes. During his campaign, President Joe Biden lauded California's efforts to reduce deaths, and in April he proclaimed Black Maternal Health Week.

There are two ways to track deaths: The maternal mortality rate, used globally, counts deaths during pregnancy and within 42 days of giving birth. The pregnancy-related mortality rate, used in California and some other states, tracks deaths within a year of giving birth. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention looks at both, though data lags and isn't available to compare across states for the latter measure.

Earlier this month, the California Department of Public Health released a report tracking California's outcomes from 2008 to 2016. Maternal deaths within a year of pregnancy hit a low in 2012, with fewer than 10 per 100,000 live births. It ticked up to about 14 deaths in 2016, slightly behind the national rate of

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Kacey Musgraves, 'star-crossed' (out now)

Just two years after taking home the album of the year Grammy for her no-skips masterpiece "Golden Hour," the genre-defying singer is back with an even more sonically adventurous new effort, inspired by her recent divorce from singer-songwriter Ruston Kelly. The gorgeously introspective album is structured like a Greek tragedy and pulls from elements of country, Spanish folk and psychedelic pop-rock, as Musgraves mourns the dissolution of a marriage in the modern era. Try not to cry listening to the evocative and tender "Camera Roll." about reliving the joys, pains and regrets of a relationship through one's smartphone. – Patrick Ryan

Carly Pearce, '29: Written in Stone' (out now)

The third album from the country darling (and new member of the Grand Ole Opry) is all about catharsis. "I've always been an artist who wrote from her life," Pearce told USA TODAY. "Other artists might shy away from things, but that's not who I am and through the (album) process, I found a lot of therapeutic moments." Pearce, who got a divorce last year and lost her longtime friend and producer, Busbee, to cancer in 2019, started working on the album during quarantine and finished it shortly before hitting the road with Lady A in July. "I felt I had to close that chapter for my own mental health," she said. – Melissa Ruggieri

Lil Nas X, 'Montero' (out now)

The "Old Town Road" breakout has proven himself a marketing genius, consistently making headlines and ruffling feathers for his wildly original music videos: twerking on the devil after pole-dancing into hell in "Montero (Call Me By Your Name)" and dancing naked in a prison shower room in "Industry Baby." The songs peaked at No. 1 and 2 on the Billboard

Hot 100 chart, respectively, with more hits surely on the way on his formal debut album, featuring topshelf collaborators including Elton John, Megan Thee Stallion, Doja Cat and Miley Cyrus. – Ryan

Mickey Guyton, 'Remember Her Name' (out now)

Though she received deserved accolades for her 2020 EP, "Bridges" and the notable singles "What Are You Gonna Tell Her?" and "Black Like Me," it still seems unbelievable that this is Guyton's debut album. Songs such as the piano-laced twanger "All American" and the soaring title track showcase Guyton's potency as a vocalist and insight as a writer. - Rug-

Nao, 'And Then Life Was Beautiful' (out now)

The silky-voiced British singer and new mom brings her signature mix of funk and R&B to third album "And Then Life Was Beautiful," featuring guests Lianne La Havas and Serpentwithfeet. "I do think it's a hopeful album, in an honest way," Nao, who has written for Nile Rodgers and Ariana Grande, said in a statement. "It's not shiny or all 'isn't this great!' and 'party party party.' " - Ryan

Brandi Carlile, 'In These Silent Days' (Oct. 1)

In an April interview with USA TO-DAY, Carlile promised "over-the-top" vocals and a "new level of drama" on her upcoming seventh album, the singer-songwriter's first since 2018's Grammy-winning "By the Way, I Forgive You." The album is preceded by stirring lead single "Right on Time," accompanied by a Bowie-esque video directed by Carlile's friend Courteney Cox. - Ryan

Lady Gaga & Tony Bennett, 'Love for Sale' (Oct. 1)

The unlikely duo made magic on their 2014 standards album "Cheek to

Cheek," showcasing a then-unknown side of Gaga's wide musical palette. Now the pop star, 35, and Bennett, 95, have reunited for one more dual effort: a Cole Porter tribute album featuring duets of classics including "It's De-Lovely" and "I Get a Kick Out of You." The release comes on the heels of two rousing and emotional concerts the artists performed together at New York's Radio City Music Hall, which were later revealed to be the last-ever live shows for Bennett, who is battling Alzheimer's. – Ryan

James Blake, 'Friends That Break Your Heart' (Oct. 8)

Following last year's stellar "Covers" EP, featuring his haunting takes on Billie Eilish and Frank Ocean. Blake returns with mesmerizing fifth album "Friends That Break Your Heart." Anchored by the hypnotic production that has made Blake an in-demand collaborator for Bevoncé and Kendrick Lamar, the 12-track effort also includes a new team-up with SZA, "Coming Back," a perfect match between two of the most stunning vocalists working today. - Ryan

Coldplay, 'Music of the Spheres' (Oct. 15)

Though they'd indicated retirement following the release of 2015's "A Head Full of Dreams" - which they subsequently followed with 2019's alt-rock leaning "Everyday Life" -Coldplay has again made a musical U-turn. Working with producer Max Martin, the band has finally created its long-gestating space-themed record, steered by effusive first single "Higher Power." – Ruggieri

Young Thug, 'Punk' (Oct. 15)

The Kanye West and Childish Gambino collaborator returns with second album "Punk," following his "Slime Language 2" compilation with rapper Gunna earlier this year. The new-wave rapper gets real about relationships and his difficult past on ad-

dictive lead single "Tick Tock," much in line with the more personal music he's teased in interviews with Rolling Stone and The Fader. – *Ryan*

Duran Duran, 'Future Past' (Oct. 22)

Not many expected the Duran Duran resurgence that came with their self-titled 1993 album (also referred to as "The Wedding Album") that spawned "Ordinary World" and "Come Undone." But don't be surprised if they again court a new generation – four decades into a career that blossomed during MTV's '80s hevday - with their 15th studio album. Newest single "Anniversary," with its signature bass lines and whizzing synths, heralds a return to Duran domination. - Ruggieri

Elton John, 'The Lockdown Sessions' (Oct. 22)

