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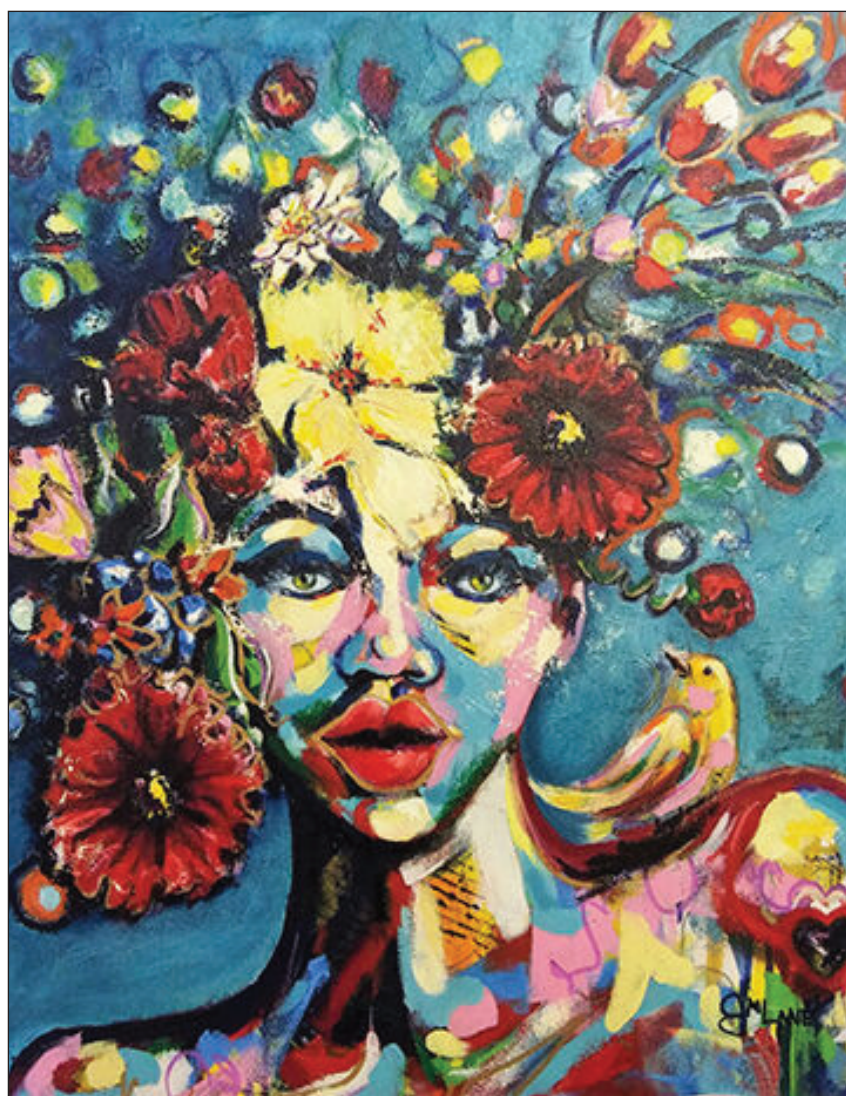
By Marty Bachman
Daily Express

The 8th Annual Kirksville Art Walk will be held on June 3 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. in the central downtown area of Kirksville. The event is sponsored by the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Merchants Committee. Maps and a directory of participating artists will be available at Gallery 104 at 104 N. Franklin Street in Kirksville during the event. This year's featured artist is J.M. Lane, a local artist whose work will be featured at Gallery 104.

Gallery 104 will be the starting point of the Art Walk, which is free to the public and to participating vendors, who must register by Friday in order to be listed in the directory. Vendors can sell their products if they have a sales tax ID number or are over age 65 and have an exemption from the state. Artists must be age 16 or older to participate.

"It's exposure for our artists, it gives our businesses an opportunity to support the cultural community and attract new customers, and it's a fun way for families to spend an evening," said Kirksville Chamber Executive Director Sandra Williams.

In past art walks, as many as 20 local artists have taken part in the event, a list that includes quilters, woodworkers, pottery craftsman, musicians and vocalists, as well as painters using mixed-media, water-colors as well as oils. Theater groups have performed skits and drama to entertain passersby and jewelers have showcased their skills with necklaces and other apparel.



"A Little Birdie Told Me" by J.M. Lane, a local artist whose work will be featured at Gallery 104.



Face painting at a past Annual Kirksville Art Walk.

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Windmills off of Hwy. 11 in Adair County.

Wind energy, mechatronics classes to begin at MACC

Staff Reports

Kirksville Regional Economic Development, Inc. was scheduled to hold its May board meeting at the Moberly Area Community College (MACC) facility in Kirksville. They were expected to tour the Mechatronics Lab and Wind Technician Lab to learn about the available training programs.

"Our goal is to increase awareness of the programs to companies and students," said Kirksville Regional Economic Development, Inc. Executive Director Carolyn Chrisman. Maintenance careers and wind technician careers are higher paying and in demand in the Kirksville region. And local training is available.

In October 2020, at the MACC Kirksville campus, Chrisman announced the award of a community development block grant from the Missouri Department of Economic Development to Adair County. The county had applied for the grant on behalf of Moberly Area

Community College and it was awarded is in the amount of \$485,889. The funds were used to purchase a wind turbine simulator in addition to other electrical and mechanical trainers for MACC's new Wind Energy Certificate Program, and a mechatronics program that will train people for maintenance positions in both the wind energy industry and in manufacturing.

According to a brochure published by MACC, the average salary of a wind energy technician in Missouri is \$56,230. The certificate program is a 16-credit hour, one semester certificate under the Associate of Applied Science-Mechatronics degree that will prepare students to work in the wind energy field. Classes met once a week at the MACC-Kirksville campus. According to the brochure, the Wind Energy certificate and the Mechatronics certificate will be helpful in finding employment in not only in wind energy but for any manufacturing position as well.

FosterAdopt Connect opens new office in Kirksville

By Kirksville Area
Chamber of Commerce

FosterAdopt Connect, a child services organization committed to serving youth in foster and adoptive care, opened a new office at 117 W. Potter Avenue in Kirksville on Thursday, May 5.

From this location, they will stock a food/clothing pantry and provide a wide

range of services to foster and adoptive parents and the youth they care for in Kirksville and the surrounding areas. FosterAdopt Connect's programming will include advocacy services, behavioral interventionist services, and a Kinship Navigator program aimed at helping connect youth in foster care with rela-

tives who can take care of them and providing them with resources to do so.

This new office will not only support existing foster parents, but will make it easier for people in the area to become foster parents who may have been concerned about accessing services or support.

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Pictured left to right: Allison Gregory, Sandra Williams (Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce), Randy Ross, Pam Barnette, Christina Turner, Lori Ross (CEO), Holly Turner (hidden from view), Bobbie Robie (Direct Services Specialist), Garni Churan (Branch Director-Chillicothe), Tom Furrh (Branch Director-Joplin), Marilyn Romine, Justin Wiles (Branch Director-Kirksville & Macon), Jeff Romine, Bridgett Myers (Chief Development Officer), Sammie Treece (Div. of Social Services-Children's Division), Tom Prudden (VP of Facilities), Rachel Wissler (Kinship Navigator), Kelly Jefferson (MO Farm Bureau-Clark Agency), Tamitha Ague (Branch Director-Hannibal), Barb Clark (MO Farm Bureau-Clark Agency), Jamie Niemeier, Barb Kempf (VP of Family Services).



Fully Loaded will open the Summer on the Square 2022 season on June 3.

Summer on the Square Concert Series to kick off on June 3

Staff Reports

The Kirksville Art Association's annual Summer on the Square concert series will kick off on June 3 with the band, Fully Loaded performing country, classic rock, blues and alternative favorites. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. and with the courthouse being in the midst of a major renovation, will be held on the north side of

the Sue Ross Arts Center at 215 S. Franklin Street in Kirksville.

Following is a list of concerts for the summer series.

June 3

Fully Loaded, Sponsored by Maxwell's & Sparklight

90's Country, Classic Rock, Blues, & Alternative favorites
Holiday, Mo.

June 10

Blue Velvet, Sponsored by Sparklight
Big Band Era Standards
Macon, Mo.

June 17

Keota, Sponsored by Sparklight
Americana, Bluegrass, Country, Classic Rock
Macon, Mo.

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Spring Commencement Ceremony held for Truman State graduates

By Tim Barcus Photos

The Spring Commencement Ceremony for Truman State University graduates was held on the afternoon of May 7 at Stokes Stadium. The school graduated 832 students this spring.



KIRKSVILLE AREA CALENDAR

Planning & Zoning Commission meeting

The city of Kirksville's Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Franklin Street, Kirksville.

County E-911 Joint Services Board meeting

The Adair County E-911 Joint Services Board will hold a meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11, in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 201 S. Franklin Street, Kirksville.

Rotary looking to start new club in Kirksville

The Rotary Clubs of Kirksville are looking to start a third club in the city and are seeking input from members of the community who may want to be a part of it. Times have changed and so have Rotary Clubs around the world. Your help is needed to make the world better for all people. Help them plan a new club in Kirksville and aid them in the development of a completely unique approach. Thursday, May 12, 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center Conference Room at Kirksville Rotary Park.

Forest Llewellyn Cemetery Spring cleanup re-scheduled for May 14

Due to wet ground conditions, the Spring Cleanup at Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 14, from 10 a.m. to noon. The event remains an excellent opportunity to volunteer and help maintain an important part of our community's history during National Preservation Month. If you or your organization are interested in volunteering, RSVP to City Clerk Wanda Cagle before noon on Friday, May 13, by calling 660-627-1225, or by sending an email to wcagle@kirksvillecity.com. Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery is located at 201 N. Centennial St., at the end of West Harrison Street.

