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SB40 Community Learning Center unveils new sensory room open to the public

By Marty Bachman Daily Express

The SB40 Community Learning Center unveiled their new sensory room last Thursday with an allday open house that saw visitors and community members visit and experience the room personally. The room was made possible through a Health and Human Services stimulus payment from the federal government that came through a few months back.

The organization hosted their guests with coffee and donuts while showcasing the only known public sensory room in the local area, a room geared to provide stress release for anyone that feels they might need it.

"A sensory room is a room that has multiple different types of stimu-

lation in the environment that can be controlled by the people using the sensory room," said Crystal Amini-Rad, executive director at Adair County SB40 Developmental Disability Board, which established the room in Kirksville. "It helps people, particularly people who have autism or ADHD or neurodiverse diagnosis, as well as people with intellectual disabilities."

The purpose of the room, according to Amini-Rad, is to give users control of their environment and provide sensory stimulation. She said that its been proven to support emotional well being, cognitive development and functioning, and allow for an environment where they can use it for anxiety relief.

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Adair County SB40 Community Engagement Specialist Melissa Cline shows off the features of the organizations new sensory room. PHOTOS BY NEMO PHOTOGRAPHY



SANTA VISITS COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES' OFFICES FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY



Community Opportunities, Inc. employee Ritchie J. hugged Santa at the organization's Christmas party held on Dec. 21, 2022. Community Opportunities, Inc. is a sheltered workshop in Kirksville that does recycling pickup of cardboard, providing jobs for individuals with disabilities. COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES, INC.

United Way reached goal and is still accepting donations through Jan. 16

By United Way of Northeast Missouri

Ramey Weichelt, United Way of Northeast Missouri 2023 Drive Chair, announced Wednesday that the United Way has hit their goal of raising \$170,000 for the drive.

"We are very excited to announce that we have hit and exceeded our goal for our 2023 Drive by raising \$176,000. We still are waiting on several large donors who could increase our total substantially here in the first part of January," she said. "The campaign, which started Sept.15, typically runs through Dec. 31 and then outstanding pledges are collected through January"," she added. United Way agencies typically are funded by the organization from February of each year to January of the next year.

Ted Frushour, president of the United Way of Northeast Missouri, praised the work of Wiechelt and her Co-Chair Amanda Selby.

"Both ladies had been outstanding co-chairs of our 2023 Drive and have worked hard to help the United Way reach its goal" Frushour said. He added that the final total for the campaign will be announced at the United Way Annual Meeting, which is held in mid-February.

The United Way of Northeast Missouri provides funding for 11 not-for-profit agencies in the Northeast Missouri area. United Way agencies include Adair County 4 H Council, Adair



County Family YMCA, Boy Scouts of America/Great Rivers Council, Community Opportunities/Sheltered Workshop, Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri, Hospice of Northeast Missouri, KIRK-TRAN, Macon Diversified Industries, NEMO Senior Citizen Services, Inc., RSVP/Senior Adult Services, Inc., and the Salvation Army.

Missouri State Highway Patrol reports two traffic fatalities over New Year's holiday weekend

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

Colonel Eric T. Olson, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, provided the following preliminary statistics related to the New Year's holiday weekend:

Two people died and 75 were injured in 243 traffic crashes during the 2023 New Year's holiday counting period, which began at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, 2022, and ended at 11:59 p.m. Monday, Jan. 2, 2023. There were zero boating crashes and zero drownings over the 2023 New

Year's holiday counting period. 2023 New Year's Holiday **Traffic Statistics**

Troopers investigated the following:

Traffic Crashes — 243 Traffic Crash Injuries — 75 Traffic Crash Fatalities — 1 DWI - 104

[Note: During the 2022 New Year's holiday counting period, one person was killed and 331 injured in 1,045 traffic crashes statewide. During last year's New Year's holiday, troopers worked 321 of those crashes which included 98 injuries and no fatalities. Troopers arrested 96 people for driving while intoxicated last year.]

Both fatal traffic crashes occurred in the Troop E, Poplar Bluff area.

There were no traffic fatalities on Friday Dec. 30, 2022.

