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NEMO Fair grand champions and reserve champions

By Jamie Magruder Keller /Photographer

Adair County Champions

Champion Sheep — Lane Bell Reserve Champion — Justin Farris Champion Goats — Gabriel Hoppe Reserve Champion — Madison Moots Champion Poultry — Sarah Daning Reserve Champion — Leah Darling Champion Rabbits — Annalee Simpson No Reserve Champion Rabbits Champion Beef — Lacey Fisher Reserve Champion — Lana Vansickle Champion Swine — Kenzie Durham Reserve Champion — Taylor Durham



Lacey Fisher

Taylor Morton



Lana Vansickle







Kirksville Firefighters Local 2952 to hold 2nd Annual **Ranch Rodeo at fairgrounds**

By Marty Bachman Daily Express

The Kirksville Professional Firefighters Local 2952 will be holding their 2nd Annual Ranch Rodeo & Barrel Race on Saturday, July 30 at the NEMO Fairgrounds. Admission to the event is free.

According to Kirksville Fire Lt. Tyler Davis, the ranch rodeo is being held as a fundraiser for the Kirksville **Firefighters Community** Outreach Fund, which is used for community outreach as in providing fire prevention materials to the public as well as battery exchanges for AED defibrillators used in local businesses and other public venues. Davis

said that the Kirksville Fire Department is constantly receiving calls asking how to change the batteries after their life span has expired.

"Hopefully we can raise enough money so that we can try to support that because they are used in life or death situations and are very important to have around," Davis said.

Money will also be donated to the Adam Bruner Memorial Scholarship, which was founded by the Adair County Ambulance District and honors the former paramedic who passed away in 2021. The scholarship is to support students that want to go into EMT and paramedic programs. The Adair County Ambulance District is providing labor and other assistance at the food stand this year, so a portion of the food sales will go toward their

scholarship program. Davis said that the Firefighters Local wants to also develop their own scholarship fund for students at surrounding area schools.

"It will be focused around people or kids who are wanting to move into fire, EMS, public service, nursing or some sort of related field," he said.

Davis said that people often get confused about the differences between a ranch rodeo versus a regular rodeo.

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Adair County Republican

Keegan Shilling



Madison Moots

Jenna Farris



Kenzie Durham



Annalee Simpson



Leah Darling



Gabriel Hoppe



Taylor Durham

Justin Farris

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Central Committee censures local elected official

By Adair County Republican **Central Committee**

The Adair County Republican Central Committee, in a press release, said that it held its third emergency meeting on July 18 to discuss the allegations brought against Adair County Commissioner Mark Thompson. Thompson has been charged with stealing a political campaign sign from Presiding Commissioner Mark Shahan, who is running for re-election.

According to the press release, on March 31, the committee held its

first emergency meeting where it was unanimously decided that the committee would send Thompson a certified letter requesting him to accept an invitation to appear before the committee for a hearing.

"The hearing would have been an opportunity for Mr. Thompson to explain his actions and provide the committee with information that may or may not have already been provided regarding the allegations brought against him, the press release stated. "The United States Postal Service has



Mark Thompson

made three attempts to serve Mr. Thompson with the certified letter, however, their efforts were unsuccessful."

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Kirksville Police to provide more access to public records

partment will now pro-

By Quincy Herald-Whig Staff

Kirksville city officials on Thursday, implemented a policy that will put them in alignment with the state's Sunshine laws and provide the public greater access to police records. In an email City Man-

ager Mari Macomber

said the city's police de-

vide the public access to incident and arrest reports that previously were only available after being vetted through the Adair County Prosecutor's Office.

The change came about after the Kirksville Daily Express was unable to access basic information on a misdemeanor case that involved Adair County Commissioner Mark L. Thompson's alleged theft of Presiding Commissioner Mark Shahan's campaign sign. At the time, the prosecuting attorney required that all police reports be sent to the prosecutor's office

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School Fair to provide free supplies for students

By Press Release

The Northeast Missouri Area Health Education Center (NEMO AHEC) is again coordinating the Kirksville Back to School Fair. This year's event will occur at The Crossing Church on Aug. 4, 3-6 p.m. Free school supplies for students, sports physicals, dental screenings, and haircuts will be available for students who are present. The Kirksville R-3 Food Services Department will assist those with questions about the free/reduced lunch program and help out with forms. Other community agencies will be available with supplies and activities or to offer information about services.



nerships have increased significantly since our first Back to School Fair," said Robin Dawson, executive director of NEMO AHEC. "Our goal is to start our local students off for a successful academic year and lessen the burden on families. 2022 is the first year back since the COVID-19 pandemic, and we are expecting a larger turnout than in past years."For more information, get in touch with NEMO AHEC at 660-665-6404.

KIRKSVILLE POLICE BLOTTER

JULY 21-22 Warrant — Adair County Kenneth A. Thompson, Kirksville Warrant — Kirksville Municipal Kelli Jean Simpson, Kirksville

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JULY 22-26 Assault 1st Degree (F B) Patrick Lee Myres, Kirksville Burglary 1st (No Force) (F B) Kyle Jordan Lenk, Kirksville

Driving While Suspended/

Billy Duane Vice, Jr. Atlanta Warrant Arrest Cory Stone Pinkston, Kirksville

JULY 26-27 Operating a Motor Vehicle While Suspended or Revoked

Sara Ann Conley, Kirksville **Peace Disturbance** Ranae Noel Breden, Kirksville

Warrant Matthew Ricky Rice, Kirksville

Moberly Area Community College local President's and Dean's List

By Moberly Area Community College

MOBERLY, MO – Moberly Area Community College (MACC) proudly announces that 312 students obtained a 4.00-grade point average in 12 or more semester hours excluding developmental classes for the Spring 2022 semester and quality for the President's List

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Dean's List Spring 2022 (314)

Atlanta: Molly Waddle Brashear: Chyann Mountain Cairo: Loretta Joseph; Lee Leathers Edina: Bryston Bowen; Taesiah

KIRKSVILLE AREA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Kirksville Tourism Advisory Board meeting

The city of Kirksville's Tourism Advisory Board will hold a meeting at 8:00 am on Tuesday, Aug. 2, in the Small Conference Room at the EDA Building, 315 S. Franklin Street.

Renewed Quartet concert at Kirksville First UMC

Renewed Quartet will be in concert on Sunday, Aug. 7 at 6 p.m. at the Kirksville First United Methodist Church, 300 E. Washington Street. There will be ice cream and cake following the concert.

Kirksville's Lakes, Parks & Recreation Commission meeting

The city of Kirksville's Lakes, Parks & Recreation Commission will hold a meeting at noon on Tuesday, Aug. 2, in the meeting room at Kirksville Aquatic Center, 801 E. Mill Street, Kirksville.

28th Annual Kirksville Chamber Golf Outing

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Parks department offers last dollar swim

The Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department is holding the last Dollar Swim Nights on July 30, from 6-9 p.m. at the Aquatic Center.

Thousand Hills State Park programs

Friday, August 5 —7 p.m. Bug Bingo Learn all about bugs through this interactive game of bingo. Discover which bugs match the clues given to complete your bingo board. Meet at the

Special Use Area. Saturday, August 6 — 0 a.m. Petroglyph Tour Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians. Join park staff for a slideshow presentation to get a close up look and learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter next to the beach. Friday, August 12 -7 p.m. Drawn to Nature Art is a wonderful way to connect ourselves to nature. Join park staff t creatively reconnect with nature through drawing, coloring, and painting. Supplies will be provided but you may bring your own if you prefer. Meet at the Special Use Area.



Saturday, August 13 — 10 a.m. Native Reptiles Join park staff to learn about some of Thousand Hills native reptiles. From snakes, to lizards, to turtles, there is always something fascinating to discover. Meet at the Beach Shelter.

11 a.m. Songs & Stories Join Professional Storyteller Heather Harlan as she shares songs and stories that are enjoyable for all ages. Meet at the Beach Shelter.

Friday, August 19 — 7 p.m. Petroglyph Tour

Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians. Join park staff for a slideshow presentation to get a close up look and learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter next to the beach.

Saturday, August 20 — 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Learn 2 Aim

Begin your archer journey by attending a hands-on workshop this summer! Prior Registration is required. Register at: mostateparks.com/ learn2 Questions? Contact the park office at 660-665-6995

Adair County SB40 July schedule of activities at the Community Learning Center:

Coffee & Cards – Join your friends at the Community Learning Center (CLC) 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. If you would prefer, feel free to bring your own drink to enjoy.

Guided Art – Join Angela on Tuesday, July 12 and 26 at 1 p.m. to try out new types of art and create some pieces that could be submitted in the annual art show. These are projects that have more steps and use different mediums that used during crafts. cense or equipment, contact Melissa or Angela at the CLC by the Friday before they go. Registration for this activity is required.

Breathe Clean – Join Libbi on Tuesday, July 5 and 12 at 3:30 p.m. to learn the dangers of tobacco use along with how to avoid social pressure to begin or continue using tobacco products and build self-efficacy. Registration for this class is required.

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 they will come up with and each week is a new craft.

Get Fit – Come get healthy with your friends at the CLC on Wednesdays at 1 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.

Movie Party – Join them on Wednesday, July 6 at 3 p.m. to watch a movie on their new 75" interactive screen and snacks!

Science Fun – If you love science and experimenting with new things then this activity is for you. On Wednesday, July 13 at 3:30 p.m., the CLC will be the place to come to try out some fun science activities. Be prepared to get messy.

Ice-cream Soda Party – Wednesday, July 20 is National Ice-cream Soda Day. Join them to make your own ice-cream soda at 3:30 p.m. at the CLC. Sugar-free op-



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tained between a 3.50 and a 3.99-grade point average in 12 or more semester hours excluding developmental classes for the Spring 2022 semester and qualify for the Dean's list.

President's List Spring 2022 (locals)

Atlanta: Aislynn Baker; Abbigail Farmer; Gentry Perkins Cairo: Carly Hunsaker; Breanne Moore; Samantha Smith Callao: Shelbie Metcalf Downing: Weston Byrn Durham: Brianne Morgan Edina: Treasure Miles Elmer: Matilyn Pinkston Kirksville: Jevin Burgess; James Ehr; Alyson Keene; Alyssa King; Michelle Lee; Hema Prasad; Kylie Stitzer; Grace Stitzer

Knox City: Alyssa Peavler La Plata: Shaelyn Weber Lancaster: Kyra Cullers 1VIIIC5

Kirksville: Firdaus Caples; Joshua Chrisman; Danika Elgin; Alicen Elsea; Morgan Grissom; Judith Smith; Harmony Stewart; Boaz Tchale Yanou Macon: Justin Anderson; Katie-Lou Davis; Christian Jones; Blake Murr; Bret Ulhorn; Brianna Winter

Memphis: Shaylee Davis; Kade Richmond

Milan: Heydy Valladares

About MACC:

Moberly Area Community College is an open-admission, public community college offering a wide variety of Degree and Certificate Programs. That college has five campuses in Central & Northeastern Missouri and is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. MACC provides dynamic and accessible educational opportunities that empower our students and enrich our communities. Yard Games – On Tuesday, July 19 at 1 p.m., join them at the CLC for some outdoor fun. They will pull out all of their yard games and get some exercise while having fun.

Sewing Group – Come learn some basic hand sewing skills or bring your own project to work on. We will have materials available for basic hand sewing. Contact the CLC.

Fishing – Join them for fishing in the community (locations to be announced). If you do not have a fishing li-



www.harrisonfishery.com

tions will be available.

Afternoon BINGO – On Wednesday, July 27, join them at the CLC at 3:30 p.m. for an afternoon session of BINGO. Come and win BINGO Bucks to spend in the BINGO Store. Every player will earn at least one BINGO Buck that they can spend immediately or save for other items. This session will be in-person only.

BINGO – Join them at the CLC each Friday at 10 a.m. for BINGO and win BINGO Bucks to spend in the 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 in person, they offer a Zoom link so you can play from home. Give them a call or send us an email and they will get it to you.

Wii Tournament – On Fridays in July the CLC will hold a Wii Sports Tournament at 11:30 a.m. Come and play against your friends in a fun and interactive tournament while getting in a little exercise.

Parent-to-Parent Group - This group will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at the CLC. The next meeting of the Parent-To-Parent group will be held on Saturday, July 23, 2-4 p.m. Child care will be provided. Parents: Please email clc@sb40life. org or call Melissa Cline at 660-665-9400 to let us know how many children you will have with you so we know how many kiddos to provide childcare for. Also, we plan to have snacks — cheesy goldfish and animal crackers, bottled water — for the kids. If your child needs an alternative snack, please bring it with you.

Host an Exchange Student Today!



Victoria from Australia, 17 yrs. Enjoys spending time with her family and younger siblings. Victoria plays volleyball and is excited to learn new sports while in America.

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Make a lifelong friend from abroad.

Enrich your family with another culture. Now you can host a high school exchange student (girl or boy) from France, Germany, Scandinavia, Spain, Australia, Japan, Brazil, Italy or other countries. Single parents, as well as couples with or without children, may host. Contact us ASAP

may host. Contact us ASAP for more information or to select your student.