'Business After Hours' chamber event

The Chariton Valley Association and the DuKum Inn will host the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce "Business After Hours" on Thursday, May 17 from 5-7 p.m. at the DuKum Inn at 111 S. Elson Street in Kirksville. The event will kick off the Chariton Valley Association's 40th anniversary celebration activities.

Kirksville Master Gardner plant sale

In an ongoing effort to provide the community with milkweed plants to encourage Monarch butterfly population growth, the Kirksville Area Master Gardeners will have a plant sale on Saturday, May 21 from 7 a.m. to noon to during the Kiwanis Farmers' Market in Kirksville. They will offer three types of milkweed plants, native perennials, "pass-along" plants, house plants, and other garden related items. The Kirksville Area Master Gardeners are an organization of University of Missouri Extension in Adair County.

Parks department offers free movies, dollar swims

The Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department is holding "Saturday's Under the Stars" Free Movies in the Park and Dollar Swim Nights beginning June 4. The movies include Encanto on June 4, Sing 2 on June 18, Spirit Untamed on July 9 and Spiderman, No Way Home on July 23. The Dollar Swim Nights will be June 11, June 25, July 16 and July 30, all from 6-9 p.m. The movies will be at the Rotary Park amphitheater and the swims will be at the park's Aquatic Center.



Ribbon Cutting ceremony for AM Housing

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will celebrate the 5th Anniversary of AM Housing with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, May 26 at 4 p.m., at 215 N. High Street, Kirksville.

Health Department May covid vaccine dates

The Health Department will administer first and second doses, and first and second boosters of Pfizer's Covid-19 vaccine at its clinic located at 1001 S. Jamison Street throughout May. Adult clinics are scheduled from 2 to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 24 and 31. Pediatric clinics are scheduled from 3 to 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays, May 12, 19 and 26. Adair County residents should call the Health Department at 660-665-8491 to schedule a vaccine appointment.

Buddy Bass Fishing Classic

The 39th Annual Jim Baker/John McConnell Buddy Bass Fishing Classic will be held on May 14 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Forest Lake and 1000 Hills State Park in Kirksville. Entry fee is \$80 and there is a 40 boat limit. There will be a kids fishing tournament and clinic from 8:30 a.m. to noon for ages up to 15. No entry fee. Prizes and trophies. Mike Anderson, Fisheries biologist, will conduct the clinic. Weiner roast and sodas for the kids will be furnished by Northeast Regional Medical Center and Pepsi. All kids that compete in the fishing tournament and clinic are eligible to win prizes.

Nemo Shopping Extravaganza

Monthly Vender, Crafters, Artist, and homemade goods fair. May 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 2405 E. Illinois Street in Kirksville. Contact Candy or Melissa at 660-216-2255.

Ribbon Cutting for new taxi service at the Armory

The Kirksville Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for NextGin Rides on Thursday May 12, at 10 a.m. at the Rieger Armory, 500 S. Elson Street, in Kirksville. Join them in the opening of a new taxi service.

Chamber ribbon cutting at Lawson Hill Antique Mall

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony at Lawson Hill Antique Mall Ribbon Cutting ceremony on Thursday, June 9 at 10 a.m. 4414 N Baltimore St Hwy 63, Kirksville.

Adair County SB40 schedule of activities

Here are the many activities going on through Adair County SB40 Developmental Disability Board and throughout the community. Hopefully there will be several things of interest to you so you can get out and begin to enjoy the warmer weather.

Coffee & Cards – Join your friends at the Community Learning Center (CLC), 1107 Country Club Drive each Tuesday at 9 a.m. to play cards (or a game of your choice) and enjoy a favorite drink. They will have coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and water available or bring your own drink.

Guided Art – Each Wednesday at 1 p.m., the CLC will offer a guided art project. These are projects that have more steps and

use different mediums that used during crafts. Join Angela to try out new types of art and create some pieces that could be submitted in the annual art show.

Crafts – Every Wednesday at 10 a.m., the CLC offers a fun and relaxed craft time where you can make many things while enjoying music and visiting with your friends. You never know what we will come up with and each week is a new craft.

Get Fit – Come healthy with your friends at the CLC on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. Each week the group will choose the type of fitness activity they would like to do such as going for a walk, dancing, stretching, chair exercises, yoga, and more. All of the activities, with the exception of going for walks can be done from a seated position, so don't let that stop you from coming and having fun while getting fit.

Cooking Class – It's back! The CLC will once again be offering a beginning cooking class on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. In this class you will learn skills such as kitchen safety, how to identify kitchen utensils and appliances, how to read and follow a recipe, how to measure ingredients, and how to use simple utensils and appliances. Registration for this class is required and space is limited. Once the class is full, names will be placed on a waiting list for the next offered class. Contact the CLC to get a registration form.

BINGO – Join them at the CLC each Friday at 10 a.m. for BINGO and win BINGO Bucks to spend in their BINGO Store. Every player will earn at least one BINGO Buck a week that they can spend immediately or save for other items. If you aren't able to join them in person, they offer a Zoom link so you can play from home. Give them a call ((660) 627-6291) or send an email (crystal@sdb40life.org) and they will get it to you.

Grief Counseling Group – Each Friday at 11 a.m., LeAnn Dent with Renew Counseling will lead a Grief Counseling Group to help you work through loss and emotions in your life. This class is open to all people served by Adair County SB40, their family members, and their support teams. Registration is required and regular attendance is highly recommended. Contact the CLC to register.

Tuesday Fun – Each Tuesday in May at 3:30 p.m. the CLC will be offering various fun activities to explore. Come enjoy participating in the Music Moves Therapy Group, a movie time with snacks, yard games, science experiments, and a sensory time. There is something for everyone!

Autism Advisory Board Meeting – If you are autistic or have a family member who is, you are invited to attend the Autism Advisory Board Meetings the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. This group meets at the CLC.

Autism Parent-to-Parent Group – During the Sensory Open House on April 2, several parents expressed the desire to form a parent peer group. The Autism Advisory Board listened and is excited to offer the first meeting on May 28, 2-4 p.m. at the Community Learning Center. Come meet other parents and work collaborative to decide on a regular meeting time and direction for the group. Child care will be provided.

IT'S GARAGE SALE TIME!

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OBITUARIES

Phyllis Tuttle

Oct. 11, 1931 – May 1, 2022

Phyllis Louise Richardson Tuttle, 90, passed away in New Florence, Missouri, at St. Andrews Care Home on May 1, 2022.

The daughter of George Albert Bleything and Mignonette Henninger, she was born on October 11, 1931. On August 12, 1949 in Queen City, Missouri, she married Millard Max Richardson.



From that union, surviving are one son and daughter-in-law Dennis and Linda Richardson of Montgomery City, Missouri; two daughters, Mrs. Don and (Shari) Eggley, Mrs. Kenneth (Susan) Harbur of Gothenburg, Nebraska; ten grandchildren, several great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild. She has one surviving brother, Jimmy Bleything of Saveton, Missouri. On June 18th, 1988, she married Don Tuttle.

She was preceded in death by her parents; eleven brothers and sisters; her husband Max and her husband Don.

Mrs. Tuttle attended school in Memphis, Missouri. She was employed by Solar Gas, Adair Distributors, and Cash Saver Grocery, where she served as a bookkeeper.

Mrs. Tuttle loved music, playing the piano and organ, sewing and embroidering. She also loved gardening. Mrs. Tuttle attended Queen City and Atlanta churches.

Funeral services will be held 1:00 p.m. at Travis-Noe Funeral Home on Saturday, May 14th, 2022. Visitation will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday May 14th, 2022. The casket will be closed at 1:00 p.m. Burial will follow in Maple Hills Cemetery in Kirksville. Jim Kilson will conduct the services.

Those who wish may make contributions to Nebraska Children's Home and may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.

KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

La Plata Pharmacy patient files and inventory purchased by Walgreen

A representative of the Kirksville Walgreen Pharmacy has informed La Plata Mayor Lois Bragg that they have purchased the inventory and patient files from La Plata Pharmacy, effective Wednesday, May 11. Customers may receive refills from the Kirksville Walgreens, which also offers mail delivery.

Rhett Walker in concert

Lifeline benefit concert featuring Rhett Walker, May 13 from 7-9 p.m. at the Crossing, 810 E Shepherd Ave, Kirksville. VIP tickets are \$50 and doors open for VIP guests at 6 p.m. with a meet & greet at 6:30 p.m. General admission tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for general admission. Admission is free for kids under 5. For groups over 10 people, tickets are \$18/person instead of \$20. Call Lifeline at (660) 665-3059 for assistance with this discount. All tickets are non-returnable, and non-refundable. Free parking is available.

In his career, Walker has released three albums, 2012's Come To The River, Here's To The Ones in 2014, and his most recent project, 2020's Good To Me. Walker received a Grammy nomination for the single "When Mercy Found Me," and is a three-time GMA Dove Awards nominee (New Artist of the Year, Rock/Contemporary Album of the Year and Rock/Contemporary Song of the Year).

2nd Annual Equipment Drop Off Event

Do you have durable medical equipment that is not being used? Drop it off at one of the Rural Advocates for

Keep an Eye on What's Happening Locally

Independent Living offices between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18. If you won't be able to make it that day, regular hours of business are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Thursday. If you need to schedule a time outside of regular hours, call the Kirksville office at 1-800-681-7245 or the Macon Office at 1-877-684-4542, to make other arrangements. Your donation might help someone to live more independently and are tax deductible. Kirksville Office is at 1100 Jamison Street and the Macon Office is at 203 E. 2nd Street, Macon.