If you're intrigued by Sir Elton's musical marriage with Dua Lipa who somehow knitted "Sacrifice" and "Rocket Man" into the intriguing "Cold Heart (Pnau Remix)" - then wait until you hear his other collaborations. Recorded last year - some sessions over Zoom and others in socially distanced studios - the 16 tracks reflect John's continued diverse musical interests as he teams with Miley Cyrus, Stevie Nicks, Lil Nas X, Stevie Wonder and Nicki Minaj, among other noteworthy names. - Ruggieri

ABBA, 'Voyage' (Nov. 5)

What? Only 40 years since your last album? What have you been doing, ABBA? Benny Andersson says the upcoming album is called "Voyage" because "we're truly sailing in uncharted waters." Look, just include a reprise of "Voulez-Vous" in that concert and we'll forgive not hearing from you in four decades. Aside from the Broadway musical. And the movies. And every karaoke night on the planet. – *Ruggieri*

Filth threatens early end to rekindled relationship



Dear Abby Jeanne Phillips

Dear Abby: I recently got back in touch with an old flame from 12 years ago. We never dated in the past because he was an alcoholic and not in a good place. A month ago, he added me on Snapchat, and we picked up right where we left off. He has been sober for three years, has a steady job, a house and a good support system. We spend hours on the phone and have a lot in common. I was excited to see if our friendship would evolve into something more, and he also wanted to see if we could be more than friends.

Abby, I went over to his house and it is filthy. It's not cluttered, just dirty - like it needs a very good deep cleaning. He has a large dog in the house, so the place smells very bad. I wouldn't sit down on any of the furniture, and I couldn't wait to get out of there. What do I do? Do I tell him how I feel about his house and see if he's willing to change, or must I end the relationship we are starting to build? I don't want to settle, but I

don't want to miss out on what could turn into a wonderful relationship.

– Put Off in Iowa

Dear Put Off: It is entirely possible that this man doesn't realize how dirty his home, furniture and dog have become because he is used to living that way. You have no choice but to tell him he needs a cleaning crew for his home on a regular basis, and his dog needs to be bathed and groomed regularly for the sake of the health of the animal. If he's willing to listen to you, it could turn into a wonderful relationship. If he isn't, it's better to find out now, don't you think?

Dear Abby: I recently began talking to this woman online. We met on an app and have a lot in common, including that our fathers have had or currently have cancer. One night we got into a discussion about depression. I mentioned that in the past I have been suicidal, and she admitted she has felt that way, too. She tells me she thinks about ending her life a lot. I've told her about suicide hotlines and numbers to text some-

The other night, she said she had started writing her suicide note. She wants to die after her father and her cats die. I'm trying to help her, but it's like she doesn't want my help. She has my number, and I urge her to text me whenever she needs to. We don't live close, so I

can't just go to her house and check on her. If she does take her life, I don't know how I could go on, feeling I didn't do more to help her. I don't know what to do any-

– Don't Know What to Do

Dear Don't Know: You have given this woman a willing ear, emotional support and information that can help her if she chooses to use it. You have NOTH-ING to feel guilty about. In the final analysis, the person who must "save" her is herself. Continue to offer support from afar. Give her the toll-free number of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, 1-800-273-8255. Your conscience should be clear. For your own sake, please keep it that way.

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Good advice for everyone – teens to seniors – is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for \$8 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Shipping and handling are included in the price.)

Recycle plastic containers



Hints From Heloise

Dear Heloise: When we have company over, we often have finger foods and dipping sauces. Instead of buying fancy little dishes for the dipping sauces, I reuse yogurt and pudding containers. I remove any paper labels they have on them, wash them and reuse them. When they have seen enough use and need to be replaced, I just toss them in the recycle bin for pickup

– Jean T., Derby, Connecticut

Dear Heloise: Your recipe for spicy meatballs was a big hit with my father-in-law the last time he came for a visit. Would you reprint that recipe for me so I can make it for his visit?

– Kelly D., Provo, Utah

Kelly: This is my own version of Swedish meatballs. You'll need:

- 2 cups breadcrumbs
- ½ cup milk
- 8 ounces ground beef
- 8 ounces sausage meat (spicy)
- ½ teaspoon onion powder ½ teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt
- 1 teaspoon soy sauce

5 ounces canned sliced water chestnuts, chopped Mix the breadcrumbs and milk in a large bowl. Add all other ingredients and mix well. Roll the meat mix into 1½-inch balls and place on an ungreased, rimmed cookie sheet close together (these shrink when cooked, so you can really crowd them). Bake at 350 degrees until well done and golden brown (about 30 minutes). Remove from the oven and drain on paper tow-

els. Serve with Jelly Sauce. Jelly Sauce

Bill

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almost 17 deaths. Using the maternal mortality rate, California ranked only behind Illinois for lowest death rates in 2019.

But the rate for Black women was far higher. From 2014 to 2016 in California, about 56 Black women died per 100,000 live births, compared to 13 Asians, 11 Latinas and fewer than 10 whites. Nationally, Black women died at a rate of nearly 42 per 100,000 live births from 2014 to 2017. California's Black women died at six times the rate of white women, up from three times the rate in 2008.

'The reality is there is a disparity between Black and white women, and it's not getting better," said Kimberly D. Gregory, director of maternal fetal medicine at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles and former member of the California's pregnancy surveillance committee.

The committee plans to release data on pregnancyrelated deaths through 2020 by next year. It relies on grant funding.

The bill before Newsom aims to write the committee into state law and strengthen its data collection and duties. It would require the committee to have 13 members, including doctors, midwives, doulas and community advocates and would include a tribal representative. Most of its current members are doctors.

The committee would investigate every maternal death and allow for voluntary interviews of family members to better understand what happened. The committee would have to publish its findings and recommendations every three years. It would also look into pregnancy-related deaths among LGBTQ people.

"We can make better decisions about prevention, intervention, systems changes, not only at the hospital level but at the community level," said Mashariki Kudumu, director of maternal and infant health initiatives for the March of Dimes, Greater Los Angeles, which is a cosponsor of the bill. "What comes with diverse and different perspectives are better changes to systems that improve care."

Equal portions of grape jelly and cocktail (red shrimp) sauce

In a medium sauce pan, combine the grape jelly and cocktail sauce. Stirring constantly, cook over a low heat until bubbling. Remove from heat and pour over meatballs.