Tiffany at 816-807-2765 or Amy at 1-800-736-1760



Founded in 1976 ASSE International Student Exchange Program is a Public Benefit, Non-Profit Organization.

For privacy reasons, photos above are not photos of actual students



Giorgio from Italy, 16 yrs. Loves to play baseball and spend time with his dogs. Giorgio also plays the guitar, and his dream is to join a drama club at his American high school.

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News

Jeff Romine attends international Rotary event on behalf of local clubs

By Thousand Hills Rotary Club

Thousand Hills Rotary Club held their weekly meeting last Thursday and Jeff Romine was the speaker. In April, Romine attended the Rotary COL (Council on Legislation); which meets every three years. One member from each district across the globe is chosen to represent their district and Romine was chosen on behalf of District 6040 to be their representative. The discussions lasted three and a half days and was held in seven different languages with 14 translators. Romine said he was very happy to be able to attend such an event.



Jeff Romine



Blood donors needed now to help prevent a seasonal blood shortage

By American Red Cross

Just as most cars need to be refueled constantly, so does the nation's blood supply. The American Red Cross has faced a concerning drop in blood donations this summer. Donors are needed to make an appointment to give in

Fuel up on us

• As blood donations drop, gas prices have reached all-time highs in the U.S. As a thankyou, all who come to give Aug. 1-31 will be automatically entered for a chance to win gas for a year, a \$6,000 value. There will be three lucky winners Everyone who comes to give blood in August will also receive a \$10 e-gift card to a merchant of choice. Upcoming blood donation opportunities Aug. 1-15: Adair Kirksville Aug. 5 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., The Crossing, 810 E Sheperd Ave Aug. 9 from 11 a.m. 4 p.m., Preferred Family Health Care, 900 E LaHarpe Macon Macon Aug. 10 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Missouri Department of Transportation, 26826 N. Hwy 63 Scotland Memphis Aug. 9 from 12:30 p.m. — 5:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, to wear a face mask, individuals may choose to continue to wear a mask for any reason. The Red Cross will also adhere to more stringent face mask requirements per state and/ or local guidance, or at the request of blood drive sponsors. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at a drive.

KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS Marion Street construction musical comedy assembled by Kirksville Buttle Kirksville Buttle Kirksville Blues All set

to begin on Aug. 2 The city of Kirksville's

concrete contractor, Stanton Contracting, anticipates beginning concrete repairs on Marion Street from Jefferson Street to Illinois Street on Aug. 2. Damaged street curb, pavement and sidewalk will be replaced. Traffic control will be in effect, and the street may be reduced to one lane. There may be total closures during construction to accommodate equipment. No parking will be allowed during construction where indicated by traffic control devices. The traveling public is strongly encouraged to use caution, drive slowly through work areas, and use alternate routes. For more information, contact the Engineering Department at 660-627-1272.

Kirksville Back to School Fair

The Northeast Missouri Area Health Education Center (NEMO AHEC) is hosting the Kirksville Back to School Fair at The Crossing Church (810 E Shepherd Ave., Kirksville) on Aug. 4 from 3-6 p.m. There will be free school supplies (while supplies last), free sports physicals provided by **Complete Family Medicine** and the CARES Center, free haircuts, assistance with completing free/reduced lunch forms, Child ID Kits, and much more. Students must be present to receive supplies. Businesses interested in donating supplies, money to purchase supplies, or participating in the fair can contact Kirstyn Dietle at 660-665-6404.

3rd Annual Kids Mini Mud Mile scheduled for Aug. 13

Are you ready to get dirty? Registration is now open for the 3rd Annual Kids Mini Mud Mile. Children ages 3 to 15 are invited to take on this one-mile, mud-filled obstacle course on Saturday, Aug. 13, at the North Park Sports Complex. Children ages 5 and under may have a responsible adult run the course with them free of charge. Thanks to generous local sponsors, registration is just \$10 per child. Each child will receive a Mini Mud Mile t-shirt and free post-race refreshments Choose a 9 a.m., 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. start time when registering at parks.kirksvillecity. com or in person at the parks and recreation office located at the Kirksville Aquatic Center. For more information, contact Luke Callaghan with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

musical comedy assembled by the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department. It's 1590-something and brothers Nick and Nigel Bottom are desperate to write a hit play but are stuck in the shadow of that Renaissance rock star, William Shakespeare. When a local soothsayer foretells that the future of theatre involves singing, dancing, and acting at the same time, Nick and Nigel set out to write the world's very first musical. But amidst the scandalous excitement of opening night, the Bottom brothers realize that reaching the top of theatrical stardom means being true to thine own self and all that jazz. Rated PG-13 for adult humor and innuendo.

Showtimes are set for 7 p.m. on Friday, July 29 and Saturday, July 30. Also, there is a 2 p.m. show on Sunday, July 31. All performances will occur at the William Matthew Middle School Auditorium. Doors open 30 minutes before showtime, with open seating. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased online at parks.kirksvillecity.com, in person at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, or at the door.

Paint the Ville Kid's Club!

Register your first through eighth grade artist for one or all of the monthly Kid's Club events. Artists will create a masterpiece under the direction of Paint the Ville instructor, Rachel Messer. Classes are held from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, located at 801 E. Mill St. All participants must pre-register, and class size is very limited. To register your child, visit the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Office at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, or online at https://parks.kirksvillecity.com/! Each course is \$20 and all supplies are included. Featured paintings will be: Aug. 15: Octopus For more information, contact Luke Callaghan with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

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Kirksville Parks & Recreation Master Plan community meeting on Aug. 17

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. A community open houses is planned for 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.

Kirksville City-Wide Sidewalk Sales

Area businesses are planning to host sidewalk sales on Friday, July 29 and Saturday, July 30. Spend the day out on the town, enjoy the July weather and save some money! No sign-ups required. Plan to have clearance/discount racks/items on your sidewalks and promote those sales on your own Facebook page. Hours of sales depend upon store location.

Road closures in Scotland County

Weather permitting, MoDOT crews will be performing pavement work in Scotland County. See below for locations and additional information

Route C- August 1, the road will be closed at Missouri Route 15 to Route B between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Route DD- August 1, the road will be closed at the lowa State Line to Route C between 7 a.m. and 4 a.m.

Route H- August 2-4, the road will be closed at Missouri

August to help prevent a blood shortage.

The decline in donations has caused the Red Cross blood supply to shrink nearly 20 percent in recent weeks. The availability of blood products will continue to decline if donations do not increase. People should not wait until they hear there is a blood shortage to give. Type O negative blood donors are especially needed now.

"This is a concerning trend that may soon make it tougher to keep blood products stocked on hospital shelves," said Paul Sullivan, Red Cross senior vice president of donor services. "By choosing a time to give now, donors can help pump up the blood supply for those in immediate need of lifesaving care and those who rely on transfusions for treatment."

Donors can schedule an appointment to donate using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, by visiting RedCross-Blood.org or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Blood drive safety

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The Red Cross follows a high standard of safety and infection control. The Red Cross will continue to socially distance wherever possible at blood drives, donation centers and facilities. While donors are no longer required

How to donate blood

Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at checkin. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Upcoming Movie in the Park rescheduled for Aug. 6

The originally scheduled Movie in the Park for Saturday, July 23, has been rescheduled. Folks wanting to watch Spider-Man: No Way Home will still have the chance to do so on August 6 at the Ray Klinginsmith Amphitheatre in Rotary Park. Mark your calendars for the last free Movie in the Park event of the summer. For more information, contact Luke Callaghan with the parks and recreation department at 660-627-1485.

Tickets on sale for "Something Rotten!" musical

Something rotten is on its way to Kirksville later this month. Tickets are now on sale for the production of "Something Rotten!" — a

Summer 'off' the Square dates

The Kirksville Art Association's annual Summer on the Square concert series will be held Fridays at 7 p.m. 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: August 5 — Bootcut, Sponsored by Lovegreen Ford. Southern Rock. August 12 - Stone-House, Sponsored by Pepsi Cola. High Energy Rock & Roll; Classic Rock. August 19 – Demi Michelle, t. Acoustic Country and Pop. August 26 — Deadwood, Sponsored Route 15 to U.S. Route 136 between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Motorists will need to use alternate routes for closures during these times. Signs and message boards will be in place to alert motorists, as all work is weather dependent, and schedules are subject to change.

Roads to Close for Culvert Replacements in Macon County

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

Route HH- August 1-2, the road will be closed at Route J between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Motorists will need to use alternate routes for closures during these times. Signs and message boards will be in place to alert motorists, as all work is weather dependent, and schedules are subject to change.





55th Annual-

See full schedule at www.westernillinoisthreshers.org





Saving us from disease

t was Doc who first noticed Dud's strange behavior. I was too busy trying to drop an elkhair caddis fly, size 16, just beyond that big smooth rock on Lewis Creek. I know there's a big rainbow trout in that hole there, you see, and there is nothing more important, on a summer morning like this one, than enticing that big rascal into delivering himself to my waiting hands.

But Doc noticed that Dud had laid his fly rod down in the bushes and was doing strange things with his hands. Finally, Doc got my attention, pointed to Dud, and we both stopped fishing and walked over to see what our longtime pal was up to.

Dud would look around in the air, then

make a one-handed grab at the air. After several grabs, he'd take two fingers of his other hand, put them in his clenched fist, and wiggle around. Then he'd smile and open his fist and look in the air again. Doc and I looked silently at each other, wondering how long it would take from our day of fishing to get Dud delivered to the nervous hospital in the city.

"Dud," said Doc, "how's the fishing?"

"Huh? Oh hi. Not fishing right now, Doc. Experimenting."

"Experimenting?" I said. Of course, I said this automatically, forgetting for a moment how time consuming it could be to start Dud explaining things of a scientific nature.

"Natural selection," Dud said, proudly. "Survival of the fittest. Yes, I decided to spend my morning in Darwinian pursuits, making the world a safer place for mankind."

Doc looked at me. "He's talking like that again," he said. "Well, Doc," said

Dud, "you, of all people, should be able to appreciate what I'm doing. After all, you're a man of science and a healer. I'm going to rid the world of dangerous diseases. Observe."

Then Dud made another grab at the air, and this time we could see he was snatching a mosquito out of the air. Again he used his other hand to do something to the mosquito, and then he released it.

"I'm pulling out their drillers," Dud said. "I figgered if I pull out enough drillers, then sooner or later two drillerless mosquitoes



SLIM RANDLES HOME COUNTRY

will get married and have pups and then we'll have a family of drillerless mosquitoes here on Lewis Creek. Without drillers, they won't be able to pass along yellow fever or malaria to fishermen." Doc looked at him in

boc looked at him in a strange way. "Dud, there's never been anyone get malaria from these Lewis Creek mosquitoes."

"See?" Dud said, brightly. "It's already working."

Pick up "Home Country: Drama, dreams and laughter from the American heartland" www.lpdpress.com.

OPINION

They say information is power. Wrong. Accurate information is power

By Janice Ellis Missouri Independent

Missouri Independent

Facts and accurate information matter. But disinformation has been and continues to be front and center, negatively impacting our political process.

Somehow during the last several years in the public square, among our political leaders, some media outlets and social media platforms, often complete truth, facts and accurate information seem hard to find.

The adage that information is power must be revised in the political climate in which we find ourselves. ed attention, research and investigation when it comes to separating facts from fiction, real news from fake news, truth from lies, disinformation from misinformation.

No area is more critical in determining the future direction of this country than our conclusions about whether the 2020 election was stolen or whether the violent and deadly protest at the U.S. Capitol on January 6 was a seditious insurrection.

The 2020 election and the January 6 violent insurrection have

different from one's on beliefs, whether accurate or not.

There are other critical areas dividing our country, where it is important for you to assess the sources of information that you may rely on.

It is important that you know if those sources are trustworthy, and why.

What sources of information do you rely on to govern your beliefs and actions when it comes to: 1) understanding the difference between sensible gun control measures and the 2nd Amendment in the Constitution; 2) the complexity of the abortion issue; 3) the real causes of inflation and gas prices; 4) the reasons why COVID is still a challenge to our health and well-being. These are issues that require us, as a collective body, to act on accurate, factual, unbiased information - not only for the welfare of one's family, but community, state and nation. It is all inextricably connected. There are critical questions we must all ask ourselves: Are we easily misled, if so, why? Are we sitting ducks for some predatory leader's agenda whether they are a family member or seasoned political leader seeking our support? Why do we gravitate toward a particular candidate? What keeps us following him/her, despite their detrimental speech and actions?

ings do nothing more, they make it very clear that we, as a country, are reaching a day of reckoning about what the last several years of disinformation have wrought.

The future of our democracy is on the line. A few immediate threats are in plain sight.

There are growing, more emboldened and violent extremist groups — many fueled by lies, systemic racism and separatist agendas.

Massive voter suppression efforts are

COLUMNIST

Karma

Briggs stood before our 6th grade English class, excited and devoted to her subject. Her body was a spring-loaded mass of energy, bouncing from blackboard to book in frenetic gyrations. It was as if she had lost something and was desperate to find it. Her lessons were

Her lessons were lively and fun; she was one of my favorite teachers. But every kid in the room had the same anxious desire to hear the bell ring at the end of her class each day. We hunched over our desktops and kept our eyes peeled, because we knew it would happen. It ALWAYS happened to somebody. On this day, it was

my turn.