One fatality occurred on Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022. Roger Vinson, 63, of Piggott, Ark., died when the vehicle he was driving crashed at the intersection of Route C and State Highway 25, in Stoddard County. Vinson was pronounced dead at the scene by Stoddard County Coroner

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Brent Stidham. The crash is being investigated by the Advance

Police Department. One fatality occurred on Sunday, Jan. 1. Roger G. Morrow, 55, of Benton, died when the vehicle he was driving travelled off the right side of the roadway and overturned. The crash occurred in Scott County on Missouri Highway 77 near Scott County Road 352. Morrow was pronounced dead at the scene by Scott County Coroner Scott Branam. Morrow was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash.



There were no traffic fatalities on Monday, Jan. 2.

The fatality statistics could change if late deaths occur, or if other departments report fatal traffic crashes at a later time.



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Paul M. Williams, 83 Debra Anne Peavler, 69

Community

Former chamber of commerce director speaks to Thousand **Hills Rotary Club**

By Thousand Hills Rotary Club

Sandra Williams, a Thousand Hills Rotary Club member who recently retired as executive director of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce after 16 years with the chamber, shared memories of her time with the chamber and also talked about the changes she has witnessed in the Kirksville area business community and in the chamber itself during her tenure. She discussed how changes in technology have led to changes in how businesses promote themselves and communicate with the public and their customers. The Rotary Club of Kirksville-Thousand Hills



meets on Thursday mornings at 7 a.m. at the Aquatic Center in Rotary Park, 801 E. Mill Street. Prospective members are always welcome to visit to learn more about Rotary and the Thousand Hills Club.

KIRKSVILLE AREA **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

original music for little big

Truman students and pro-

fessional musicians from

around Missouri. Jan. 22

at 6 p.m. in the Ophelia

Parrish Performance Hall

on the Truman State Uni-

versity campus.

Andrew Schaper

Conducting Recital

Andrew Schaper con-

Schubert's Symphony No.

Symphony Orchestra, Jan.

24 at 5:30 p.m. at the Oph-

elia Parrish Performance

Hall on the Truman State University campus.

Rhonda Vincent head-

Northeast Missouri's

of The Kohlenberg

own Rhonda Vincent

will headline the next

performance of the The

Jan. 27. Vincent and her

band, The Rage, are the

most awarded band in

Kohlenberg Lyceum Series,

bluegrass history. She is an

eight-time Grammy nomi-

nee and was inducted as a

member of the Grand Ole

will take place at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is free but tick-

reserved at the Sue Ross

Arts Center in downtown

ment Office in McClain Hall

in the Student Union Build-

ing. The event will be held

at the Baldwin Auditorium,

100 E Normal in Kirksville.

For additional information,

visit lyceum.truman.edu,

call 660.785.4133 or email

lyceumseries@truman.edu.

Vivian Scott Recital with

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Wind Symphony I & II

Wind Symphony I & II on

Baldwin Hall Auditorium

on the Truman State Uni-

Missouri Polar Plunge

Special Olympics Mis-

souri Polar Plunge will be

held at Thousand Hills

State Park—Forest Lake

Swimming Beach in Kirks-

ville, Feb. 25 from 1-3 p.m.

show your bravery as you

pics Missouri athletes by

ing into the frigid winter

waters. In 2022, the Kirks-

ers and raised more than

event promises a fun at-

music, funny costumes

mosphere complete with

and lasting memories for

everyone. All participants

must raise a minimum of

\$75 by event day. Your

\$10 registration fee will

apply towards your \$75

minimum. For kids ages 9

and under: All participants

must raise a minimum of

\$25 by event day. There is

Chamber of Commerce

The Kirksville Area

Chamber of Commerce

Annual Banquet will be

held on Thursday, March

2, at the White Oaks Barn,

23255 State Hwy. 11, Kirks-

ville. Among the evenings

activities will be the Kirks-

ville Young Professionals

Engagement Conference

"5 Under 40" Awards.

2023 Community

no registration fee.

Kirksville Area

Annual Banquet

ville Plunge had 100 plung-

\$26,380! This one-of-a-kind

walking, running or crawl-

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This amazing event is a

unique opportunity to

Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. at the

versity campus.