Looking for another easy recipe to make that will have people begging for your secret to a great meal? You'll find more tasty recipes in my pamphlet "Heloise's Main Dishes and More." To get a copy, go to www.Heloise.com or send \$3, along with a stamped, self-addressed long envelope to: Heloise/Main Dishes, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. You'll be glad you have this handy pamphlet of information and recipes at your fingertips.

Dear Heloise: Some of my salt and pepper shakers

have little corks to plug up the bottom of the shaker. Over time the corks would shrink as they dried up or would get lost or become brittle and break. To plug up the hole on the bottom of the shakers, I just used a soft foam-rubber earplug to replace the cork. It's so easy to insert and remove.

– Patsy L., Aldine, Indiana

Dear Heloise: Should I refrigerate peanut butter after opening the jar?

- Jack H., Redfield, S.D.

Jack: We called a manufacturer, and they told us unused or open jars do best when stored at room temperature. However, some people feel safer if they refrigerate their peanut butter. Temperature fluctuation hot or cold – can change the peanut butter, but it's still safe to eat.

Heloise

Obituaries

TODAY'S OBITUARIES AND DEATH NOTICES

Age Town, State **Death Date Arrangements**

05-Aug Travis-Noe Funeral Home of Kirksville *Gordon, Ruth Edith (Egan) Green Castle *Reardon, Martha Jean (Marty) Edina 24-Sep Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home

* Additional information in display obituaries Obituaries appear in print and online at legacy.com/obituaries/kirksvilledailyexpress

Ruth Edith (Egan) Gordon

GREEN CASTLE, MO

- Passed away Thursday, August 5, 2021 at Kirksville Manor Care.

Born July 25, 1939 in St. Louis, Missouri, Ruth was the daughter of Paul J. and Edith Louise (Rader) Egan. She married William Gordon on September 14, 1957 in St. Louis, Missouri, who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by one brother, Paul J. Egan Jr., and two sisters, Rose Emmons, and Hannah Schaar.

Ruth is survived by one son, Will Gordon of Kirksville, MO, and one daughter, Amy Gordon of Chicago, IL.

Ruth worked as a legal secretary for many years for law firms. She was a lifelong gardener who obtained a certified master gardener status in her sixties. Ruth was also an avid reader and enjoyed jigsaw puzzles.

It was Ruth's wish to be cremated and no service be held. Arrangements were taken care of by Travis-Noe Funeral Home of Kirksville.



Martha Jean (Marty) Reardon

EDINA - Martha Jean (Marty) Reardon, age 85, of Edina, MO passed away Friday, September 24, 2021, in the Knox County Nursing Home in Edina, MO. She was born in Kansas City, KS, on March 5, 1936, the daughter of George and Pauline Poage Kersten.

She was united in marriage to S.R. Shorty Stauffer on September 25, 1965 and he preceded her in death on August 8, 1982. On January 12, 1985 she was married to James Joseph Reardon and he preceded her in death on August 23, 2018. Marty was also preceded by her parents.

Surviving are two children Randy (Karen) Sade of Columbia, MO, and Nancy Schlichting of Columbia, MO, two step sons, David (Lena) Reardon of Novinger, MO, and John (Julie) Reardon of Kahoka, MO, two grandchildren, Michael and Nicholas Sade of Columbia, MO, three step grandchildren, Eric, Emily and Vivian Reardon, brother-in-law and sister-in-law Jack and Nancy Reardon of Edina, MO, and sister-in-law Dorothy Gibbons of Edina, MO.

Marty graduated from Southeast High School in Kansas City, MO. She resided for a time in Taylor, MO where she was a bookkeeper for Stauffer Trucking. She later moved to Baring, MO and was employed at the Citizens Bank in Edina as a bank teller. She was employed also a clerk for Stauffer Auction. Marty was a member of the County Liners 4-H and Willing workers of Greensburg, MO. She was a member of St. Aloysius Catholic Church, St. Aloysius Parish Council and St. Aloysius Altar Society. Marty loved reading and

Mass of Christian burial will be held 10 a.m. Friday, October 1, 2021, at the St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Baring, MO. Father Simeon Etonu will officiate the services. Burial will be in Park View Memorial Gardens in Kirksville, MO. Music will be provided by Brent Karhoff, Katie and Maggie

Casket bearers will be Joe Delaney, Ben Delaney, Raymond Burkholder, Harlan Burkholder, Les Cardwell and Evan Cardwell.

A prayer service will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, September 30, 2021, with visitation following till 8 p.m. in the Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home in Edina, MO.

Memorials are suggested to St. Aloysius Altar Society and may be mailed or left at Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1, Edina, MO 63537.

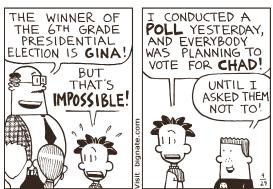


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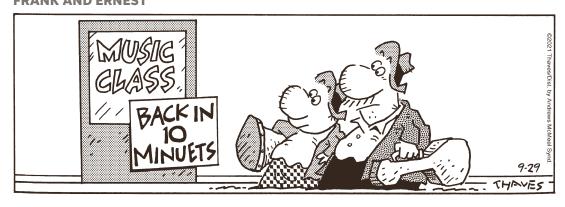




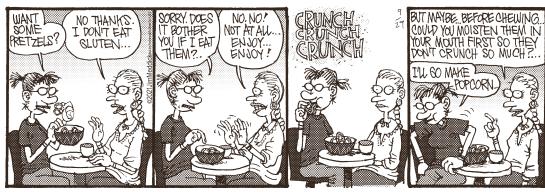
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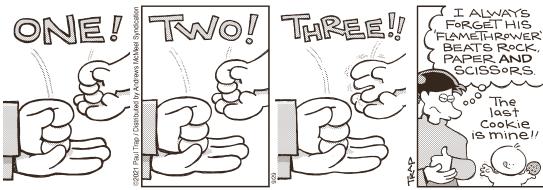
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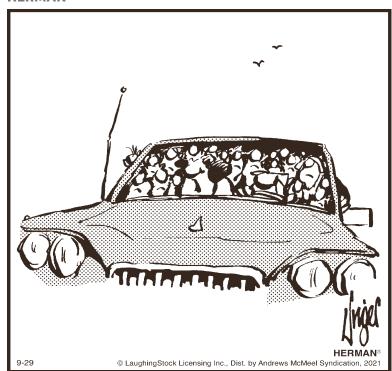
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"You said we could get a bigger car when the triplets were born."