Mrs. B was praising the value of personal pronouns. It was a subject she felt strongly about. She paced the room and her lungs filled with word-sailing breath that flung perfectly pronounced syllables into the air.

"P (ersonal) P(ronouns) can really P(ack) a P(unch) when you're sP(eaking)." I saw the spittle flying from her busy lips. Bulleting through the air like a torrential monsoon rain. Coming toward me at a velocity no face could avoid.

They all landed on my face.

The saliva splashed against my left check...I swear I could hear it make contact. I felt my nores shrink in self-defense. The drops ran down my face and pooled at the edge of my jawline. Gasps and giggles sailed around the room. Some titters were sympathetic, coming from those who had been targets themselves. But most of the hand-hidden, cough-camouflaged chucklers were genuinely enjoying the show. Mrs. Briggs was just revving up. Her words peppered the air like machine gun fire. I had no time to wipe or point or even shudder. More artillery was being detonated, and no face was safe. "P(ersonal) P(ronouns) are used to denote P(ossession)..." Every noggin in the room ducked for cover. English books became spittle shields. Notebook paper was ripped from spiral tablets in deafening unison; held at eye level and seeing-impaired distances.



ROBIN GARRISON LEACH ROBIN WRITES

Mouths clamped tightly to avoid pene-tration.

This was sure to be a P(articularly) messy lesson. And though I may have been the first casualty of the day, I knew others would be attacked. Our teacher had good aim and amazing trajectory power.

Mrs. Briggs' shimmery lips dismissed us—reluctantly and wetly—when the bell finally rang. She turned away as we scrambled for the door.

Once we were in the hall, shirt sleeves raked across imaginary targets. War stories connected victim to victim like tin-can telephones on taut string. Everybody had a hilarious tale to tell.

Man! Did you see what landed on my paper? It made the blue lines FIZZLE!"

"My arm is still burning where she got me!"

And, yes. God forgive me—I laughed right along with them. I moaned in disgust. And I wiped my hand across my face, wondering why this old lady couldn't keep her saliva to herself.

Mrs. Briggs definitely had something wrong with her. Well. Here I am, all

Having accurate information is power.

How can consumers be sure when we find ourselves being bombarded and swimming in a sea of disinformation, falling victim or becoming a partner unwittingly to someone's sinister agenda.

In this environment, who can we trust to shoot us straight on a political issue that could not only impact and determine the course of our lives, but that of our communities and this nation?

We must become active listeners and smart consumers. We must assume the responsibility of seeking the facts and accurate information for ourselves.

Look at what happens when we do not.

Whether at the state or national level we face a number of critical issues that need the investment of our unbiased, open-mindbeen so embroiled in lies and partisan politics that many have decided to ignore any attempt to discover the facts —facts that have been corroborated by multiple independent sources.

This seems to be the case with the January 6 committee hearings that are seeking to find the truth about how the disinformation regarding the 2020 election led to violence.

In the immediate and long-term, the future of this country depends on whether your perception and action about those two seminal events are based on lies or truth, distortions or facts.

A recent poll shows how many Americans are paying close attention to the January 6 hearings.

How will you decide what is real or false if you refuse to be open to assess what you read, hear and see? Or refuse to hear and see anything that may be

One thing is certain, if the January 6 hear-

taking place across the nation and have accelerated in recent years.

Institutions that have been the bedrock of our republic and its democratic form of government have been disrespected, marginalized and downright ignored, weaking confidence, patriotism and national pride that in the past have united us.

A recent Gallop poll shows Americans faith in our institutions is at an all time low.

But how this all plays out really comes back to us.

Do we really care about making a decision or pursing an action based on false, distorted information?

Do we care about the potential detrimental, in some cases, deadly consequences that result?

There is an adage that information is power. Today that adage no longer applies. Accurate informa-

tion is power.

grown up. I am the age Mrs. Briggs was back then. And I just spat on my own child.

"YUCK, MOM! WHAT ARE YOU DOING! YOU JUST SPIT RIGHT ON MY FACE! GROSS!"

I knew she was telling the truth. My lips were wet and the proof decorated Andrea's forehead with tiny dots. She pursed her own lips and stared at me incredulously while scrubbing my saliva from her face.

"WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?"

I immediately thought of poor 'ole Mrs. B's personal pronouns, and I knew I was being P(unished) for making fun of her.

I wiped my mouth and shook my head at the justice of it all. It had taken 50+ years, but Mrs. Briggs' English lessons finally hit home with a big, wet dose of Karma.

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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

Virginia 'Teeney' Moots Jun. 23, 1951 – Jul. 27, 2022

Virginia "Teeney" Moots, 71, of Kirksville passed away Wednesday, July 27, 2022.

The daughter of George and Geneva (Hurley) Veach, she was born June 23, 1951 in Yakima, Washington. Virginia grew up and attended school in the Novinger and Kirksville area. She worked in Kirksville at the International Shoe Factory and at the Cuckoo's Nest. She lived life to the fullest and enjoyed spending time with family and friends.



She enjoyed going to Thrift Stores and taking walks. She was a wild spirit, a mother to many and a friend to all.

Virginia is survived by two sons, Donald (Angela) Scott of Jefferson, SD and Randy Scott of California; two daughters, Lisa (James) Scott of Kirksville and Deborah Darnell and Joe Stewart of Kirksville; nine grandchildren, Carlin Ingledue, Chasity Lowrence, Maudia Folsom, Lainie Mason, Dennis Parrish, Timothy Parrish and Adam Lewis; nine great grandchildren; two brothers, John D. Veach of Kirksville and David Veach of Macon, MO; and one sister, Linda Bachman of Kirksville.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Jerry Veach and Doc Burnes.

A memorial service will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 30, 2022 at Thousand Hills State Park.

Arrangements in the care of Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home; www.davisplaylehudsonrimer.com. Lawrence (Larry) Attebery, 80, passed away peacefully on the morning of July 16, 2022 at his Spring Lake home near Kirks-

ville, MO. Larry was born December 31, 1941 to Dr. Chester Louis and Luella (Hardy) Attebery! He loved the years growing up and attending school in Kirksville and graduating with the Class of '59. He went on to attend the University

of Missouri and graduated with a mechanical engineering degree in 1963!

He ventured to International-Harvester, Ft. Wayne, IN and Ball Corp. in Muncie, IN. In between jobs, Larry married Regina Lightfoot on April 6, 1968 in Unionville, Mo. During 1972, they moved back to Kirksville to start Attebery Engineering and Surveying business. 1985 took them down the road to St. Louis working with Harland Bartholomew in Clayton and later Attebery Engineering before retiring back to Kirksville! Larry enjoyed turkey, pheasant, and quail hunting with his English Setters. Larry earned his pilot's license in 1969 and for many years enjoyed flying Cessnas with the local flying club. He enjoyed sharing his love of aviation with all of his friends and family, giving rides in the airplane he built himself in 2019.

Larry was involved in many organizations: Moila

Lawrence (Larry) Attebery

Dec. 31, 1941 – Jul. 16, 2022



Shriner #117, El Kadir Shrine in Kirksville which he served as the current president, Masonic Lodge #105, member of the Yarrow Methodist Church, past president of the Spring Lake Board, Saddle Club of Kirksville, Kirksville Noon Rotary Club where he served as a board member, Experimental Aircraft Association and the Adair County Historical Society.

Larry was the father of 6 sons: Robby (deceased), Frank (deceased), Steve and wife Letty, Paul, Todd and wife Jennie and Eric and fiance Tessa and her kids, Emry, Jaxson and Rhyett; Daughter-In-Law: Denise (Attebery) McMillian and husband Ron and their children, Crystal, Ronnie and Cody; Grandchildren: Jesica, Adam and wife Meagen, Elliott and Emmaline; Great Grandchildren: Ethan, Aaliyah, Mikeyla; Sister: Diane Apa and her sons, Rick Gooch and Chad Gooch; and his beloved dog, Bella.

The visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Monday, August 1st, 2022 at Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home Kirksville, MO. A Masonic rite service will be at 11 a.m. with the funeral service to follow. Burial will be at La Plata Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the El Kadir Shrine Club in Kirksville, MO.

Funeral Arrangements in the care of Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home; www. davisplaylehudsonrimer.com

Adair County Public Library to host program on owls

By Press Release

The Adair County Public Library is hosting an owl program on Thursday Aug. 18, at 5:30 p.m. This program is for all ages and will feature Mark H.X. Glenshaw, an award-winning naturalist who has closely observed and documented the lives of Great Horned Owls in Forest Park, a large urban park in St. Louis,

since December 2005. Glenshaw's talk, Forest Park Owls: Hiding in Plain Sight, will cover how he found these owls, basic facts about the species, and the different behaviors he has been able to see and document with photos and videos to illustrate these behaviors. This free program will be informative and entertaining. For more information, call the library at 660-665-6038.



Quilt show in Albia, Iowa to feature Kirksville quilters

By Press Release

The Albia Crazy Quilters Restoration Days Quilt Show will be Aug. 5-7 at the Family Life Center of the Methodist Church located at 1117 Benton Ave. East. Parking is directly behind the church with the show across the street.

There will be around 150 exhibits that will include the usual class quilts, UFO projects (previous projects that were left unfinished), birthday club quilts, and seasonal quilts. Of especial interest will be Funny

Face small quilts that tell a story that the guild had a workshop for in March.

There will be six vendors: B&B Creations from Tracey, Cindy Lou's from Chariton, Snips of Thread from Humeston, 3 Dog Design and The Sewing House of Ottumwa, and Splintered Spool from Kirksville.

There is also a raffle for a queen size quilt. Wonderful home made quilted items for sale in the Silent Auction .

Admission is free for the show. Show hours are Friday and Saturday 9-5 and Sunday 11-4.

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"We're not gonna have the bull riding, the saddle bronc, or any of that kind





open on a first come, first serve basis.

A negative Coggins is required for all horses. Stalls will be available on a first come and first serve basis with a \$30

of stuff," he said, noting that the team competitions are ranch-based in that they need to capture the cows, head it, heel it and put it on the ground. Instead of actually branding the cow once under control, they will mark it with baby powder or something similar to signify the branding.

"So it's more like your ranch based or like real life event stuff, just kind of in a rodeo format," he said.

Exhibition Barrels are from 7-9 a.m. and are \$5

each with a 60 second time limit. Barrel racing begins at 9 a.m. following the exhibitions. Open 4D (1.2 second split) \$30 with a buckle going to the 1D winner. Youth 3D (1 split second) is \$20 and open to 17 and up. Adult

3D (1 second split) is \$20 and open to 18 and over.

The Ranch Rodeo follows the barrel racing (but not before 1 p.m.) and has a 60 percent payback with \$250 added.

Three man team cost is \$300 and involves

team doctoring, team sorting, double mugging and team penning. A buckle will be given to the overall winning team. The fastest time in each event will get a payout. Registration starts at 7 a.m. and closes when

the first team begins. At 6 p.m., there will be a mutton busting event sponsored by Cowboy Swagger. Children under 65 pounds are invited to participate. The event is free to all participants and registration will be deposit. Deposits will be refunded to those with cleaned stalls at the end of the event.

Lunch will be available through Backdraft BBQ and the Adair County Ambulance District. Alcohol will be available as well.

For questions, contact Derek Johnson at 660-342-7521m Chelsea Burkhiser at 660-341-2082 or Tyler Davis at 660-956-2565.

Full RV hookups are available upon request. Call 660-665-8800 for more information.

RECORDS

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for review and oftentimes, were only made public after the case had been filed in circuit court days or weeks later. The system conflicted with Missouri's Sunshine laws.

In a letter to the Kirksville City Council sent last week, The Express argued that Missouri state that the police must file incident reports that include the date, time, specific location, name of the victim and immediate facts and circumstances surrounding the initial report of a crime or incident, including any logs of reported crimes, accidents and complaints maintained by that agency. The law also requires that an arrest report,

Sunshine laws explicitly

should there be an arrest, be filed and made open to the public as well.

Macomber, in an emailed response to The Express, wrote that having consulted with Police Chief Scott Williamson and the city attorney, the city will be providing incident and arrest reports in the police blotter, which is already open to the public, except for cases allowed to be closed

according to the statute.

Macomber said that Williamson also spoke with a representative from the Missouri Attorney General's Office in response to a complaint filed by The Express last week, and that their office would provide regional Sunshine Law training for area law en-

forcement with the Kirksville Police Department hosting the event.

"I am hopeful that this resolves this situation and appreciate that this matter was brought to our attention," Macomber said.

"I'm thankful that the city council, police chief

and city manager took this as serious as they did and within days, had corrected the matter," said Marty Bachman, editor of The Express. "They've repeatedly expressed a desire to be a more transparent government entity and today they walked the walk."

CENSURE

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According to the press release, during the July 18 meeting, the Adair County Central Committee members reviewed and discussed not only the allegations of Thompson's having committed a Class 4 misdemeanor election offense, but also complaints from community members about Thompson making "inappropriate and unacceptable comments" to members of the community.

"The committee listened to first-hand testimony, in addition to a written grievance,' they wrote. "The Adair County Republican Central Committee discussed all of their options and with quorum met, ultimately voted to "Censure" Adair County Commissioner Mark Thompson from the Adair County Republican Central Committee as well as the Adair County Republican Club."

