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## Federal spending bill ensures one year continuous coverage for Missouri kids in Medicaid, CHIP

By Clara Bates  
Missouri Independent

Missouri will be required to provide year-long, continuous coverage for anyone under age 19 enrolled in Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program, as part of a \$1.7 trillion spending package approved by Congress Friday. In a move advocates have long pushed for as a way to avoid unnecessarily forcing children off the rolls, all states will be required to continue public health insurance coverage for one year after a child is enrolled — regardless of whether their family's income fluctuates.

Missouri is one of 17 states that does not already offer any 12-month continuous eligibility for kids. That means temporary changes in household monthly income, which are particularly common among people who work hourly jobs with unpredictable schedules, can result in the state stripping children of Medicaid or CHIP eligibility, according to Georgetown University's Center for Children and Families. States generally conduct Medicaid renewals annually, but in the meantime, can redetermine eligibility based on changes in circumstances.

Research has found disruptions in health coverage pose health and financial risks to families. Cost barriers can cause families to avoid routine care and incur medical debt if an emergency occurs. More years of childhood Medicaid coverage are associated with fewer hospitalizations in adulthood, and states with continuous coverage policies have fewer children who cycle on and off Medicaid within 12 months, a Kaiser Family Foundation study found this month.



"We couldn't be more thrilled," said Casey Hanson, director of outreach and engagement for Kids Win Missouri, a coalition of state organizations that advocate for child well-being, about the federal bill.

Kids Win has been pushing for state legislation to provide continuous coverage for children for the last several years. A bill introduced last year that included continuous coverage for kids, sponsored by Democratic state Sen. Lauren Arthur of Kansas City, was voted out of committee but did not proceed further.

Hanson said Kids Win planned to prioritize the issue again, but "it's great when it happens federally."

"When kids have continuous access to coverage," Hanson said, "they're better able to get access to preventative care, to maintain chronic conditions and other things like asthma that we know so many kids in Missouri are affected by."

With the passage of the federal bill, Kids Win will be able to "be even more laser-focused" on other policies, such as ensuring children maintain coverage through the unwinding of the federal public health emergency, which has prohibited states from removing Medicaid enrollees from their rolls over the course of the Covid-19 pandemic but is set to expire next year. The fed-

eral continuous coverage requirement would take effect Jan. 1, 2024.

### Procedural barriers to renewal

Roughly half of the 1.4 million Missourians enrolled in Medicaid are children, according to Washington University in St. Louis's Medicaid enrollment dashboard. In years past, the state has come under scrutiny for erroneously removing kids from their Medicaid rolls, which advocates hope the continuous coverage provision may mitigate.

In 2019, Missouri's social service department faced criticism for significant Medicaid enrollment declines, including among children, after they adopted a new renewal process and information system. Research that year by the Missouri Budget Project, a liberal public policy think tank, found families were often kicked off Medicaid despite being eligible for coverage because of challenges with the renewal process, including not receiving the proper paperwork or submitting the paperwork only for it to be lost or not processed.

Over the course of federally-declared public health emergency, states have been barred from removing Medicaid recipients from their rolls in exchange for receiving enhanced federal funding. Some worry that

once the public health emergency ends, Missouri could return to a situation in which the renewal process strips eligible Medicaid recipients of coverage due to administrative barriers. The rate of uninsured children in Missouri declined from 2019 to 2021, a Georgetown study found earlier this month, in large part because the state was barred from making eligibility redeterminations.

In both years covered by the Georgetown study, Missouri had a higher prevalence of uninsured children than the national average. Missouri was previously identified as one of six states where children are at the highest risk of losing coverage once assessments resume, in part because it lacks continuous coverage.

The federal continuous coverage policy for children would likely go into effect months after states begin redeterminations, wrote Joan Alker, executive director of Georgetown's Center for Children and Families, but will still "mitigate against red tape losses," in which children lose coverage due to procedural reasons. The federal bill set a date, for the first time, of when states will be allowed to begin reassessing Medicaid eligibility, regardless of when the federal emergency ends: April 1, 2023.

Republican leaders, including Missouri Gov. Mike Parson, have long been pushing for a clear end date from the federal government. Parson signed a letter earlier this week urging President Joe Biden to allow the public health emergency to expire in April, citing swelling numbers of Medicaid recipients and rising costs.

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Missouri and American flags fly outside Planned Parenthood in St. Louis, June 24, 2022. On Wednesday, Dec. 28, a judge rejected Missouri lawmakers' efforts to stop Planned Parenthood from receiving any public funding. AP PHOTO/JEFF ROBERSON, FILE

## Missouri judge hands Planned Parenthood a Medicaid win

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — A judge has rejected Missouri lawmaker's effort to stop Planned Parenthood from receiving any public funding.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reports that Cole County Judge Jon Beetem ruled Wednesday that the funding restrictions were unconstitutional.

At issue was a bill passed by the Republican-led Legislature and signed by GOP Gov. Mike Parson in February to stop reimbursing Planned Parenthood for health care for low-income Medicaid patients.

While the state's Medicaid program doesn't reimburse for abortions, Planned Parenthood did seek reimbursements for other medical procedures. The group said in March, when it sued the state, that Missouri was ending reimbursements for birth control, cancer screenings, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, and other non-abortion care.

Yamelsie Rodríguez, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of the St. Louis Region and Southwest Missouri, celebrated the decision, which Planned Parenthood said affirmed a 2020 ruling by the Missouri Supreme Court.

"The Missouri legislature's open disregard for precedent and state law has failed, again," she said in a statement.

Chris Nuelle, a spokesman for the attorney general's office, did not immediately respond to a request for comment from the Post-Dispatch or The Associated Press.

## Sullivan County Route E bridge to be replaced

By MoDOT

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — Another northern Missouri bridge is scheduled to be replaced under the

FARM (Fixing Access to Rural Missouri) Bridge Program. The Sullivan County Route E bridge over West Locust Creek, located approximately eight miles northwest of Milan, is scheduled to close on Monday, Jan. 9, for construction and is expected to remain closed through May 2023.

"We have 31 weight-restricted, poor condition bridges in northern Missouri to replace under this federally-funded program," stated Missouri Department of Transportation Project Director Jeff Gander. Lehman-Wilson was awarded the design-build contract by the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission at its meeting in May 2022 to replace the bridges.

"The MoDOT team has worked closely with the contractor to develop plans for these improvements, and by October 2023, all 31 bridges will be replaced," Gander noted.

"We understand closing a road can be challenging, yet it's the best use of our tax dollars, it makes it safer for all the workers, and it speeds up construction," Gander explained.

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## ECONOMY More children live in poverty in states that haven't raised minimum wage

Because of a successful 2018 ballot measure, Missouri's minimum wage will increase to \$12 an hour next year

By Casey Qunilan  
Missouri Independent

Of the 20 states that have failed to raise the minimum wage above the federal \$7.25 an hour standard, 16 have more than 12 percent of their children living in poverty, according to a States Newsroom analysis of wage and poverty data. Anti-poverty advocates say that's a sign that there's an urgent need for lawmakers to increase the federal minimum wage and do more to help struggling families.

Congress had the opportunity to achieve the

latter by expanding the child tax credit before the end of the year, but lawmakers did not arrive at a deal with Republicans to include it in the omnibus spending package. The expansion, which was part of the American Rescue Plan, provided as much as \$3,600 in monthly installments to qualifying families and is credited with lifting 3.7 million children out of poverty at least temporarily.

Raising the minimum wage would not lead to as fast or drastic an improvement, but a 2019 Congressional Budget Office anal-

ysis found that increasing the amount to \$15 an hour would lift more than 500,000 children from poverty. And the Economic Policy Institute estimated in 2021, that if Congress passed a \$15 minimum wage increase by 2025, up to 3.7 million people wouldn't have to live in poverty — 1.3 million of those being children.

Ben Zipperer, an economist at the Economic Policy Institute, said there is a strong connection between the minimum wage and poverty.

"It's not a 1-1 connection, but there is a pretty strong connection," said

Zipperer, whose expertise is on the minimum wage, inequality, and low-wage labor markets. "The main determinants of poverty in this country are whether you work and how much you work, so whether you have a job during the year and how many hours a week or weeks per year you work at that job. ... And then the third [determinant] is how much you were paid for an hour of work at your job. If you're getting paid relatively low wages, the minimum wage affects that."

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## KIRKSVILLE AREA EVENTS CALENDAR

## Kirkville Historic Preservation Commission meeting

The city of Kirkville's Kirkville Historic Preservation Commission will hold a meeting at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 4, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Franklin Street.

## WILDFlower Spa ribbon cutting

The Kirkville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for WILDFlower Spa, Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 4 p.m., 1108 E. Patterson Street, Suite 4, Kirkville. WILDFlower Spa opened September 2021 and its owners invite you to ring in the new year by joining them for their ceremonial ribbon cutting. Featured services include massages, waxes, cupping, peels and so much more.

## Ribbon cutting for Five Star Nutrition

The Kirkville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Five Star Nutrition, 415 E. Northtown Road in Kirkville, Jan. 5 at 4 p.m. Five Star Nutrition serves a variety of delicious and nutritious drinks, and they even offer a VIP Facebook group.

## Kraft Heinz Kardoard Boat Race

Get ready to put those leftover Christmas gift boxes to good use. Join the Kirkville Parks & Recreation Department at the Kirkville Aquatic Center on Sunday, Jan. 22, from 2-4 p.m., and take part in the Kraft Heinz Kardoard Boat Race. Children ages 5 to 16 can sign up as an individual or as a team of up to four people and put their building skills to the test. Participants must construct a boat structure using cardboard, duct tape and water-based paint, and attempt to make it across the pool in the fastest time. Teams will compete in age divisions based on the average age of the team and can win in multiple categories, such as Fastest Time and Best

Design. This event is completely free for all participants and spectators thanks to event sponsor, Kraft Heinz. Register today at parks.kirkvillecity.com. For more information, contact Luke Callaghan with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

## Tim AuBuchon Little Big Band Concert

Truman Jazz Studies Director Tim AuBuchon will present a program of original music for little big band (nonet) featuring Truman students and professional musicians from around Missouri. Jan. 22 at 6 p.m. in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall on the Truman State University campus.

## Andrew Schaper Conducting Recital

Andrew Schaper conducting recital featuring Schubert's Symphony No. 8 with the Truman State Symphony Orchestra, Jan. 24 at 5:30 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall on the Truman State University campus.

## Rhonda Vincent headlines next performance of The Kohlenberg Lyceum Series

Northeast Missouri's own Rhonda Vincent will headline the next performance of the The Kohlenberg Lyceum Series, Jan. 27. Vincent and her band, The Rage, are the most awarded band in bluegrass history. She is an eight-time Grammy nominee and was inducted as a member of the Grand Ole Opry in 2020. All events will take place at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free but tickets are required and can be reserved at the Sue Ross Arts Center in downtown Kirkville, the Advancement Office in McClain Hall 205 and the SAB window in the Student Union Building. The event will be held at the Baldwin Auditorium, 100 E Normal in Kirkville. For additional information, visit lyceum.truman.edu, call 660.785.4133 or email lyceumseries@truman.edu.

## KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

## Join the Kirkville Young Professionals Committee

The Kirkville Area Chamber of Commerce encourages businesses and their employees (ages 21-40) to become involved in the Kirkville Young Professionals Committee, which focuses on retaining and engaging young professionals in the area through lunch & learn opportunities, professional development, and other various events. KVYP is here to help them connect with the community. They meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m., in the Hampton Inn Truman Room or via zoom. Feel free to reach out to KirkvilleYP@gmail.com for more information about KVYP or to get the Zoom Link for meetings. You are also more than welcome to join them at future events.

## New Bridge on Route W in Scotland County Opens

The new bridge on Route W in Scotland County at Tobin Creek opened to traffic today, making this the 13th bridge on the Fixing Access to Rural Missouri (FARM) Bridge Program.

"We are very pleased with the progress being made in this design-build program and have had very few challenges which helps us stay on track to complete all 31 bridges by the end of 2023," said Missouri Department of Transportation Project Director Jeff Gander. Lehman-Wilson is the contractor for the FARM Bridge Program.

## Food Bank Adopt a Buddy Pack program

The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri invites you to Adopt a Buddy Pack. 1,928 children in Adair County qualify for free or reduced-price meals at school. Many of these children do not have access to nutritious meals during the weekend. The Food Bank's Buddy Pack program aims to fill that gap by providing Buddy Packs full of nutritious food for children to take over the weekend. You can help feed a child with Buddy Packs. A gift of \$270 allows them to provide a Buddy Pack to a child in Adair County for an entire school year. Donate at sharefoodbringhope.org/give-help or in-person at Alliant Bank, 201 S. Baltimore Street in Kirkville. Check by Mail:

Make payable to "The Food Bank" with "Adair County Buddy Pack" in the memo to: The Food Bank, 2101 Vandiver Drive, Columbia, Mo. 65202. All funds stay in the county. Participating schools include Kirkville Primary, Ray Miller, Brashear and Novinger. Sponsored by Alliant Bank and Kirkville Daily Express.

## City offices to close for upcoming holidays

In observance of New Year's, all city offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 2, and reopen for regular hours on Tuesday, Jan. 3. The Aquatic Center will close early at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 31, but be open for regular hours on Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023.

## Regional Visions Exhibit at Sue Ross Arts Center

Regional Visions Exhibit will be at the Sue Ross Arts Center, Jan. 9—Feb. 24, 2023. The art center is open Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is no charge to visit the exhibit and children are welcome. Sue Ross Arts Center is located at 215 S. Franklin Street in Kirkville.

## WAGE

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Congress last raised the minimum wage in 2009, but 30 states now require employers pay more than the federal standard, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Numerous municipalities have also passed living wage laws for city or county workers.

Twenty-seven states, including New Jersey, Florida, California and Missouri, will raise their state's minimum wage in 2023, after passing legislation or voter-approved ballot measures that gradually increase the state minimum wage over several years or tie it to inflation. Washington (\$15.74), California (\$15.50) and Massachusetts (\$15) will have some of the highest state minimum wages in 2023, although the high cost of living in those states mitigates the effect on poverty rates.

In Missouri, where the minimum wage will be \$12 next year, a 2018 analysis from the Economic Policy

Institute found that Proposition B, the ballot measure that is responsible for raising the wage, would increase wages for 677,000 people in Missouri.

States where legislatures have not raised the minimum above the federal \$7.25 an hour include Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina and South Carolina. All have child poverty rates of 20% or higher, according to U.S. Census data analyzed by 24/7 Wall Street, a financial news site. Mississippi has the highest child poverty rate in the United States, at 27.6 percent, with Louisiana following at 26.3 percent.

Zipperer said that many of these low minimum wage states are concentrated in the Southern United States for a reason. He pointed to the political deals lawmakers made to leave Black workers out of 1930s labor rights gains, which were done for the benefit of Southern Democrats.

"That legacy of racism plagued the initial years of the national minimum

wage and labor law generally in the United States, and while it was somewhat improved and overcome through the civil rights movement, you see the parallel to that now where you have a lot of places in the South that don't have minimum wages and or have very low minimum wages, and so they follow the federal standard which Congress has refused to raise over the past 13 years," he said.

He added, "That kind of decline in the cost-of-living adjusted value of the minimum wage disproportionately harms the people who are paid the lowest wages in the U.S. economy and because of our sexist and racist labor market, that is women and people of color."

In Louisiana, for instance, 64 percent of women of color earn less than \$15 an hour, while 58 percent of Black workers and 50 percent of Hispanic workers also earn less than \$15 an hour, according to Oxfam America's analysis of U.S. Census data.

The results of that disparity can be seen in an analysis of data on Louisianans' standard of living done by Talk Poverty, a project of the Center for American Progress. It found:

19 percent of people in Louisiana had incomes below the poverty line in 2019.

20 percent of working age women and 29% of Black Louisianans in 2019 lived below the poverty line.

Louisiana ranked 42nd in the nation in high school graduation rates and 45th in higher education attainment during the 2017-2018 school year.

In 2018, 20 percent of young people aged 18 to 24 without high school degrees were not in school or working.

From 2017 to 2019, 15.3 percent of Louisiana households were food insecure.

Peter Robins-Brown, executive director of Louisiana Progress, said several factors contribute to the number of Louisianans living in poverty. Louisiana hasn't prioritized putting funding into programs that would provide economic relief, has focused its tax reform on benefits

for the wealthy and for businesses, and has a particularly unjust criminal justice system that punishes the poor, he said.

"Social services in Louisiana are largely underfunded, making it easier for generational poverty to continue," Robins-Brown said.