Special Olympics

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Lyceum Series

lines next performance

ducting recital featuring

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Kirksville City Council study session

The Kirksville City Council will hold a Study Session at 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 9, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Franklin Street.

Kirksville Planning and Zoning Commission meeting

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

Fly-tying class

Learn fishing skills with the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) free fly-tying classes in Kirksville, Saturday, Jan. 14 from 9 a.m. to noon. Spend a few relaxing hours with MDC staff learning the art of fly-tying. Many different materials will be available for use, and participants will be taught how to fly-tie. Limited number of participants allowed. To register for this, go to https://short.mdc. mo.gov/4xW . All participants must be older than 13 and register prior to attending. All questions can be directed to the instructor, Pat Rigby, at patrick.rigby@ mdc.mo.gov. Missouri Department of Conservation Northeast Regional Office and Interpretive Center, 3500 S. Baltimore, Kirksville.

Auditions for "The Murder Room"

Auditions for Curtain Call Theatre Company's production of the comedy who-dun-it "The Murder Room" by Jack Sharkey, will be held on Jan 17, from 6-9 p.m. and Jan. 21, 10 a.m until noon at 512 W. Elizabeth Street in Kirksville. Curtain Call Community Theatre building, 512 W Elizabeth Street, Kirksville. Call 660-626-8100 for details.

Driver examination stations to close statewide for Martin

Luther King Jr. Day The Missouri State Highway Patrol would like to remind the public that driver examination stations throughout the state will be closed on the following date: Monday, Jan. 16, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Normal operations will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 17.

Kraft Heinz Kardboard Boat Race scheduled

for Jan. 22 Get ready to put those leftover Christmas gift boxes to good use. Join the Kirksville Parks & Recreation Department at the Kirksville Aquatic Center on Sunday, Jan. 22, from 2-4 p.m., and take part in the Kraft Heinz Kardboard 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. kirksvillecity.com. For more information, contact Luke Callaghan with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

Tim AuBuchon Little

Truman Jazz Studies

will present a program of

Director Tim AuBuchon

Big Band Concert

The 2023 Community **Engagement Conference** will be held at Kirksville R-III William Matthew Middle School, 1515 S. Cottage Grove, Kirksville, on Saturday, March 25,. Registration and more details to come.

Tiffany Krueger joins Rotary Club of Kirksville-Thousand Hills

By Rotary Club of Kirksville-Thousand Hills

Tiffany Krueger was inducted as the newest member of the Rotary Club of Kirksville-Thousand Hills on Jan. 5. Krueger is the Director of Community Living for the Center for Human Services, the parent organization of Chariton Valley Association. Shown with Krueger, left to right, are her club sponsor Linda Bowers, Krueger and Sandra Williams, club membership chair. The Rotary Club of Kirksville-Thousand Hills meets on Thursday mornings at 7:00 a.m. at the Aquatic Center in Rotary Park, 801 E. Mill Street. Prospective members are always welcome to visit to learn more about Rotary and the Thousand Hills Club.



KIRKSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ARREST REPORTS: DEC. 21, 2002-JAN. 5, 2023

ARREST REPORTS

DEC. 21-JAN. 2

Assault/Domestic 4th Degree

1st/2nd Offense (1)(5)(M A) John Phillip Fugua, Kirksville

Child Molest-2nd Degree Child Less Than 12 Years of Age (FB)

Tyrel Lane Couch, Kirksville

Driving While Suspended/

Revoked-2nd or 3rd (M A) Johnny Calvin Maize, Novinger

Michael William Winslow, Kirksville Bryon Dale Lough, Kirksville Cody Francis-Paul Potter, Kirksville

Forgery (FD)

Chloe Allen Musgrove, Kirksville Michael T. Adams, Kirksville Rebeecca Leah Ackerman, Kirksville

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Andrew Tyler Walker-Bullock, Kirksville Cody James Shears, La Plata

Protective Custody

Stephanie Shelafoe, Kirksville

Jarryd Lewis Bassett, Kirksville Stealing Motor Fuel (M)