Driver exam stations closed for Memorial Day

The Missouri State Highway Patrol reminds the public that driver examination stations throughout the state will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day. Normal operations will resume on Tuesday, May 31.

Take Root Board invites public input

The Take Root Board of Directors invites the community to participate in the cafe's comeback. Founded with the mission to alleviate hunger and promote health by offering nourishing food on a pay-what-you-can basis, the cafe closed in June 2020 due to the covid pandemic. The organization continued to exist as a not-for-profit organization,

offering regular community meals, selling coffee and scones at the Farmer's Market. Take Root officials say that food insecurity in the local area is more acute than ever, and the board invites all members of the Kirksville community to join them for a discussion of the cafe's future, Thursday, May 12, 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 201 S High St, in Kirksville. For further information, please contact info@takeroot.com.

Kirksville Parks & Recreation Master Plan community meetings announced

The city of Kirksville has formally kicked off the Kirksville Parks & Recreation Master Plan 2032 that will guide city-wide parks and recreation improvements for the next 10 years. This master plan will include recommendations for advancing and maintaining the parks and recreation system that enhances the quality of life for all citizens and creates a joyful environment for all ages, abilities and backgrounds. This process will last approximately seven months and offers multiple ways of getting involved with the project. Community open houses are planned for the public to attend and provide thoughts, ideas, and feedback. The schedule is as follows:

• Community Open House 1: June 9, 5-8 p.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center meeting room

• Community Open House 2: Aug.17, 5-8 p.m. at the Rotary Park Ray Klinginsmith Amphitheater.

For more information, contact Rodney Sadler with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

Road to close for culvert replacements on routes in Adair County

Weather permitting, May 10, MoDOT crews will be performing culvert replacements on Route CC in Adair County. The road will be closed at Route N to Missouri Route 11 between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Motorists will need to use alternate routes for closures during these times. For more information on this and other roadwork in your area, you can visit us online at www.modot.mo.gov/northeast, or call our customer service number at 1-888 ASK MoDOT (275-6636).

Road to Close for Culvert Replacements on Route J in Macon County

Weather permitting, MoDOT crews will be performing culvert replacements on Route J in Macon County. See below for locations and additional information

Macon County Route J- May 16-17, the road will be closed at US Highway 63 to Route RA between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Macon County Route J- May 18-19, the road will be closed at Route RA to Lguana Road between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Motorists will need to use alternate routes for closures during these times. For more information on this and other roadwork in your area, you can visit us online at www.modot.mo.gov/northeast, or call our customer service number at 1-888 ASK MoDOT (275-6636).



Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial Service 2022.

Missouri law enforcement community honors state's officers who made ultimate sacrifice in 2021

By Press release

JEFFERSON CITY – Six Missouri Department of Corrections officers and five law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty in 2021 were honored during Missouri's annual Law Enforcement Memorial Service for those who have paid the ultimate price for their service protecting their fellow Missourians.

Officers, their families and friends from across the state gathered this morning at the Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial on the grounds to the state Capitol, overlooking the Missouri River.

In addition to the officers who died in 2021, the names of four law enforcement officers whose historical line of duty deaths were recently confirmed were also added to the memorial's Wall of Honor.

Governor Mike Parson and Attorney Gen-

eral Eric Schmitt each delivered remarks at the memorial service.

"The officers we honor today exemplified what it means to be a public servant, to willingly take on personal risks so that others may be safe and leave a legacy that will never be forgotten," Governor Mike Parson said. "We will always remember the lives they lived, the lessons they taught us, and the family members they left behind."

"The brave men and women who sacrifice every single day to protect their communities deserve our utmost respect and honor," Attorney General Eric Schmitt said. "Law enforcement officers put their uniforms on every morning, not knowing if they'll make it back home to see their family, kids, and loved ones. Today, we paid tribute to those law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacri-

fice in their service, those who lost their lives bravely protecting their communities. May we never forget their courage."

Each year, the families of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty the previous year, and through the decades, participate in the ceremony by placing white carnations in a wreath in honor of Missouri's fallen heroes.

On Friday, May 6, a candlelight vigil was held at the memorial in remembrance of all Missouri law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice. Parson ordered that the Capitol dome and Law Enforcement Memorial to be lighted blue on Friday night in honor of fallen law enforcement officers.

The following law enforcement officers' names were added to the memorial wall this year:

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NOVINGER BASEBALL, SOFTBALL TEAMS RECEIVE DONATION FROM NEMR



Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company (NEMR), providing fiber optic internet in Northeast Missouri, gave a \$1,000 donation to the Novinger baseball and softball summer leagues. Pictured, left to right: Faith Cornelison, MiKayla McKim, Zoe Johnson, Coach Jason Daniels, Danny Babcock, NEMR technician, Mattison Snyder, and Khloei Johnson is right behind Snyder. BY PRESS RELEASE

ART

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"In addition to displaying their artwork" Williams said about the artists registering, "we'd like them to be working on a project. It's more engaging for those attending"

While the art walk is centered around downtown businesses, merchants beyond the square are invited to set up a promotional table in Bank Midwest parking lot at 201 N. Elson Street in Kirksville.

The Art Walk will be followed by a 7 p.m. concert presented by the Kirksville Arts Association on the north side of the Sue Ross Arts Center at 215 S. Franklin in Kirksville. As part of the Art Center's Summer on the Lawn Concert Series, "Fully Loaded" from Holiday, Mo. will be performing country, classic rock, blues and alternative favorites. The bands are sponsored by Maxwell's Bar and Grill and Sparklight, the internet service provider.



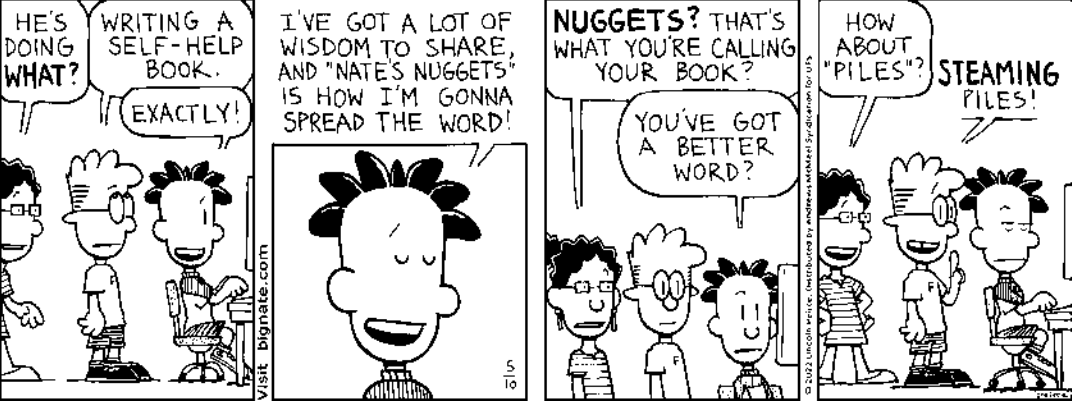
A musician performs at a past art walk.



ARLO AND JANIS



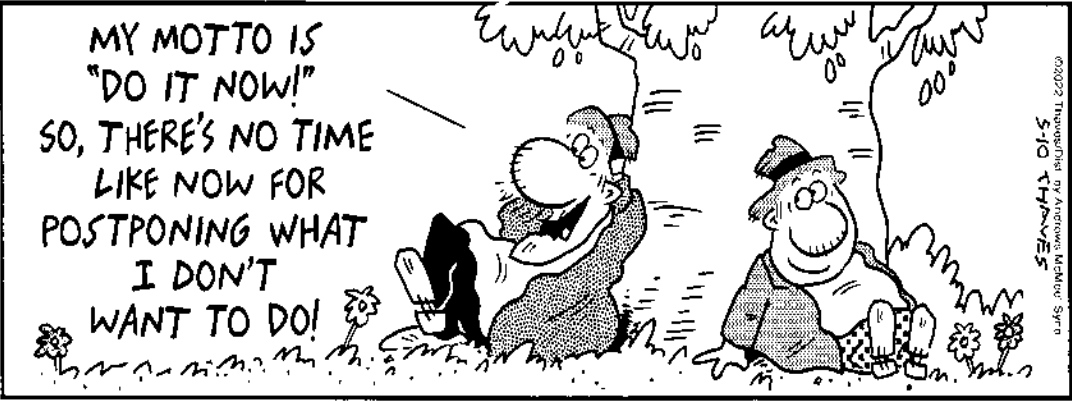
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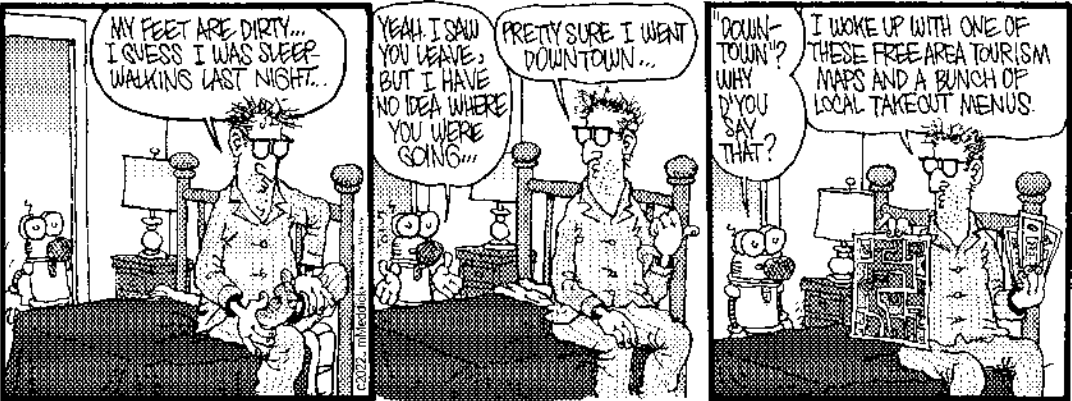
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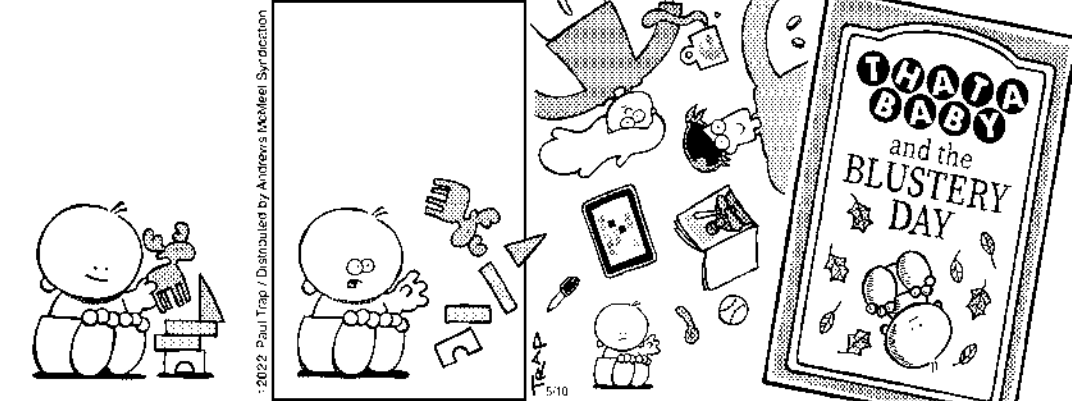
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SUDOKU