The state also favors landlords' rights over tenants rights and people living in the southern parts of the state that experience the most severe weather disasters have to live with high premiums for homeowners insurance, which further contribute to economic inequality, Robins-Brown explained.

Although Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards is a Democrat, and has expressed support for raising the minimum wage, both chambers of the Louisiana Legislature are controlled by Republicans. Louisiana is one of 24 states without a process for citizens to offer ballot initiatives and voter referendums.

"Both the House and Senate committees that deal with labor issues are low-priority for Republicans and Democrats because industry interests usually predetermine the

outcomes in those committees," Robins-Brown said.

For these reasons, Robins-Brown says Louisianans are depending on the federal government to take action to raise the minimum wage. He said his organization supported expanding the child tax credit because it was been a powerful tool in reducing child poverty.

Congress last failed to increase the minimum wage in 2021, when it was proposed as part of a larger pandemic relief package. Fifty Senate Republicans and seven Senate Democrats voted against raising the minimum wage to \$15 by 2025. The exclusion of the expansion of the child tax credit in Congress' omnibus bill is one more lost chance to reduce child poverty.

"The child tax credit enormously reduced poverty during the recent expansion of that program and unfortunately that was temporary," Zipperer said. "But I think that's a very clear demonstration that we actually have, to some degree, the capacity to eliminate a lot of poverty in this country. All it takes is overcoming the political opposition to do that."

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The enhanced federal funds will be gradually phased down over the next calendar year, with several standards states must meet in the process of conducting eligibility redeterminations, according to provisions in the bill.

Heather Dolce, a spokeswoman for the Missouri

Department of Social Services, said in an email to The Independent that the agency has been working with the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services "to develop and finalize a robust plan for re-summing Medicaid eligibility renewals in preparation for the impending unwinding," and that Missouri "would be prepared to move forward with implementing this plan" if the unwind be-

gins in April, as expected, based on the federal bill.

Unlike most states, Missouri has not yet publicly provided its plan for the public health emergency unwind or a plan summary, according to Georgetown's unwinding tracker. Dolce said DSS is focused on ensuring they have the correct addresses for Medicaid recipients, and urged participants to report their updated information.

## BRIDGE

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There is no posted detour on most of these projects. The average annual traffic volume on this portion of Route E is 400, and the bridge was built in 1949. All bridges in the program are expected to be closed during construction.

The FARM Bridge Program will replace deficient bridges on low-vol-

ume routes that are:

- Weight-restricted
- In poor condition
- On timber pile
- One-lane but carry two-way traffic

Design-build is a project delivery method in which one contracting team is selected to design and build the highway improvement under one contract. MoDOT provides the project goals, budget and schedule and the contractor team completes the work. This technique

has been known to significantly save time and provide cost savings.

"Signs will be placed on these roads a few weeks before each closure, and we encourage residents in these areas to sign up to receive our email and text alerts," Gander said. MoDOT will continue to send information and updates to local media for their distribution. MoDOT's online traveler map also shows locations of work zones and road closures.

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## OBITUARIES

### Charles Lee Still

Oct 9, 1934 – Dec 17, 2022

Charles Lee Still, 88, of Kirksville formerly of Holt, Missouri passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his children on December 17, 2022. Charlie is now rejoined with his beloved wife Anna in Heaven.



Charlie was born in Cainesville, Missouri on October 9, 1934 to Hubert and Glendola (Booth) Still. They preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his wife of 57 years Anna, in 2017. He had four siblings, Mildred, John, Susie and Gladys who also preceded him in death.

Charlie is survived by his five children, Annie Madsen (Jimmy), Susie Reineke (Ronnie), Harold Still (Pam), Camille Houghton (Rich) and Chrissy Morford.

Charlie's greatest joy was his numerous dogs and cats during his lifetime and his four grandchildren, Madeline, Ricky, Clara and Katie.

He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews who all loved him unconditionally.

Charlie graduated from Laredo Missouri High School in 1952 and joined the United States Air Force and then the United States Army. While serving in the military in Frankfurt, Germany, Charlie met and married the love of his life Anna (Lange) of Rollshausen, Germany. After leaving the service in Frankfurt in 1962 Charlie, Anna and their two oldest daughters settled in Los Angeles, California where he began his career with NASA. Leaving California, Charlie and family moved to Picayune, Mississippi where he continued his career with NASA. While in Mississippi, Charlie was awarded NASA's Silver Snoopy award for excellence in service. After the shut down of the APOLLO Space Program in the early 1970's, Charlie and family moved to Holt, Missouri where he started a new career with Kansas City Power and Light. Charlie retired from KCP&L in 1994.

Charlie loved gardening, growing a fabulous garden every year was one of his proudest accomplishments. He also loved fishing, playing bridge, stamp collecting and coin collecting, which he loved to share with his grandchildren. Charlie also loved traveling with his family and aviation and was an avid airplane watcher.

There will be no service, as were his wishes. A small private family gathering at the gravesite in Cainesville, Missouri is planned for a later date.

Memorials can be made to the Adair County Humane Society, Hospice of Northeast Missouri and/or Church of the Nazarene, Kirksville, Missouri.

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

### Virginia Nadine Johnson

Jun 11, 1932 – Dec 23, 2022

Virginia Nadine Johnson, 90, of Novinger, MO passed away on Friday, December 23, 2022 at Manor Care Nursing Home. Virginia was born on June 11, 1932 to George "Calvin" and Eva (Garwood) Johnson. On August 4, 1950, she was united in marriage to Emery Johnson who preceded her in death.



Virginia is survived by two of her children Kathy (David) Childers of Novinger, MO and Carol (Dennis) Tilman of Kirksville, MO along with 14 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, and 7 great-great grandchildren, as well as several nieces, nephews, cousins, and amazing friends. She was preceded in death by two children Leona "Onie" (Junior) Hatfield and Roy (Pam) Johnson, her parents, and 10 siblings.

Virginia received her education in rural elementary schools and Kirksville High School where she graduated with the class of 1950. Virginia worked many years at McGraw-Edison and Hollister. In her early years, she enjoyed listening to music, dancing, camping, and playing cards. She spent recent years writing poetry, reading, and doing water aerobics at the Kirksville Fitness Center. Her true passion was always her family and treating them to home-cooked meals. She was well-known for her cooking and baking abilities, especially her pies and pumpkin rolls. She often hosted Sunday dinners at the family farm and she would do anything for her family and those she loved. She was kind, selfless, strong-willed, but most of all loving. She had the biggest heart that touched so many lives in her 90 years. Virginia unconditionally supported those she loved.

There will be a celebration of life on Saturday, January 14th at 2pm at Cornerstone Church (1702 N Elson St) in Kirksville, MO. A private burial will be held at a later date.

## State Historical Society of Missouri announces Fellowships for 2023

By State Historical Society of Missouri

COLUMBIA — The State Historical Society of Missouri is awarding Center for Missouri Studies fellowships to three history scholars in 2023. Sarah S. Jones, interpreter and educator at the Missouri State Museum in Jefferson City, has won a fellowship for her proposal, "Missouri's Post Office Murals: Artistic Expression, Local Collaborations." Brooks Blevins, the Noel Boyd Professor of Ozarks Studies at Missouri State University, has been awarded a fellowship for his proposal, "The Missouri Scenic Rivers Act and the Rise of the Rural Right." Jenny Barker-Devine, professor of history at Illinois College in Jacksonville, Illinois, has won a fellowship award for her proposed study, "Protection for All Citizens: Civil Defense and the Problem of Evacuating Missouri's Urban Centers during the Cold War, 1960-1980."

In her study, Barker-Devine will examine conflicts between rural and urban Missourians that arose while planning how to defend Missouri and its citizens from the unimaginable destruction of a nuclear war. In the event of such a war, state and federal policymakers envisioned evacuating urban populations to mines and caves in rural Missouri. While some ordinary citizens embraced the plan, others reacted with skepticism and even hostility to the massive demands it would place on rural areas to support large numbers of refugees.

"I first learned about Missouri's 1960s civil defense plan while visiting Bluff Dwellers Cave near Noel, Missouri in 2009," Barker-Devine said. "I asked our tour guide about the fallout shelter sign over the door. As a historian of the Midwest, I realized that Missouri's unique geography and geology presented an exceptional case study that is unlike any other state in the region. Thanks to the State Historical Society of Missouri, I now have the resources and support to delve into the archival record and learn more about how Missourians coped with the unthinkable."



Blevins will examine urban-rural conflicts over environmentalism and property rights that arose in the late 1960s during legislative efforts to pass a scenic rivers bill in Missouri. Created in the wake of the 1964 federal bill establishing the Ozark National Scenic Riverways, the Missouri bill attempted to bring more than 800 miles of Ozarks streams under state control.

Jones plans to examine murals painted for post offices as part of a program under the U.S. Treasury Department's Section of Fine Arts during the New Deal. About 30 of the murals created for Missouri post offices in the 1930s still exist, although they are not all in their original locations.

"I'm honored and excited to have been selected as a Center for Missouri Studies fellow for 2023," Jones said. "The post office murals physically connect our present to a past that is growing ever distant. They represent an important moment in the history of American art and culture, when local and national interests aligned to create images meant to inspire, educate, and comfort viewers. Documenting the history of Missouri's post office murals allows us to understand this exceptional artistic resource before it is potentially lost to the inevitable march of time."

Each fellowship award includes a \$5,000 stipend. The fellowship offers an opportunity to write an article for publication in the Missouri Historical Review, a scholarly journal published by the State Historical Society. Center for Missouri Studies fellows are also invited to make a public presentation of their work. Barker-Devine, Blevins, and Jones will hold their appointments for the 2023 calendar year.

## 2023: Year of the sparkling amaryllis

By University of Missouri Extension

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Nothing brightens a windowsill in winter like amaryllis, the National Garden Bureau's Bulb Plant of the Year, said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

The name "amaryllis" comes from a Greek word that means "to sparkle." And sparkle it does, said Trinklein.

There are more than 600 varieties of this native South American bulb currently on the market, making it a favorite of gift-givers. According to the National Garden Bureau, most garden centers, websites

and garden catalogs label the easy-to-grow bulb's country of origin. Bulbs from Holland normally take four to eight weeks to bloom while ones from South Africa take three to five weeks.

Most bulbs today are Dutch hybrids, with huge, showy blooms in shades of red and white. It is not unusual for one bulb to produce up to six flowers per scape (flower stalk). Native to the subtropical and tropical Americas, amaryllis forces Midwesterners to treat it as a greenhouse or house plant.

Trinklein offers tips for growing sparkling amaryllis:

- Choose healthy bulbs with the original roots intact. Bulbs

with all roots removed to the bulb plate will perform poorly during their first year, though they may bloom.

- Use a good potting mix. Plant bulbs in a well-drained, highly organic potting mix that retains adequate moisture. A mixture of sphagnum peat, vermiculite and perlite works well. Maintain this medium in a slightly acidic state.

- Choose the right container. Use containers that are at least 2 inches wider than the bulb.

- Don't overwater. Keep the growing medium uniformly moist, but do not let water stand for extended periods, except with severely root-bound

plants. Feed with a complete, water-soluble fertilizer after the flower emerges. Follow label recommendations for rates.

- Choose a bright, warm location. Since the plant is tropical, it favors temperatures over 70 degrees during the day and over 60 degrees at night. Avoid temperatures under 50 degrees, which could damage the plant.

Amaryllis can be forced to rebloom easily with proper preparation. In spring, move the plant outdoors, container and all. Feed and water throughout the summer. In September, move the plant back inside. Quit watering to induce dormancy for at least six to eight weeks



and keep in a cool area. Leaves will wither and dry during this phase and should be removed.

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# Medicaid eligibility annual renewals to resume April 1 with federal legislation signed into law

By Missouri Department of Social Services

JEFFERSON CITY, MO –The federal government has announced that states will be required to resume annual renewals for MO HealthNet (Missouri Medicaid) beginning April 1, 2023. Annual renewals have not been required since January 2020, which is when the Federal Public Health Emergency was put in place in response to the Covid-19 outbreak. The federal legislation signed into law yesterday set a specific date to resume renewals, despite the ongoing Federal Public Health Emergency.

“Over the past three years, waivers and special circumstances allowed more Missourians than ever to qualify for public assistance benefits,” said Robert J. Knodell, Department of Social Services acting director. “Today’s announcement means that anyone who gets MO HealthNet will need to



keep an eye out for an official letter from the Family Support Division and complete any steps required to keep their healthcare coverage. We cannot stress enough how imperative it is to make sure your address is up to date before April 1 so you can get these important updates.”

Here is what this means for Missourians who get healthcare coverage through MO HealthNet or any of the Managed Care health plans (Healthy Blue, Home State Health, or United Healthcare):

At some point between May 2023 and April 2024, you will again be required to complete an annual renewal to make

sure you are still eligible for help. Your annual renewal typically takes place towards the end of your coverage period. Important letters with more information will be mailed when your annual renewal is due.

If a response is required, you must submit it by the deadline in your letter to keep your healthcare coverage (if you are still eligible).

Important notices will be mailed to Missourians who are impacted by these changes. The Family Support Division (FSD) will send this information to the address on file. If an individual has moved in the last three years, they should make sure FSD has their updated

address. The easiest way to do this is to report a change online.

“There are a lot of Missourians who qualified for Medicaid coverage for the first time during the Public Health Emergency or through Adult Expansion who have never had to complete an annual renewal before,” explained Kim Evans, Family Support Division director. “We want to ensure that everyone who is still eligible for healthcare coverage through MO HealthNet can keep that coverage, and we are committed to doing everything we can to make sure participants understand how this process works and what is required of them.”

Participants can visit the Department of Social Services’ new website dedicated to the annual renewal process to learn more about how to prepare, what they need to do to complete an annual renewal, and explore answers to frequently asked questions.

As of November 2022, more than 1.4 million Missourians were enrolled in MO HealthNet. Once annual renewals begin, there will be Missourians who were receiving continuous coverage due to the Public Health Emergency that will no longer be eligible for MO HealthNet. For these participants, the Family Support Division will send their information to the

federal Health Care Marketplace, as required by CMS, for help with alternative health care options. The caseload counter will continue to provide the most up to date number of MO HealthNet enrollees each month.

Missourians in need of information on SNAP, Medicaid, Child Care Subsidy, or Temporary Assistance benefit programs can visit [dss.mo.gov](http://dss.mo.gov). Individuals can also apply for these services 24/7 online by visiting [MyDSS.mo.gov](http://MyDSS.mo.gov), by uploading completed applications and verification documents to [myDSSupload.mo.gov](http://myDSSupload.mo.gov), or by faxing them to 573-526-9400. To learn more about resources available in Missouri to help individuals move towards a healthier, more stable future, review the Missouri Resource Guide.

The mission of the Department of Social Services is to empower Missourians to live safe, healthy, and productive lives.

## Advanced practice registered nurses key to improving nursing home care, MU study finds

By Erin O’Connell  
University of Missouri

When Alisha Johnson worked in a Texas hospital, she noticed the same elderly patients being repeatedly transferred from nearby nursing homes after their health had once again severely declined.

“It was always the same problems — they came to me really sick with health issues that should have been taken care of much sooner, before they got to me in a hospital,” Johnson said. “It seemed like a waste, and it seemed too hard on these patients because I could tell they were traumatized from being repeatedly transferred from the nursing home where they lived. I knew we could do more to prevent this.”

Now an assistant professor in the MU Sinclair School of Nursing, Johnson researches the successes and challenges of transitioning advanced practice registered nurses, or APRNs, into nursing homes in an effort to improve health outcomes for residents and to reduce the number of residents being repeatedly transferred to hospitals. For a recent study, she spent a year interviewing APRNs about their transition to the nursing home setting and whether their presence there had an impact on improved decision-making that ultimately improved resident health outcomes.

Johnson found that while the transition was rocky for some, the change was smoother when the nursing home staff welcomed the APRNs’ advanced expertise and saw them as collaborators rather than competitors in their current reimbursement structure.

“The staff that works in nursing homes are wonderful, caring people, but what I found was often a

lack of understanding of the beneficial expertise the APRNs can provide, as they have advanced training in pharmacology, diagnostics, lab work, blood tests, radiology, early illness detection and medications, and this broadens their ability to direct care decisions that ultimately improve resident health outcomes,” Johnson said. “Also, medical providers are often reimbursed for assessments they give to nursing home residents, so we might want to look at modifying the reimbursement structure in a way that encourages collaboration with APRNs rather than leaving them on the sidelines or viewing them as competition for reimbursement dollars.”

Currently, when nursing home residents need care, nurses or aides must first contact a physician who is often not present in the nursing home, forcing the ailing resident to wait for a treatment plan. Ultimately, this delayed action can lead to miscommunication, declining resident health outcomes and costly, stressful and avoidable transfers to the hospital.