"The Adair County Republican Central Committee condemns ALL acts of election interference and believes ALL public servants should hold themselves to a higher standard and should most certainly hold themselves accountable," the press release reads.



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Local History

Embracing Local History Part 9 -REACTIONARY OVERKILL

By Blytha Ellis, President Adair County Historical Society and Museum

After the Big Neck War on July 17, 1829, and the frenzied arrival at Huntsville of the survivors and the men, women and children of The Cabins, one can only imagine the uproar their stories caused! Word spread throughout several counties of this "terrible Indian uprising." In truth, the Big Neck "War" was, at best, only a skirmish, but to the participants who were there and in fear for their lives, it was a "war."

Citizens of a wide area of Central Missouri had no idea but what these inflamed warriors were still in pursuit of Captain Trammell's troops, or had enlisted other tribes to reap revenge upon any white men they came across. Fear of all-out war swept this settled frontier. Citizens didn't realize that Big Neck and his small following had acted alone and were actually alienated from other tribes. Although Big Neck had chased Captain Trammell's men for about a mile after the battle, they were now long gone into Iowa never intending to return to Missouri. But, oh, let the reader be assured, they would return to Missouri, but in a way they did not wish!

News spread rapidly considering the primitive times of 1829. It reached Fayette, Missouri, on July 20. Rumors pushed the number of war path Indians up to 1,500 in the vicinity of the battle site (in the future Adair County) when actually there were now none. All around the Fayette area, some 200 men made immediate preparations for a military campaign, aligning with the state militia or with volunteer companies. Even prominent



4th Governor of Missouri, John Miller, who organized a large company of men in 1829 after the Big Neck War, fearing a major Indian uprising

citizens seemed anxious to join in the frenzy. Among the volunteers were four well-known lawyers, a former Lieutenant Governor of Missouri, the current Missouri Attorney General Robert W. Wells, and two doctors from Columbia, Missouri. One of the physicians was Dr. William Jewell (1789-1852) who would later found a college which bears his name in Liberty, Missouri. In their readiness to leave, each man availed himself of a horse, a gun, a blanket and provisions. They would soon be organized by order of the Governor of Missouri.

William Taylor, a Howard County judge, was sent to Jefferson City to inform Missouri Governor John Miller (1781-1846) of the "Indian trouble." There would later be criticism of the exaggerated information conveyed to the Governor and of the extreme action he took. From the information the Governor received, he reported to the Sixth Missouri General Assembly these six major problems from Indians concerning new settlers on the Chariton River in the northern part of the state:

1. Depredations on our citizens

2. Insults upon our citizens in the most wanton manner 3. The killing of stock be-

longing to the settlers

4. Menacing the security of the citizens

5. Threatening the lives of these inhabitants

6. Trying to reclaim the land and requiring the settlers to move

As for the companies out of Fayette ready to defend Missourians, the Governor ordered that they be organized under Brigadier General Ignatius Perry Owens (1788-1835), an innkeeper at Fayette who was also Commander of the First Brigade, First Division of the



Missouri Militia. Under General Owens, there was a regiment commanded by General John B. Clark Sr. and another company of Randolph and Howard County men commanded by Captain John Sconce (1791-1844). Captain Sconce was a noted "Indian fighter" originally from Kentucky, and his men acted as scouts.

Governor Miller also sent a message to General Henry Leavenworth. Commander of the U.S. troops, asking for reinforcements to protect Northern Missouri against hostile Indians. General Leavenworth sent 2.000 state militia and a dozen companies of U.S. Army troops back toward the Big Neck War battle site. He also chartered the steamboat "Crusader" and sent 200 troops up the Missouri River while he followed by stagecoach. General Leavenworth stopped briefly at Fayette where Governor Miller came to meet with him. Who could have guessed that the Big Neck War in the future Adair County, would have caused such an uproar! All of this seems now like a reactionary overkill to a small conflict, but fear was running rampant at that time.

The scouts under Captain Sconce were actually the first to reach the Big Neck battleground near the future site of Connelsville, Missouri. They found the remains of three white men from their home community, Squire John Myers, Powell Own- for Hostile Indians

bey and James Winn.

Captain Trammell's men, in their panic to leave the conflict, had understandably not taken their dead. It was found that Big Neck also left the bodies of at least three of his braves behind. Captain Sconce's men buried the Indians and returned the remains of the white men to their families in Howard County. The scouts found that James Winn, whom you will remember killed an Indian woman, had received a special kind of torture. After being shot in the leg which broke his thigh bone so he could not escape, he had been fastened to the ground in a sprawled-out manner and a fire built on his chest.

Within a week, the scouts had returned to Fayette with the bodies. They secured additional provisions and clothing and returned to the troops of Generals Owens and Clark on the Chariton River.

Captain Sconce and his men were then sent on the trail of Big Neck in the direction of the Des Moines River. They traveled about forty miles before deciding that the Indians had "left the country," and they returned to the military camp on the Chariton River.

But, if one should dare to imagine that the whole Big Neck War affair was now over, be assured, it sadly was not!

(Next time: The Futile Search

TURNING THE PAGE: This Week in **Local History**



DAILY EXPRESS VINTAGE AD — 1948

By Larry Evans

110 Years Ago, July 31, 1912

A committee appointed by the Kirksville City Council consisting of alderman Warner, Dodson, Waddill, and city engineer Phillips went out to survey the hills north and west of Kirksville to find a feasible site for the construction of a large lake. The purpose of the lake was to supply Kirksville with a longterm and dependable supply of water. Committee members were specifically looking for an ideal site for building a large dam where rainfall and run off could be collected to supply water for Kirksville. Such a lake near Kirksville would eliminate the expense and vulnerability of pumping water to the city from the Chariton River. The idea for the construction of such a big lake was first espoused by George R. Brewington (1843-1937) in a communication with the Kirksville Daily Express two years earlier in 1910.

80 Years Ago, July 28, 1942

Two Kirksville men, Bud and Leland Billington, whose ship was torpedoed, were rescued in the Caribbean after spending 24 hours in a lifeboat. The men, both members of the merchant marine during World War II, were rescued by a Dutch oil tanker and taken to the island of Barbados before returning to the United States. The Billington men were uninjured in the incident.

60 Years Ago, July 25, 1962

The body of Harold A. Scofield was recovered from Forest Lake in Thousand Hills State Park. He was the lake's first drowning victim in its ten-year history. Scofield was reported missing the previous day when he failed to return from a night of fishing. Evidence indicated that he fell from his boat while setting lines with the motor running. The boat rammed a ski dock which stopped the motor.

40 Years Ago, July 24, 1982

The first annual Chariton River Raft Race that featured 88 entries consisting of creative homemade rafts was attended by approximately 2,000 people. The rafters launched their watercraft at the Youngstown bridge where the race began. It ended downriver at Yarrow. According to the rules there were four categories, one, two, four, and six-person rafts. The event winner clocked the best time of one hour and 52 minutes. The raft race was sponsored by Pepsi Cola and Busch beer with proceeds to support the Northeast Missouri State University Football Booster Club.

40 Years Ago, July 27, 1982

According to Kirksville's City Engineer, Walter Davison, progress on the construction of the \$6 million Hazel Creek Lake was 75 to 80 percent complete. The new facility was Kirksville's future primary water supply. The Brink Construction Company was constructing the dam which was 70 percent complete. Brink was also responsible for construction of the intake structure, spillway, and pump station. Hubbart Excavating of Lancaster was in the process of reconstructing the roads at the lake site. They had raised the roadbed and placed a large, galvanized pipe under it to allow lake water to flow under the road. The Purler Excavating Company of St. Charles was responsible for the installation of water mains from the pump station to the water plant west of Kirksville on Potter Avenue. Davison said that construction of Hazel Creek Lake should be complete by the fall of 1982 if the weather was favorable and some legal issues that involved the laying of water mains were resolved.





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Agriculture

MU Extension resources for farmers amid deepening drought

By MU Extension

COLUMBIA, Mo. – "It's not a good situation" for agriculture in the southern two-thirds of Missouri, where scant rainfall and high temperatures have led to worsening drought, said Pat Guinan, associate extension professor of climatology with University of Missouri Extension.

The ample moisture in northern Missouri ends abruptly where drought conditions begin in central through southern Missouri, Guinan said.

The driest Missouri counties are on the Arkansas border; parts of Howell, Oregon and Ripley counties have received just over an inch of rain in the past eight weeks.

"The drought in southwestern and southern

Missouri has been unparalleled in some respects to other droughts we've had," said Tim Schnakenberg, MU Extension agronomist in Stone County. Some producers say they haven't had worse conditions before in their lifetimes.

"The closest was the 1980 drought that had extended periods of high heat and dry weather," Schnakenberg said. "Pastures and hayfields are drying up more each day, and farmers and ranchers are scrambling to secure additional hay resources. Corn is being chopped or baled and bagged earlier than most have ever seen."

Because of the short supply of hay and limited pasture, there are long trailer lines at livestock auctions since cows are being culled, he said. Si-

lage tonnage is running about one-third of normal.

"The first week of June was the last major rain event for most of the Delta region of the state," said Justin Calhoun, soil and cropping systems specialist at the MU Fisher Delta Research, Extension and Education Center in Portageville.

While most of the ground in the Delta is irrigated, Calhoun said, "under these extreme conditions our irrigation systems are being pushed to the limit."

Crops that are dryland or in pivot corners look extremely poor to nearly a complete loss, said Calhoun. Much of the corn in these nonirrigated areas never reached silking and completely dried out. Dryland cotton, peanuts and soybean are struggling.



MU Extension has an extensive drought resources page with links to articles, management practices and an impact report form that allows users to inform the National Drought Mitigation Center about local conditions. Guinan urges producers to submit their own drought reports and photos, as the information is "very helpful."

Visit the MU Extension drought resources page at mizzou.us/ DroughtResources.

Kirksville girl takes third in Junior B Division Public Speaking at 2022 National Junior Angus Show

By Photo by Pearl's Pics

These junior members won top honors in the Junior B Divison of the prepared public speaking contest at the 2022 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) Awards Ceremony, July 8 in Kansas City, Mo. Pictured from left are Brantley Humpert, Windthorst, Texas, first; Madilyn Norvell, Tuttle, Okla., second; and Madelyn Sampson, Kirksville, Mo., third.



Angus Juniors meat demand

Controlling seasonal diseases in cattle

By NAPS

(NAPSI)—Here's something cattle ranchers know: Each season brings with it different health challenges for their livestock, from respiratory diseases to eye and foot infections, to enteric and other systemic infections. But there are solutions.

What The Vet Says

Explains Eric Moore, DVM, "To successfully keep cattle healthy and productive includes frequent monitoring and early treatment. No matter what type of cattle or operation is involved, the fundamentals to keeping cattle healthy are the same: good herd management, frequent surveillance and early, aggressive treatment." Seasonal diseases can be more predictable and manageable for producers, notes Dr. Moore. "Generally, producers and veterinarians will see more cases of foot and eye problems in spring and summer and pneumonia in fall and spring, for example. But depending on conditions, some other systemic bacterial infections can happen almost any time of year, which further complicates overall herd health."

Two hard-to-prevent diseases cowcalf producers might see in warm weather are foot rot and pink eye. Left untreated, each can lead to more serious, chronic health problems. Fortunately, with a watchful eye and early treatment, these infections can be easily and cost-effectively managed by producers using oxytetracycline.



By Special to The Express

The beef industry is driven by the demand for carcass merit. In recent years, the push for quality has increased. National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) members rose to the challenge in this year's National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) carcass contest.

The carcass contest presents a different perspective for junior Angus members at the National Junior Angus Show. Instead of leading the animal into the show ring, they lead the steers onto a truck to be harvested. In the days following, the steers are graded, evaluated and their carcass data is reported.

Forty-two entries from 11 states competed in this year's carcass contest at the National Junior Angus Show, the largest event to date. The top-ranking steers were announced at the NJAS awards ceremony on July 8.

"The Prime carcass percentage more than tripled the recent industry average," said Paul Dykstra, director of supply management and analysis for Certified Angus Beef. "The real highlight in this set of steers is the fact 21 percent of the carcasses were Prime, yield grade 2s. It's a fairly special set of cattle that can hit such a lofty marbling achievement while remaining this lean in terms of their finish."

The grand champion carcass steer was exhibited by Ty Mogck of Olivet, South Dakota. His steer graded Prime with a yield grade of 2.3. The steer had a 14.2 square inch (sq. in.) ribeve area and a hot carcass weight of 845 pounds (lb.), allowing the steer to qualify for the Certified Angus Beef ® (CAB) brand. Mogck received a \$39.00 per hundred weight (cwt.) grid premium, \$9.00 per cwt. higher than the 2021 champion.

Claire Caldwell of Parker, Kansas took home reserve champion carcass steer honors. Her steer graded Prime with a yield grade of 2.8. The steer had a 13.9 sq. in. ribeye area and 829 lb. hot carcass weight. Caldwell's steer qualified for CAB, and she was awarded a \$39.00 cwt. grid premium. The difference between the champion and reserve steers was a mere \$6.00 total per head, illustrating the tough competition in this year's contest.