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!

PREVIOUS ANSWER

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15 Scepter
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17 One-time Queens ballpark
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20 Rental agreement
21 Mont. neighbor
23 Prodigal —
24 Mince
27 Ray gun blasts
29 Horror film street
32 Tosses
33 Hear a case
34 Lillie or Arthur
35 Pasture grazer
36 Ivy Leaguer
37 Carbon deposit
38 Pass quickly

DOWN

1 Like a rock
2 Love, to Picasso
3 Dry water-course
4 Went on stage
5 Untrained, as recruits
6 Part of TGIF
7 Adjust a clock
8 Out of bed

39 Click-on item
40 Rural stopovers
41 Pecs' partners
42 Clean a fish
44 Steel girder (hyph.)
47 Throws the rider
51 Blackjack
52 Huge hairstyle
55 Ms. Merkel
56 "So what — is new?"
57 Singer — Turner
58 Actor Hamm
59 Pioneered
60 Suit part
61 IOU part

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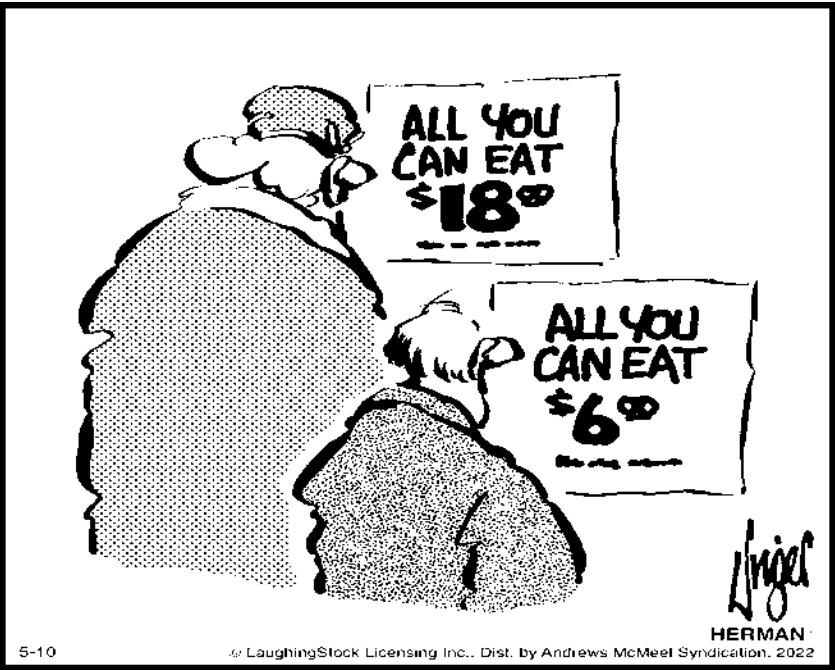
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ASTROGRAPH BY EUGENIA LAST

Use your resources to your advantage. Take time to reflect on the type of life you want to live. Express your desire to strive for balance and equality, and ensure that you spend as much time enjoying life as you do working to maintain your status quo. Taking care of responsibilities that include your happiness is your key to victory.

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Lawmakers debate changes to Missouri Sunshine Law that would conceal more records

By Tessa Weinberg
Missouri Independent

An expansive set of proposed changes to Missouri's open records law backed by Gov. Mike Parson has transparency advocates alarmed that legislators may be poised to undermine the law.

The changes touch on everything from narrowing the definitions of "public business" and "public meetings;" closing records that include draft documents or relate to proposed legislation; shielding constituent contact info; and increasing the time and costs government agencies are allowed to charge to turn over public records.

The provisions have been amended onto a few bills making their way through the legislature. Sen. Andrew Koenig, R-Manchester, added them to a Senate bill late last month that has yet to be passed out of the chamber. He said he's working with the governor's office on the language.

Through an open records request, The Independent previously reported that one of Parson's top legislative priorities for this year was amending the Sunshine Law to allow more records to be withheld from the public and allow government agencies to charge more. That included reversing a Missouri Supreme Court ruling issued last year against his office that found it had been charging for the time attorneys spend reviewing public records.

Koenig said he assessed what the governor's office proposed, and "picked and chose what we thought was probably the best."

A spokeswoman for the governor's office did not respond to a request for comment.

While provisions regarding attorney review time are absent from Koenig's proposal, transparency advocates said the remaining provisions would curb the reach of the Sunshine Law—which voters made expressly clear through the "Clean Missouri" constitutional amendment in 2018 should apply to state lawmakers.

"It's sad that when the public votes to implement a change, then the legislature creates language that totally takes that away," said Jean Maneke, an attorney for the Missouri Press Association. "It demonstrates what the legislature thinks about citizens voting."

Sunshine Law

Missouri's open records law requires meetings, records, votes, actions and deliberations of public governmental bodies be open to the public.

Under the proposed changes, the scope of what's public would be diminished.

Both the definitions of public business and public meeting would be narrowed and "transitory records," which the bill defines as draft versions of documents and "non-decision making materials," would not fall under the definition of a "public record." The bill would also allow for the closure of memos or letters between agencies or within one and records of the legislature that contain "information regarding proposed legislation or the legislative process."

Dave Roland, director of litigation for the Freedom Center of Missouri, a libertarian nonprofit that advocates for government transparency, said that by allowing government agencies to define the restrictions that apply to them, "they will almost always choose to be less restricted, less accountable."

"We have to be really, really careful about what we choose to exempt, because the exceptions invite additional exceptions," Roland said. "And pretty soon, the exceptions swallow the rule."

Whether a record falls under the scope of a "transitory record" will ultimately be at the discretion of the government agency.

"When you've got an undefined term that triggers whether or not it applies, you've got a black hole," Maneke said. "A lot could fall in there that wasn't meant to be covered by this."

Koenig said the proposed changes were to ensure elected officials can meet with each other in a more casual setting without running afoul of the Sunshine Law and to allow a lawmaker "to be able to think out loud with his staff."

"That's how you get better laws, right?" Koenig said. "I might have a great idea about a bill. But it might be five drafts later before it's actually a good idea."

One of the most important changes Koenig said he would like to see made is allowing for constituents' contact info and names to be withheld.

It's a proposal lawmakers have pushed for the last several years, ranging from only redacting constituents' contact info when it's submitted to receive

government newsletters and alerts to withholding all communications constituents send to lawmakers.

In 2019, Attorney General Eric Schmitt's office told Parson he should stop citing the First Amendment as justification to redact telephone numbers, addresses and email addresses of private citizens who reached out to the governor's office.

Under the changes in the Senate bill, redacting constituents' identifying information would be allowed. While communications from lobbyists and other public officials would still be subject to disclosure, a constituent would not only be defined as a resident, but any person who owns real property or interest in a business operating within the government agency's boundaries.

In addition, the bill would explicitly allow for the time spent redacting records to be charged, change the number of days a government agency must act on an open records request by from three days to five, allow access and the production of records to be conditioned on receiving payment and deem a records request "withdrawn" if a response or payment is not received within 30 days.

Roland said some requestors will likely need more than 30 days to come up with the costs being cited, and that in the age of electronic records, "it should be easier to respond to public records requests now than it ever has been before."

"And yet, they're saying, 'Oh, well let's let the government delay even longer,'" Roland said. "That just doesn't make any sense to me at all."

Personal Privacy Protection Act

Koenig's proposed changes to Missouri's open records law were added onto a bill sponsored by Sen. Sandy Crawford, R-Buffero, that would establish the "Personal Privacy Protection Act."

The bill would bar public agencies from requiring nonprofits disclose the identities of donors or supporters, and violations could be met with lawsuits. Any records or lists of such information in possession of a public agency would also be closed under the Sunshine Law and under court rules.

Exceptions would allow the Missouri Ethics Commission to subpoena such info as part of an investigation. It would also be permitted to be produced in a lawsuit if a "compelling need" is demonstrated and the information won't be disclosed to anyone outside of the litigation.

Organizations that testified in support of the proposal this session include the ACLU of Missouri, Americans for Prosperity, People United for Privacy—all of which have 501(c)(4) arms, which allow them to participate in political activity and are not required to disclose their donors.