“APRNs have a huge opportunity to fill these care gaps, as research shows residents receive much better care if they stay in the nursing home where they live rather than being transferred to a hospital,” Johnson said. “APRNs can see what is going on in real time and make care decisions much more quickly.”

A 2021 study by MU researchers evaluated the effectiveness of the Missouri Quality Improvement Initiative, a \$35 million program funded by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid that implemented APRNs full time into 16 Missouri nursing homes. They found the APRNs improved the quality of care for nursing home residents, re-

sulting in reduced avoidable hospitalizations and emergency room visits, leading to better overall health and more than \$31 million in savings. Each year, billions of dollars are spent transferring residents from nursing homes to hospitals, and MU researchers have found many of these transfers could have been avoided through early illness detection and quicker decision-making within the nursing home.

“Missouri currently has a state requirement that APRNs can’t provide assessments or write orders independently, they must work under a physician, but research shows states that do not have this requirement have just as good health outcomes among their nursing home residents,” Johnson said. “The number of physicians working in geriatrics is decreasing, and there are three times as many APRNs working in long-term care facilities than physicians. So, APRNs can provide tremendous benefits in nursing homes when given the opportunity.”

Johnson recently earned a \$200,000 grant from The Donaghue Foundation to further study how APRNs can improve the quality of care delivered to nursing home residents.

“We need decision makers that can do the right things for residents and APRNs can fill that gap,” Johnson said. “We just need to figure out how to better use them, better support them and ensure they are being paid appropriately. It feels great to work on this because it is an under-researched area, and I am excited to be a part of it.”

“Advanced practice registered nurse transition to practice in the long-term care setting: An ethnography” was published in Global Nursing Qualitative Research.



## Researchers receive \$3.2 million for diabetes treatment testing

Grant will fund transplantation technique that eliminates need for insulin injections

By University of Missouri

COLUMBIA — The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has awarded a team of researchers, which includes a pair from the University of Missouri School of Medicine, a grant worth \$3.2 million to test a treatment for Type 1 diabetes that does not require several insulin injections each day.

Pancreatic islet transplantation is an experimental treatment for Type 1 diabetes in which surgeons transplant clusters of pancreas cells from a deceased donor into a vein that carries blood to the liver of a person with Type 1 diabetes. The cell clusters then make and release insulin in the recipient’s body, potentially preventing the need for regular insulin injections. A major limitation of islet transplantation is the scarcity of donors and the need for lifelong use of immunosuppressive drugs to control rejection.

MU School of Medicine researchers Haval Shirwan, PhD, and Esmat Yolcu, PhD, both professors of Child Health and Molecular Microbiology and Immunology, are part of a grant that involves researchers from the Georgia Institute of Technology, Harvard University/Massachusetts General Hospital, and Washington University in St. Louis to study a novel approach where a type of self-renewing stem cell is converted into an insulin-producing beta cell, then clusters of those cells are transplanted from a test tube into patients with Type 1 diabetes. To protect the stem cells from rejection, the transplant will include a microgel mixture that contains a protein designed to kill immune cells that identify the transplanted cells as a foreign threat.

“There is an unlimited source of stem cells, which solves the bottleneck currently associated with donor cells,” Shirwan said.

“To ensure these cells are not destroyed after transplantation, we have developed a protein that will be included in the microgel mixture that will protect the transplanted cells by eliminating graft destroying immune cells, while expanding those beneficial to the survival of the graft. If successful, this approach will eliminate the need for life-long use of immunosuppression and be a game changer for the treatment of Type 1 diabetes.”

The stem cell to beta cell conversion transplant will initially be tested on preclinical models. If successful, it would eventually be tested on humans, with the potential to benefit those suffering from similar chronic diseases.

“This highly significant and innovative strategy is fundamentally different from ongoing work in this field,” Yolcu said. “If successful, this technology could benefit other transplant patients who require lifelong immunosuppression. The potential of this research is wide reaching and very exciting.”

This grant is an example of bench-to-bedside research, or how laboratory results are directly incorporated into use by patients in order to help treat different diseases and disorders, a hallmark of MU’s most ambitious research initiative, the NextGen Precision Health initiative.

Highlighting the promise of personalized health care and the impact of large-scale interdisciplinary collaboration, the NextGen Precision Health initiative is bringing together innovators like Shirwan and Yolcu from across MU and the UM System’s three other research universities in pursuit of life-changing precision health advancements. It’s a collaborative effort to leverage the research strengths of MU toward a better future for the health of Missourians and beyond. The Roy Blunt NextGen Precision Health building at MU anchors the overall initiative and expands collaboration between researchers, clinicians and industry partners in the state-of-the-art research facility.

## Missouri governor taps political newcomer to serve as next state treasurer

Vivek Malek will be the first person of color to hold a statewide office in Missouri

By Jason Hancock  
Missouri Independent

Gov. Mike Parson has named Vivek Malek to serve as state treasurer, the first Indian American to hold a statewide office in Missouri. Malek, 45, will replace Republican Scott Fitzpatrick, who was elected state auditor in November.

“We interviewed a lot of great candidates for state treasurer, all of which have promising and rewarding careers ahead of them, and will continue to serve Missouri well,” Parson said Tuesday. “One man rose above the others.”

Malek has been practicing law since 2000 and has prac-

ticed law in Missouri since 2006. His St. Louis law firm focuses on immigration, naturalization and asylum. Parson previously appointed Malek to the Board of Regents for his alma mater, Southeast Missouri State University, in 2020. He has been an occasional Republican donor over the years, including to Parson, but has never held public office.

“It is the honor of my life to be asked to be Missouri’s next state treasurer, and I will give this position my all, as I have with everything I have done,” Melek said Tuesday.

Melek has deep ties to the Cape Girardeau area, where he came in 2001 from Rohtak,

India to attend college. He earned two masters degrees, in business and law, and currently lives in Wildwood with his wife, Riju, and three children, Naija, Viraj, and Myra.

“I can attest with strong conviction that the American Dream is alive and well, because I have lived it right here in Missouri,” he said.

The state treasurer manages \$1 billion in unclaimed property, manages a small business and agriculture economic development program and administers the state’s tax-advantaged education and disability savings plans.

The treasurer also sits on various boards, such as the



Missouri Gov. Mike Parson appointed Vivek Malek as state treasurer on Dec. 20, 2022.

Missouri Housing Development Commission.

“The people’s money is in good hands with Vivek,” Parson said. “Vivek understands

the incredible responsibility and privilege it is to serve the people in Missouri and appreciates the importance of a true public servant.”

## Missouri has received more than \$11.65 billion in federal relief for Covid-19

By Missouri State Auditor  
Nicole Galloway

JEFFERSON CITY — The latest monthly reports from State Auditor Nicole Galloway detailing state government’s use of federal stimulus dollars intended for the Covid-19 response shows Missouri received \$11.65 billion between April 2020 and October 2022. As the state’s financial watchdog, the State Auditor’s Office has issued the reports since June 2020 examining Missouri government’s distribution and spending of funding received under the federal CARES Act, American Rescue Plan and other federal assistance programs.

The most recent reports show Missouri’s spending

of federal assistance for the month of October 2022, as well as the cumulative expenditures since the state began receiving funding in April 2020. Through the end of October 2022, the state has spent \$6.39 billion in funding made available by the CARES Act and other federal programs, and \$2.23 billion in American Rescue Plan funds.

A significant portion of expenditures to date are for services through the state’s Medicaid program (MO HealthNet) and other programs receiving federal matching funds. Under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, the federal government increased its percentage share of the cost of the state’s Medicaid program. The American Rescue Plan also

offered Missouri a temporary increase in the federal funds matching rate in exchange for the state’s Medicaid expansion. As of Oct. 31, 2022, the increased cost share for the federal government has totaled over \$2.03 billion in additional federal funding for Medicaid in Missouri.

Other funding has been provided to local governments, schools, institutions of higher education, child care providers, long-term care facilities and developmental disabilities waiver providers. Funds have also been used for mental health services, purchase of personal protective equipment, virus testing, contact tracing, vaccine preparedness and access, workforce development, economic de-

velopment programs for small businesses, Covid-19 dedicated personnel costs, emergency rental assistance and other disaster relief purposes.

In addition to the monthly report examining the state’s spending, the Auditor’s Office also has an online tool to give Missourians a detailed look at expenditures. The Covid-19 Response page tracks not only how much is received and expended in relief funds, but also lists which state and local government departments, vendors and expense categories are receiving the most funding. The information on the website provides data on expenditures and is updated regularly.



Galloway’s efforts are similar to work performed by the previous State Auditor’s administration, which reviewed the state’s use of funds received through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Under Article IV, Section 13 of the Missouri Constitution, the State Auditor has a duty to ensure the accuracy of the state’s accounting of its spending.

## Andria Hendricks Joins MoDOT as Equal Opportunity and Diversity Director

By MoDOT

Andria Hendricks has been named the Missouri Department of Transportation’s new Equal Opportunity & Diversity Director. She officially started her new position on Dec. 16, 2022.

Hendricks’ career consists of 20-plus years of experience in the fields of business and finance. Before coming to MoDOT, she was a Project Manager with Hitachi Energy. She worked as the Bursar/Director of Student Accounts, the Small Business Development Center Director, and a professor in the Business Department at Lincoln University. Hendricks was also the Executive Account Director of Program and Business Development for ALL Solutions. She is currently an Adjunct Business Professor in William Woods University MBA Program.

“I look forward to serving the citizens of Missouri in my new role with MoDOT,” Hendricks said. “Guiding the agency towards achieving its equal opportunity and diversity goals will benefit both the organization and the state as a whole.”



Andria Hendricks

Hendricks holds an MBA from William Woods University and a Master’s in Sociology from Lincoln University. She is currently completing her Doctorate in Business Administration with an emphasis in Management and Leadership from Grand Canyon University. She has three children and has been married to her college sweetheart for 25 years. The family resides in Jefferson City.

AAA Missouri Weekend Gas Watch						12/29/2022	
Area	12/29/2022	Week Ago	Week Ago Difference	Year Ago	Year Ago Difference	Record Price Date	Record Price
National	\$3.16	\$3.10	0.06	\$3.28	-0.12	06/14/22	\$5.02
Missouri	\$2.82	\$2.68	0.14	\$2.92	-0.11	06/16/22	\$4.68
Cape Girardeau	\$2.90	\$2.85	0.05	\$3.00	-0.10	06/16/22	\$4.53
Columbia	\$2.90	\$2.51	0.39	\$2.97	-0.07	06/14/22	\$4.87
Jefferson City	\$2.85	\$2.80	0.05	\$2.97	-0.12	06/15/22	\$4.87
Joplin	\$2.75	\$2.53	0.23	\$2.76	0.00	06/16/22	\$4.52
Kansas City (MO only)	\$2.72	\$2.60	0.12	\$2.87	-0.16	06/12/22	\$4.59
Kansas City (KS only)	\$2.71	\$2.67	0.04	\$2.92	-0.21	06/11/22	\$4.69
Springfield	\$2.82	\$2.68	0.15	\$2.94	-0.12	06/21/22	\$4.58
St. Joseph	\$2.74	\$2.61	0.13	\$2.89	-0.15	06/17/22	\$4.59
St. Louis (MO only)	\$2.89	\$2.64	0.25	\$2.95	-0.06	06/14/22	\$4.88
Alexandar County (IL)	\$3.30	\$3.30	0.00	\$3.40	-0.10	07/10/22	\$5.10
Cabondale-Marion (IL)	\$3.17	\$2.98	0.18	\$3.40	-0.23	06/09/22	\$5.26
East St. Louis (IL)	\$3.26	\$3.21	0.05	\$3.37	-0.11	06/14/22	\$4.75

Prices are per gallon for regular unleaded gasoline. Source: gasprices.aaa.com

## Missouri gas prices rise; Crude oil more expensive amid winter storm

By AAA

The statewide gas price average in Missouri is \$2.82 for a gallon of regular unleaded fuel, according to the AAA Missouri Weekend Gas Watch. That price is 14 cents more compared to this day last week and is 11 cents less per gallon compared to this day last year. Of the major metropolitan areas surveyed in Missouri, drivers in Cape Girardeau and Columbia are paying the most on average at \$2.90 while drivers in Kansas City are paying the least at \$2.72 per gallon. The national average price for a gallon of regular unleaded is \$3.16, which is six cents more compared to this day last week and 11 cents less than the price per gallon at this same time last year, according to AAA Gas Prices.

Gas prices in Missouri reversed course rising for the

first time in six weeks. The rise in pump prices are, in part, a result of prices for a barrel of crude oil increasing from the lower \$70s to around \$80. The widespread bitter cold and winter storm also impacted fuel deliveries and some refining operations across the county. Midwest refining output fell nearly 3 percent on the week. However, the upward trend may be short-lived as the extreme cold moves out and crude oil futures point down on news of COVID cases increasing in China. China is the world’s biggest importer of oil.

“The dynamics of crude oil and gasoline markets continue to be volatile as analysts weigh domestic and international demand outlooks coupled with supply impacts from the war between Ukraine and Russia,” said AAA spokesperson Nick Chabarria. “To achieve the

best fuel economy and save on higher fuel prices, practice safe driving habits, proper vehicle maintenance, and compare gas station prices using the AAA TripTik map.”

Drivers in Missouri are paying the 8th lowest gas price average in the country, according to gasprices.aaa.com. Meanwhile, drivers in California are the paying the most at \$4.38 on average for a gallon of regular unleaded.

Prices up to date at press time using market prices posted at 3:41 a.m. Motorists can find current gas prices along their route with the free and revamped AAA App for iPhone, iPad and Android. The app can also be used to map a route and learn traffic conditions along that route, find discounts, locate parking, book a hotel and request and track AAA roadside assistance. Learn more at AAA.com/mobile.

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## Truman basketball teams play tune-up games before conference play resumes

By Adam Tumino

The Truman State men's and women's basketball teams each had tune-up games over the holiday break, with the men playing a non-conference game against Culver-Stockton on New Year's Eve and the women playing an exhibition against William Woods University on Monday. Both teams picked up wins.

For the men, it was their first game in nearly two weeks and the first in over two weeks for the women. Both teams will resume conference play when they host Quincy for a doubleheader on Thursday, marking the first GLVC action in nearly a month.

The men's win over Culver-Stockton came by a score of 77-47 and was the third-straight win for the Bulldogs, two of which have been against non-conference opponents.

Truman shot 47.7 percent from the field in the game while holding the Wildcats to 36 percent shooting. Truman also made seven three pointers in the first half and six in the second while holding Culver-Stockton to just five threes in the entire game. The Bulldogs forced 15 turnovers while only committing eight of their own and scored 17 points off those Wildcat turnovers.

Sophomore guard Trey Shearer shot 6-of-6 from the field and 5-of-5 from three in the game to lead the Bulldogs with 17 points. The only other Truman player to score in double figures was Elijah Hazekamp with 13 points.

Head coach Jeff Horner was able to get 16 players into the game and all of them played at least five minutes and contributed something to the stat sheet. Ten players on the team logged more than 10 minutes in the game.



Truman forward Alex Fanning battles under the basket against Indianapolis on Nov. 28. PHOTOS BY ADAM TUMINO

The men will put their win streak on the line when they resume conference play against

Quincy. The Hawks are also riding a three-game winning streak overall and were 3-1 in confer-

ence play prior to the holiday break. Truman holds a 1-4 conference record.

The women's game on Monday against NAIA team William Woods did not count in the standings or statistically, but got the team back on the court for the first time since Dec. 17.

The Bulldog defense clamped down on Owls throughout the game, holding them to single digits in scoring in the second, third and fourth quarters. William Woods scored 11 points in the first for their highest-scoring quarter.

Truman's offense never really got into full gear, but put plenty of points on the board to assure the result was never in doubt. The Bulldogs shot 35.4 percent from the field in the game, still quite a bit higher than

the 22.6 percent William Woods shot.

Truman had four players score in double figures, led by three players with 13 points each. They were Hannah Belanger, Emma Bulman and Claire Rake, with Bulman and Rake providing their scoring off the bench. Alex Fanning added 11 points and 10 rebounds in 17 minutes.

Much like in the men's game, women's head coach Theo Dean got plenty of players on the court in the Bulldogs' return to action. Ten players logged 13 or more minutes in the game.

Truman is one of three GLVC women's teams with 4-1 conference records while Drury currently leads the conference at 4-0. Quincy is 1-3 in conference play heading into Thursday's matchup.



Truman's Elijah Hazekamp looks to drive on an Indianapolis defender in the game on Nov. 28.