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Aries (March 21-April 19): Pick your target and stay on track. Refuse to let matters distract you. A disciplined approach to your pursuits will help you overcome an intrusion you encounter. ☆☆ **Taurus** (April 20-May 20): Don't let what others do rule your life. When uncertainty sets in, consider what you want to do instead of letting others call the shots. . ☆☆☆☆

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Invest in your ability to lead the way. Show your dedication by leaving nothing to chance and striving to reach your target without an emotional stumble. ☆☆☆

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Let your mind wander and your instincts take over. Step out of the line of fire if someone unjustly targets

you. Know when to speak up. ☆☆☆ Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Take care of what matters without complaining. Refrain from making changes that aren't necessary. Pitch in and

help a friend or relative going through uncertain times. ☆☆☆ Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A mix-up will occur if you let your emotions spin out of control. Put an emphasis on how you present who you are and what you have to offer. ☆☆☆☆

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't react prematurely. Let others do as they please, and you'll discover the best way to fit into a situation that is causing you concern. $\Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow$

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Keep emotions in check, and take better care of yourself emotionally and physically. Do something that brings you joy and satisfaction. ☆☆☆☆

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Fix up your surroundings, but don't go over budget. Use your intelligence, and you will find ways to work with what you have. ☆☆☆ Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Premature actions will cause emotion-

al turmoil. Rethink your plans; you'll find cheaper ways to improve your life without upsetting loved ones or taking on debt. ☆☆☆ Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Keep life simple; know when to say no, and don't make an unnecessary change because someone else does. Put your energy into personal improvement. ☆☆☆

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Make a couple of changes based on the information you gather, and it will be easier to finish what you start without facing opposition. \approx \ap

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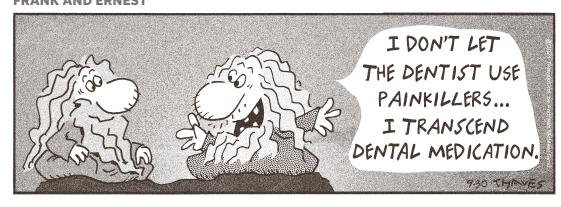
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"I'll let you decide, but they said the electricity will be off for at least an hour."

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Aries (March 21-April 19): You'll need to muster up discipline if you want to finish what you start. Refuse to let someone lead you astray with a tempting offer. ☆☆

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Don't mix business with pleasure. Someone will use emotional tactics to throw you off guard. Stand your ground, and follow through with your plans. ☆☆☆☆

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Take your time and do things right the first time. Ask for an extension if it will help you outdo expectations. Plan to network with people who inspire you. ☆☆☆☆ Cancer (June 21-July 22): Get involved in events and activities that

are creative and give you the chance to explore something that satisfies you. ☆☆☆ **Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): Spending without a purpose will lead to regret. Be smart in the way you run your house, and intelligently

handle those looking for a handout. ☆☆☆ Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a break and reevaluate. A slight adjustment can make a big difference in the way you handle others.

Refuse to let anyone put undue pressure on you. ☆☆☆☆ Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Pay attention to how and what you do. Taking care of your responsibilities and paying attention to detail will help alleviate a run-in with someone demeaning. ☆☆

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Less waffling and more action will resolve pending issues. An innovative approach will help you pursue the changes required to reach your target. ☆☆☆☆☆ **Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take care of money matters before it's too late. Not having a realistic view of how much cash flow is

available will lead to expenditures you cannot afford. ☆☆☆ Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Stop, look and listen. Impulsive action will be your downfall. Investigate the ins and outs of a situation before you get involved. ☆☆☆

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Set rules and abide by regulations. Stay focused on what you are trying to achieve, and make your money stretch rather than going over budget. ☆☆☆

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Preparation will make the difference between achieving what you set out to do and surpassing your expectations. Love and romance are in the stars. ☆☆☆☆☆

SPORTS

Kirksville defense asserts itself

Tigers take shutout win over Marshall

Austin Miller

Kirksville Daily Express USA TODAY NETWORK

The "bend but don't break" defensive philosophy usually looks to negate big plays.

In Friday's meeting with Marshall, Kirksville's defense took that mindset on with defending short-yardage situations in their own red zone. Kirksville's offense had a tough go, and turning the ball over when going for it on fourth down in their own territory didn't do the defense any favors.

But the Tiger defense was resolute, making four red-zone stops in the second half to keep Marshall out of the end zone, with the Tigers winning 14-0.

"Outstanding, outstanding, outstanding. They were awesome; they played amazing," said Kirksville coach Kevin Krietemeyer of his team's defense. "I'm so proud of those guys. ... That was a great defensive stand by our kids."

"Just like many times before where our offense has helped our defense, we wanted to give back to that. So our defense helped our offense today, especially in the red zone when we were going for it on fourth down," said senior defensive back John Behnen. "Our coach had enough trust in us and the defense to keep the offense out to go for it."

A wet and rainy night made for sloppy offense on both sides, but Kirksville (3-2) couldn't get much going. The Tiger ground game didn't manage a lot, with Marshall's linebackers doing a good job of plugging gaps up the middle. So



Kirksville running back Drew Chrisman carries an 11-yard touchdown run during the second quarter of the Tigers' 14-0 win over Marshall on Friday. AUSTIN MILLER

Kirksville's defense took the heat of the kitchen all night.

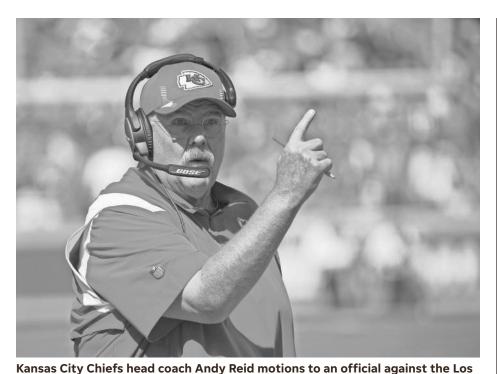
Marshall (0-5) came out of halftime, down 6-0, with a 10-minute drive. Kirksville turned them away and took over on their own 17-yard line. Again, Kirksville tried to chip away yards. The

Tigers — along with the sidelines and stands — thought they had a first down on a scramble from quarterback Ike Danielson, but he was ruled inches short. So Krietemeyer went for it on fourth and short, but the ensuing snap went over Danielson's head for a big

loss.