Supporters say the change is needed to stave off efforts like a California law that had required nonprofits to disclose their largest donors to the state's attorney general. The U.S. Supreme Court struck the law down last year.

Rep. Jered Taylor, R-Republic and sponsor of a similar House version of the bill, said lawmakers are "trying

to protect an individual's right or ability to donate to a cause that they believe in."

Roland said he believes that while the public has the right to know what the government is doing, "we don't have the right to know what private entities are doing."

The bill has been proposed in other states across the country, and in Florida critics have raised concerns it would have shielded information that came to light in a "ghost candidate" scandal that is the subject of criminal probe and state investigation.

Taylor said dark money "has nothing to do with this bill" and said he believes the bill would still allow for information to be obtained in the course of investigations of wrongdoing.

Taylor's version of the bill would also make it a class D felony if a person disseminated, including by posting on the internet, certain personal information related to judicial officers, elected officials and certain groups of state employees.

That can include publishing an official's social security number or their marital status, with the intent to "harass, intimidate, or influence." If publishing such info resulted in the death or injury of the official or their family, it could result in a class B felony subject to five to 15 years in prison.

Taylor said the provisions are intended to prevent "doxxing." However, information like a lawmaker's marital status is often already public. Maneke said by nature of their role, elected officials warrant more scrutiny from the public they represent.

FOSTER

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"This new office will serve foster, adoptive, and guardianship families by connecting them with resources such as problem-solving advocacy, kinship navigator services, trainings, and more," says Justin Wiles, branch manager of the new Kirksville office. "We are so excited to support these amazing families caring for children, and we look forward to building connections with people and

organizations in the community who want to be a part of our mission: ending the cycle of childhood abuse and neglect."

FosterAdopt Connect held an open house on May 5 to celebrate the opening. Drinks and hors d'oeuvres were served and visitors got the opportunity to tour the facility and meet the Kirksville staff and FosterAdopt Connect executive leadership. The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for the new chamber member.

SUMMER

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June 24

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July 1

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July 15

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July 22

No Performance
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July 29

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August 5

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August 19

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Murrysville, Pa.

August 26

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OFFICERS

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John Michael Bowe

End of Watch: Jan. 27, 2021
Rank: Corrections Officer
Department: Missouri Department of Corrections
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 63
Length of Service: 16 years
On Jan. 27, 2021, Corrections Officer John Michael Bowe died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty at the Eastern Correctional Center in Pacific.

Leslie Lee Lentz

End of Watch: July 1, 2021
Rank: Lieutenant
Department: Missouri Department of Corrections
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 63
Length of Service: 23 years
Lt. Leslie Lee Lentz died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty at the Ozark Correctional Center in Fordland.

Sonny Lee Orbin Sr

End of Watch: July 18, 2021
Rank: Corrections Officer
Department: Missouri Department of Corrections
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 46
Length of Service: 12 years
Corrections Officer Sonny Lee Orbin Sr. died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty at the Women's Eastern Reception and Diagnostic Correctional Center in Vandalia.

Robert Lewis Welch III

End of Watch: July 22, 2021
Rank: Corrections Officer
Department: Missouri Department of Corrections
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 59
Length of Service: 13 years
Corrections Officer Robert Lewis Welch III died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty at the Women's Eastern Reception and Diagnostic Correctional Center in Vandalia.

John Richard Bullard Jr.

End of Watch: Aug. 11, 2021
Rank: Sergeant
Department: Independence Police Department
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 64
Length of Service: 44 years
Sgt. John Richard Bullard Jr. died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty. Bullard was a founding member of the Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation.

Dennis Keith Bennett

End of Watch: Aug. 12, 2021
Rank: Corrections Officer
Department: Missouri Department of Corrections
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 59
Length of Service: 20 years
Officer Dennis Keith Bennett died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty at the South Central Correctional Center in Licking.

Blaize Alyxander Madrid-Evans

End of Watch: Sept. 15, 2021
Rank: Officer
Department: Independence Police Department
Cause: Gunshot
Age: 22
Length of Service: 2 months
Officer Blaize Alyxander Madrid-Evans was mortally wounded when he was ambushed by a gunman as he performed a residence check for a parole violator. An organ donor, his kidney donation provided new hope to Springfield Police Officer Mark Priebe, who was severely injured in the line of duty in 2020 and required a donor kidney.

Matthew Logan Davis

End of Watch: Sept. 28, 2021
Rank: Sergeant
Department: Iron County Sheriff's Office
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 37
Length of Service: 13 years
Sgt. Matthew Logan Davis died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty.

Antonio A. Valentine

End of Watch: Dec. 1, 2021
Rank: Detective
Department: St. Louis County Police Department
Cause: Vehicle Collision
Age: 42
Length of Service: 14 years
Detective Antonio A. Valentine was fatally injured in a motor vehicle crash with a vehicle refusing to stop for other officers.

Lonnie R. Lejeune

End of Watch: Dec. 10, 2021
Rank: Corporal
Department: Missouri State Highway Patrol
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 58
Length of Service: 26 years
Cpl. Lonnie R. Lejeune died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty.

John David Luck

End of Watch: Dec. 28, 2021
Rank: Probation and Parole Officer
Department: Missouri Department of Corrections
Cause: COVID-19
Age: 57
Length of Service: 11 years
Probation and Parole Officer John David Luck died from complications as a result of contracting COVID-19 in the line of duty. Recently Confirmed Historical Line-of-Duty Deaths

Oscar Edwin Hornberger

End of Watch: April 19, 1930
Rank: Deputy Constable
Department: Perry County Sheriff's Office
Cause: Gunshot
Age: 38
Length of Service: 4 years
City Marshal Albert Kopf, who had only been serving as acting city marshal for just 10 days, was fatally shot in the chest by a homeless man after responding to a call from a woman about a disturbance at the woman's home. He managed to return fire and struck his assailant with one shot. Marshal Kopf succumbed to his wound three days later, on Sept. 3, 1907.

Chris Freeman

End of Watch: Aug. 29, 1941
Rank: Deputy Sheriff
Department: Cape Girardeau County Sheriff's Office
Cause: Heart Attack
Age: 64
Length of Service: 8 months
Deputy Sheriff Chris Freeman suffered a fatal heart attack shortly after responding to a call and taking a motorist into custody.

Herman Sewing

End of Watch: May 24, 1947
Rank: Sheriff
Department: Cape Girardeau Sheriff's Office
Cause: Motor Vehicle Crash
Age: 51
Length of Service: 1 year, 5 months

Sheriff Herman Sewing was at a motor vehicle accident scene working to free a motorist pinned in his vehicle, which was in a culvert, when he and the motorist were fatally struck by a tractor trailer.

Charles Lee Burns

End of Watch: Dec. 30, 1966
Rank: Deputy Sheriff
Department: Camden County Sheriff's Office City of Crane
Cause: Motor Vehicle Collision
Age: 40
Length of Service:
Deputy Sheriff Charles Lee Burns was killed in a head-on vehicle collision on U.S. 54 while he and another deputy were transporting three juvenile prisoners.



Putnam County's Adeline Dickerson runs the 100m dash during Saturday's Class 2 District 3 track meet.



Milan's Jeremy Bennett competes in the long jump at Saturday's Class 2 District 3 track meet at Putnam County. PHOTOS BY AUSTIN MILLER/DAILY EXPRESS

One step closer:

Local athletes advance through district track meet

By Austin Miller
Daily Express

Hayden Dixon left his mark at Saturday's Class 2 District 3 track meet.

Literally.

In shot put, he had a prelim throw go all the way and hit the concrete barrier, putting a dent in it. That's a distance unfathomable to most, but Dixon left a permanent mark in Unionville to show what he did. He finished first in shot put with a throw of 60 feet, 3.25 inches.

"It felt good. I finally got over that 60 mark," Dixon said. "I've been working on that since my eighth grade year, so it felt really good."

Dixon, who also finished second in discus, was one of many local athletes to advance through districts at Saturday's meet. Competitors from Milan, Putnam County, Schuyler County and Scotland County advanced through to next week's sectional event, just one more good day away from state.

On her home track, Putnam junior Adeline Dickerson had a great day that surprised her. She entered her three solo events — triple jump, 100m dash and 200m dash — seeded third. She followed with a third-place in triple jump, but then won both dashes. She set a new personal record in the 200m with a time of 26.93 seconds.

"It's amazing. It feels like a real accomplishment," said Dickerson, who was also on a 4x100m relay team that finished third and advanced to sectionals. She made it to Jefferson City last year in just triple jump. Riding a wave of newfound confidence, she hopes to break through in more events next weekend.

"Knowing that I have it in me, that I can do it, that will help boost my confidence," Dickerson said.

Milan junior Nathan Keck seeks his first state appearance, with two chances to advance next week. He ran on a 4x800m relay team that took second. He then finished second in the 3200m. He's ready for a tough week of practice to try and crack through sectionals.

"It would mean a lot to me. It would be a dream come true," Keck said. "It would be a lot of hard work paying off."

As a whole, the Milan boys are riding high after a second straight Grand River Conference title. There were some results Saturday that they expected — such as the 4x800m, Keck in the 3200m, and Jeremy Bennett's wins in long and triple jump (though he has dealt with a knee injury over the last few weeks).

But the 4x200m relay team was a bit of a surprise. Milan coach Andrea

Dabney said several of the runners were alternates on last year's relay team, so they never got a chance to run. But Erick Reyes Acevedo, Jacob Jaimes, Don-Divin Ngombo and Chekh Niasse made the most of their run on Saturday.

The Wildcats also won conference last year, then only sent a few off to state. Dabney hopes the boys realize what next step there is to take to reach Jefferson City.