## Sluggish Chiefs beat Broncos for 15th straight time, 27-24

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Patrick Mahomes moved into the rarest of company Sunday, joining Tom Brady and Drew Brees as the only quarterbacks with multiple 5,000-yard passing seasons, and the Chiefs overcame another sloppy start to beat the Broncos for the 15th consecutive time and stay alive for the No. 1 seed in the AFC.

So everything must be good in Kansas City, right?

"There's not a lot satisfying for me," Mahomes said shortly after the 27-24 victory.

There was the pick he threw in the end zone and the mechanics that went awry in the second half. There was the fumbled punt return that led to a Denver touchdown, a sloppy snap on a point-after attempt and even a blocked field goal.

Yet the Chiefs (13-3) still managed to escape a 17-13 third-quarter deficit and rally for their fourth consecutive win.

"When I don't have my best stuff and guys step up and we still win football games," said Mahomes, who nevertheless finished with 328 yards passing and three touchdowns, "that's a good thing."

Jerick McKinnon had two touchdown catches while Blake Bell and Isiah Pacheco also scored for the Chiefs, who began the day tied with Buffalo for the best record in the AFC; the Bills play Cincinnati on Monday night.

"We'll watch it," Chiefs coach Andy Reid said with a smile.

For a while the Broncos (4-12) looked as if they might cap a chaotic week that began with the firing of first-year head coach Nathaniel Hackett in a



Kansas City Chiefs running back Jerick McKinnon (1) celebrates after scoring past Denver Broncos cornerback Pat Surtain II (2) and teammate JuJu Smith-Schuster (9) during the first half of an NFL football game Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, in Kansas City, Mo. AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL

stunning victory. But a late letdown by one of the league's best defenses, an another interception from embattled quarterback Russell Wilson, resulted in the first loss for interim coach Jerry Rosburg.

"I saw players and coaches digging in to do all they could possibly do to win that game," he said. "That all said, it wasn't good enough. It wasn't good enough and I'm heartbroken for those guys because they deserve a win."

Wilson threw for 222 yards and a touchdown while also running for a pair of scores, the second of them — after two costly penalties on the Kansas City defense — pulling Denver within 27-24 with 6:14 left in the game.

The Broncos got the ball back with just under four minutes to go, too, and picked up a quick first down. But the Kansas City defense stiffened near midfield, and Chris Jones

sacked Wilson on fourth-and-2 to effectively end the game.

The Chiefs' sluggish start against the downtrodden Broncos wasn't all that surprising. They've habitually played down to the opposition, whether it was in their overtime win at Houston or their 34-28 victory over the Broncos three weeks ago.

But the Chiefs also have proven over the years their ability to strike quickly, and they did that after falling behind for the first time Sunday. Mahomes answered with long passes to Toney and McKinnon, a penalty on third down gave them a fresh set of downs, and McKinnon turned a screen pass into a touchdown reception for the fifth straight game.

That streak is the longest for an NFL running back since Bill Dudley of the Lions in 1947.

"If I would have told you I saw it was coming, nah," McKinnon said, "but that's what you put

the work in the offseason for, when you're opportunity comes you're ready for the moment."

The Chiefs struggled to maintain momentum after halftime, though, going three-and-out on their first three possessions. And the Broncos, with their third play-caller of the season in offensive coordinator Justin Outten, capitalized with a 63-yard touchdown drive that gave them a 17-13 lead late in the third quarter.

Then the Chiefs began looking like the Chiefs. And the Broncos like the Broncos.

Mahomes led the AFC West champs briskly downfield before hitting Bell from 17 yards for his first regular-season touchdown catch. And on the very next play, Wilson threw a wobbler under pressure that L'Jarvis Sneed picked off, setting up McKinnon's second touchdown catch of the day and his eighth in the past five games.

The Broncos scored in the fourth quarter to give themselves a chance before Kansas City put the game away.

"When you win and you don't feel like you play your best ball, that's a really good thing," Mahomes said. "We have to find a way to, for four quarters, play our best football when we get to the playoffs. And I feel like we haven't done that."

### STATS AND STREAKS

Mahomes improved to 11-0 against Denver, joining Andrew Luck (11-0 vs Tennessee) as the only QBs in the Super Bowl era with more than 10 wins and no losses against an opponent. ... The Chiefs' 15 straight wins over Denver is tied for the third-longest streak of any team against an opponent in NFL history. The Broncos have not won against the Chiefs since Sept. 17, 2015. ... Wilson ran for 27 yards, giving him 4,948 for his career and passing Randall Cunningham for third among quarterbacks.

### INJURIES

Broncos: RB Marlon Mack (hamstring) left in the first quarter and LG Dalton Risner (elbow) in the third. CB Damarri Mathis went into the concussion protocol in the second. LB Baron Browning (back) and DL D.J. Jones (knee) were inactive.

Chiefs: LG Joe Thuney (ankle) left late in the third quarter and WR Skyy Moore (hand) in the fourth. Sneed also hurt his hip on his interception return in the fourth.

### UP NEXT

The Broncos conclude their season against the Chargers.

The Chiefs visit the Raiders in their regular-season finale.

## Banged-up Blues put O'Reilly, Tarasenko on injured reserve

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ryan O'Reilly and Vladimir Tarasenko are the latest St. Louis Blues players to land on the injured list, though general manager Doug Armstrong is not conceding this might not be the year for a team that was built to contend in the Western Conference.

The Blues put both their captain and their most prolific scoring winger on IR on Monday, less than a week after defenseman Torey Krug was ruled out for more than a month because of a lower-body injury. With O'Reilly missing the next six weeks because of a broken foot and Tarasenko the next four with a hand injury, big absences are piling up for St. Louis near the midway point of the season.

"It's a great opportunity for a lot of different players," said Armstrong, who has been the Blues' GM for more than a decade. "Pro sports, injuries are part of the profession, part of the game, and winning people and winning organizations don't dwell on what they don't have. They look forward to working with the things that they do have."

What the Blues have is a roster with a handful of underachieving veterans, whom Armstrong expects to raise their game down the stretch with the team sitting a few points



St. Louis Blues' Ryan O'Reilly, left, is congratulated by Niko Mikkola after scoring during the second period of an NHL hockey game against the Toronto Maple Leafs Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2022, in St. Louis. AP PHOTO/JEFF ROBERSON

outside a playoff position — 10th out of 16 in the West. He singled out forwards Brayden Schenn and Brandon Saad and defensemen Colton Parayko and Nick Leddy as players who "aren't playing to the standards that they set for themselves."

"Players are going to go through ebbs and flows, and right now we need our veteran players to lead the group, and I know they can do it and I know they want to do it," Armstrong said on a conference call from Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he is scouting the world junior championship. "The challenge for them is to get their game back on par and lead us, and then we have opportunity for younger players."

One of the next opportunities was supposed to belong to big center Logan Brown, but he was injured in practice Monday morning and won't travel with the Blues on their upcoming four-game road trip. They recalled Nikita Alexandrov from Springfield of the American Hockey League hours after bringing up fellow rookie forward Jake Neighbours.

"Guys that have been pining for more ice time are going to get them," Armstrong said. It's still tough to replace O'Reilly and Tarasenko, who were key parts of St. Louis' franchise-first Stanley Cup-winning team in 2019 and still remain important years later.

But each player is in the final year of his contract and could be dealt before the March 3 trade deadline if new deals aren't done and Armstrong decides the Blues are sellers.

They haven't been in quite some time. St. Louis has made the playoffs in 10 of the past 11 seasons and missed out by one point the only other year during that stretch.

"Your record indicates what you do at deadlines, and then ultimately it takes two to make a trade," Armstrong said. "We have to want the players other teams are trading and vice versa. They have to want what we're considering trading, and our record will dictate what we do at those times."

## Brazilians mourn Pelé at the stadium where he got his start

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SANTOS, Brazil — Thousands of mourners, including high school students and supreme court justices, began filing past the body of Pelé on Monday on the century-old field where he made his hometown team one of Brazil's best.

The soccer great died on Thursday after a battle with cancer. He was the only player ever to win three World Cups, and he was 82.

Pelé's coffin, draped in the flags of Brazil and the Santos FC football club, was placed on the mid-field area of Vila Belmiro, the stadium outside Sao Paulo that was his home for most of his career. A Catholic Mass will be celebrated there Tuesday morning before his burial at a nearby cemetery. Brazil's newly inaugurated President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva will come to Vila Belmiro shortly before Pelé's coffin is removed from the stadium.

The storied 16,000-seat stadium was surrounded by mourners, and covered with Pelé-themed decorations. Fans coming out of the stadium said they'd waited three hours in line, standing under a blazing sun.

Forty-five years after Pelé played his last game, he's still a central part of Brazil's national story.

Geovana Sarmento, 17, came with her father, who was wearing a Brazil shirt with Pelé's name.

"I am not a Santos fan, neither is my father. But this guy invented Brazil's national team. He made Santos stronger, he made it big, how could you not respect him? He is one of the greatest people ever, we needed to honor him," she said.

In the 1960s and 70s, Pelé was perhaps the world's most famous athlete. He met presidents and queens, and in Nigeria a civil war was put on hold to watch him play. Many Brazilians credit him with putting the country on the world stage.

Caio Zalke, 35, an engineer, also wore a Brazil shirt as he waited in line. "Pelé is the most important Brazilian of all time. He made soccer important for Brazil and he made Brazil important for the world," he said.

Rows of shirts with Pelé's number 10 were placed behind one of the goals, waving in the city's summer winds. A section of the stands was filling up with bouquets of flowers placed by mourners and sent by clubs and star players — Neymar and Ronaldo among them — from around the world as loudspeakers played a song named "Eu sou Pelé" ("I am Pelé") that was recorded by the Brazilian himself.

Claudio Carrança, 32, a salesman, said: "I never saw him play, but loving Pelé is a tradition that goes from father to son in Santos. I learned



A banner Pele hangs on a home where people line up to pay their last respects to the late Brazilian soccer great who lies in state at Vila Belmiro stadium in Santos, Brazil, Monday, Jan. 2, 2023. AP PHOTO/MATIAS DELACROIX

his history, saw his goals, and I see how Santos FC is important because he is important. I know some Santos fans have children supporting other teams. But that's just because they never saw Pelé in action. If they had, they would feel this gratitude I feel now."

Santos FC said that more than 1,100 journalists from 23 countries were at the funeral. Dignitaries and friends of Pelé in attendance spoke at the funeral.

Among them was Pelé's best friend Manoel Maria, who is also a former Santos player. "If I had all the wealth in the world I would never be able to repay what this man did for me and my family. He was as great a man as he was as a player; the best of all time. His legacy will outlive us all. And that can be seen in this long line with people of all ages here."

FIFA President Gianni Infantino told journalists that every country should name a stadium after Pelé.

"I am here with a lot of emotion, sadness, but also with a smile because he gave us so many smiles," Infantino said. "As FIFA, we will pay a tribute to the

'King' and we ask the whole world to observe a minute of silence."

Another fan and friend in line was Brazilian Supreme Court Justice Gilmar Mendes.

"It is a very sad moment, but we are now seeing the real meaning of this legendary player to our country," Mendes told journalists. "My office has shirts signed by Pelé, a picture of him as a goalkeeper, also signed by him. DVDs, photos, a big collection of him." Mendes also said Pelé was a humble man despite his global fame, and that he deserves every tribute.

The casket will be ushered through the streets of Santos before his burial Tuesday.

Pelé had undergone treatment for colon cancer since 2021. The medical center where he had been hospitalized said he died of multiple organ failure as a result of the cancer.

The soccer star led Brazil to World Cup titles in 1958, 1962 and 1970, and remains one of the team's all-time leading scorers with 77 goals. Neymar tied Pelé's record during this year's World Cup in Qatar.



Broncos quarterback Russell Wilson (3) is sacked by Chiefs defensive tackle Khaleke Hudson (99) during the second half of an NFL football game Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, in Kansas City, Mo. AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL

## Rosburg, Broncos try to move on from officiating in KC

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Jerry Rosburg doesn't want to get fined during his two-game stint as the Broncos' interim coach.

So he declined to criticize the officials for not flagging Chris Jones after he hit Russell Wilson in the head and then body-slammed him on a game-sealing fourth-down sack Sunday.

It was a textbook example of the type of hit on quarterbacks the NFL has tried diligently to get rid of in recent seasons.

"I know how the NFL office works when it comes to coaches criticizing officials," Rosburg said Sunday after losing his head coaching debut 27-24 at Kansas City. "I thought that was a fine crew and there are a lot of good officials. This is a hard game to officiate."

"That does not mean I cannot have my disagreements. Unfortunately, perhaps. That is pretty harmless," Rosburg added. "There was an unfortunate no-call during that game that I disagree with."

And an arguably unnecessary flag that was thrown, too.

An offensive pass interference call on Courtland Sutton as he hauled in a 44-yard catch with the Broncos trying to extend a 17-13 lead ended up changing the tenor of the game.

"Unfortunately," Rosburg said. "The word of the day. Highly unfortunate."

Receiver Jerry Jeudy wasn't nearly as diplomatic.

"Yeah, that wasn't pass interference," Jeudy said. "They're going to hear from the league on that later on during the week. ... Everybody else knows that wasn't a pass interference call. How do you get called for pass interference with two guys on you?"

Safety Bryan Cook initiated the contact and Sutton was flagged even though it didn't appear he had anything to do with Cook tumbling on the play that would have been a key third-down conversion at the Kansas City 40-yard line.

Instead, the Broncos were backed up to their 8 and facing third-and-19. After gaining 10 yards, they punted and Patrick Mahomes led the Chiefs to their go-ahead touchdown. Kansas City didn't trail again.

### WHAT'S WORKING

Safety Justin Simmons picked off Mahomes in the end zone, giving him a career-best six interceptions this season. That's tied with Eagles safety C.J. Gardner-Johnson and Seattle cornerback Tariq

Woolen for the league lead. Also, Simmons' 27 interceptions since joining the NFL in 2016 is tied with Tennessee's Kevin Byard for most by a safety in that span.

### WHAT NEEDS WORK

Denver's patchwork offensive line. Wilson was still under too much pressure way too often. But at least his linemen helped him to his feet after sacks a week after Wilson's backup, Brett Rypien, implored the O-linemen to give Wilson a hand. That request was met by left guard Dalton Risner, the team's Walter Payton Man of the Year nominee, shoving Rypien in the chest and then taunting him to say something else because he mistakenly thought Rypien was criticizing the O-line for allowing sacks.

### STOCK UP

Wilson, for once. He ran for a pair of touchdowns for the third time in his career. He also did it against Buffalo in 2012 and New Orleans in 2019 while with the Seahawks.

Also, tight end Albert Okwuegbunam. He was buried on the bench under former coach Nathaniel Hackett, who deactivated him for half the games this season. Okwuegbunam caught three passes for 44 yards, including a 25-yard touchdown.

### STOCK DOWN

Rookie KR Montrell Washington, who was inactive Sunday with Rosburg calling the shots after Hackett had stuck with him throughout a substandard season.

### INJURIES

RB Marlon Mack (hamstring) left in the first quarter and LG Dalton Risner (elbow) in the third. CB Damarri Mathis went into the concussion protocol in the second. LB Baron Browning (back) and DL D.J. Jones (knee) were inactive.

### KEY NUMBERS

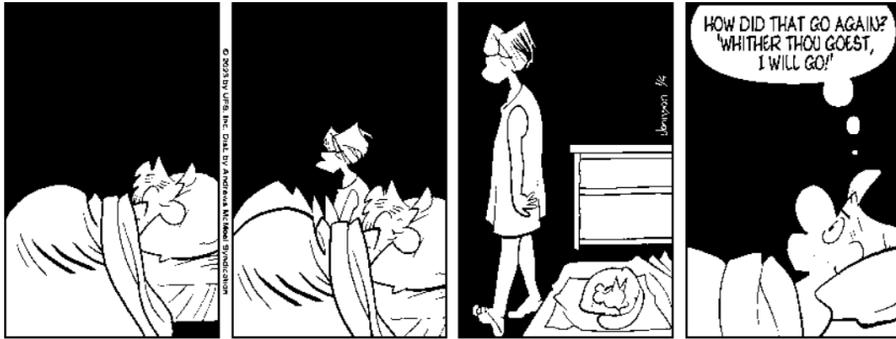
4,948 — Rushing yards by Wilson, who surpassed Randall Cunningham for third-most by a QB in NFL history after finishing with four carries for 27 yards Sunday. Wilson trails Michael Vick (6,109) and Cam Newton (5,628).

21 — Broncos on injured reserve, a league high, representing \$63 million in salary.