The champion bred and owned carcass steer was exhibited by Kelsey Vandeberghe of Cleveland, North Dakota. Her steer graded Prime with a yield grade of 3.1. The steer had a 14.5 sq. in. ribeye area and an 812 lb. hot carcass weight, earning the CAB designation. Vandeberghe received a \$37.00 cwt. grid premium.

Alexis Vandeberghe of Cleveland, North Dakota, presented the reserve champion bred and owned carcass steer. Her steer graded Prime with a yield grade of 2.7. The steer also qualified for CAB, exhibiting a 12.8 sq in. ribeye area with a 749 lb. hot carcass weight, and receiving a \$38.00 cwt. grid premium.

NJAA members also competed in the contest as state groups. Three steers were grouped together by at least two exhibitors.

The champion state group went to Kansas 5, averaging a \$265.10 carcass premium per head. Team members included Claire, William and Creed Caldwell, all of Parker.

The reserve state group was also from Kansas. Kansas 3 averaged a \$246.33 carcass premium per head. Corbin and Kirwin Russell of Paxico exhibited the winning carcasses.

The top steer exhibitors were awarded contest premiums beyond their carcass premiums. Contestants also receive carcass data in return to make improvements in selection decisions, fostering the future of the beef industry and creating teachable moments for the membership.

Results of the 2022 NJAS, including shows, contests, awards and scholarships can be found at www.njas.info. Additional coverage is also available on the NJAA social media channels.

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Weather



News of the weird Who Knew? News You Can Use

-- People in Gorakhpur, India, are struggling with record heat and lack of rainfall, as are many parts of the world. But according to the Daily Star, they had a different solution -- and it worked! "It's a time-tested belief that frog weddings are held to bring in rain," said organizer Radhakant Verma. His group found two frogs on July 19 and held a wedding ceremony for them, with hundreds of people watching and a celebratory meal afterward. Sure enough, on July 20, the India Meteorological Department called for heavy rainfall in the area. -- More heat wave fun: University of British Columbia researcher Alison McAfee told Metro News that when outdoor temperatures exceed about 107 degrees Fahrenheit, drone (or male) bees begin to convulse, forcing their sex organs to explode from their bodies, an event that causes them to die from shock. "It's pretty extreme," McAfee said. "That's a temperature they shouldn't normally experience, but we were seeing drones getting stressed to the point of death." She believes drones are one of the most effective indicators of climate change.

It's hot everywhere, but Texas is showing off with consecutive days above 100, or even 110. Some wild animals have a unique way of dealing with the heat, and it even has a fun name: splooting. WFAA-TV in Dallas reported on July 21 that squirrels are taking to the street, literally: lying facedown with all their limbs spread out. The rodents don't sweat or pant, so splooting in the shade helps them cool down. One little guy was even spotted splooting on a sidewalk vent.

Wife's smoking addiction clouds future of marriage

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to my wife for 32 years. I love her dearly. Recently, though, her smoking has been really bothering me. Her father passed away from COPD five years ago because he was a lifetime smoker. I thought that would convince her to stop. She has tried, but she always goes back. She tries to cover it up by making frequent trips to the store and other places to get out of sight to smoke. It infuriates me that she would lie, but she doesn't seem to have a problem with it at all. It makes me wonder what else she's been lying about. My biggest concern, obviously, is that her health problems are increasing -- frequent colds (she blames "allergies"), coughing while she sleeps, snoring terribly. We now sleep in separate beds at times just so I can get some sleep. When I bring up the subject of quitting, she gets defensive. Her mother will no longer talk to her about it, and she wants her to quit even more than I do. As my wife goes down this road, I'm becoming less attracted to her. We don't talk much anymore when we are by ourselves. We once went to a marriage counselor who agreed with me on the subject of quitting, but my wife blew it off. I'm near my limit and thinking of ending our marriage. How can I get through to her without a messy divorce? -- END OF MY ROPE IN MICHIGAN DEAR END: By now it should be obvious that your wife is displaying classic symptoms of an



high school reunion is coming up next year. I talked with her recently over the phone, and she's also going to the reunion. We're both looking forward to seeing each other again. Do you think age plays a big part in how a person should view things? That is. I've seen a photo of her. and while it's very different from how she looked in high school, I still feel the same about her and want to spend the rest of my life with her. What's your advice? -- STILL SMITTEN IN IDAHO **DEAR SMITTEN: My** advice is to keep talking to your old flame, see if she's currently attached and whether she feels the same way about you. If the answer is yes, attending the reunion will let you begin to know her all over again before taking the next step. Time can be a great advantage because you both are mature adults now and, hopefully, less impulsive than you were during your teens. I wish you luck as you revisit this with her. Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Unclear on the Concept

Japan is famously known for its culture of overworking. Rather than try to change that culture, two Japanese companies have developed an upright nap pod, where workers can sneak in a quick, private power nap without having to nod off in the restroom or at their desks. The boxes have been compared to upright tanning beds, Oddity Central reported. They offer support for the head, knees and back, even as workers stay in the standing position. "It's better to sleep in a comfortable location," noted Saeko Kawashima of Itoki, the furniture company that collaborated on the product.

Ewwww

In southwestern Idaho, an annual phenomenon is creating slick spots on the highways, CBS2-TV reported. The Idaho Transportation Department headed out on July 21 with heavy equipment to scrape Mormon crickets off Highway 51. When the crickets are crushed by cars, the resulting goo can become hazardous for motorists. The department posted a video on its Facebook page, but warned viewers: "If you get queasy easily, don't watch this with the volume on." Crunch!

The Entrepreneurial Spirit

Jim Battan, 57, of West Linn, Oregon, figured out a way to pay off his \$110,000 backyard luxury pool: Since September 2020, Battan has hosted about 9,000 swimmers through an app called Swimply, NBC New York reported, making \$177,000. Battan admits there's more to the job than providing towels. He and his wife spend 12 to 14 hours a week managing bookings and doing maintenance. "I love the income, but I generally caution people from it," Battan said. "It takes a lot of time to learn about pool chemistry and maintenance. I look at my pool chemicals probably five to 10 times a day." But at \$70 per hour for five people, it's worth it to him. And his customers like it, too -- he has a high return rate.

Here Come Da Judge

KDKA-TV reported on July 19 that attorney Lauren Varnado, who was defending a Pittsburgh corporation in a courtroom in New Martinsville, West Virginia, accused Judge David W. Hummel Jr. of pulling a Colt .45 pistol out of his robes during the proceedings in March. Varnado alleged that Hummel pointed it "in a waving motion, like he was scanning, first at the defense counsel, and then (placed) it on the bench and slowly (turned) it to make sure the barrel of it is pointed at me." Because of the trial's contentious nature, Varnado had a security detail, but Hummel wouldn't allow them into the courtroom, saying, "I have bigger guns than they have." Varnado said she is working with the FBI and the West Virginia Judicial Investigation Commission. "He cannot stay on the bench," she said.

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addict. This is something she may have inherited from her father. She has a serious medical (and possibly psychological) problem because she CANNOT quit on her own. If she's even interested in doing so, which I doubt, she will need professional help. Nicotine patches and gum could aid her in cutting back, but a psychological component will still need to be addressed.

Interestingly, you didn't mention the effect (besides revulsion) her secondhand smoke is having on you. This is something you should address with your doctor. Once you have done that, offer your wife the option of treatment. However, if she refuses, you will have to decide whether to consult a lawyer.

DEAR ABBY: What advice would you give to one who thinks about and, quite frankly, is still in love with his high school sweetheart? We never got married. I never married anyone, and our 50th year

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Sports

Royals' trade of Benintendi could be just the start

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. --The Royals could have waited until closer to the trade deadline to deal All-Star outfielder Andrew Benintendi, perhaps getting a slightly better offer in the process, but consummating their move with the Yankees for three pitching prospects late Wednesday provided one largely unintended benefit.

They'll have more time to work on trading everyone else.

The trade of Benintendi, who is eligible for free agency after this season, is likely the first of many for Kansas City ahead of Tuesday's deadline. They are mired in another losing season, their biggest goal staving off 100 losses once again, yet have an abundance of players capable of putting a contending team over the top down the stretch.

That includes Whit Merrifield, a two-time All-Star who can play just about any position; right-hander Brad Keller, a consistent starter who could provide an upgrade to the back of a rotation; and relievers Josh Staumont and Scott Barlow, both of whom have electric stuff and proven ability to close games.

"We've been pretty open with clubs," Royals general manager J.J. Picollo said Thursday, "and really, right now, I think we're in a position where we don't have to

be the aggressor. The players we have remaining have years on their contract. We don't have to be the aggressor. But over the next 24-to-48 hours, we'll have a more clear picture of who seriously wants to acquire some of the players we have on this team, and I think it'll get interesting. I don't know where it will go."

The Royals have been active in the trade market ever since it became clear that they weren't going to contend.

Last month, they dealt struggling designated hitter Carlos Santana to the surprising Mariners for developing pitchers Wyatt Mills and William Flemming. And earlier this month, they sent the No. 35 pick in the amateur draft to the Braves for infielder CJ Alexander, right-hander Andrew Hoffman and outfielder Drew Waters.

Throw in the deal for Benintendi and the Rovals have landed six minor league pitchers in about a month.

"I don't think you can go wrong with pitching," Picollo explained. "I think getting deeper on the pitching end is important. And we have a nucleus of position players establishing themselves as major leaguers and we can build around that."

Indeed, the Royals are in the midst of bringing a whole new core to the majors. Bobby Witt Jr. has solidified his place at shortstop with star



Kansas City Royals' Whit Merrifield (15) is congratulated by manager Mike Matheny, second from right, after scoring against the Los Angeles Angels during the seventh inning of a baseball game, Monday, July 25, 2022, in Kansas City, Mo. AP PHOTO/REED HOFFMANN

is the heir to aging fan favorite Salvador Perez behind the plate; and Nick Pratto and Vinnie Pasquantino have stuck after also making their big league debuts this season.

So it makes sense to trade the 33-year-old Merrifield, who doesn't fit the profile of a young team trying to turn the corner, and Barlow and Staumont, talented relievers who might be gone anyway by the time the Royals are ready to contend.

Especially if the return is players capable of helping whenever that time arrives.

In the deal for Benintendi, the Royals got 23-year-old Chandler Champlain, who has an impressive strikeoutto-walk ratio at Low-A Tampa; 24-year-old T.J. Sikkema, who has dominated hitters at High-A Hudson Valley after missing last season with a lat injury; and 22-yearold Beck Way, who also is at Hudson Valley and is 5-5 with a 3.73 ERA this season.

"We generally have some projections when we think they'll be ready, but we were focused on

potential; MJ Melendez the best package we'd get back," Picollo said. "We're all seeing guys moving through systems pretty quickly now, but there has to be performance and then there has to be opportunity for guys to pitch or play in the major leagues."

> That's another benefit of dealing veterans such as Benintendi and Merrifield: It gives youngsters more chances to play.

> Maikel Garcia, who struck out in his big league debut in Toronto earlier this month, will apparently be the first. The 22-year-old infielder was recalled from Double-A Northwest Arkansas on Thursday to fill Benintendi's spot on the roster.

Waters and fellow outfielder Brewer Hicklen could be next as they continue to progress at Triple-A Omaha.

"I think we're all very encouraged by the last month. We're not 10 games over .500 but we're basically right at .500," Picollo said. "When we evaluate this team going into '23, a lot of questions of certain players need to be answered, and that's what the last 70 games left will represent."

Column: Contreras' farewell a reminder that professional athletes are human

n the middle of what has been a lackluster season for the Chicago Cubs, there were a few verv nice moments at Wrigley Field on Tuesday, which was the day the catcher Willson Contreras played perhaps his final home game for the franchise.

Contreras signed with the Cubs as a 16-year-old in 2009 out of Venezuela and reached the major leagues by 2016, hitting a home run in his first at-bat. He then became an integral part of the Cubs World Series run that season and quickly became a fan favorite and one of the best catchers in baseball.

So why is a star player in his prime, coming off his third All-Star appearance, being traded from one of the most profitable teams in baseball?

The Cubs ownership and front office have decided that they want to rebuild, which is to say trade away cornerstone players for prospects and hope to be good again in a couple of years. The Cubs have the resources to be good now, but instead chose to trade away star players Kris Bryant, Anthony Rizzo and Javier Baez last season, and now Contreras is presumably next.

It seems that the Cubs have a new annual ritual where fans get invested in a middling team for a couple of games only so they can give their favorite players a proper send off. Contreras' farewell Tuesday was a particularly emotional one for the catcher, and he has been open and candid about his position as a trade piece all season. It is refreshing to see professional athletes be so open about this side of the game, discussing what they want and how they feel about it.



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Adam Tumino

although that seems increasingly unlikely.

This happens to many athletes each year, from every team in every sport, and it is easy to simply ignore it as a part of the business. Many of these players are millionaires, after all, and they play a game for a living. Is moving from Chicago to New York really that big of a deal for them?

Contreras' situation is a reminder that it is a big deal. He has been with the Cubs organization for almost half of his life. He has lived in Chicago for the past six years, gotten married there and made it his home. Of course he is going to be emotional about the situation.