"A lot of these guys were here last year and made it to this next point, so now they know that we are not just content with that," Dabney said. "This next week of practice — whereas, last year was just, 'We're thankful and grateful to be moving on' — it is now with a purpose. That's kind of the progression that comes through track."

Fellow Wildcat Cady Pauley began her path to defend her shot put title from last year. She finished first in that event Saturday. She also took second in discus and third in javelin, advancing in all three throws. Not only does she want to repeat with the shot put crown, but she wants to win discus and get a javelin medal.

She looked the part Saturday.

"She's ready to go in all three, and I know she wants to get on that stand for all three — and wants to

be on top for two of those, for sure," Dabney said.

Dixon wants state gold of his own in a few weeks. He was the top seed in shot put entering last year's state meet, then finished third.

He learned some perspective that day that he has carried with him since.

"You can't bet on those throws and then having them," Dixon said. "It was an eye-opener, big eye-opener."

While he's happy with the big throws he had Saturday and the events he has won along the way this season, he's learned to move on and take each throw as it comes. He's not counting on anything just because he won Saturday.

As he continues to train at school and at home — where he throws in his driveway almost every day — he knows repetition is what stands between him and hardware.

"Getting consistent," Dixon said. "Getting consistent in the weight room, getting consistent in how many throws I take at practice, consistent movements — it all leads to bigger throws."

Sectional qualifiers from Class 2 District 3:

Milan - Deric Doporto (4th in shot put); boys 4x800 (Carlos Cotto, Jose Garcia, Nathan Keck, Ahmet Niasse); Cady Pauley (3rd in javelin), (2nd in



Schuyler County's Hayden Dixon follows through on a discus throw at Saturday's district track meet.

discus), (1st in shot put); boys 4x200m (Erick Reyes Acevedo, Jacob Jaimes, Don-Divin Ngombo, Chekh Niasse); Jeremy Bennett (1st in triple jump), (4th in 400m); Chekh Niasse (2nd in triple jump); Amy Pickering (3rd in 200m); Nathan Keck (2nd in 3200m).

Putnam — Blaine Perkins (1st, high jump); Lucas Hendee (3rd in 110m hurdles); Adeline Dickerson (1st in 100m), (1st in 200m), (3rd in triple jump); boys 4x200m (Nico Lopez, Elijah Jones, Chase Tomlin, Blaine Perkins); boys 4x100m (Nico Lopez, Jake Rouse, Chase Tomlin, Blaine Perkins); girls 4x100m (Albany Wood, Jesslyn Knowles, Sofia Valencia, Adeline Dickerson); Gage Duvall (3rd in 300m hurdles); Bailey Diveley (4th in 1600m); Allise Perkins (4th in high

jump); Jake Rouse (2nd in pole vault); boys 4x400m (Blaine Perkins, Chase Tomlin, Jude Watt, Elijah Jones).

Schuyler — Hayden Dixon (1st in shot put), (2nd in discus); Kait Hatfield (1st in discus), (3rd in shot put); Emilee Byrn (3rd in discus); Jacie Morris (3rd in 400m), (4th in long jump); Madison Haley (4th in shot put); Greysen Van Wye (4th in discus).

Scotland — Alex Long (3rd in shot put); girls 4x200m (Shantel Small, Kwyn Hamlin, Katelynn Penn, Paige Bishop); girls 4x100m (Shantel Small, Katelynn Penn, Kwyn Hamlin, Paige Bishop); Hayden Long (1st in 300m hurdles), (1st in javelin), (3rd in discus); Kara Mallett (3rd in high jump); Kwyn Hamlin (4th in triple jump).

Gilliland's walk-off against Brashear keeps Atlanta undefeated

By Austin Miller
Daily Express

Some extra time in the cage paid off Monday for Atlanta's Landon Gilliland.

He felt like he was in a slump as of late, so he went to work trying to fix it as the Hornets neared the finish line of the regular season. Whatever he fixed worked.

Gilliland went 5-for-5 Monday against Brashear with three runs batted in, including a walk-off single in the bottom of the seventh for a 10-9 Hornets win. With two outs and the winning run on base, Gilliland tried to stay calm against Brashear's Brandon Jochimsen. Gilliland eventually found a pitch to hit, lofting one into left-center just in front of Brashear's outfielders.

"I didn't know for sure. I saw them out there looking a little confused, so I figured it might be down after that," Gilliland said. "When I first hit it, I thought it was going to be caught."

That hit capped off a rally as the Hornets trailed all night. Brashear took a 9-4 lead in the top of the fifth inning and the Hornets nibbled away from there. The Tigers led 9-7 in the seventh



Atlanta's Landon Gilliland follows through on an RBI single against Brashear on May 9, 2022. AUSTIN MILLER/DAILY EXPRESS

and had two outs with Atlanta's Anton Zamora on second base. Jaron Peavlor knocked one run in, bringing Tanner Malusky up to bat with two runners aboard.

Malusky's approach was to try and get on by any means

because he was confident that Gilliland, who was up next after him, would finish the job. Malusky hit an RBI single to tie the game at nine, then Gilliland delivered the dagger.

"I knew it was over. I knew

Landon was going to do something like he did," Malusky said.

"Our bottom of the lineup really came through for us," Malusky said. "I've got a lot of confidence in them guys and they grinded out some good at-bats."

Gilliland also grabbed the win on the mound after two shutout innings of relief.

The finish was about all Atlanta coach Justin Miller liked about Monday. The Hornets were sloppy on defense with four errors and a few more blunders. Two errors in the first inning put runners on for Jochimsen, who blasted a three-run homer to give Brashear an early lead. Jochimsen was lethal again his next time up, where what should have just been an RBI double saw him go all the way for an inside-the-park homer after the Hornets struggled getting the ball in accurately.

But the Hornets pulled through at the end, so those mistakes end up not costing them as much as they probably should have.

"Sometimes you get things you don't deserve, but the way that this team always stays in there and battles — even if it was the ugliest game we've played by far," Miller said. "... I'm proud of the resiliency. This group's been like this all four years I've been here. They always stay in it; they never put their heads down."

Orioles cruise past Royals 6-1 behind Wells, 6-run fifth

By PATRICK STEVENS
Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Tyler Wells pitched six strong innings to earn his first victory of the season and the Baltimore Orioles used a six-run fifth inning Monday afternoon to surge past the Kansas City Royals 6-1.

Baltimore has won four of five for the first time this season and finished its homestand 6-4. Kansas City fell to a season-high eight games under .500.

The game was a make-up of Saturday's postponed game to cap a rain-altered series. Friday's game was washed out and made up as part of a doubleheader the teams split Sunday.

Wells (1-2) allowed Ryan O'Hearn's two-out RBI single in the first, but cruised through the rest of his start. He retired 16 of the last 19 batters he faced and struck out three in the longest outing of his major-league career.

The 27-year-old right-hander underwent Tommy John surgery in 2019 and missed all of the 2019 and 2020 seasons, then pitched out of the Orioles' bullpen as a Rule 5 pick last season. He made his sixth start Monday and threw 54 strikes among his career-high 75 pitches.

"Knowing they don't strike out a lot, it's really just kind of making sure I'm mixing up my pitches well, not trying to strike guys out, trying to get quick outs," Wells said. "We have a whole infield and outfield for that."



Baltimore Orioles' Tyler Nevin, center, is greeted in the dugout after scoring on a single by Jorge Mateo against the Kansas City Royals during the fifth inning of a baseball game, Monday, May 9, 2022, in Baltimore. JULIO CORTEZ — STAFF, AP

Kansas City has dropped seven of its past nine games and scored just 22 runs in that span. The Royals were 1 for 6 with runners in scoring position Monday.

"We have to figure out how to put crooked numbers together by just stacking hits on top of each other," Kansas City manager Mike Matheny said. "They're just hard to come by right now."

The Orioles had only four hits in their fifth-inning rally against Royals starter Carlos Hernández (0-2). A walk, Anthony Bemboom's double and Jorge Mateo's RBI single tied it with one out. Bemboom came around when catcher MJ Melendez's errant throw on Mateo's steal of second sailed into center field.

Hernández was on the verge of escaping further damage when he struck out Cedric Mullins. But Trey Mancini



Baltimore Orioles' Trey Mancini, right, scores ahead of a tag attempt by Kansas City Royals starting pitcher Carlos Hernandez during the fifth inning of a baseball game, Monday, May 9, 2022, in Baltimore. Mancini took home plate on a wild pitch from Hernandez. JULIO CORTEZ — STAFF, AP

singled in Mateo, and Hernández issued a walk and hit a batter before his wild pitch scored Mancini. Ryan Mountcastle then lined a single to score two more runs.

"That inning was a keep-the-line-moving type of attitude," Orioles manager Brandon Hyde said.

Hernández allowed six runs and seven hits

in 4 2/3 innings, striking out two.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Royals: Kansas City placed OF Edward Olivares (right quad strain) on the 10-day injured list and recalled C Sebastian Rivero from Double-A Northwest Arkansas. Rivero had served as the 27th man during Sunday's doubleheader.

NASCAR Cup Series postseason grid already filling up fast

By PETE IACOBELLI
Associated Press

DARLINGTON, S.C. — The NASCAR Cup Series playoff grid is filling up fast and the dwindling number of spots may lead to more of the aggressive driving that grabbed headlines over the weekend at Darlington Raceway.

Joey Logano sent leader William Byron into the wall on the next-to-last lap and went on to become the 10th different winner in the first 12 races of the season, locking up one of the 16 playoff spots with the victory.

"I did what I had to do," Logano said. "I had to win the race. It was very important to win and get into the playoffs."

Maybe more this season than ever before.