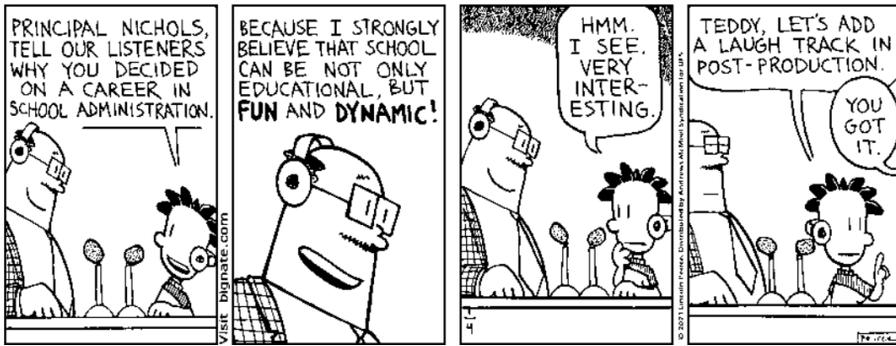
### UP NEXT

The Broncos (4-12) host the playoff-bound Los Angeles Chargers (10-6) and will try to avoid becoming the first team in franchise history to lose 13 games in a season.

**ARLO AND JANIS**



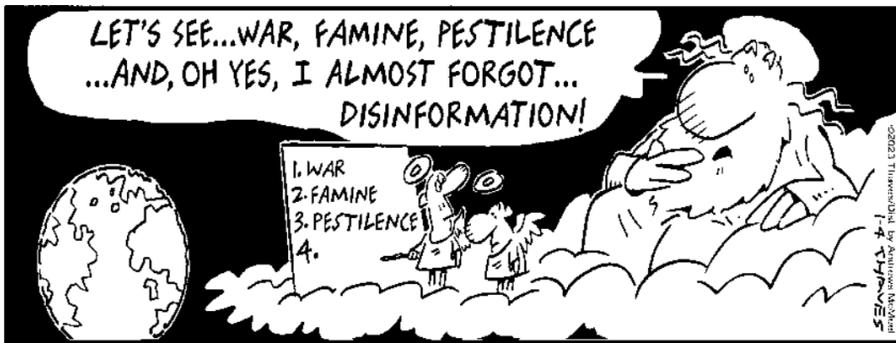
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**SUDOKU**

**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!

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**CROSSWORD**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Upstream spawner
  - 5 Check endorser
  - 10 Yodeler's home
  - 12 Sign for
  - 13 Solar phenomenon
  - 14 Cultural
  - 15 Exclamation of surprise
  - 16 Ballclub VIP
  - 18 PC abandon key
  - 19 Spring time
  - 21 "— Pocus"
  - 25 In actual fact
  - 29 Cotton pods
  - 30 Lowed
  - 32 Speculate
  - 33 Philadelphia grider
  - 34 Increased sharply
- DOWN**
- 1 Feng —
  - 2 Lampshade support
  - 3 Sunburn remedy
  - 4 German article
  - 5 Interest amt.
  - 6 Throb
  - 7 Itches
  - 8 Colossal
  - 9 Handy abbr.
  - 10 Coral islet
  - 11 Pack firmly
- 37 Aroma**
- 38 Contaminate**
- 40 "My gal" of song**
- 43 AAA suggestion**
- 44 Strong connection**
- 48 Horrify**
- 50 Cure-all**
- 52 Bay of —**
- 53 Impolitely**
- 54 Charger**
- 55 Kind of pool**

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 12 Lofty abode
- 17 Canine warning sound
- 19 State boldly
- 20 Weakest, as an excuse
- 21 Cable network
- 22 "Sorry!"
- 23 Muse of history
- 24 Radius neighbor
- 26 Potting soil
- 27 Mezzanine
- 28 Loud cry
- 31 Md. neighbor
- 35 Not late
- 36 Morse click
- 39 "Faint heart — won ..."
- 40 Meat turner
- 41 Church alcove
- 42 Tie
- 44 Linger
- 45 Strong haulers
- 46 Longest river
- 47 Dehydrated
- 48 Washboard
- 49 Aberdeen boy
- 51 Wheel nut

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**HERMAN**



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**ASTROGRAPH BY EUGENIA LAST**

Take the initiative to put your plans in motion. Distance yourself from situations and people who stand between you and what you want. Use your charm and charisma to influence others, and you'll gain strength and admiration that will encourage positive feedback and success. Home improvements are favored.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** -- Take your professional goals and obligations seriously. Someone will judge you on your ability to live up to your promises. Leave nothing to chance. Stick close to home.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** -- Uncertainty will limit your ability to bring about change. Step outside your comfort zone to take care of unfinished business. Home improvements will encourage better relationships.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** -- Consider everything before you do something controversial. By aligning yourself with people trying to reach similar goals, you will save time and money. Discipline may be required.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** -- Keep life simple, practical and within your means. Focus on health and well-being, and protect your position and reputation from anyone trying to make you look bad. Be honest and straightforward.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** -- A positive change is heading your way. Be receptive, engaging and ready to implement positive reinforcement into your daily routine. Work diligently to perfect your skills.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** -- Pick up the pace, and don't stop until you are happy with the results. Go to an expert rather than relying on

secondhand information. What it costs you to get the lowdown will be worth it.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** -- Verify whatever you hear before passing along information. You'll find it necessary to protect your reputation and position from someone highly competitive and possibly unethical.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** -- Pay attention to details, your appearance and how you can help others. A financial or contractual gain can change your life, but before you sign up, find out what you'll be responsible for.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** -- Concentrate on getting things done. Once your responsibilities are taken care of, you'll be in a better position to focus your time and affection on someone or something that brings you joy.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** -- Pay attention to how you present yourself and your skills. What you do to put others at ease will make a big difference. Don't let uncertainty cloud your vision. Now's the time to get things done.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** -- Idle time will lead to vulnerability. Map out what you want to achieve, and don't stop until you are satisfied with the results. Take a unique approach to an old problem.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** -- Don't deviate from the truth; question information if it lacks substance. It's up to you to nail down what's possible and how to handle any fallout. Oversee every detail.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Sitter's handful
  - 4 Race the engine
  - 7 Hi-tech scan
  - 10 Actor's prompt
  - 11 New singles
  - 13 Actress Meg —
  - 14 Author Umberto —
  - 15 Flyleaf
  - 16 Concludes
  - 17 Patella
  - 19 Trot or gallop
  - 20 Diner sandwich
  - 21 Oregon neighbor
  - 23 Union flouter
  - 26 PC message
  - 28 Total
  - 29 Uproar
  - 30 Applies caulk
  - 34 Rocker — John
  - 36 "— -la-la!"
  - 38 Recent (pref.)
- DOWN**
- 39 Pitcher's spot
  - 41 Hits the buffet
  - 42 Unwraps
  - 44 Fabric meas.
  - 46 Uttered
  - 47 Beats the incumbent
  - 51 Skilled
  - 52 Fragrant flower
  - 53 Suffered from
  - 55 Incline
  - 56 Social equal
  - 57 Possess
  - 58 City rtes.
  - 59 Caustic substance
  - 60 Italian article
- DOWN**
- 1 Treat a sprain
  - 2 Mire
  - 3 Lowly laborer
  - 4 Gross out
  - 5 Demanded
  - 6 First-magnitude star

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 7 Chatty starling
- 8 AM/FM device
- 9 Prof.
- 12 Brownish pigment
- 13 Entertain
- 18 Flow back
- 22 Plate or saucer
- 23 Weather-vane dir.
- 24 — -de-sac
- 25 Qty.
- 27 NASA destination
- 29 Before long
- 31 Actress — de Armas
- 32 Authorize
- 33 Emergency signal
- 35 Brunch fare
- 37 Long journey
- 40 Commander
- 41 That senora
- 42 Circle the earth
- 43 Gets boring
- 45 Steel plow inventor
- 46 Equine fodder
- 48 Carol
- 49 Quaker pronoun
- 50 Like lumber
- 54 Spiral molecule

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Toil
  - 5 Pound sound
  - 8 DOJ division
  - 11 Veld grazer
  - 13 Southeast Asian language
  - 14 40-cup brewer
  - 15 Kind of rat
  - 16 Author — Rand
  - 17 Winter mo.
  - 18 Honda rival
  - 20 Sticks
  - 22 Healthy-looking
  - 24 Cigar residue
  - 25 Weep
  - 26 Tiny insect
  - 28 Football shape
  - 32 Give it — —
  - 33 — Derr Biggers
  - 34 Met production
  - 35 Auditioned
  - 37 Ribs and chops
  - 39 Alley from Moo
  - 40 Pretentious
  - 41 Boathouse items
  - 42 DJ's albums
  - 43 Codgers' queries
  - 45 Phantom
  - 47 "Rigoletto" composer
  - 50 Immediate successor
  - 51 Jackie's tycoon
  - 52 Fair grade
  - 54 Lariat
  - 58 Movie studio
  - 59 Large parrot
  - 60 Hauled off
  - 61 "Ulalume" poet
  - 62 Instant grass
  - 63 Must-have
- DOWN**
- 1 Craven or Unsel
  - 2 Bullring shout
  - 3 Damp and chilly
  - 4 Handle dough
  - 5 Tien Shan range
  - 6 Bolger or Conniff
  - 7 Courier and Arial

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 8 Japan's highest peak
- 9 Talk big
- 10 Room offerers
- 12 Lowly laborer
- 19 Energetic people
- 21 Cowboy's shout
- 22 Tennis star — Federer
- 23 WWII movie staple (hyph.)
- 24 Free (2 wds.)
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# Chiefs keep stacking wins after difficult offseason decision

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Kansas City Chiefs keep winning and Patrick Mahomes keeps making history.

Both are doing so despite some difficult offseason decisions that have prolonged their ability to do so.

The biggest, of course, was the decision to trade Tyreek Hill to the Dolphins, rather than lavish on the game-breaking wide receiver a massive contract that would have made it difficult to maneuver financially for years to come.

The Chiefs not only gained salary cap flexibility with the move, but also five draft picks that helped to fortify other areas of the roster.

That includes the defense, which is vastly improved and has helped the Chiefs squeak out wins — such as their 27-24 victory over the Denver Broncos on Sunday — even when their high-octane offense starts to sputter.

“When you win and you don’t play your best ball — you don’t feel like you play your best ball — that’s always a good thing,” Mahomes said afterward. “Fourth quarter, we played well.

But at the end of the day we have to find a way that for four quarters we play our best football whenever we get to the playoffs, and I feel like we still haven’t done that yet.”

Yet they’ve played well enough to start the season 13-3, clinch the AFC West with plenty of time to spare, and head into their regular-season finale Saturday in Las Vegas knowing a win could give them the No. 1 seed and a postseason bye.

Not many thought the Chiefs would be in that situation when they traded Hill in the offseason. Nor did many people think Mahomes would put up MVP-caliber numbers again.

He’s thrown for 5,048 yards to join Drew Brees and Tom Brady as the only quarterbacks with multiple seasons of at least 5,000 yards. He has 40 touchdown tosses, joining Brees as the only QBs with two seasons of 5,000 yards and 40 TD passes. And he needs 186 yards running and passing to surpass Brees for the most combined in an NFL season.

“He ended up 28 for 41, still over 100.0 passer rating and 322 yards,” Chiefs coach Andy Reid said after the win over

the Broncos. “There were some plays that he definitely would like to have back, but that’s how picky we are, right? You start nitpicking these things, as he does. But that’s what great players do.”

## WHAT’S WORKING

The Chiefs were desperate to improve one of the league’s worst pass rushes in the offseason, so they drafted George Karlaftis in the first round and signed Carlos Dunlap in free agency. Both have been hits. Karlaftis in particular has five sacks in his past six games, and the Chiefs have 49 on the season, trailing only the Eagles, Patriots and Cowboys.

## WHAT NEEDS HELP

The Chiefs committed two more turnovers Sunday and both were costly. Mahomes threw an interception in the end zone to keep Kansas City from extending its lead and Kadarious Toney fumbled a punt return deep in his own territory, which Russell Wilson immediately turned into a 16-yard touchdown run for the Broncos.

## STOCK UP

Jerick McKinnon’s stock continues to soar. He has eight touchdowns to



Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes (15) and Denver Broncos quarterback Russell Wilson (3) greet each other after an NFL football game Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, in Kansas City, Mo. AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL

tal in the past five games, and with two TD catches Sunday, he became the first running back since 1947 with at least one in five consecutive games.

## STOCK DOWN

Rookie cornerback Joshua Williams struggled in crunch time Sunday. On the drive that Denver scored to make it 27-24 with 6:14 to go, Williams was flagged twice: the first for pass interference on a third-down incompleteness that kept the drive alive, and the second for illegal hands

to the face when Nick Bolton had intercepted a fourth-down throw.

## INJURED

LG Joe Thuney, who reinjured his left ankle against the Broncos, was due for an MRI; he tried to return to the game but was soon ruled out. WR Skyy Moore also was ruled out with a laceration on the inside of his right hand.

## KEY NUMBER

808 — Travis Kelce had seven catches against Denver to pass

Jason Witten (806) for the most receptions by an NFL tight end in his first 10 seasons. Kelce did it despite missing 15 games of his rookie season to a knee injury, too.

## NEXT STEPS

The Raiders-Chiefs game was one of two that the NFL moved to Saturday. That means Buffalo, which also is in the running for the No. 1 seed, will know its situation before taking the field against New England on Sunday.

# Tulane scores 16 late points, beats USC 46-45 in Cotton Bowl

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON, Texas — Alex Bauman knew right away he had scored probably the biggest touchdown in Tulane history, even after the true freshman tight end’s contested 6-yard catch at the end of the Cotton Bowl was initially ruled incomplete.

“I kept my hands under the ball,” he said.

The long replay review proved Bauman made the catch with 9 seconds left, even with linebacker Eric Gentry draped over him as they rolled over in the end zone. That capped a frantic finish for the 14th-ranked Green Wave in a 46-45 win over Heisman Trophy winner Caleb Williams and No. 8 Southern California on Monday.

“I might have had a heart attack,” Tulane coach Willie Fritz said on the field moments after the game ended.

“If you told us before the game that we had one drive, one opportunity to go down there and win the game, then we’d take that 10 out of 10 times,” quarterback Michael Pratt said.

The Green Wave (12-2) scored 16 points in the final 4:07, the game-winning touchdown coming after they got the ball back following a safety, to complete an FBS-record 10-win turnaround after going 2-10 last season.

“Huge win for the program, huge win for the university, huge win for the city,” Fritz said.

Williams was 37-for-52 passing for 462 yards and a Cotton Bowl-record five touchdowns, exactly one month after suffering a hamstring injury in USC’s loss to Utah in the Pac-12 championship



Tulane tight end Alex Bauman (87) catches a pass in the end zone during the second half of the Cotton Bowl NCAA college football game against Southern California, Monday, Jan. 2, 2023, in Arlington, Texas. The catch was ruled incomplete. The call on the field was later overturned and ruled a touchdown. AP PHOTO/SAM HODDE

game that kept the Trojans (11-3) from making the four-team College Football Playoff.

Tyjae Spears ran for 205 yards, his FBS-best eighth consecutive 100-yard game. His career-best fourth touchdown started the final scoring surge for American Athletic Conference champion Tulane, which was in the New Year’s Six game as the highest-ranked Group of Five team.

The Green Wave played in their most significant bowl since the Sugar Bowl on New Year’s Day in 1940, when they were still in the Southeastern Conference, and it was their biggest bowl win since the 1935 Sugar Bowl in New Orleans, where their campus is located.

After Spears’ 4-yard TD run with 4:07 left, the

Green Wave opted to kick deep instead of trying an onside kick. Mario Williams signaled for a fair catch, but fumbled the ball out of bounds at the 1. Two plays later, defensive tackle Patrick Jenkins met Austin Jones in the end zone and smothered him for a safety.

“We were debating whether or not to onside kick,” said Fritz, the seventh-year Tulane coach. “Obviously it was great that we got it on the 1 and got the safety.”

Pratt completed only 8 of 17 passes for 234 yards, but had two 24-yard completions on that final drive after the safety. He also scrambled 8 yards on a fourth-and-6 play.

The first 24-yard completion to Bauman converted a fourth-and-10.

Deuce Watts then held on despite a crushing hit from a defender that left both of them on the ground after a 24-yard gain to the 6 with 18 seconds left.

After Williams followed coach Lincoln Riley from Oklahoma, the Trojans matched the biggest turnaround in school history despite the coach’s first loss in six games at AT&T Stadium. Their debut was a seven-win improvement over last season’s 4-8 record.