The Owls took over on Kirksville's 18yard line but didn't do anything with the field position. But neither could Kirksville's offense when it got the ball back.

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Angeles Chargers during the first half at GEHA Field at Arrowhead Stadium.

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Chiefs coach Andy Reid released from hospital

ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Chiefs coach Andy Reid was released from the hospital Monday after he felt ill and was taken by ambulance to be treated for dehydration following their 30-24 loss to the Los Angeles Chargers.

Chiefs spokesman Ted Crews said that Reid was "in great spirits" and that he planned to visit the practice facility later in the day or Tuesday. In the meantime, Chiefs coordinators Steve Spagnuolo and Eric Bieniemy ran the Monday film reviews.

"He's doing well," Crews said. "You guys know him almost as well as me and he's chomping at the bit."

Reid coached the duration of the game on Sunday, which was played in unseasonably warm temperatures that topped 90 degrees. He also addressed the team in the locker room afterward, then was examined by the Chiefs medical staff before the decision was made to send him to The University of Kansas Hospital for testing and observation.

The 63-year-old Reid is expected to coach Sunday when the Chiefs visit Philadelphia.

"I'm just looking forward to him getting back in the building," Bieniemy said

The Chiefs did not provide any details about Reid's illness, but quarterback Patrick Mahomes said his coach "seemed fine on the sideline" and that he "came in and talked to us and seemed fine" after the game.

Asked what Reid said afterward, running back Clyde Edwards-Helaire replied, "Pretty much it's not going to be over the top as far as him getting on us. We know what we did wrong. We know what we need to get corrected."

"He came and told us – it's not necessarily going to be all right, but it's things that we can get fixed that can make it all right. That's what we need to go in and handle tomorrow. That's what it is," Edwards-Helaire added. "Watch the film tonight, see what we can get corrected, come in tomorrow and handle our business."

Truman football makes top 25; Schrader named GLVC player of the week

Austin Miller

Kirksville Daily Express

Truman football is already off to a great start this week following a big weekend.

The Bulldogs (4-0) not only jumped into the top 25 of Division II football teams, but running back Cody Schrader picked up another big award.

After beating No. 12 Tiffin on the road Saturday, 38-35, Truman appears in this week's rankings at No. 18. Tiffin then fell out of the top 25.

Truman is the lone GLVC team in the rankings this week and the only unbeaten team in the conference. After back-to-back losses to Tiffin and Ohio Dominican, Indianapolis fell out of the rankings with a 2-2 record.

Schrader ran for 132 yards and two touchdowns in Saturday's win. The Bulldogs scored two touchdowns in the final 3 minutes to go ahead. Quarterback Nolan Hair connected with Dante Ruffin for a score with 3:29 left.

Then Schrader scored on a threeyard touchdown with 26 seconds left to secure Truman's victory. For that ef-



Truman State running back Cody Schrader breaks a run against Hillsdale on Saturday, Sept. 18. AUSTIN MILLER

fort, he was selected as the GLVC's Offensive Player of the Week. It is the second time he has won that award this season.

Through four games, Schrader is averaging 158.5 rushing yards per game, those most of any player in the GLVC. His 634 total rushing yards are the second-most of any player in the country.

The Bulldogs are home again this Saturday, hosting Lindenwood (2-2) at 6 p.m. The Lions won the GLVC title in 2010

LOCAL ROUNDUP

Austin Miller

Kirksville Daily Express USA TODAY NETWORK

Sept. 25

High school softball

Atlanta Tournament

Atlanta Tournamen

La Plata 8, Atlanta 1
La Plata - Won tournament; Olivia Coy, WP, 11 Ks, 0 ER; Claire Coy, 3B, 2 RBI.
Atlanta - Abbie Farmer, LP, 12 Ks, 3 ER.
Atlanta 18, Bevier 2 F/5
Atlanta 18, Linn Co. 0 F/3
La Plata 15, Novinger 5
La Plata 12, Westran 0

Chillicothe Tournament

Chillicothe 14, Macon 1 F/4 Savannah 5, Macon 3 Macon 4, Cameron 1 Macon 6, Penney 2 Savannah 9, Putnam Co. 4 Putnam Co. 9, Oak Grove 2 Cameron 2, Putnam Co. 1

Nan Carter Tournament

North Platte 10, Milan 1 South Harrison 4, Milan 3 Trenton 9, Milan 0

High school volleyball

Kirksville @ Smith-Cotton Tournament Kirksville 1, Smith-Cotton 1 (23-25,

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Fall foliage forecast: It's time to start leaf-peeping

Morgan Hines

USA TODAY

It is officially autumn 2021, and that means it's time to talk about fall foliage. This year, you can expect a warm array of colors offering travelers the opportunity to pack up and head to areas cast in beautiful hues as the weather chills.

"The classic foliage drive is really the most time-honored tradition," Jim Salge, Yankee Magazine's foliage expert and a former meteorologist at Mount Washington in New Hampshire, told USA TODAY. "Getting cider donuts and enjoying a country road."

But how foliage turns varies each year depending on weather, meaning the tradition of leaf-peeping is subject to a changing timeline and some peepers may want to explore different re-

"Normal weather brings about the best foliage because the trees are used to the prevailing climate that they grow in. Areas that experienced close to normal weather will experience the best color," Salge said.

As a result, Salge believes Eastern Colorado and the Midwest will have the best shows in the country given those regions experienced the "closest to normal weather."

Here's a breakdown of how the foliage will change across the U.S.:

The northeast will see a 'punch of vibrant but short-lived color'

Salge said that even if there are warm and wet periods this fall, far northern regions are still showing drought. Strong cold fronts and cool breaks in the weather will likely cause dry forests to transform into brighter hues earlier than normal.

'This means that a bright punch of vibrant but short-lived color should arrive across New England's northern tier in late September," Salge said.

When Hurricane Henri came ashore in New England, the northern part remained untouched but the southern part of the region was plagued by tropical weather.

"For central and southern New England, which are well-watered, the setup for autumn remains encouraging, despite the pockets of insect damage and a lingering potential for rainfall-fed fungus growth."