It is the second straight season 10 drivers have posted victories by the season's 12th race. But it is only the third time it's happened since NASCAR expanded the playoffs from 12 cars to 16 before the 2014 season.

NASCAR saves a spot for the regular season's points champion if he doesn't have a win.

"Yeah, it's something you think about," said Erik Jones, who is 16th in points after getting knocked out of Darlington in a 12-car wreck with 25 laps left.

"We're going to keep doing a good job with the points," Jones said. "But you see different guys winning and you want to be one of them to get in."

A year ago, there were 14 drivers with wins who made the playoffs, tied for the most ever since the field expanded. The wild card this year is the Next Gen car, which has led to stronger, more competitive races and left even the most powerful programs scrambling to find an edge.

Logano's Team Penske crew chief, Paul Wolfe, said his Ford has had difficulty matching the speed of the Chevrolets and Toyotas, which had combined for nine of 12 wins this season until Darlington.

"It was good for us to show we had speed in qualifying and back it up in the race," Wolfe said. "So, yeah, it's going to be tough to win races because a lot of guys have speed right now."

Wolfe, however, doesn't see traditionally dominant programs like Hendrick Motorsports, Joe Gibbs Racing or Stewart-Haas Racing hitting on something and watching racers like Kyle Larson, Kevin Harvick or Logano run off several victories the rest of the way.

Larson won 10 races in 2021 for Hendrick on the way to the championship. Kevin Harvick had eight wins for Stewart-Haas in 2020 in making the final eight.

This season, only Ross Chastain and Byron have multiple wins. Chastain took the checkered flag at the Circuit of the Americas and Talladega. Byron won at At-



Joey Logano reacts in Victory Lane after winning a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Darlington Raceway, Sunday, May 8, 2022, in Darlington, S.C. PHOTOS BY MATT KELLEY — FREELANCER, FR171845 AP



William Byron (24) competes during a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Darlington Raceway, Sunday, May 8, 2022, in Darlington, S.C.



Brad Keselowski (6) looks to pass Corey LaJoie (7) in Turn 2 during a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Darlington Raceway, Sunday, May 8, 2022, in Darlington, S.C.



Erik Jones (43) competes during a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Darlington Raceway, Sunday, May 8, 2022, in Darlington, S.C.

lanta and Martinsville.

"I expect (winning) to get tougher as we go and everyone figures the car out," Wolfe said.

Typical playoff participants and past Cup Series champions like

Martin Truex Jr., Brad Keselowski and Harvick remain outside looking in with the regular season's halfway point ahead next week in Kansas.

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LOCAL ROUNDUP

MAY 9

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

La Plata 9, Paris 4
La Plata — Tanner Pipes, WP, 0 hits, 0 R, 12 Ks, 4-4, 3 RBI; Drew Wheeler, 3-5, HR, 3 RBI, 3 R.

Putnam Co. 5, St. Joseph Christian 0
Putnam — Wins Grand River Conference title; Gage Pearson, WP, 17 Ks, RBI; Brayden McReynolds, RBI; Vincent Jones, RBI.

Knox Co. 10, Marceline 0
Knox — Wins Lewis & Clark Conference title; Robert Dooley, HR, 2B, 3 RBI; Rylan Roberts, 2B, RBI; Braxton McCurren, 2 RBI; Issac McCurren, 2B, RBI.

Harrisburg 11, Scotland Co. 2
Scotland — Xavier Lucas, RBI; Vince Dale, RBI.

Schuyler Co. 12, Milan 0
No stats by deadline.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER

Chillicothe 3, Kirksville 1
Kirksville — No stats by deadline.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF

Class 4 District 4
Kirksville — Johnny Boyer, 3rd, 79, qualifies for state; Sam Wilson, T-20th, 93, qualifies for state; Hunter Combs, 94; Cameron Houser, 105; Hayden Tarr, 107.

Macon — Dalton Cashatt, 16th, 90, qualifies for state; Tysen Wilson, 99; Gannon Scheel, 109; Trent Gabriel, 110; Britton Wineinger, 110.

Class 1 District 2
Putnam — Jaden Wyant, T-5th, 84, qualifies for state; Jake Rouse, 151; Hunter Anderson, 182.

Milan — Jerret Courtney, T-10, 88, qualifies for state; Taylor Trenter, T-14, 90, qualifies for state; Michael Pipes, T-18, 94, qualifies for state; Darren Doporto, 107; Patrick Mosely, 117.

Scotland — Kabe Hamlin, T-18, 94, qualifies for state; Ethan Blessing, 102; Corbyn Spurgeon, 103; Zane See, 127; Bryn Aylward, 136

La Plata — Auston Lawrence, 98; Cash Sawyer, 102; Matthew Lindsey, 109; Haiden Powell, 151; Teagan Powell, 154

Schuyler — Cooper Amen, 103; Ryan Farris, 119; Avery Tallman, 128; Carson Blackorby, 151.

MAY 7

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Marceline 9, Scotland Co. 6
Scotland — Corbyn Spurgeon, 3 hits; Payton Frederick, 2 RBI.

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

Class 1 District 3 Sectional Qualifiers
Atlanta — Boys team won overall district title; Landon Gilliland (1st in 200m), (1st in long jump), (1st in triple jump); Roman Phillips (4th in 800m); Sawyer Nelson (2nd in 110m hurdles); boys 4x100m (Anton Zamora, Sawyer Nelson, Landon Gilliland, Cayden Berry); Anton Zamora (1st in pole vault); Jaron Peavler (4th in javelin); Sylvie Christensen (3rd in 300m hurdles); Kiley Magers (1st in high jump), (1st in long jump), (1st in triple jump).

Brashear — Anthony Shaw (3rd in 400m); Nate Triplett (1st in discus), (1st in shot put); Landon Fisher (2nd in javelin); Alexa Borgmeyer (4th in 400m); girls 4x400m relay (Aubrey Borgmeyer, Lacey Fisher, Tayla Garlock, Alexa Borgmeyer); Paige Stutsman (2nd in discus); Aubrey Borgmeyer (4th in javelin).

La Plata — Neil Green (4th in 100m), (2nd in pole vault); Gavin Miranda (3rd in 3200m); Felix Emmrich (3rd in 110m hurdles); Drew Wheeler (2nd in 300m hurdles), (4th in long jump); boys 4x100m relay (Neil Green, Ryan Green, Drew Wheeler, Cutter St. Clair); boys 4x200m relay (Landyn Jones, Reese Mesecher, Drew Wheeler, Cutter St. Clair); boys 4x400m relay (Landyn Jones, Baylin Roberts, Gavin Miranda, Cutter St. Clair); Conner McNay (4th in pole vault); Izzy Joyce (4th in 100m), (3rd in 100m hurdles), (2nd in 300m hurdles); Brooklyn Carvajal (2nd in 1600m), (2nd in 3200m); Piper Halstead (4th in 100m hurdles); girls 4x100m relay (Olivia Coy, Piper Halstead, Claire Coy, Izzy Joyce); girls 4x200m relay (Ally Joyce, Presley Miranda, Ava Harden, Piper Halstead); girls 4x400m relay (Paige Carvajal, Presley Miranda, Claire Coy, Brooklyn Carvajal); Claire Coy (4th in long jump); Lucy Lindsey (3rd in pole vault).

Knox — Jacob Becker (1st in 400m), (1st in high jump); Tanner Gillaspay (2nd in 400m); boys 4x200m relay (Austin Jansen, Branson Miller, Keaton Strange, Tanner Gillaspay); boys 4x400m relay (Jacob Becker, Tanner Gillaspay, Branson Miller, Nelson Shinkle); boys 4x800m relay (Tanner Gillaspay, Collin Hayes, Nelson Shinkle, Jacob Becker); Branson Miller (2nd in triple jump); girls 4x200m relay (Jen Hinkle, Kambryn Miller, Elainia Pulliam, Agnes Reel); girls 4x400m relay (Jen Hinkle, Elainia Pulliam, Agnes Reel, Marilyn Mercer); Abigail Becker (3rd in discus); Jen Hinkle (1st in javelin), (3rd in shot put); Cassidy Goodwin (1st in shot put).

Class 1 District 4 Sectional Qualifiers
Green City — Boys team won overall district title; Aaron Peavler (3rd in 100m), (3rd in high jump); Asher Buggs-Tipton (1st in 110m hurdles), (1st in 300m hurdles), (1st in long jump), (1st in triple jump); boys 4x100m relay (Laydon Fields, Xander Salas, Thaydon Forest, Aaron Peavler); boys 4x200m relay (Jordan Munson, Landon Hill, Xander Salas, Kaden Johnson); boys 4x400m relay (Xander Salas, Kaden Hatcher, Kaden Johnson, Tucker Tipton); boys 4x800m relay (Tucker Tipton, Andrew Watt, Kaden Hatcher, Landon Hill); Laydon Fields (4th in long jump), (2nd in javelin), (4th in shot put); Andrew Watt (1st in pole vault); Tristin Harrison (2nd in pole vault); Ketch Hamar (4th in discus), (2nd in shot put); Meranda Lewis (2nd in 100m), (2nd in 200m), (2nd in long jump), (2nd in triple jump); Maddie Lunsford (3rd in 800m), (1st in 1600m); Alexa Lee (4th in 800m); girls 4x800m relay (Alexa Lee, Mia Ortega, Britney Jeffries, Maddie Lunsford).

Novinger — Kelsey Frederick (4th in 100m), (4th in 300m hurdles); Abbi Fountain (4th in shot put).

COLLEGE TRACK

Truman @ GLVC Track Meet
Truman — Grace Feeney, 3rd in heptathlon; Alayna Pipkin, 7th in 400m (59.03s); Kirsten Poole, 4th in 400m hurdles (1:05.09); Lea Moose, 2nd in javelin (42.13m); Jacob Morris, 4th in javelin (54.00m).