“I’ve rarely at the end of the year felt so conflicted,” Riley said. “On one hand, sick about the way we finished the season. ... We lost three games this year. We lost two of them on the last play of the game. And we lost one in the fourth quarter in the champion-

ship game when we had a chance to go to the College Football Playoff.”

The Trojans never trailed until that final touchdown. Williams threw TD passes on each of their first two possessions. A 9-yarder to Michael Jackson III capped the game-opening 9-minute drive, the longest by time for USC this season, and Terrell Bynum’s 3-yard catch capped a 95-yard drive early to make it 14-0 in the second quarter.

Tulane tied the game at 14 on Pratt’s touchdown pass to Jha’Quan Jackson, an 87-yard catch-and-run. But USC scored twice in the final 2:21 of the first half, on Raleek Brown’s 39-yard run and Brenden Rice’s 4-yard catch with 12 seconds left.

Rice, the son of Pro Football Hall of Fame receiver Jerry Rice, had career bests with six catches for 174 yards and two touchdowns. Tahj Washington had five catches for 109 yards.

Williams got hurt on a 59-yard run early in the Pac-12 championship game loss to Utah on Dec. 2, but still threw for 363 yards and three TDs while finishing that game. USC’s only other loss was also to the Utes, who had a game-winning 2-point conversion at home in mid-October.

The Cotton Bowl was Williams’ third game this season with five TD passes. His only interception set up Tulane’s long game-tying TD. On a scramble with open field in front of him, Williams instead threw off his back foot and was picked off by Jarius Monroe.

“It’s going to linger. You lose the last game of the season, go into the offseason, burns,” Williams said. “Don’t have another game after. It’s going to burn.”

## GOING LONG

There were 11 plays of at least 30 yards — six by Tulane (two passes and four runs) and five by USC (four passes, one run). The 87-yard catch-and-run by Jackson for the Green Wave matched the longest touchdown in the 87 Cotton Bowl games played.

## UP NEXT

Tulane opens next fall with back-to-back home games, Sept. 2 against South Alabama and Sept. 9 against SEC team Ole Miss.

USC gets an early start to Riley’s second season, Aug. 26 at home against San Jose State.

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# WALTER SCOTT'S Personality Parade

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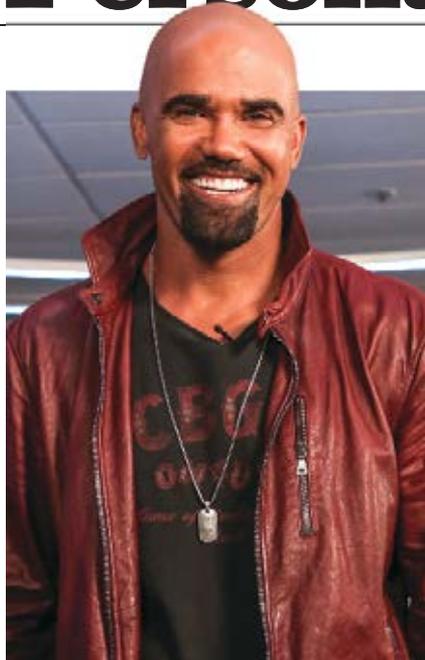
**What kind of training did the team undergo prior to Season 1?** Before the pilot, we had three months of training by San Diego PD SWAT, LAPD SWAT, and SEAL Team Six members, so we did serious training so that we could look and move like a well-oiled machine because that's what they do in real life.

What we're doing is not real, but we take a lot of pride in emulating the real men and women of law enforcement. We only do what is really done in the real world, protecting citizens on the screen. We never go over the top like you may see in movies like *Fast and Furious*, things like that. We keep it 100 percent authentic to how SWAT deals with chasing down bad guys.

he insists and prides himself on keeping another foot at home.

There was a great line in the pilot where another Black man confronting Hondo said, "Are you Black or blue?" So, Hondo struggles with: Do I have to be one or the other? If I'm a cop, does that make me a sellout to my people, to my community? Or can Hondo do both, to where he can create a little more patience, truce, peace and understanding, and bridge the gap of a lot of the fears and ill wills and conflict between civilians—especially the Black community—and police officers.

**What is it like on the set?** The cast loves each other. We are like a close-knit family. The camaraderie and the chemistry that you see from the cast, that's how we are in real life. They come over to my house, I go over to theirs. We go to Jay Harrington's pizza shop and watch *S.W.A.T.* and football games. People come to my house and swim, play cornhole, play pool and just hangout and watch the games. We have Sunday fun days and things like that. **P**



## Walter Scott Asks...

# SHEMAR MOORE

The former *Criminal Minds* and *The Young and the Restless* star, 52, continues his role as Daniel "Hondo" Harrelson when *S.W.A.T.* returns from its mid-season break (Jan. 6 on CBS). The series centered on the special LAPD SWAT team led by Hondo will continue to address modern-day issues, but also take viewers home for a look at the softer side of Hondo as he prepares to become a first-time father.

**Playing Hondo, is there a responsibility that you feel to the LAPD or to the Black community in how he's portrayed?** Yes, there's a pressure and a huge responsibility to stay Black, to be proud of your Blackness, but also not to be anti-other; white or any other. I've

lived my life seeing color, because I'm not blind, but not judging by color, judging by character. So, I'm with you until you do me wrong, regardless of what color you are, and that's how I live my life. I like that I'm able to incorporate that into Hondo. His father said to him in the pilot, "If you want things to change then you've got to go out there and be the change." It's difficult, and sometimes seemingly impossible, but if you quit, then nothing changes. If you don't quit, then change is possible. So, that's the mentality of Hondo, and myself, in life.

**Will Hondo change now that he's going to be a dad?** You'll definitely see a softer side of him. You're going to see the vulnerabilities, and—all of a sudden—the questions and the concerns that he's never had to worry about. He's always fended for himself and put other lives ahead of his own. So now you're going to see Hondo dealing with trying to be the team leader and his alpha male ways, taking on the bad guys by any means necessary. But now he's worried, will he abandon his child? Will he have a child that doesn't have a father? And what's he going to do to avoid that?

**Any chance Debbie Allen might return to her role as Hondo's mom?** She's a busy lady, as is Obba Babatundé, who plays my father. I know Obba texts me at least twice a week going, "When's Daddy coming home?" But yes, of course, I'm sure we're going to see a whole kumbaya moment of family togetherness celebrating the birth of Hondo Jr.

**Talk about the balance—as you always say in the show—between Black and blue.** Hondo was born in South L.A., which is inner city, which is the hood. From the pilot, he's got one foot in law enforcement, and the demands and the politics of it, but

# The Parade Don't Miss List

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## WILL TRENT

JAN. 3 ON ABC

Following in the footsteps of previous books turned into TV series, like Michael Connelly's *Bosch* and Lee Child's *Reacher*, comes Karin Slaughter's *Will Trent*, based on her *New York Times* bestselling series about the special agent with the Georgia Bureau of Investigations (GBI), who was abandoned at birth and endured a harsh coming-of-age in Atlanta's overwhelmed foster care system. Now grown, Will is assigned some of the GBI's most difficult cases because his unique perspective on life—plus the skills he has learned to help cope with his dyslexia—has made him the agent with the highest clearance rate.

"Will is a real loner," said **Ramón Rodríguez**, 43, who plays the title role. "He's someone that doesn't work with people very well, but I think he's got a real big heart."

Will's dyslexia is not something that he easily shares with others, but his boss Amanda Wagner (**Sonja Sohn**) and his partner Faith (Iantha Richardson) are aware of the work-arounds he employs because of his difficulties reading. "We quickly learn and see his skills when he's on a crime scene, specifically how he's able to look at things and pick things up visually and that's primarily because he's dyslexic," Rodríguez says.



## AGT: ALL STARS

JAN. 2 ON NBC

"This feels like the Super Bowl," said **Howie Mandel**, 67. "We have a great league here at AGT. I've watched people win and I've watched people's lives change and I've watched their career changes. Now they've come together from all over the world and from all different levels to compete again." That's right, *America's Got Talent*, which is normally a summer series, is going to ring in the New Year with a new twist on the show, which will bring together 60 winners, finalists, fan favorites and viral sensations from the series' franchises around the world to compete for the All-Stars title.

Each of the six weeks of the series, ten acts—including singers, dancers, ventril-

oquists, comedians, aerialists, magicians and more—perform for the judges for the chance to earn one of the coveted Golden Buzzers which automatically moves them to the finale. Then, the AGT Superfans will also vote each week on one additional act to move on to the finals.

Mandel is back as a judge along with **Simon Cowell**, 63, and **Heidi Klum**, 49. **Sofia Vergara** is sitting out this round due to prior commitments, which means that with **Terry Crews**, 54 returning as host, Klum is the only female in the group. "Obviously I miss my Sofia because we have our girly moments," Klum said. "You have a different thing with a woman in a way than with two boys, but I have a lot of fun with them too."



## THE 80TH GOLDEN GLOBES CEREMONY

JAN. 10 ON NBC

The awards show is back after a couple of controversial and COVID-y years. One reason to tune in? **Eddie Murphy**, 61, will receive this year's special award. "We're honored to present this year's Cecil B. DeMille Award to the iconic and highly esteemed Mr. Eddie Murphy," HFPA President, Helen Hoehne said. "We're thrilled to be celebrating the lasting impact on film and television that his career—in front of and behind the camera—has had through the decades." Jane Fonda, Tom Hanks, George Clooney, Robert De Niro, Steven Spielberg and Audrey Hepburn are past honorees. Murphy, who has shone in such films as *Dolemite Is My Name*, *48 Hours*, *Trading Places* and *Coming to America*, has been nominated for a Golden Globe six times and won the Best Supporting Actor in a motion picture award for *Dreamgirls* in 2007.



# LOOK WHO (AND WHAT) IS TURNING 50!

1973 was a very good year for movies, inventions and babies who would grow up to be stars.



**TORI SPELLING**  
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Los Angeles, Calif.



**JAMES MARSDEN**  
Born Sept. 18  
Stillwater, Okla.



**LENA HEADEY**  
Born Oct. 3  
Hamilton, Bermuda



**KATHRYN HAHN**  
Born July 23  
Westchester, Ill.



**MICHAEL EALY**  
Born Aug. 3  
Silver Spring, Md.



**VERA FARMIGA**  
Born Aug. 6  
Clifton, N.J.



**DAVE CHAPPELLE**  
Born Aug. 24  
Washington, D.C.



**MARIO LOPEZ**  
Born Oct. 10  
San Diego, Calif.



**TYRA BANKS**  
Born Dec. 4  
Inglewood, Calif.



**RACHEL MADDOW**  
Born April 1  
Castro Valley, Calif.



**ANDREW LINCOLN**  
Born Sept. 14  
London, England



**NEIL PATRICK HARRIS**  
Born June 15  
Albuquerque, N.M.



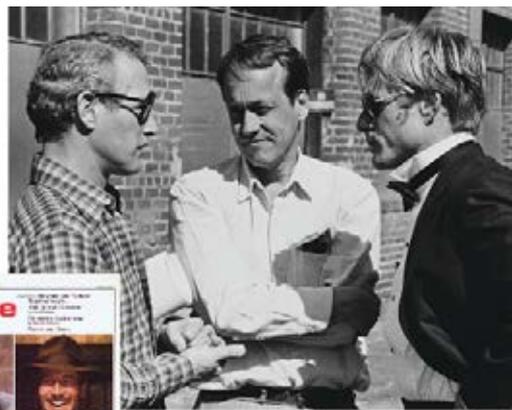
**HEIDI KLUM**  
Born June 1, Bergisch  
Gladbach, Germany



**ADRIEN BRODY**  
Born April 14  
Woodhaven, New York

## THE STING

It was big entertainment news 50 years ago when actors **Paul Newman** and **Robert Redford** and director **George Roy Hill**—the trio behind the popular *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*—got back together for this 1973 hit. This time it was *The Sting*, which also starred Robert Shaw. *Parade* reported that Redford signed on first, followed by Hill and then Newman, who, “exuding enough wit and charm to win anyone’s confidence, plays Henry Gondorff, the seasoned con who knows all the angle.” *The Sting* went on to be a huge critical and popular success, and won 1974’s Oscar for Best Picture.



## CHARMS BLOW POPS



The “candy with gum inside” was invented in 1966 but sold as the Charms Blow Pop by the Charms Candy Company starting in 1973. It soon became a bestseller. **\$8.50** for a 45-count bag of assorted flavors, [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)



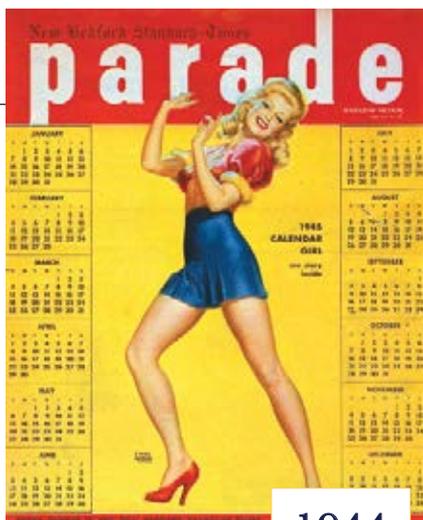
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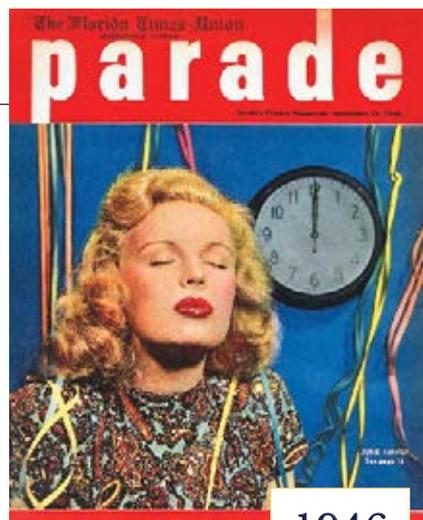
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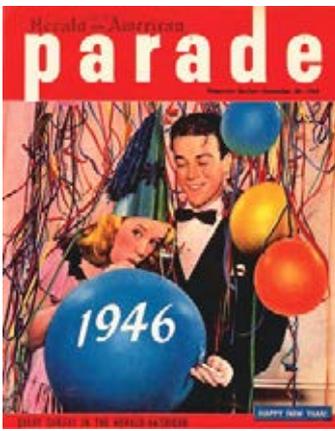
For 81 years, *Parade* has been here to help readers ring in the New Year—with calendar girls, plump babies (a symbol of rebirth), confetti and bubbly, a toast to New Year's Eve bandleader Guy Lombardo and many, many resolutions to live by (including a few from Ellen DeGeneres). Here's what we found in the *Parade* vault. —Anne Krueger



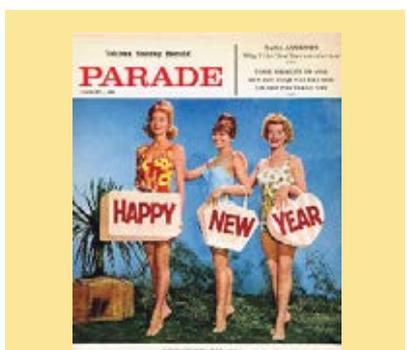
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1946



**1945** Talk about starting the New Year with a bang: This *Parade* cover showcased a mischievous young man about to use his lit cigarette to pop the party balloon his date is blowing up.



1961

The women on the cover of *Parade* magazine were young actresses—Constance Towers, Danielle De Metz and Jody Warner—on the set of the *Adventures in Paradise* TV series. *Parade's* photographer handed each one a prop that together spelled out the magazine's message to readers.

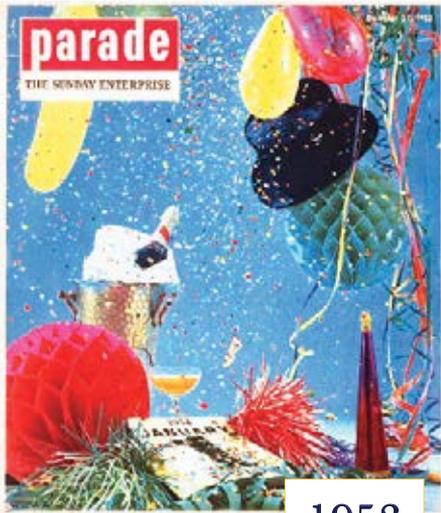


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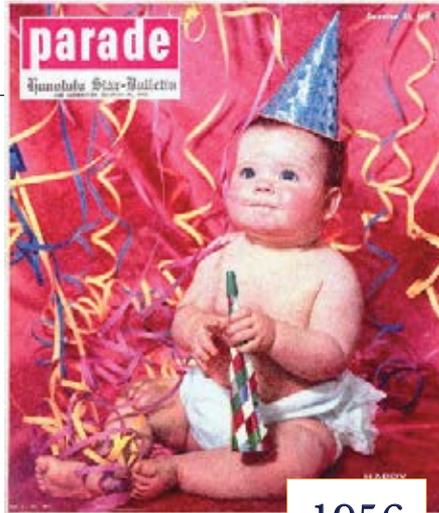
Meet Nancy Wakefield. She's the Orange Bowl Queen getting ready for that New Year's tradition: football!