Typically, fall tones tend to last long-



Typically, fall tones tend to last longer after a wet summer. MORGAN HINES/USA TODAY

er after a wet summer. "Combining that with a forecast for continued warmth, we expect a season in central and southern New England that is either on time or later than historical averages," Salge said.

Normal peak extends over six weeks, typically a large majority of the region will reach the height of fall color range around the weekend of October 10th. The south coast of Connecticut and Rhode Island won't peak until later, near the end of the month or in early November, a little later than average.

Salge expects the peak to come from the north, sliding south and down to the coast through October in New England.

Outside of the northeast, Salge has a range of predictions.

Mid-Atlantic and New York will be 'abruptly bright'

In the Mid-Atlantic and New York, he said a hot and dry summer and an expectation for higher temperatures into fall, will lead to a later change in color that is normal, brief and "abruptly bright." In New York State, the forecast varies a bit. Salge said it should be bright, timely and beautiful especially in the Catskills.

Southeast to have a brief foliage show

In the Southeast, drought is "a concern" for the southern part of the Appalachians, typically known for its foliage, according to Salge. With tropical downpours having occurred and autumn rain

expected to be more than normal with higher temperatures, the peak time for foliage is trending toward normal, usually falling between October and November and depending on terrain and elevation, but the show will be brief.

Midwest forecast to have 'banner' year for foliage

In the upper part of the Midwest, near The Great Lakes, the forests are in good health after a spring and summer with little drought.

"We expect a banner foliage vear in states like Wisconsin and Michigan, with the western drought being more of a concern in Minnesota," Salge said.

Eastern Colorado is the 'pick of the region' for leaf-peeping

And in the Mountain West, colors are expected to turn early for a short period. Eastern Colorado will be "the pick of the region" for leaf color change.

Pacific Northwest is hard to predict

Meanwhile, in the Pacific Northwest, Salge said it has been hard to predict what the "autumn show" will be like after experiencing "a summer that's so far outside its climate averages."

Planning your foliage festivities

NewEngland.com, the webspace for Yankee Magazine, and SmokyMountains.com both have fall foliage maps and resources at the ready for travelers hoping to start planning.

Individual states have foliage forecast tools, too.

Vermontvacation.com offers a weekly email with forecast updates for subscribers and MaineFoliage.com offers a newsletter.

But it goes beyond the colors of the season.

"Foliage in New England is beautiful every year, but it's the traditions and experiences of fall that really make the season special," Salge said. "We can't wait for fairs and apple picking and all things pumpkin."

Hiking, bike riding and paddling are popular foliage viewing activities, too, that have only become more popular with the pandemic.

Football

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The Tigers finally had a decent drive near the end of the fourth quarter, with Danielson connecting with Jaden Ballinger on fourth down for a 27-yard score. It was negated by a penalty and Kirksville moved back to fourth and long.

Kirksville went for it, and Marshall, knowing they needed about 20 yards, played at the sticks. But junior Drew Chrisman broke open down the field for a 32-yard reception. That big conversion then set the Tigers up for a 4-yard scoring run from Landon Yardley.

"I had to go up the middle of the field, split the two safeties, and our QB, Ike

Danielson, just threw me a great ball over the shoulder," said Chrisman, who scored an 11-yard rushing touchdown in the second quarter for the Tigers' only other score. "... It's a lot more tough (in that situation). They know we're trying go deep with the pass, but Ike Danielson gave me a great ball."

Danielson had a tough night statistically, throwing three costly interceptions in the second quarter — all taken away by Marshall's Christian Tatum. One was a deep ball intended for Behnen in the end zone and another came with the Tigers in the red zone. But Krietemeyer took responsibility for those interceptions.

"That's bad playcalling by me, trying to force some balls deep. We shouldn't have done that," Krietemeyer said. "He

throws those interceptions and then starts second-guessing himself, but it's not his fault. That's my fault for making terrible, terrible playcalls."

Kirksville's offense finished with 289 Danielson and 40 rushing yards from Yardley making most of that. But when the defense holds the opponent to 159 total yards, that's a good night.

Having to make that many shortvardage stops is tough on any defense, but the Tiger unit built confidence with each stop it got.

"It kept giving us more confidence," Behnen said. "It built us up as a team, so the next time we went out there, we were more and more confident we were going to get a stop. I tell you what, that was a great team win."

Behnen came away with both of Kirksville's forced turnovers. He and senior lineman Owen Fraser knocked the ball loose from Marshall running back Isaac Jackson in the second quartotal yards, with 139 passing yards from ter, with Behnen picking it up. And he intercepted a tipped pass in the final minute to seal the deal. Behnen had plenty of room to take it to the house, but he tripped over his own feet, joking afterward that the turf monster grabbed

> "I tell you what, catching the interception felt great. Not scoring the touchdown hurt a little bit, but it was great. All 11 guys helped on that win," Behnen said.

> Now Kirksville's defense steps up for its toughest test of the season, heading to Hannibal next Friday night. The Pirates (6-0) beat Mexico 48-21 on Friday.

Roundup

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25-14)Kirksville 2, Sweet Springs 0 (25-16, Kirksville 2, Cole Camp 0 (25-18, 25-18) Santa Fe 2, Kirksville 0 (25-22, 25-13) Sept. 25

High school football

Scotland Co. 52, Salisbury 14

Scotland - Hayden Long, 190 rushing yards, 3 TDs; Alex Long, 111 rushing yards, 3 TDs; Riley Small, 1 rushing TD.

North Shelby 52, Knox County 14

Knox - Braxton McCurren, 2 TDs.

Putnam Co. 20, Princeton 14

Putnam - Jake Rouse, 173 rushing yards; Blaine Perkins, 89 rushing yards.

Brookfield 32, Macon 28

No stats reported.

Trenton 18, Milan 14

Milan - Deric Doporto, 153 rushing yards, TD; Ahmet Niasse, 14 tackles.

Kansas City East Christian 24, Schuyler Co. 20

No stats reported.

High school softball

Atlanta 10, Linn Co. 0

Atlanta - Kaidyn Watson, 2B, 2 RBI; Mati Pinkston, 3B, RBI; Makaila Teter, 3B, HR,

Schuyler Co. 15, Novinger

No stats reported.

College women's soccer

Truman 1, Missouri-St. Louis 0

Truman - Faith Branson, goal.