MAY 6

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Camp Point Central 2, Kirksville 1
Kirksville — Jack Thomas, 2B, RBI; Jalen Kent, 2B.

Macon 12, Clark Co. 2 F/6
Macon — Alex Alton, 3B, 2B, 3 RBI; Tanner Nelson, 2 2B, 3 RBI; MyKel Linear, 2 RBI; Gregory Seipel, 3B, RBI.

Putnam Co. 8, Brashear 0
No stats by deadline.

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

Kirksville @ NCMC Track Meet
Kirksville — Boys team finished 2nd, girls team finished 3rd; Conference champions: Owen Fraser (discus, shot put, javelin); Ryan Harvey (300m hurdles); Esme AuBuchon (high jump); Dawsyn Lyons (100m hurdles); Jersey Herbst (300m hurdles); boys 4x800m relay (Ryan Harvey, Prophet Krepps, Jake Amerman, Kevin Crooks); boys 4x400m relay (Ryan Harvey, Cruz Mendez, Prophet Krepps, Jake Amerman); All-Conference honorees: Prophet Krepps (400m); Kevin Crooks (800m); Corinne Vorkink (javelin, pole vault); Lilly Snyder (high jump); Phebe Downen (100m); Jersey Herbst (300m hurdles); Dawsyn Lyons (300m hurdles); Maya Thomas (400m); Carlee Smith (800m); Eva Sterup (3200m); girls 4x200m relay (Dawsyn Lyons, Maya Thomas, Madi McCarty, Phebe Downen); girls 4x400m relay (Jersey Herbst, Madi McCarty, Carlee Smith, Maya Thomas).

COLLEGE TRACK

Truman @ GLVC Track Meet
Truman — Jacob Morris, 1st in discus (52.31m).

NCAA clarifies compensation rules but is crackdown likely?

By RALPH D. RUSSO
AP College Football Writer

Eleven months after the NCAA lifted most of its restrictions against athletes cashing in on their fame, college sports leaders are trying to send a warning to schools and boosters it believes have crossed a line: There are still rules here and they will be enforced.

But following last year's Supreme Court ruling against the NCAA in an antitrust case, is a crackdown on so-called collectives brokering name, image and likeness deals still likely — or even possible?

"I didn't think (the NCAA) would not try at some point," said Maddie Salamone, a sports attorney and former Duke lacrosse player. "That's why many attorneys have been kind of giving cautious advice in terms of what is and is not allowed. Especially when it comes to collectives and different NIL deals."

The NCAA's Division I Board of Directors on Monday approved guidance developed by a group of college sports administrators, clarifying the types of NIL payments and booster involvement that should be considered recruiting violations.

"Specifically, the guidance defines as a booster any third-party entity that promotes an athletics program, assists with recruiting or assists with providing benefits to recruits, enrolled student-athletes or their family members," the NCAA release said. "The definition could include 'collectives' set up to funnel name, image and likeness deals to prospective student-athletes or enrolled student-athletes who might be considering transferring."

The NCAA added a reminder: Recruiting rules bar boosters from recruiting or providing benefits to prospects.



FILE — Ohio State gathers before an NCAA College Football Playoff national championship game against Alabama in Miami Gardens, Fla., Jan. 11, 2021. In 2019, California became the first state to pass a law allowing athletes to earn money on endorsements, autograph signings and other activities, and by July 2021, the NCAA lifted its decades-old ban. Football players earn the most, followed by women's and men's basketball players, according to Opendorse. WILFREDO LEE — STAFF, AP

The guidance is effective immediately. NCAA enforcement staff was directed to look for possible violations that might have occurred before May 9, 2022, but "pursue only those actions that clearly are contrary to the published interim policy, including the most severe violations of recruiting rules or payment for athletics performance."

The NCAA neither changed its rules nor created new ones.

"I don't think they're even necessarily clarifying the rules," said attorney Darren Heitner, who helped craft Florida's NIL law. "My understanding is this is just certain individuals who have made up a working committee deciding that after almost 11 months we want to enforce our rules."

The rise of booster-funded collectives prompted the board in February to ask the DI Council to review the NCAA's interim NIL policy. The concern among

many in college sports has been that payments from collectives are being made to high school recruits and to college athletes in hopes of getting them to transfer to a particular school.

"Some things look very much like pay-for-play," Salamone said. "There are rules on the books within the NCAA around boosters. The fact that the NCAA has been hesitant to enforce anything I think has emboldened a lot of people around this issue to be a little bit more obvious."

Last year, the NCAA removed its longstanding ban against athletes earning money from sponsorship and endorsements deals. What remained in place, however, were three pillars of the NCAA's amateur athlete model:

- Athletes could not be paid solely for playing their sport;
- Compensation could not be used to lure an athlete to a particular school;

— Financial arrangements must have some type quid pro quo agreement in which the athlete was being paid for services provided, like a social media post or appearance.

The NCAA did not ban boosters from being involved in NIL activity. However, without detailed NCAA rules and with state-level NIL laws differing across the country, it left both schools and the association struggling to determine what activities were impermissible.

Some state laws also prohibit boosters from engaging with recruits, but there has been little appetite for enforcement of those laws.

Should the NCAA start targeting some collectives it could trigger a new round of lawsuits against the association.

Mit Winter, a sports attorney in Kansas City, Missouri, said NCAA enforcement of these rules is not a clear-cut antitrust violation.

"So the question is, under anti-trust law, is the rule that's being enforced reasonable?" Winter said. "And from my reading of everything, the rule that they're going to be enforcing is the rule that says boosters and other third parties like collectives cannot pay athletes in return for a commitment to a school."

Heitner advises several collectives and businesses that have made NIL deals with college athletes. He said he has stressed to clients from the start to wait until athletes are at the school of their choice before getting involved.

"I don't think it's a collective issue," he added. "I think it's just a matter of the NCAA saying, 'Hey, we've always been of the position that boosters cannot influence decision making of athletes, particularly high school athletes who have not yet enrolled at universities.'"

Gabe Feldman, the director of sports law at Tulane, said the NCAA would be best served being forward-looking with its NIL enforcement.

"I think that probably is a safer and probably more fair approach," Feldman said. "Hindsight is 20/20, but what might have been an even better approach is to have come up with clear rules earlier and started enforcing those so we didn't get to a situation where it might be unfair to start enforcing the rules."

College sports conferences and the NCAA have been frequent targets for lawsuits, and last June's Supreme Court ruling left the door open for even more.

Feldman said the NCAA could be opening itself up to more antitrust exposure by failing to enforce its existing rules. But both antitrust lawsuits and NCAA enforcement are notoriously slow moving.

"This would be able like the tortoise and the tortoise," Feldman said. "Neither would get done quickly, but there's a lot of risk in the interim."

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ATLANTA

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That's something Atlanta hasn't had to do much of this season. Now 9-0 on the year, Monday was only Atlanta's second game decided by one run, and they outscore opposing teams by almost eight runs on average. So seeing that resilience in action just a few days before the post-season begins is just what Miller wanted to see.

With Atlanta already earning the No. 1 seed in Class 1 District 13, Monday was a bit of an eye-opener that district gold won't come easy.

"I hope it doesn't give us false confidence," Miller said. "A small part of me, I think playing a game like this is good for us. It humbles us down a little bit to, 'Hey, maybe we're not as good as we thought we were.' I think it's good for us."

Brashear (8-4) left with a sour taste in its mouth, but that might not be the worst thing in the world. The Tigers entered Monday ready to beat the Hornets and wanted to make a statement that they will be in the mix for district supremacy. For five or so innings, they were.

The offense was there, including a huge four-run fifth inning after runs batted in from Avery Zentz, John Higgins and Rhett Whitlow.



Brashear's Brandon Jochimsen fields a bunt near the mound and throws to first for an out Monday against Atlanta. AUSTIN MILLER/DAILY EXPRESS

And pitching was solid as Jack Reeves gave the Tigers 4.2 strong innings.

Brashear, the No. 5 seed in the district, will play No. 4 North Shelby on May 13. The winner of that gets Atlanta on May 16. The Tigers look forward to a rematch in the district semis.

"I know it sucks right now, losing that game," said Brashear coach Jacob Bleything. "But, hopefully, if we manage to take care of our first-round game, we'll head into that second round with the confidence that we can play with these guys."

Regardless of who comes out on top of that district,

that team will have earned in. Two really good La Plata and Knox County teams are penciled in as the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds.

Several of Atlanta's boys were part of a team district track title over the weekend, though maybe that left them quite tired for Monday's game. With that hardware on their side, it only makes them hungrier to finish the job in baseball.

"We haven't had a district title since 2015, so it would mean the world to us," Gilliland said. "All we've wanted since we were little is to get a district title, so it would mean the world to us."

NASCAR

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That likely means harder racing and aggressive moves at the end like Logano's ram-and-run at Darlington. Logano said Byron got the lead on a final restart by knocking him into the wall. So when Logano closed in at the end, there was no doubt what the 2018 NASCAR champion would do.

Byron left and angry and bewildered. He dismissed Logano's contention of retribution, calling him a "moron" and an "idiot."

"I've been called a lot worse," Logano said, grinning from ear to ear after locking up a playoff spot for the 10th time in 11 seasons.

Keselowski, in his first season since moving from Team Penske to Roush Fenway Racing, isn't panicking yet. He said he be-

lieves there is ample opportunity left to secure a playoff spot, no matter how much scrambling teams are doing to mold their new car into a winner.

"It seems like every year we're having that discussion," said Keselowski, who was knocked out at Darlington in a wreck. "Ultimately, time will tell. But I still think somewhere between 13 winners, maybe 15 winners, but not 16."