**1971** Consideration of the other fellow and ability to admit one's mistakes are two highly important factors to successful living, according to *Parade*. In observance of the New Year, the magazine presented a short course in human relations that "should contribute to a happy and prosperous 1972." More "we" and less "I" was one of the key lessons.



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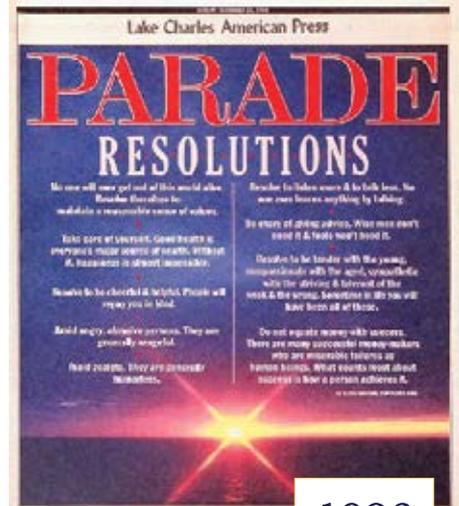
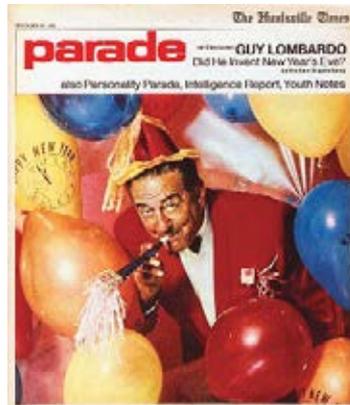
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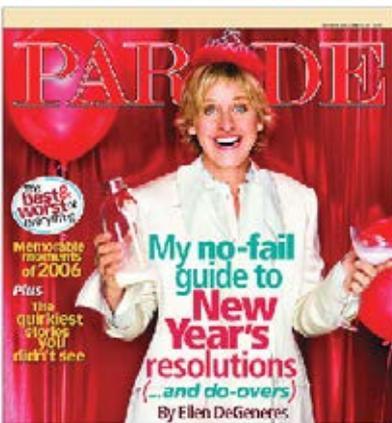
### Guy Lombardo: Did He Invent New Year's Eve? DECEMBER 28, 1969

Bandleader Lombardo didn't invent New Year's Eve, but for 40 years (since 1929) he'd had such a monopoly on ushering in the new year over the airwaves that one critic wrote, "Should Guy Lombardo and the Royal Canadians ever have their strains of 'Auld Lang Syne' stilled on New Year's Eve, a fearful hush would fall over the entire country." In 1969, the musician, 67, was keeping up with the times by playing popular songs like The Beatles' "Yesterday" in his romantic big-band style. For \$50 a person, fans could join Lombardo at the Waldorf Astoria hotel to welcome in 1970.



1986

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### My No-Fail Guide to New Year's Resolutions DECEMBER 31, 2006

When Ellen DeGeneres pens a list of resolutions, you expect it to be funny—and it was in this *Parade* article (she's toasting with milk on the cover). But some of her advice in 2006 was surprisingly practical. "Remember that resolutions don't always have to be about fixing what's wrong with you," she wrote. "You also can use them to celebrate what's right with you." DeGeneres was celebrating how she'd used hypnosis to help quit smoking. When it came to most people's number 1 goal (get moving), she wisely suggested that "Hold off on exercise" be a resolution and that all fitness activity be deferred until midyear when the weather would be better. She also recommended writing resolutions in lemon juice on parchment, which makes it invisible to the naked eye unless you hold a lit candle behind it. "That's just for fun," she wrote. "It makes you feel like a pirate."



## HOW TO RETIRE ABROAD

Here's how one couple moved to Portugal and lived happily ever after. **BY MELANIE HAIKEN**

When **Bob and Tina Dameron** first began thinking about moving to Portugal, it seemed like a crazy idea. The next thing they knew they were applying for Portuguese resident visas, selling their house in San Diego and buying a 100-year-old farmhouse in Praia da Luz, a village of just 3,000 on the Algarve peninsula a few miles from Lagos.

It all started when the Damerons' daughter Adrienne and her husband Joe moved to Portugal in early 2020 with their daughter, Havana. While the younger couple envisioned a yearlong reset from their high-pressure jobs in Los Angeles, they decided to stay longer. "We began asking ourselves, do we want to be so distant from our only grandchild?" Tina Dameron, 63, says. "Meanwhile we were ready for a new adventure."

The decision became easier when the Damerons visited and fell in love with Portugal themselves. "I retired on April 16, 2021, and we were on a plane April 21st," Bob Dameron, 64, says. By September they were closing on the farmhouse and embarking on an ambitious restoration project, which includes putting in a large vegetable garden. In December they spent their first night in their new home.

The Damerons, who are still American citizens, have spent time during the past year exploring the Algarve and visiting the Alentejo region and its capital city of Evora, a UNESCO world heritage city (the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization designates sites with cultural, historical or scientific significance). They have also visited

Porto, the Douro Valley wine country, the castle-studded hill town of Sintra and plan to visit Aveiro, known for its canals and gondola-like boats.

They're studying Portuguese and have immersed themselves in learning about Portuguese wine. "They have more than 200 native varietals, and the entire country is made up of different wine regions," Bob says enthusiastically.

While they do miss their friends back home, the Damerons say the transition has been surprisingly easy thanks to the welcoming locals and a lively community of expats from around the world.

And they love the rugged beauty of the Portuguese coast, which reminds them of California with its craggy cliffs, crashing waves and sheltered beaches. "Tina and I were raised in Santa Cruz, and we remember when you could go to the beaches and there was hardly anyone there. Here it's still like that," Bob says.

"There's a realness about Portugal, a pride in their history and an appreciation for who and what they are," Tina says. "It's not at all a consumer culture, and I find it really refreshing. It's a wonderful place to step back from our hectic American lives." **P**

### NEED-TO-KNOWS

**VISA** The Damerons got a Visa called a D7, also known as the Retirement Visa or the Passive Income Visa. It requires them to live in Portugal six months of the year.

**HEALTHCARE** Many retirees abroad keep paying Medicare and return to the U.S. for services and care during annual visits.

**SOCIAL SECURITY AND TAXES** American expats receive social security and continue to pay U.S. taxes on it.

**CITIZENSHIP** The Damerons are U.S. citizens but can apply for dual citizenship in Portugal after a certain number of years residing there.

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# 1973

PARADE REVEALS THE STORIES BEHIND 15 OF THE YEAR'S MOST UNFORGETTABLE SONGS—FROM "PIANO MAN" TO "LET'S GET IT ON."

BY JIM FARBER

Welcome back to 1973, a very good year for fantastic music. It's hard to believe that it's been 50 years since the debuts by artists as enduring as Billy Joel, Aerosmith and Bruce Springsteen. And a half century has passed since performers like Stevie Wonder, Gladys Knight & the Pips and the solo Ringo Starr were at their sales peaks. The hits those artists generated in that year haven't left the culture for a minute since, but the stories behind those songs have often been forgotten.

These are the tales behind 15 of 1973's biggest hits:

## BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN

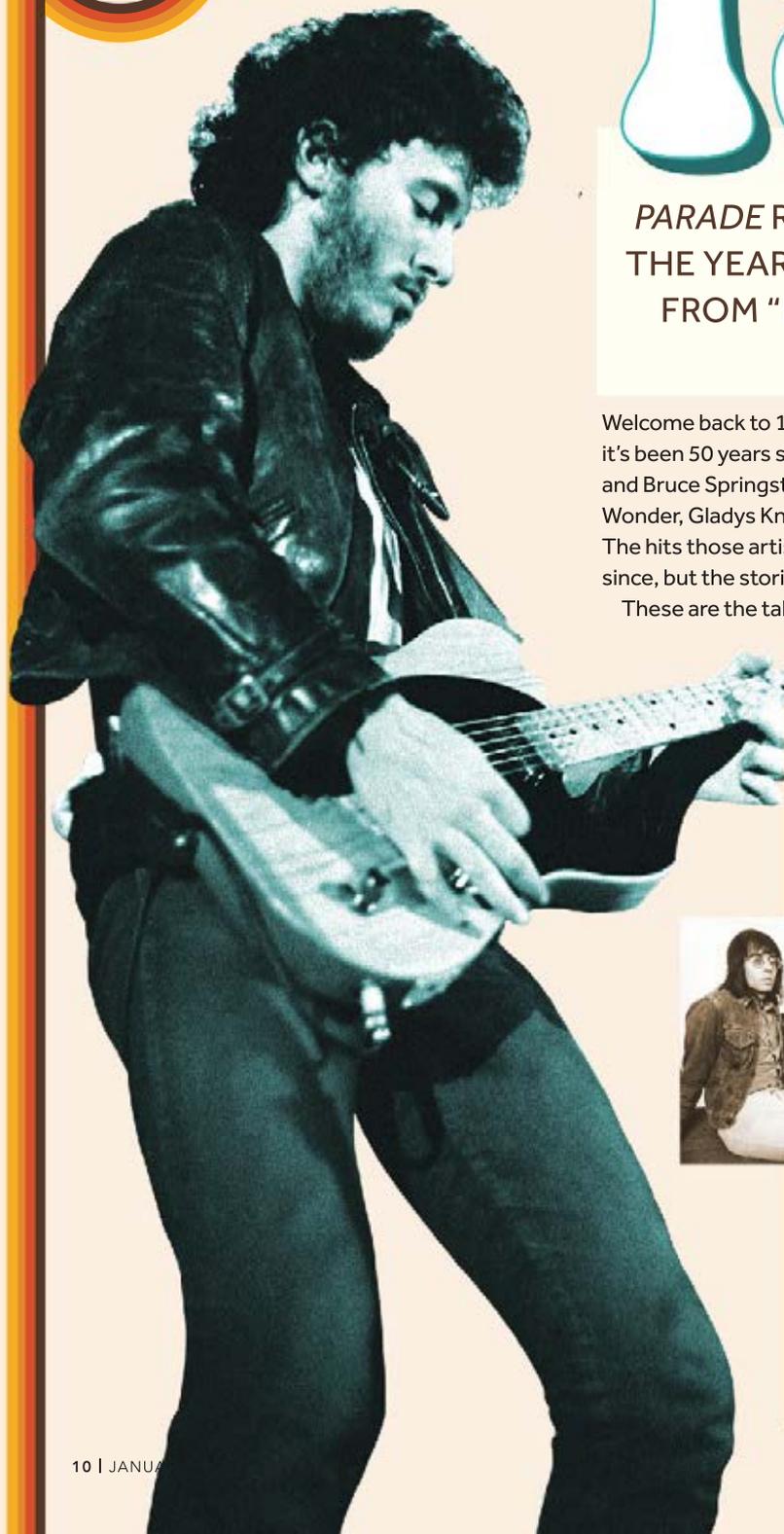
### "BLINDED BY THE LIGHT"

Only one Springsteen song has ever topped the singles chart, but it wasn't the Boss's version that did it. His 1973 recording didn't even chart. Only when **Manfred Mann's Earth Band**



covered it four years later did "Blinded by the Light" become a smash. Several changes Mann made have been given credit for the success. First, he added a piano part that mimicked "Chopsticks," creating a maddeningly catchy hook. Then, the band's singer, Chris Thompson, pronounced a word in the song—"deuce"—in a

way that made it sound like a feminine hygiene product. Radio stations in the South refused to play a song with that word so Mann's record company said he had to change it. Due to technical issues, however, they couldn't do so without making it sound even stranger. The result turned out to be a boon. "So many people came up to us after and said, 'You know what made it No.1?'" Mann told *Record Collector* magazine. "Everyone was trying to figure out whether it was 'deuce' or 'douche.'"





## PINK FLOYD

### "MONEY"

"Money...is the root of all evil today," sang Roger Waters in a song that made him fantastically wealthy. In fact, getting rich was very much on his mind at the time. "Money interested me enormously," he told the British newspaper *The Daily Telegraph*. "I was coveting a Bentley like crazy. The only way to get something like that was through rock or the football pools."

The particular way Waters got his wealth was by creating a hook listeners couldn't get out of their heads. The one in "Money" cleverly sifted together a series of sound effects—rattling coins, a ringing cash register and a ticking counting machine—into a rhythm no one could resist. That, combined with the song's wailing guitar and grinding sax solo, made "Money" the first track to hit off *The Dark Side of the Moon*, an album that went on to sell an estimated 45 million copies. *Dark Side* stubbornly remained on the Billboard chart for nearly 1,000 weeks, generating enough lucre to buy Waters fresh Bentleys every year for the rest of his life if he wanted them.



## MARVIN GAYE

### "LET'S GET IT ON"

One of the sexiest songs ever recorded originally addressed something far more troubling. The initial version, penned by Ed Townsend, expressed his need to overcome his alcoholism. While Gaye loved the song's melody, he convinced Townsend to let him recast the words to reflect his romantic feelings at the time for Janis Hunter, who would later become his second wife and the mother of two of his children. Gaye sang the song directly to Hunter in the studio, which, no doubt, enhanced the sensuality of the performance that in turn helped make "Let's Get It On" Motown's best-selling single to that date.



## STEVE MILLER

### "THE JOKER"



Few phrases in pop history have invited more amused head-scratching than the reference in "The Joker" to "the pompatus of love." Luckily for Miller, that strange phrase fascinated listeners as much as it confounded them. They were drawn, too, by Miller's self-referential puzzle of lyrics that alluded to "the space cowboy," "the gangster of love" and "Maurice," all of which echoed titles of earlier songs by the star. As to the lineage of "pompatus," a similar word turned up in a 1954 hit by the doo-wop group The Medallions.

Miller himself had a cheekier take on it. During his induction speech at the Songwriters of Hall of Fame in 2022 he alluded to the word by saying "My attorney is here tonight, and he will explain exactly what it is and how much it costs when you say it."

Love Neil Diamond? Go to [Parade.com/songs](https://www.parade.com/songs) for the stories behind his greatest hits.

The lowest period in Billy Joel's career inspired the song he may be best known for. After signing a terrible contract for his first album, *Cold Spring Harbor*, the New York-based Joel hid out in Los Angeles where he performed under the fake name Bill Martin. (The star's real full name is William Martin Joel). For six months, Joel sang at a small lounge while his new label, Columbia, finagled to get him out of his old deal. The song's lyrics feature the characters he met while he performed there, from the failed novelist Paul to Davy "who's still in the Navy." Sad as aspects of their lives may have been, the narrator's music helps them "forget about life for a while." The vividness of the tale, and the sing-along chorus, helped make "Piano Man" Joel's first Top 40 hit and, eventually, his signature piece.



## BILLY JOEL

### "PIANO MAN"

## CHER

### "HALF BREED"

When Cher's song about a young woman who is shunned for her mixed-race identity came out 50 years ago, no one talked about things like "cultural appropriation." Today, however, there might be controversy over an artist who has a dubious connection to Native American culture recording a song about the child of a Cherokee woman and a white father. While Cher has claimed she is 1/16th Cherokee on her mother's side, this has never been verified. Either way, the writers of the song clearly had no knowledge of the culture. In Cherokee society, a child born to a mother from the tribe would be fully accepted by it. Then again, it's hard to imagine anyone taking such a delightfully silly song seriously enough to get worked up about all this. Cher herself has dismissed any criticisms and continues to perform the song in her show. Anyone who wants to hear a version of "Half-Breed" recorded by someone slightly better connected to Indigenous culture can look to a 1990 take by Shania Twain. Her stepfather is an Ojibwe Native American.



## AEROSMITH

### "DREAM ON"

While "Dream On" rates as one of the most popular power ballads of all time, it barely made a blip when it appeared as Aerosmith's debut single in 1973. Only radio stations in the group's hometown of Boston recognized its brilliance. *Rolling Stone* magazine didn't even review the corresponding album it came from. In fact, two full years passed before "Dream On" became a Top Ten hit, after grueling work on the road. The song itself had an even longer incubation. Singer Steven Tyler wrote the music for it when he was 17, inspired by the classical works played by his father, a Julliard-trained pianist. He came up with the lyrics even earlier—at 14—but they proved prophetic: "Dream On" made Aerosmith's dreams come true.