College men's soccer

Missouri-St. Louis 1, Truman 0

College volleyball

Missouri S&T 3, Truman 0 (25-16,

25-22, 25-23)

Sept. 23

High school softball

Kirksville 5, Moberly 0

Kirksville - Sophie Stuart, WP, 13 Ks, 3 hits allowed; Maren Behne, 2 RBI.

Palmyra 3, Macon 2

Macon - Aubrey Smith, HR.

La Plata 10, Green City 0 F/5

La Plata - Paige Carvajal, 2B, RBI; Brooklyn Carvajal, 2B; Olivia Coy, 2B, 2 RBI,

Green City - Olivia Morris, hit; Paige Pialet, hit.

Schuyler Co. 9, Paris 3

Schuyler - Tinley Roberts, 3B, 3 RBI; Bailie Atkinson, 2 RBI; Kait Hatfield, WP, 12 Ks, 0 ER.

Putnam Co. 13, Milan 0 F/5

Putnam - Claire Tipton, 2B, 3B, 4 RBI, WP. 10 Ks, perfect game Karlie Ingersoll, 4 RBI; Kerby Willier, 2B; Allise Perkins,

Marceline 10, Scotland Co. 0 F/5

Scotland - Abby Doster, 2 hits. **High school volleyball**

Hannibal 3, Kirksville 1 (25-23, 21-25, 25-11, 23-14)

High school boys soccer

Marshall 4, Kirksville 1

Kirksville - Patrick Jennings, goal.

High school girls tennis

Kirksville 8, Fulton 1

Singles - Gracie Riemenschneider (KV) def. Jayna Davison, 8-2; Maren Elmore (KV) def. Victoria Hays, 8-0; Madisyn Crawford (KV) def. Maelyn Kramer, 8-0; Brynn Williams (KV) def. Teresa Hinchie, 8-1; Anna Eitel (KV) def. Marwa Sherzod, 8-2; Kier Henderson def. Syr Ava Stremel (KV), 8-1.

Doubles - Riemenschneider/Crawford def. Davison/Kramer, 8-5; Elmore/Eitel def. Hays/Hinchie, 8-3; Williams/Stremel def. Sherzad/Henderson, 8-6.

High school girls golf

Kirksville @ Chillicothe **Tournament**

Kirksville - 1st place, 356; Addy Davis, 1st, 79 (PR); Maya McKiver, 4th, 86 (PR); Delaney Maag, 7th, 94 (PR); Anna Jenkins, 10th, 97 (PR); Morgan Lunsford, 11th, 98 (PR).

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All of Lot 3, Block 14, Northeast Addition to Kirksville, Missouri.

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payments due on said note and by reason of said default, according to the terms of said Deed of Trust, all of said Note has become due and payable; and,

WHEREAS, it is provided in and by the terms of said Deed of Trust, that the holders of the Note may, from time to time, substitute another trustee in place of the trustee named in said Deed of Trust, such appointment to be made by written instrument executed by the holders which shall be recorded among the public records of Adair County, Missouri, at Kirksville, Missouri, and shall be conclusive proof of the proper appointment of the successor trustee, and to whom the title to said premises shall thereupon vest for the uses and purposes expressed in said Deed of Trust; and,

WHEREAS, the holder of the note appointed Jay Benson as Successor Trustee under said Deed of Trust and that said appointment was recorded on August 27, 2021, in Book 1122 at Pages 66-68 in the Recorder of Deeds Office of Adair County, Missouri.

NOW THEREFORE, at the request of the legal holder of said note, Jay Benson, the undersigned Successor Trustee, acting as successor trustee and in place and stead of the above-named trustee appointed in and by said Deed of Trust, and pursuant to the powers to him given by said Deed of Trust and the appointment as successor trustee, will sell the property above described at public venue, to the highest bidder for cash, at the South front door of the Courthouse in the City of Kirksville, Adair County, Missouri, on Thursday, the 30th day of September, 2021, between the hours of 9:00 o'clock a.m. and 5:00 o'clock p.m., more specifically at 2:00 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the cost of executing this trust.

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LINDA DECKER

Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted (Supervised Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of SHIRLEY ANN MCAULEY, Decedent:

On September 15, 2021, the last will of the decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed personal representative of the estate of SHIRLEY ANN MCAULEY, decedent by the Probate

Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri. The name and address of the personal representative is: Christopher J. Gardner, P.O. Box 831, Queen City, MO 63561 The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:

Mark Williams, 1003 E. Jefferson, Kirksville, MO 63501,

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after the decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo.

Date of the decedent's death: July 18, 2020 Date of first publication: September 22, 2021

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Case Number: 21AR-PR00052 Judge or Division: KRISTIE JEAN SWAIM

In the Estate of JOE HENRY SHELTON, Deceased.

Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted

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(Supervised Administration)

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The name, business address, and phone number of the personal

Lisa Osborn, 34475 Highway 6 East, P.O. Box 46, Brashear, MO The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and

John Briscoe, 423 S. Main, P.O. Box 446, New London, MO 63459, 573-985-3411

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Disney and Universal aren't the only theme parks that go all in for Halloween. Both thrills and thrill rides are on offer at these regional parks across the coun-

Knott's Berry Farm Buena Park. California

The theme park that started the Halloween event craze, Knott's Berry Farm, will be kicking off its 48th annual Knott's Scarv Farm on Thursday, in Orange County. There will be eight mazes, including Dark Ride: Castle of Chaos, which takes guests into an abandoned carnival ride mysteriously filled with severed body parts, which may teach riders to heed the warning about keeping their arms and legs inside the moving vehicle at all times, and Pumpkin Eater, which features a 7-foot-tall creature whose appetite extends beyond orange gourds. And Knott's famous Timber Mountain Log Ride will get a Halloween Hootenanny makeover.

Among the park's six shows will be "Puppet Up! Uncensored," featuring offcolor improv comedy performed by puppeteers from the Jim Henson Co. After all, as the fan-favorite "RuPaul's Drag Race" challenge has reminded us, everybody loves puppets.

Hersheypark Hershey, Pennsylvania

If treats appeal more to you than tricks, visit the candy capital of America at Halloween. Visitors can experience Hersheypark in the Dark on weekends starting Oct. 15, which will include lights-out rides on some of its coasters.