It can be easy for many people to view professional athletes as purely forms of entertainment, but it is important to remember that they are humans first. It does not matter how much monev they make or what they do for a living.

I believe it is important to recognize the humanity of the athletes we root for. It also makes it more fun to root for athletes and teams when you know more about them. It gives you more to be invested in. It also makes it harder to shrug it off when an athlete is vocal about their trade status or something similar. Another issue is that the Cubs have put themselves in a position where they are trading away valuable players and spurring this conversation, but that is a problem for another day.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. -Clyde Edwards-Helaire trotted down the long hill toward the Kansas City Chiefs' practice field, one day after he was placed on the physically unable to perform list, and the competition was on to be the starting running back this season.

Just like jobs at left tackle, cornerback and even wide receiver.

The Chiefs had their first full-squad workout of training camp on a warm, humid Wednesday morning with a cast that looks a lot different from how they finished last season. Edwards-Helaire is competing with Ronald Jones II and a bevy of others for carries in the backfield, the cornerback job opposite L'Jarius Sneed is up for grabs and, after the departure of Tyreek Hill and two other receivers, the pecking order for quarterback Patrick Mahomes is still to be determined.



Kansas City Chiefs head coach Andy Reid watches a morning workout at the team's NFL football training camp facility at Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph, Mo., Sunday, July 24, 2022. AP PHOTO/COLIN E. BRALEY

"Looks like we're in good shape, got a little foundation there and we'll start building on that," said Chiefs coach Andy Reid, who wasted no time pitting tentative starters against each other with a crowd of thousands on hand.

"Offense won a few. Defense won a few. They were competing," Reid said. "I was happy with the attitude and the work."

Edwards-Helaire briefly landed on the PUP list Tuesday while taking care of his conditioning test, then joined Jones and the rest of the running backs in what should be a spirited competition the next few weeks. Jerick McKinnon is also back after a strong finish to last season with Derrick Gore and rookies Isiah Pacheco and Tayon Fleet-Davis.

The left tackle job is up for grabs — at least for now — with Orlando Brown Jr. holding out after turning down an offer from the Chiefs to make him the highest-paid offensive lineman in the league. Until he signs his fran-

chise tender, the Chiefs are moving on without him, and Roderick Johnson got the first chance to take repetitions with the first-team offense.

"He was productive in the offseason so coming in we thought he could help out. We'll see how it rolls," said Reid, who added that moving stalwart left guard Joe Thuney to offensive tackle is not under current consideration.

"We're going to keep rolling them in there," Reid said. "Nothing is solidified in there."

The cornerback situation is in flux, too, with Charvarius Ward leaving in free agency and Rashad Fenton landing on the PUP list with a shoulder injury. First-round pick Trent McDuffie is the favorite to win a starting job, but fourth-round pick Joshua Williams also ran with the first-teamers Wednesday as he carves out a role in Steve Spagnuolo's system.

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Contreras has said that he always hopes to be with the Cubs,

Chiefs signing veteran DE Dunlap to 1-year contract

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. -The Kansas City Chiefs are signing defensive end Carlos Dunlap to a oneyear deal, giving them an experienced pass rusher opposite Frank Clark and providing first-round

pick George Karlaftis with another veteran presence.

Dunlap's agent, Drew Rosenhaus, told ESPN. com on Thursday that the contract will be worth up to \$8 million.

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Sports

Kremlin poker-faced on US swap offer to free Griner, Whelan

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOSCOW — The Kremlin warned Thursday that a possible prisoner swap with the United States involving American basketball star Brittney Griner needs to be negotiated quietly without fanfare.

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken said Wednesday that Washington had offered Russia a deal that would bring home Griner and another jailed American, Paul Whelan. A person familiar with the matter said the U.S. government proposed trading convicted Russian arms dealer Viktor Bout for Whelan and Griner.

Asked about the U.S. offer, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov replied that prisoner swaps were typically negotiated discreetly behind the scenes.

"We know that such issues are discussed without any such release of information," Peskov told reporters during a conference call. "Normally, the public learns about it when the agreements are already implemented."

He emphasized that "no agreements have been finalized" and refused to provide further details.

In a separate statement, Russian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said that Russian and U.S. officials have conducted negotiations about possible prisoner exchanges and "there has been no concrete result yet."

"We proceed from



WNBA star and two-time Olympic gold medalist Brittney Griner is escorted to a courtroom for a hearing, in Khimki just outside Moscow, Russia, Wednesday, July 27, 2022. EVGENIA NOVOZHENINA/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

the assumption that interests of both parties should be taken into account during the negotiations," Zakharova said.

Blinken's comments marked the first time the U.S. government publicly revealed any concrete action it has taken to secure Griner's release. The two-time Olympic gold medalist and player for the WNBA's Phoenix Mercury was arrested at a Moscow airport in mid-February when inspectors found vape cartridges containing cannabis oil in her luggage.

In a sharp reversal of previous policy, Blinken said he expects to speak with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov to discuss the proposed prisoner deal and other matters. It would be their first phone call since before Russia sent its troops into Ukraine.

Russia has for years expressed interest in the release of Bout, a Russian arms dealer once labeled the "Merchant of Death." He was sentenced to 25 years in prison in 2012 on charges that he schemed to illegally sell millions of dollars in weapons.

Griner's trial on drug charges started in a court outside Moscow this month, and she testified Wednesday that she didn't know how the cartridges ended up in her bag but that she had a doctor's recommendation to use cannabis to treat career-related pain.

The 31-year-old has pleaded guilty but said she had no criminal intent in bringing the cartridges to Russia and packed in haste for her return to play in a Russian basketball league during the WNBA's offseason. She faces up to 10 years in prison if convicted of transporting drugs.

On Wednesday, Griner testified that a language interpreter translated only a fraction of what was being said while she was detained at Moscow's airport and that officials told her to sign documents, but "no one explained any of it to me." Griner also said that besides the poor translation, she received no explanation of her rights or access to a lawyer during the initial hours of her detention. She said she used a translation app on her phone to communicate with a customs officer.

Her arrest came at a time of heightened tensions between Moscow and Washington ahead of Russia sending troops into Ukraine on Feb. 24. Griner's five months of detention have raised strong criticism among teammates and supporters in the United States.

The Biden administration has faced political pressure to free Griner and other Americans whom the U.S. has declared to be "wrongfully detained" — a designation sharply rejected by Russian officials.

Whelan, a corporate security executive from Michigan, was sentenced to 16 years in prison on espionage charges in 2020. He and his family have vigorously asserted his innocence. The U.S. government has denounced the charges as false.

Washington has long resisted prisoner swaps out of concern that they could encourage additional hostage-taking and promote false equivalency between a wrongfully detained American and a foreign national regarded as justly convicted.

In April, however, the government struck a deal to trade U.S. Marine veteran Trevor Reed for jailed Russian pilot Konstantin Yaroshenko.



FILE — Washington Commanders' Dan Snyder poses for photos during an event to unveil the NFL football team's new identity, Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2022, in Landover, Md. AP PHOTO/PATRICK SEMANSKY, FILE

Commanders owner Snyder testifies before House committee

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Washington Commanders owner Dan Snyder testified before a congressional committee investigating the NFL team's history of workplace misconduct Thursday, speaking for hours in a deposition conducted virtually rather than a public hearing.

A spokesperson for the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Reform confirmed Snyder began giving his deposition around 8 a.m. EDT Thursday. It was still going more than eight hours later.

The spokesperson said in a statement on behalf of the committee: "Snyder has committed to providing full and complete testimony, and to answer the Committee's questions about his knowledge of and contributions to the Commanders' toxic work environment, as well as his efforts to interfere with the NFL's internal investigation, without hiding behind nondisclosure or other confidentiality agreements."

Snyder, who is in Israel, agreed to testify voluntarily after committee members worked out some issues with his legal team on the terms of his deposition. The committee had previously agreed to have Snyder testify under the terms of a subpoena it had initially issued.

The committee has the discretion to decide what, if any, information it releases from Snyder's deposition. The hearing was not recorded, though a transcript is expected to be produced.

Snyder testified a month after NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell appeared before the committee via Zoom to discuss Washington's workplace culture and the league's investigation into it. Snyder was invited to testify at the same hearing and, through a lawyer, declined.

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Hall of Famers in push for baseball in cricket-mad region

Sports

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRISBANE, Australia — Two Hall of Fame baseball players are leading a push to bring the sport that made them famous to India, Pakistan and the Middle East.

Former New York Yankees pitcher Mariano Rivera and ex-Cincinnati Reds shortstop Barry Larkin are the familiar faces behind the United International Baseball League. The UIBL plans to bring professional baseball to an area of the world more associated with another bat-on-ball sport — cricket.

The league will begin with an inaugural showcase tournament in Dubai, United Arab Emirates in February next year. Further plans for the location of teams and their personnel are still in the works.

The League said in a statement that the Indian subcontinent and the Middle East region are home to two billion people "and more than 900 million of those people are fans of cricket."

"While baseball exists in small pockets across south Asia and the Gulf . . . there is an absence of professional leagues and a void of deep, grassroots player development expertise and infrastructure," the statement added. "The UIBL team is looking to change that."

The Panama-born Rivera spent his entire career with the Yankees over 19 seasons from 1995 to 2013, primarily as a relief pitcher and closer. He made 13 All-Star Game appearances, won five World Series, is MLB's alltime leader in saves with 652 and was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 2019.

"I'm very grateful to be a part of the UIBL's exciting mission to inspire two billion new fans to fall in love with baseball," Rivera said. "We believe there is an amazing opportunity to educate, inspire and entertain those cricket fans, and open their hearts to an exciting and culturally-relevant form of baseball."

The Cincinnati-born Larkin was a career-long Reds player in his hometown. He won an MVP award, a World Series title, was selected to 12 All-Star teams and was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2012.

Larkin said teaching prospective baseball talent the basics was a strong part of the new league's mission.



Former New York Yankees baseball pitcher Mariano Rivera smiles after being presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Donald Trump. AP PHOTO/ PATRICK SEMANSKY, FILE

"We truly believe that player development has to start at the grassroots level," Larkin said. "I've spent the last 20 years of my life focused on helping young people learn the fundamentals of our great game, as well as the fundamentals of great leadership. That's the beauty of baseball — when you teach it the right way with the right conviction, you can help young people succeed on and off the field."

The new league said that while baseball's fan base has an average age of 57 years old, cricket fans are among the world's youngest sports fans, with an average age of 34. Nowhere is cricket more popular than in India and Pakistan.

The UIBL said it has plans to "innovate and evolve" baseball "to help capture and engage this younger, more diverse demographic."

Without going into specific details, it also said the league will "introduce rule changes, create original gameplay concepts, and bring to life a more immersive viewing experience for fans at the stadium and home."

The inaugural showcase tournament to be played solely in Dubai next February will include four franchises representing different parts of the world. The league said franchises, managers, coaches and rosters will be announced at a later date.

The baseball will have to compete for attention with a new franchise Twenty20 cricket league launching around the same time in the United Arab Emirates, based on the model of the lucrative Indian Premier League.

Star cricketers from around the world are likely to join the six-team International League T20. The league has links to India, where cricket's shortest and most exciting format took off in 2008 when the IPL was formed. The IPL's five-year broadcasting rights are now worth more than \$6 billion.

Cards QB Kyler Murray makes impromptu defense of work ethic

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Kyler Murray burst through the locker room door Thursday morning, marched up to the podium for an impromptu media session, and declared that there have been no "shortcuts" to success during his football career, no matter what strange addendums are on his new contract.

Then the Cardinals quarterback paused and grinned for a moment: "No pun intended."

In a rare show of public emotion, the 5-foot-10 Murray vociferously defended his study habits a few days after the NFL Network reported there was a unique addendum to his \$230.5 million, five-year contract that mandates at least four hours of "independent study" during game weeks each season.

It also says the quarterback can't be distracted by "watching television, playing video games or browsing the internet."

Murray — just like every quarterback who has ever played at a high level — is used to criticism about his game. That's part of the territory. He'll take heat for a bad throw, bad decision, bad body language or even his average genetics in the height department.

But his work ethic?

"To think I can accomplish everything I've accomplished in my career and not be a student of the game, and not have that passion and not take this serious, it's disrespectful and almost a joke," Murray said. "I'm honestly flattered that y'all think that, at my size, I can go out there and not prepare for the game and not take it serious."



Arizona Cardinals quarterback Kyler Murray runs sprints during the NFL football team's training camp Wednesday, July 27, 2022, in Glendale, Ariz. AP PHOTO/ROSS D. FRANKLIN

So that begs the question: Why was the addendum needed in the contract?

Murray didn't really have a clear response.

"If you want to talk about football, we'll talk about football," Murray said.

The addendum was unexpected for several reasons, including that coach Kliff Kingsbury and teammates have never voiced public displeasure with Murray's preparation for games. The quarterback has certainly had a few bad games during his three-year pro career, but knowledge of the playbook was never in question.

Even Green Bay quarterback Aaron Rodgers was surprised when he heard about Murray's study mandate.

"I think I just raised my eyebrows up like this," Rodgers said, demonstrating. "That was the reaction. Yeah, I was happy to see him get paid. One thing I did see was I think his average salary per year was about on par with the salary cap of the Oakland Athletics, so I think he can definitely smile knowing he made the right choice."