## RINGO STARR

### "PHOTOGRAPH"

Starr's first No. 1 solo hit doubled as his first official writing collaboration with another ex-Beatle: George Harrison. At the same time, there was considerable tension between the two during that era. Harrison had a brief affair with Starr's then wife, Maureen. (Harrison's spouse, Pattie Boyd, found the pair in bed.) Though Starr initially threatened to divorce Maureen, the marriage lasted another few years, and his friendship with Harrison quickly recovered. The guitarist went on to write more songs for the drummer. In a tribute concert to Harrison after his death, Starr performed "Photograph" and, witnesses say, it left few dry eyes in the house.



## ELTON JOHN

### "CANDLE IN THE WIND"

Everyone knows that John's sentimental ballad paid homage to Marilyn Monroe. But that wasn't the only inspiration for Bernie Taupin's lyrical ode. "The song could just as easily have been written about James Dean or Jim Morrison or Kurt Cobain," John later said. "Basically, anybody who died young. It's beauty frozen in time."

Taupin borrowed the song title's phrase from record mogul Clive Davis, who used it to describe Janis Joplin after her death in 1970. Popular as the song may have been in '73, it wasn't issued as a single then. A live version, cut 15 years later, was the one that broke Billboard's Top Ten. The song did even better a decade later in the version John and Taupin created for their close friend Princess Diana after her death. For that recording, they changed the opening from "Goodbye, Norma Jean" to "Goodbye, English Rose." The resulting song did even better in the U.S. than in Diana's U.K. home. Stateside, it held the No. 1 spot for 14 weeks, while in Britain it lasted five. The Diana version went on to become the second biggest-selling single of all time after Bing Crosby's "White Christmas."



## GLADYS KNIGHT

### "MIDNIGHT TRAIN TO GEORGIA"

In its original form, Knight's signature song made no reference to the state of Georgia. Initially, songwriter Jim Weatherly entitled his piece, "Midnight Plane to Houston," inspired by an evocative phrase used by his friend, actress Farrah Fawcett, in a conversation with her husband at the time, Lee Majors. Weatherly first cut the song himself in a country version, but about a year later, he got a call that Cissy Houston (Whitney's mom) wanted to record it with an R&B flair. To avoid the redundancy between her surname and the title city, she asked if she could change the destination to Georgia. Weatherly said yes, so long as she didn't change anything else. While Cissy's version didn't connect, it caught the ear of Knight, whose emotive take gave her group its first No. 1 smash. They scored two other hits that year— "Neither One of Us" and "I've Got to Use My Imagination"—making 1973 the Pips' peak season.





## PAUL McCARTNEY AND WINGS

### "LIVE AND LET DIE"

McCartney scored a number of firsts with his theme for the Bond film *Live and Let Die*. It was the first 007 song to hit No. 1, the first created by a rock artist and the first to be nominated

for the Best Original Song Oscar. (It lost to Barbra Streisand's "The Way We Were.") The producers of Bond first asked McCartney to write the theme for the previous film in the franchise, *Diamonds Are Forever*, but contractual issues prevented that. When they sent the musician the script for the new film two years later, he was initially flummoxed. "I thought, *The hardest thing to do here is to work in that title*," he told *Mojo* magazine in 2010. Once he got his head around the fact that the title really meant "live and let live," the music flowed. Another potential issue arose when the producers wanted Shirley Bassey (of "Goldfinger" fame) to perform it instead of Wings. McCartney said they couldn't have the song unless he sang it. The result proved so successful that McCartney has kept it in his live set ever since.



## EDGAR WINTER

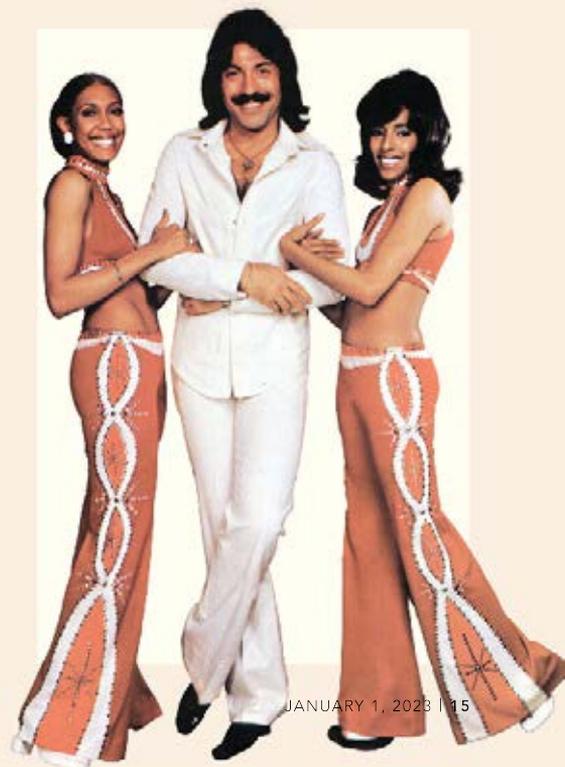
### "FRANKENSTEIN"

Fans have long wondered where Winter's instrumental smash got its title. Many thought it derived from its monstrously heavy beat. In fact, it had to do with the song's construction. The original, improvised version of "Frankenstein" went on forever, so hacking it into a digestible form took no small amount of musical surgery. "Back in those days, when you edited something, you had to physically cut the tape and splice it back together," Winter told *Songfacts.com*. "We were making fun of how to put it back together. And, at one point, my drummer, Chuck Ruff, said 'it's like Frankenstein.'" "That's it," said Winter. "The monster was born."

## TONY ORLANDO & DAWN

### "TIE A YELLOW RIBBON ROUND THE OLE' OAK TREE"

Everyone loves a song that tells a story. But few have proven as impactful as the tale of the yellow ribbon. Inspiration came from a 1971 story in the *New York Post* by Pete Hamill entitled "Going Home" in which some kids on a bus meet a man who just got out of jail. He tells them of a letter he sent his wife asking her to tie a yellow handkerchief around a tree as a sign that she wanted to take him back. If he didn't see the handkerchief, he would move on. In the original story, the tree he sees is draped in yellow. The writers of the song changed the handkerchief to a more musical word—ribbon—and greatly upped the number of them choking the tree. In the decades since, the yellow ribbon has become an oft-employed symbol of remembrance and welcome, first used to greet soldiers returning from the Vietnam War. In 1980, many used them to remember the U.S. hostages in Iran.

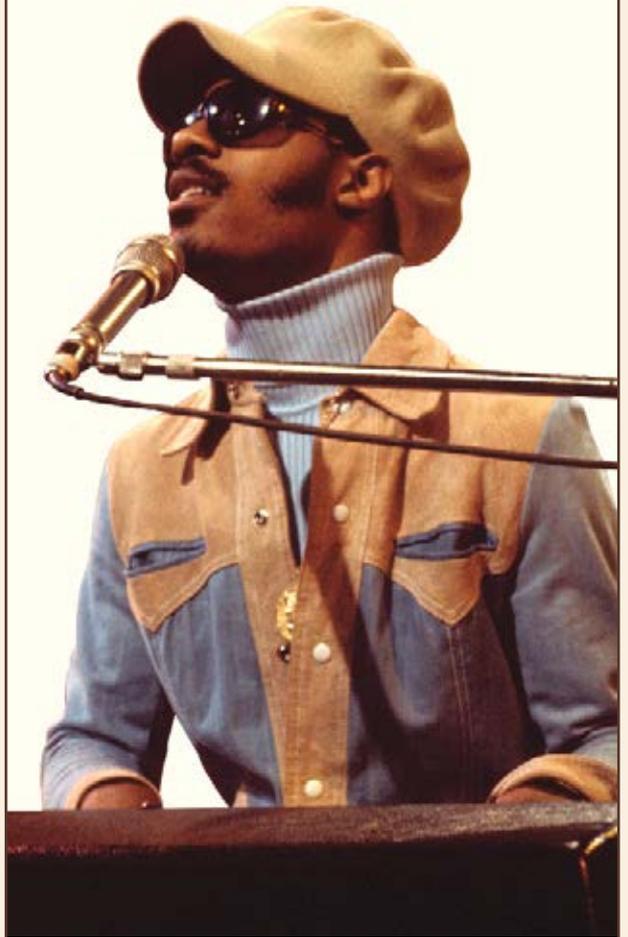




## LYNYRD SKYNYRD

### "FREE BIRD"

One of the most celebrated guitar anthems of all time became even better known as a punch line. For decades, countless concertgoers have been randomly shouting unsolicited song requests for Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Free Bird" no matter who happens to be performing on stage at the time. So, how did this wacky tradition begin? Three years after the studio version of the song appeared, Skynyrd recorded a live album, *One More from The Road*, during which singer Ronnie Van Zant asked the crowd "What song is it you wanna hear?" In unison, they screamed "Free Bird," inspiring a frenzied 14-and-a-half-minute version of the song. Fans have been imitating that entreaty as a joke ever since. You can hear someone shout for it on the full version of Nirvana's 1993 *MTV Unplugged* set. And, just this past July, at a Jackson Browne concert in New York, a fan shouted the time-honored request, which caused the singer to quip: "The strange thing is, somehow that's still funny."



## STEVIE WONDER

### "LIVING FOR THE CITY"

Few songs that dare to address racism with the unflinching honesty of "Living for the City" have become major hits. But the passion of Wonder's music, combined with the power of his vocals, helped send his song sailing into the Top 10. As Wonder himself told the website *Songfacts*, "I think the deepest I really got into how I feel about the way things are was in 'Living for the City.' I was able to show the hurt and the anger."

He even managed to do so in the abridged version that became the single. The full, seven-minute version on the album goes further, using shocking language that was later sampled by the rap group Public Enemy. The recording also stood out for its inventive use of sampled street sounds, including honking cars, blaring sirens and everyday conversations. Small wonder the classic album it appeared on, *Innervisions*—which also featured the funk smash "Higher Ground"—nabbed the 1973 "Album of Year" Grammy. **P**

# Ask Marilyn

| BY MARILYN VOS SAVANT |

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I attended a concert at an indoor arena where the crowd was dancing and jumping, and I felt very uneasy as the floor was vibrating through to the halls in the upper tier where I was getting food. Are these concrete structures built to withstand huge crowds that are not just sitting, but leaping around?

—Kathy Kramer, Clinton, New Jersey



The short answer is “no.” From the outset, the safety of the structures starts with their architects, who comply with the building codes then in effect in the area. The architects try to think of everything, but they (and those who write the building codes) are limited by what is known and available at the time.

However old or new the buildings are, let's fast-forward to today. You could compare the crowd shaking a building to a minor earthquake, which is clearly felt but rarely causes damage. Seismic provisions to local building codes vary greatly from state to state and may not even be enforced, depending on certain circumstances. For example, newly written codes commonly don't apply to buildings already in existence, which is the case with a great many venues. Some updates may be possible over time, but most are not.

This doesn't mean that older buildings are less safe. Having stood the test of time, they may indeed be more safe. Design flaws are more likely to be found in newer buildings.

Overall, you're very likely to be safe in a large public building, especially in this country, but you can't count on designs or building codes to assure it.

## CLASSIC ASK MARILYN

### MARILYN'S WORD TEASER

JANUARY 22, 1995

This week's word is OSCULATE  
What's the definition?

- A. To kiss.
- B. To waver back and forth.
- C. To escalate a battle of wits.
- D. To remove bones from a chicken.

## A QUESTION OF HONOR

This 1980s Ask Marilyn question (and answer) really got readers going.

Dear Marilyn,  
I've read that "vos Savant" is actually your mother's name. Why don't you use your father's name?

—John McCarthy, Lubbock, Texas

Dear John,

Here's just a partial list of items that carry men's names: airports (John F. Kennedy), buildings (Trump Tower), cities (Cleveland), film companies (Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer), museums (John Paul Getty), racetracks (Churchill Downs), religions (Lutheran), rivers (Hudson), and I could fill page after page, including some of the most important corporations on the planet. All this makes sense to me, and men deserve this credit. However, I can think of nothing that women deserve to have their names on more than their children. The injustice of this cannot be overestimated.

### SOME OF THE FOLLOW-UP RESPONSES MARILYN GOT:

There are plenty of things already named after women—ships, hurricanes, horses and dogs are just a few.

—William Reno, Sandy, Utah

Do you have something against your father? Why don't you wish to honor him?

—Anonymous, Rockville, Maryland

But women have no names. They are only using names of the males in their lives (either fathers or spouses).

—Mickey LaCross, Shelton, Connecticut

### MARILYN RESPONDED:

One at a time! My father (who passed away a few years ago) was an absolute dear; I loved him when he was alive and I love him still. I took my mother's maiden name as an adult, and it delighted him. (And yes, I would have done it even if he hadn't been delighted.)

The argument that "women have no names" is selectively lopsided logic. Why do men have names then? That is, if a woman doesn't have a name (because it's "her father's"), then a man doesn't have one, either (because it's his father's). And why should fathers themselves be considered to have names? (They have fathers too!)

And as far as honor is concerned, my mother is now finally getting what she's due. (Thanks, Mom!)

## MARILYN'S WORD TEASER

The answer is A. To osculate is to kiss. (To "oscillate" is to move back and forth, like a fan.)

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Clockwise from left: Marina vos Savant (mother), Joseph Mach (father), Marilyn vos Savant, Joe Mach, Bob Mach (brothers).

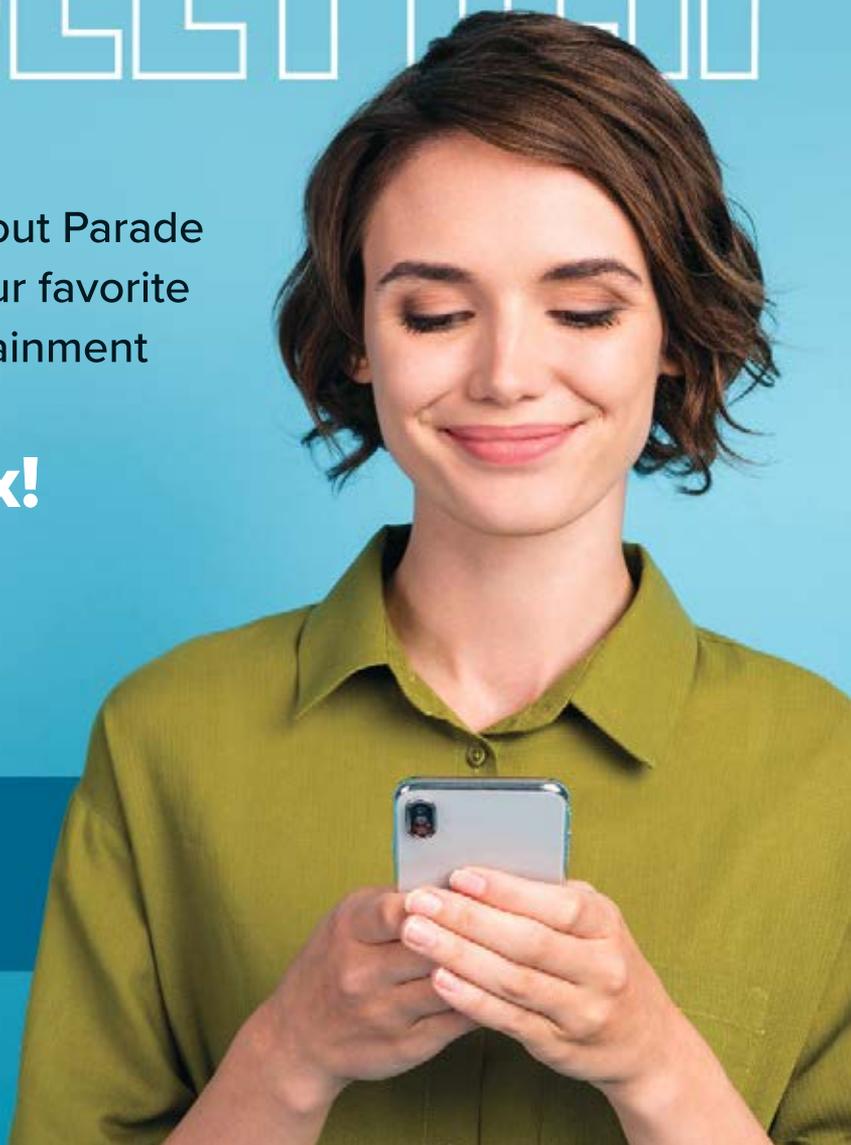
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