Kennywood **Pittsburgh**

Many other parks will be going to the dark side this fall, a small sampling of which includes Phantom Fall Fest on weekends starting Oct. 1 at Kennywood. The event is being billed as "half-family, half-fright." Bring the kids early for festive food and check out the decorations or come after 6 p.m. to experience the five haunted houses and four scare



This year, "Knott's Scary Farm" features "Puppet Up! Uncensored," a new live improv comedy show from the Jim Henson Company that is more "Avenue Q" than "Sesame Street." PROVIDED BY KNOTT'S BERRY FARM

zones. Thirty rides will be available.

Cedar Point Sandusky, Ohio

Knott's is part of the Cedar Fair chain of parks, most of which will also offer Halloween events. Visitors to Haunt at HalloWeekends at Cedar Point can experience mazes on select nights starting Friday. There will also be fortune tellers and carved pumpkins on display.

Kings Island Cincinnati

Kings Island, located in the southwest corner of Ohio, will present Halloween Haunts on Friday and Saturday nights, running Friday and Saturday nights from Sept. 24 through Oct. 30. Featured mazes include Slaughter House and KillMart (hint: steer clear of the blue light special.)

Carowinds Charlotte, North Carolina N.C.CQ

Carowinds will transform into Scaro-

winds on select nights from Friday through Oct. 31 and will terrorize guests with mazes such as Silver Scream Studios: Condemned.

Kings Dominion Doswell, Virginia

Blood on the Bayou will be one of the Halloween Haunt mazes offered on select nights from Sept. 25 through Oct. 31 at Virginia's Kings Dominion, located between Richmond and Washington. It also would be especially appropriate to take a ride on the park's indoor Flight of Fear coaster.

California's Great Adventure Santa Clara, California

Cedar Fair's northern California park also is getting in on the Halloween Haunt party on select nights from Sept. 24 through Oct. 31 Mazes include Backwoods and Tooth Fairy, which if nothing else, may scare you into flossing more regularly.

Dorney Park Allentown, Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania's Dorney Park kicks off its own Halloween Haunt on selected nights between Saturday and Sept. 30. Mazes include Blackout, CarnEvil and Cornstalkers, which sounds just close enough to "Children of the Corn" to be terrifying without knowing anything else about it.

Valleyfair Minneapolis

Valleyfair rebrands itself ValleyScare for its Halloween Haunt celebration on Friday and Saturday nights from Oct. 2-30. Mazes include Blood on the Boundary Waters and Carnevil: Ringmaster's Revenge. For families with little kids, there's the Peanuts-themed Great Pumpkin Fest, which features a costume parade and the Peppermint Patty-themed Corn Maize.

Worlds of Fun Kansas City, Missouri

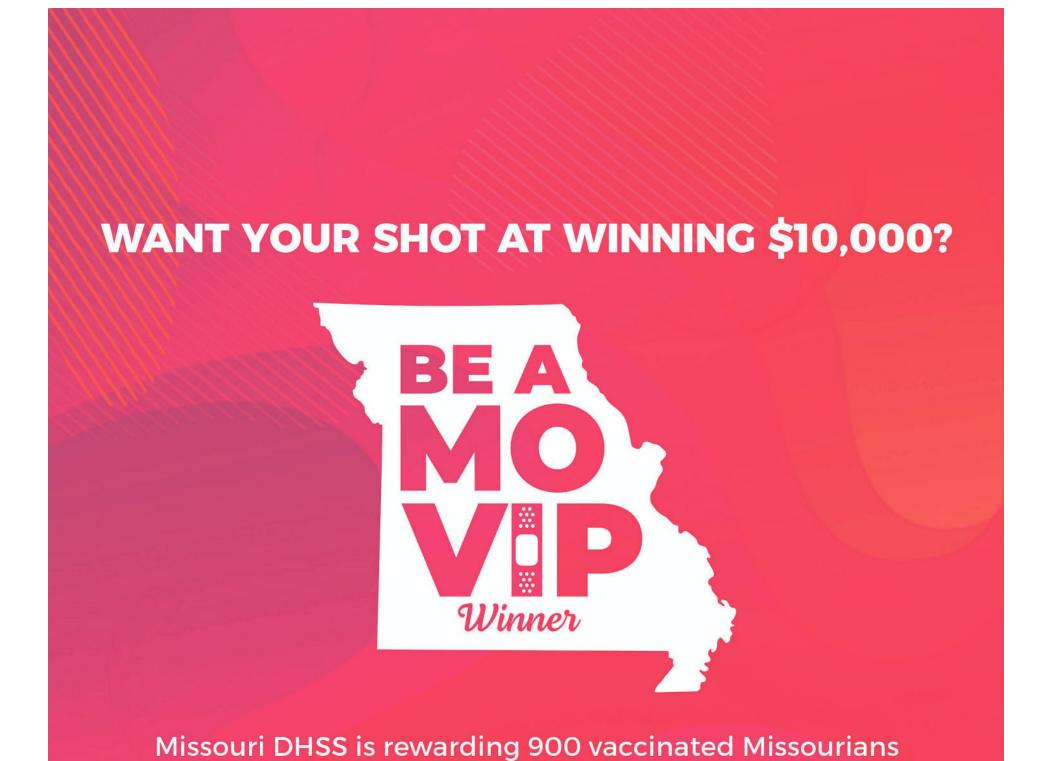
Halloween Haunt runs from Friday-Oct. 30 at this Cedar Fair park. There's a Jack the Ripper-themed maze as well as live shows such as Witches Ball.

Holiday World Santa Claus, Indiana

This town may have a Christmas-y name but unlike retail stores, it hasn't skipped ahead to December yet. Holiday World's Happy Halloween Weekends run Saturdays and Sundays starting Sept. 25 through Oct.31. New for this season: ScareBNB, a family funhouse.

Lagoon **Salt Lake City**

Visitors can explore the "dark side of Lagoon" through its Frightmares event, which is included in park admission and runs last Friday through Oct. 31. Families with small children can stick to Kiddieland, where there are no scare zones. But if you're up to it, check out the Fun House of Fear or live Seance show. (Note: Halloween costumes, face makeup and masks are prohibited.)



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Oct. 12 Hidden Treasures, 25th Anniversary Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, 10:00 am, 104 W. Harrison

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