Murray — and the team — have endured a lot of criticism and jokes over the past few days. Fans and pundits have wondered why the Cardinals would spend nearly a quarter-billion dollars on a quarterback if there are questions about his study habits.

Murray said there's nothing wrong with the way he prepares. Teammates seemed to agree, with tight end Zach Ertz saying that "Kyler knows the playbook better than anyone on this team."

"There's multiple different ways to watch film," Murray said. "There's many different ways to process the game, there's many different ways quarterbacks learn the game and break the game down. Of course, I watch film by myself. That's a given. That doesn't even need to be said.

"But I do enjoy and love the process of watching the game with my guys, the quarterbacks, my coaches."

The No. 1 overall pick in the 2019 draft out of Oklahoma, Murray took time Thursday to list his ample accomplishments on the football field over the past decade, from a 43-0 record in high school, to a Heisman Trophy at Oklahoma to his Pro Bowl selections in the NFL.

CHIEFS

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"There's something to be said for a fresh start and this is a new-look defense. We have a lot of new faces," said another newcomer, safety Justin Reid, who picked off Mahomes for the highlight of practice. "We're going to be starting a lot of guys that are hungry and want to prove their worth as players."

That includes a bunch of wide receivers who are no doubt tired of hearing about how the Kansas City offense could sputter without Hill in the mix. JuJu Smith-Schuster was the star of Day 1 with a couple of impressive catches — albeit without any pads on — while Marquez Valdes-Scantling and second-round pick Skyy Moore also got plenty of reps.

It could take all three of them to replace Hill's production, though that's not necessarily a bad thing. The Chiefs have given Mahomes more options in the passing game, and that in turn could make them more difficult to defend.

"The amount of routes I'm running — I think I've ran more routes out here than my previous offense," said Smith-Schuster, who had been catching passes from Ben Roethlisberger in Pittsburgh the past five seasons.

"Being all over the field — inside, outside — that's everyone. So many guys playing so many positions. It's so nice moving so many guys around."

The Chiefs are not expected to put on pads until next week, but Smith-Schuster nevertheless marveled at the speed of his first practice in Kansas City, along with the amount of running that Reid demands in training camp.

"I was hurt last year, didn't get to play a lot of ball," he said, "and coming into this season, I'm going to let my play write the story. Making plays on the field. I came here to win; this is a team that wins. And I'm excited to be here."

Notes: DE Frank Clark was late to practice because of an illness, Reid said. ... OLs Lucas Niang (knee) and Prince Tega Wanogho (leg) joined Fenton on the PUP list. ... TE Travis Kelce was at practice after agreeing to terms on a restructured contract that moves \$3 million from the end of his contract to this season. The length of the contract did not change with Kelce signed to the Chiefs through the 2025 season.

DUNLAP

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"I don't know if there's pen to paper. I know I talked to that particular player yesterday," Chiefs defensive coordinator Steve Spagnuolo said after the second full-squad workout of training camp at Missouri Western State University.

"It was a good chat," Spagnuolo said. "I'm always happy to add big, long guys with experience in the league."

The 33-year-old Dunlap was released in March by the Seahawks, who acquired him in a trade with Cincinnati in 2020 and had signed him to a twoyear deal. Dunlap rotated with other defensive ends in Seattle, much like he's expected to do with the Chiefs, and had 8 1/2 sacks along with eight tackles for loss while playing 38% of snaps last season.

Dunlap was a second-round pick of the Bengals in 2010, making back-to-back Pro Bowl trips in 2015 and '16, and is among the NFL's active leaders with 96 career sacks. He also has 117 tackles for loss across 13 seasons in the league.

"I trained with him this summer in Miami. We'll accept him with open arms," said Chiefs defensive tackle Chris Jones, who has been their best at pressuring the quarterback in recent years. "I always told him I would love to play with him."



Kansas City Chiefs wide receiver JuJu Smith-Schuster (9) gets past safety Justin Reid (20) after grabbing a pass during NFL football training camp in St. Joseph, Mo., Wednesday, July 27, 2022. TAM-MY LJUNGBLAD/THE KANSAS CITY STAR VIA AP

The Chiefs managed just 31 sacks last season, better only than Detroit, Philadelphia and Atlanta, and their inability to put pressure on Bengals quarterback Joe Burrow was a factor in a second-half collapse in the AFC championship game.

Painfully aware of the situation, the Chiefs reworked Clark's contract in the offseason rather than letting him go, even though he managed just 4 1/2 sacks last season. They also spent the second of their two first-round picks on Karlaftis, an edge rusher out of Purdue whom the Chiefs hope can develop into a long-term solution.

In the meantime, they hope Dunlap can fill a role similar to what Melvin Ingram did for Kansas City last season. He was acquired midway through it from Pittsburgh as the Chiefs were trying to bolster their pass rush for the playoffs. And while he had just one sack in nine regular-season games with them, Ingram had two more during the postseason.

The Chiefs hoped to bring Ingram back this season, but he ultimately signed with Miami in free agency.

Notes: FS Justin Reid spent time stretching at the medical tent during practice but later returned to the field. ... Rookie SS Bryan Cook got work with the first-team defense during 7-on-7 drills. ... Roderick Johnson remained with the starting group while Pro Bowl LT Orlando Brown Jr. continues his holdout.

SNYDER

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The committee launched this investigation last year after the league fined Washington \$10 million following its review of workplace misconduct but did not release a written report of attorney Beth Wilkinson's findings.

Snyder's testimony came on the second day of prac-

tice of Washington's training camp in preparation for the 2022 season, which begins in September. While players and coaches are trying to focus on football, the congressional investigation was just one of a few off-field story lines around the team that made headlines in recent months, including an assistant's comments about the Jan. 6 insurrection and a deal for a new stadium falling through.



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Outdoors

How to protect nature when enjoying the great outdoors

By Special to The Express

Few getaways can reinvigorate the mind and body like a day spent in the great outdoors. The rewards of a day spent outside aren't just figments of the imagination. The online medical resource WebMD notes that exposure to the great outdoors can improve sleep cycles, boost self-esteem, reduce anxiety, help people focus, and bolster the immune system, among other benefits.

The relationship between people and nature is not a one-way street. Just as nature takes care of people, people must do their part to protect nature. Whether nature lovers are hiking, relaxing at the beach or engaging in another outdoor activity, the following tips can help people protect the serene settings and landscapes they love so much.

• Leave nothing behind. Anti-littering campaigns have been prevalent for decades. Despite that, litter remains a significant problem. A 2020 study from Keep America Beautiful, a nonprofit dedicated to preventing litter, found that there are nearly 50 billion pieces of litter along roadways and waterways across the United States. Each piece of litter that finds its way into nature can be prevented. When spending time in nature, individuals can commit to brining out whatever they bring in. Leaving nothing behind reduces the issues associated with litter, including the negative effects it has on wildlife and marine life, and helps to maintain the idyllic look of natural settings like forests and beaches.

• Reduce reliance on plastics and recycle the plastics you do use. Plastics adversely affect the health of the planet in various ways. But a staggering percentage of the plastics humans use are never recycled. A 2108 study published in the journal Science Advances found that, of the 8.3 billion metric tons of plastics that have been produced since 1950, only around 9 percent has been recycled. Plastics take roughly 400 years to degrade, so much of the plastics that have not been recycled are ending up in the world's oceans. In fact, projections from environmentalists suggest that oceans will contain more plastics than fish by the middle of this century. By reducing reliance on plastics and recycling the plastics they do use, nature lovers can



do their part to combat this significant threat and protect the natural settings they enjoy so much.

• Plant trees. Planting trees could help combat the issue of rising carbon dioxide (CO2) in the atmosphere. According to Greenpop, an organization devoted to urban greening and forest restoration projects, trees absorb CO2, removing it from the air and storing it as they release oxygen. A day outdoors planting trees is a fun activity for people of all ages, and it's also a highly effective way to help the planet.

The great outdoors is a respite for millions of people across the globe. Taking steps to protect nature is a great way to ensure it's accessible and there to enjoy for generations to come.

Time to transplant irises

By David Trinklein Missouri Extension

COLUMBIA, Mo. -Now is the time to transplant one of America's most popular flowers, the iris. Although irises can be transplanted at any time, they do best when established in the landscape from August to mid-October, said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

Irises are relatively easy to grow. They need at least eight hours a day of direct sun and a well-drained garden loam. Divide clumps when blooming declines. Under normal conditions, divide everv three to four years, said Trinklein. Reduce the size of the clump by removing several small divisions, leaving part of the clump in the ground, or by digging the entire clump, improving the soil and replanting a few large rhizomes. According to Greek mythology, when the gods wanted to communicate with mortals, their messenger was a golden-winged goddess named Iris who traveled on a rainbow. Legend has it that colorful flowers sprung up at the end of the rainbow wherever Iris stepped. Just as the Greek gods gifted iris to the mortals, friends and neighbors gift iris today. Because of their hardiness and beauty, irises are among the most shared plants of gardeners. Relatively



ed through division of their fleshy rhizomes. A propagule must have at least one growing point (fan) attached to survive. Expose the top of the rhizome-at least the top third of it-to the sun when planting. Shallow planting is best. Space 12-24 inches apart. Plant closer for more color impact, but these need to be divided in two to three years.

Rhizomes need to be watered immediately after planting. Established irises need less water; avoid overwatering them. Deep, occasional watering is preferable to frequent watering.

Irises are heavy feeders and need proper fertilization. Soil type and inherent fertility determine needs. Use a 6-10-10 fertilizer when needed. Avoid fertilizers high in nitrogen because they encourage soft, vegetative growth susceptible to diseases. A light application of fertilizer in early spring when new growth emerges and again a month after blooming is best, Trinklein said. Avoid applying fertilizer directly to exposed rhizomes. Irises are susceptible to several insect pests. The most troublesome is the iris borer, a moth whose larvae feed on the fleshy rhizome. This allows bacterial soft rot to enter and kill the rhizome. Inspect iris often and discard infected plants. Other common pests include bud moth, iris weevil, thrips, slugs and snails. Common diseases include bacterial leaf blight, bacterial soft rot and fungal crown rot. Keep the garden free of debris and encourage good air circulation to avoid diseases.



What you need to know before buying plants or seeds from overseas

By NAPSI

(NAPSI)-Online shopping and e-commerce have opened new doors for gardening enthusiasts, offering unprecedented access to rare and exotic plants and seed products from around the world at the click of a button. But before you buy plants or seeds online from overseas sellers, you should know they could pose a significant risk to U.S. agriculture and natural resources, because they can carry harmful plant pests and diseases.

Six Steps To Safe Seeds And Plants

Here's what you need to do when buying plants or seeds online from another country:

1.Check whether you need an import permit for the plants or seeds you wish to bring in. If required, apply for and get an import permit from APHIS, which



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few irises are sold in commerce, Trinklein said, since most gardeners get them free from their friends and neighbors.

Today, the flower named in honor of Iris comes in every color of the rainbow and adorns yards and gardens everywhere with its showy flowers. Iris is very durable while maintaining its intricate and delicate beauty, Trinklein said.

In ancient Egypt, the iris' three petals symbolized faith, wisdom and valor. Its petals are known today as "standards" and stand upright. In contrast, its three sepals, known as "falls," droop down-

ward. The shape of the iris inspired the fleurde-lis emblem. In the Christian world, the fleur-de-lis became associated with the Virgin Mary and purity. The fleur-de-lis was extensively used in medieval heraldry, and it remains common in architecture today. It is also the emblem of many Boy Scout organizations around the world.

The most popular garden iris today is the German or bearded iris, named for its thick, bushy "beards," which appear on the falls of the flower and attract pollinators. "By careful selection of iris cultivars and species, a gardener can enjoy a remarkable range of colors and a bloom season that extends for weeks," said Trinklein. Some bearded irises bloom again in the summer or fall and are classified as "rebloomers."

Irises are propagat-



It's The Law

It's illegal to import plants and seeds from overseas into the U.S. without the appropriate paperwork indicating they're pest-free. Just because it's easy to buy them online, does not mean they're safe and you, the buyer, are responsible for checking the origin and import requirements.

The Problem

Invasive pests and plant diseases are often not visible to the buyer and, if left unchecked, can easily and rapidly spread. Plant diseases, for example, can be carried in common garden staples grown outside the U.S., such as tomato and pepper seeds. Not only do invasive pests cost the U.S. an estimated \$40 billion a year in damage to trees, plants, crops and related eradication and control efforts, they can have a significant effect on America's food supply.

An Answer

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Fortunately, the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) has put together clear guidance on the steps online buyers should take to protect U.S. gardens, landscapes, agriculture and forests from this threat.

specifies the import requirements before the plant or seed species is allowed entry into the country.

2.Request shipping labels from APHIS, if required under the permit conditions.

3.Inform the seller about the labeling and shipping requirements detailed in the permit.

4.Instruct the seller to include an invoice detailing the scientific name and quantity of plants or seeds in the shipment.

5.Ensure the seller has a phytosanitary certificate from the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of the country of origin. This means the NPPO has inspected the plants or seeds and found them free of plant pests and diseases.

6.Instruct the seller to use labels provided by the buyer to ensure plants or seeds are delivered to an **APHIS Plant Protection** and Quarantine Plant Inspection Station.

Everyone plays an important role in protecting U.S. food, gardens and trees. If you're planning to buy plants or seeds online from foreign sellers, take the appropriate steps to make sure you are following U.S. import laws.

Learn More

For questions about importing and exporting requirements, call APHIS at (877) 770-5990 or e-mail plantproducts. permits@usda.gov. To discover how to stop the spread of invasive plant pests and diseases, visit www.HungryPests.com.

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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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"Herman, I've never known a guy like you for hitting them in the water."

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Take in as much as you can and use the information and experience to help you gain momentum. Don't let trivial matters stand between you and your goal. Give others the right and freedom to do as they please, and your actions will encourage them to offer you the same in return. Set your sights on self-improvement instead of trying to change others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Don't let someone tempt you with grand ideas and fairy-tale endings. Be sensible, and you'll recognize what's possible. Listen to your inner voice and take care of responsibilities quickly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- A change to how you think will encourage you to exercise your right to learn, grow and head in a sustainable direction. Shoot for the stars. You can turn something you enjoy doing into a paycheck.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Throw your hat in the ring. Your input will be well received, and you'll be encouraged to connect with someone exciting and informative. Socializing will lead to valuable connections.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Let your competitors inspire you to work harder. Don't let someone outdo or outsmart you when faced with a choice that can influence your position or status. Take better care of your health.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Someone you think you can trust will disappoint you. Don't share information that someone can use against you. Concentrate on money, contracts and health. Don't let anyone take you for granted.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Jump into a leadership position before someone steps up and takes charge. A change you make at home will help you adjust how you handle your investments or cash flow. Be direct.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Say little and do a lot. Don't accept changes you don't like. Assess your situation and turn an opportunity into reality. Carefully think about how you will address your opponents.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Socialize, get together with old friends and look for new ways to use your skills. Putting a unique spin on your attributes will open doors and give you hope. Don't miss an opportunity.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- People will be quick to offer stellar advice. Be calm and don't show distress if someone does something annoying or directly aimed at you. Take the high road and you'll come out on top.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Anger will take control if you can't agree on household responsibilities or shared expenses. Don't allow distress to leave you in a difficult position. Listen and find common ground.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Update documents and eliminate clutter. Giving a straight answer will help bring about what you want. Clarification and a well-thought-out plan will encourage others to pitch in and help

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Live up to your promises in order to avoid complaints. Reach out to family and friends, and be responsible and helpful toward those in need. Be realistic about what you can offer.

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Assessed Valuation	Current Tax Year	Prior Tax Year
(by category)	2022	2021
Real Estate	\$145,506,760	\$145,217,330
Personal Property	55,186,104	46,112,341
Commercial Aircraft	350,889	373,833
Railroad and Utilities	<u>12,899,632</u>	<u>13,002,836</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u>213,943,385</u>	\$ <u>204,706,340</u>
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THIS WEEK'S FEATURED CHURCH **Central Church Of Christ**









Al Johnson, owner 17406 Bob Road, Johnson Dr., Kirksville Shop: (660) 665-8149 Cell: (660) 341-0965



Faith Lutheran Church ore & LaHarpe 1820 S. Baltimore, Baltim

David Lukefahr, Pastor 7:30 a.m. The Lutheran Hour KLTE 8:15 a.m. Worship Service Peace, Milan 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Faith 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Faith 10:15 a.m. Worshin Service Faith 10:00 p.m. Issues, Etc. 107.9 KLTE www.faithkirksville.org Hamilton Street Baptist

Church 802 W. Hamiltor 8:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship Service www.hamiltonstreet.org Rehoboth Baptist Church

100 Pfeiffer Rd. Curtis Ferguson, Pastor 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Worship Service rbchurch.net • 660-665-7577

First Presbyterian Church (USA) 201 S. High at McPherson Communion 1st Sunday 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time. 11:00 a.m. Church School/all ages 5:30 p.m. College Fellowship **Kirksville Church of Christ** 110 Pfeiffer Ave

Elders/Pastors: Dan Green Dean Hansen 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship Weds 6:30p.m. Bible Study www.kvcoc.or

First Baptist Church 207 E. Washingtor Jason Marlin Pastor 9:30 a.m. Bible Study for all ages

1602 E. Illinois Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship

1010 W. Burton

First Church of God 2900 S. Halliburtor Chad Farhart 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship www.kirksvillechurchofgod.com Kirksville Nazarene Church 2302 N. Lincoln Road Mark Czanderna, Lead Pastor

9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service , ww.kvnazarene.org≠ **Central Church of Christ** 2010 S. Halliburton 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 am. Worship Service Faith Baptist Church

502 N Florence Pastors: Brandon Rhea & Robert Price **10:00 a.m.** Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 12:00 p.m. Noon Lunch 1:30 p.m. Worship

The Crossing Church 810 F Shenherd Ave 9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service www.thecrossing.ne **Grace Community Bible**

Church 1501 E. Northtown Rd. Benjamin Jorden Pastor ated with the Evangeli

Cornerstone Church 1702 N Elson St Kirksville, MO Jeremy Broach, Senior Pastor Chad Stearman, Associate Pastor Sunday 10 am - Morning Worship Wednesday 6:30 pm-8 pm Family Ministry Night www.cornerstonechurch.faith

Countryside Christian Church S. Boundary St. Rt. H, Troy Mills

Preacher, Harold R. Engel 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. Blended Worship 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Worship 6:00 p.m. High School-College Youth meet

www.countrysidekv.com **Gifford Christian Church** Minister: Darren Potter 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Lake Road Chapel 22963 Potter Trail Pastors: Andrew Turner, Andy Thompson, David Kellv

10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service www.lakeroadchapel.org

Church of God (Holiness) 1601 N. Elson Pastor Ralph E. Wheeler, Jr. 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship New Hope **Evangelical Church** 620 Steer Creek Way 9:30 - 10:20 a m Bible Class 10:20 - 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time 10:30 a.m. Praise & Worshin 7:00 n.m. Evening Worship Darrell Draper, Pastor 660-341-0000 Jim Maxey, Calling Pastor

660-665-6949 or 660-216-4183 First Assembly of God

Jeff Arp, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Morning Worship (Communion First Sunday of the Month) 6:30 p.m. Evening Praise www.KirksvilleFirst.com

First Liberty Full Gospel

2401 S. High

1302 E. Filmore Rev. Fred Baker, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Novinger Baptist Church Highway 6 & 149 Rev. Darrell Crooks, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship **First Christian Church**

(Disciples of Christ) High & Harrison

9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Sunday School The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter

Day Saints 2000 E. Normal Kirksville First Ward Bishop John Grider 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sunday Services

Bethel Community Church 12 miles NE of Kirksville on Rt. Marvin Cross, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Kid's Klub/Youth Fellowship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship Lancaster Baptist Church Southeast Side of Square, Lancaster Lonnie Johnson, Pastor 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Grace Bible Baptist Church** Greencastle, Mo.

Rev Farl Baker Pastor 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 5:00 p.m. Evening Service Winigan Christian Church Ryan Crist, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service **First Baptist Church** Winigan, Winigan, Mo. Sam Burkholder, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Fairview Baptist Church** 53610 Knob Hill Road, Polloc Sam Burkholder, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening **Bible Missionary Church**

508 S. Main St. Bro. Glenn Kiger, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship LaPlata Christian Church Scott McNay, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Worship Service **Christ's Family Church** 531 N. Baltimore Glenn Berry, Pastor 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

www.cfckvmo.com • cfckvmo@gmail.

Queen City Christian Church Queen City, Mo Bud Cornwell, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Bible School 10:30 a.m. Communion/worship Hour

United Pentecostal Church 1502 E. Northtown Road David E. Brown, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship **Brashear Community Bible** Church

Donny Powell, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 660-323-5305

First Baptist Church of LaPlata B. J. McAlpin, Pastor 9:00 am "Donut Hole" Fellowship 9:45 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Worship 6:00 nm Monday - AWANA http://laplatafbc.org/ Email: laplatafbc@gmail.com

Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist

Church 8 mi. N.W. of Kirksville on Rt. B Tim Hodges, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worshig Worthington Baptist Church Worthington, Mo Roger Busnell, Pastor 9.30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship The Salvation Army 1004 W. Gardner Brian and Michelle Bump, Pastors 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Queen City First Baptist** Church 6th at Washington St. Robert Smith, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship St. John's Lutheran Church ELCA North of Queen City go East on Rt. O Pastor, Bill lammatteo-Code 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service **Hurdland First Baptist Church** Robert Shobe, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 7:30 p.m. Sun. & Weds. Worship and/ or Bible Study **Colony Baptist Church** 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. 4th Sunday worship **Cornerstone Community** Church Meeting at the Fohn Family Center 404 N. Elson 9:30 a.m. Sunday Small Group Bible Study designed for adults Locust Hill Community Church Rt. I, Novelty, Mo William Gaines, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship New Harmony Free Will Baptist 3 miles West of Greentop on Rt. K 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Word Alive! Family Church Hwy 63, Greentop Pastors: Robert Gange 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, Adult service, Childrens Church **Schuyler County Church** of Faith Highway 136 East, Lancaster Sonny Smyser, Pastor 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Sunday Services 11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday Class 3rd Sunday Fellowship dinner 12 noon **Gospel Outreach Church** 209 W. Washington Norman Keller, Pastor Gonda Manning, Co pastor 7:00 p.m. Thursday Services 7:00 p.m. Sunday Services **Victory Baptist Church** Of Greentop Meets at the Willmathsville



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10:45 a.m. Worship & Kidz Worship firstbaptistkirksville.com Faith United Methodist Church Southside Baptist Church

Pastor: Aaron Rodgerson 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Preaching 6.30 p.m. Evening Service







"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the **Father except** through me." **John 14:16**



Church of America 9:30 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 12 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m. Small groups KirksvilleGCBC@gmail.com www.KirksvilleGCBC.com • 660.665.1615 First United Methodist Church 300 E. Washington Pastors - Rev. Scott Beard & Rev. Jennifer Finley 9:45 a.m. Worship In Person & Online kvumc.org **Pure Air Baptist Church** 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship TBA Bible Study **Church of God of Prophecy** 807 Benton Way Pastor: Rob Linhart 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Evening Service Fellowship Baptist Church 1701 S. Jamison St. Kirksville Larry Gibson, Pastor 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Study fbck@sbcglobal.net www.fellowshipbc.org • 660-665-0633 Yarrow Methodist Church Highway N., Yarrow Guest Pastors 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service Mary Immaculate Catholic Church Weekday Masses: Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. Wed.& Friday: 7 a.m. Thursday: 8 a.m. Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m **Catholic Newman Center** 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Sunday 7:00 a.m. Monday 9:00 p.m. Wednesday Union Temple Church Southwest of Kirksville Alan Coonfield, Pastor Every Sunday Evening 5-5:30 p.m. Bible Study 5:30-6:30 p.m. Church Service Sugar Creek Baptist Church 5 mi South on Hwy 3 Pastor, Virgil K. Jones 10:00 a.m. Worship Service **Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist** Church 2 mi. W. Greentop on Rt. K then 1/2 mi. S. Elder Dillion Thurman, minister Services on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays 10:30 a.m. Song Service 11:00 a.m. Preaching Meadow Brook **Christian Church** 602 E. Washington 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 Morning Worship St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church Novinger, Mo. 7:30 a.m. Sunday Life Church of Kirksville 112 W. Potte emy Pingle, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Service Community Presbyterian Church 210 N. Owensby, LaPlata, Mo Rev. John Becker, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Worship Service

Kirksville Second Ward Bishop Isaac Ison 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sunday Services Trinity Episcopal Church 124 N. Mulanix Rev. Amy L. Fallon. Pastor 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Seventh Day Adventist Church 1301 N. Elson Curtis Denney, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sabbath School (Saturday) 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Saturday) Fellowship Dinner on 4th Saturday **United Methodist Church** Brashear Charge, Brashear Lay Minister, Nancy Douglas 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. Singspiration - 1st Sunday Willow Bend Association East Center Community Church 10:00 a.m. Sunday Schoo 10:45 a.m. Worship **Illinois Bend Community** Church Highway 3 Pastor Terry Hunsaker 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 660-349-0052 **Baring Community Church** 11:00 a.m. Worship **Downing Christian Church** 430 E. Prime Street Minister Walker Franke Associate Minister Larry Smith 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Service 660-379-2329 Willow Bend Church Find Us on Facebook for Event Schedule **New Hope Methodist** Reformed **Church - Millard** 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship **Greentop Community Church** Highway K, Greentop, Mo. Pastor: Lynae McFarland 10:30 a.m. Worship Service **Trinity United Fellowship** Church Pastor: Lorne Arber 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Lancaster United **Methodist Church** Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Shekinah Mennonite Church 15981 Blueberry Way, Kirksville John Mark Miller. Pastor Roger Berry 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship 6:00 p.m. 2nd Sunday - hymn sing 6:00 p.m. 4th Sunday of month Topic

Community Church on Hwy A. Pastor Joshua Wesley 10:30 a.m. Worship





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