Amber D. Johnson, Kirksville (three

Trafficking (F) Drugs 2nd Degree Travis L. Garrett, Kirksville

Warrant

Brett A. Briggs, Kirksville Sara Ann Conley, Kirksville Lucas Cole Harrelson, Kirksville Deborah Joann Darnell, Kirksville Kezekiya Kuol Sel, Columbia

Warrant-Adair County

Andrew M. Couch, Kirkville Warrant-Madison County, III. Dennis M. Miller, Edwardsville

No Valid License-1st Offense (M)

Zachary Thomas Truitt, Kirksville Lucas Cole Harrelson, Kirksville

No Valid License-2nd Offense (M)

Robert A. Mason, Edina

No Valid License-3rd and Subsequent Offense (F)

Donal Ray Hager, Kirksville Mayra Moran, Milan

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News

KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

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 fed 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 Kirksville. 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 Kirksville Primary, Ray Miller, Brashear and Novinger. Sponsored by Alliant Bank and Kirksville Daily Express.

Join the Kirksville **Young Professionals Committee**

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce encourages businesses and their employees (ages 21-40) to become involved in the Kirksville 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 KirksvilleYP@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.

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 the 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 Kirksville.

2023 Indoor Triathlon Challenge begins Jan. 9

Join Kirksville Parks and Recreation and the Adair County Family YMCA for the 2023 Indoor Triathlon Challenge. The event will run from Jan. 9 through March 15, 2023. During this eight-week challenge, participants will complete either a full triathlon, half triathlon, or ultra triathlon. Participants will have full access to the YMCA and the Aquatic Center, as well as all classes offered at those facilities. Those who complete the mileage goals will receive the 2023 Indoor Triathlon sweatshirt. Biking mileage can be earned through the use of a rowing machine, recumbent or spin bike, outdoor cycling, or participation in group aerobic classes. Swim distance can be accumulated by lap swimming, water walking, or water aerobics classes. Running mileage can be tallied while on the treadmill, elliptical machine, running outside, or participating in group aerobic classes. Registration is \$40 for members of either facility, or \$80 for non-members. If you have an active membership at the YMCA or the Aquatic Center, register at that facility. Non-members may register at either facility or online at parks.kirksvillecity.com. For more information about this program contact the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

Keep an Eye on What's Happening Locally

Hospice of Northeast Missouri to facilitate ongoing support group around the grief of aging

An ongoing support group around the grief of aging will explore dealing with getting older and experiencing the reality of "life is NOT what I thought it would be when I got to this point." All are welcome to attend this monthly support group that will meet from 1-2 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church on 300 E. Washington St. in Kirksville. Attendees are asked to enter through the south door. The ongoing support group is sponsored by Hospice of Northeast Missouri, a partner agency of the United Way of Northeast Missouri. For more information, call 660-627-9711.

Adair County Public Library Book Club is Back

Join the Adair County Public Library for their 2022-23 Friends of the Library Book Discussion group. Meetings will be held in the Special Collections Room at 5:30 p.m. Talk to the front desk staff if you would like to purchase these books through the library. Cost for an entire set of the books is \$72. Jan. 10, 2023: Our First Civil War by H.W. Brands; Feb. 14: Has It Come to This? By Kimberly Tilley; March 14: Booth by Karen Joy Fowler; April 11: Tied Up in Knotts: My Dad and Me by Karen Knotts.

OATS Transit offers regular transportation services

OATS Transit offers regular transportation services for the rural general public of any age, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. Please call the local OATS Transit office at 660-415-0901 or 800-654-6287 to schedule a ride or find out about services in your area. You can also visit their website at oatstransit.org and view the local schedule under "Bus Schedules". Their offices will be closed, and regular routes will not be running on Monday, Dec. 26, and Monday, Jan., for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Please keep this in mind as you schedule trips near these holidays.

Truman State University Art Gallery Exhibit

A Truman State University Art Gallery Exhibit will be held from Jan. 24—March 3, 2023.

Exercises in Letting Go - Nirmal RajaExercises in Letting Go explores loss through Nirmal Raja's expansive practice, including painting, fibers, ceramics, photography, installation, and video. In part, Raja instrumentalizes objects and clothing left behind by loved ones to make work about burden, grieving, caregiving, memory, and the mystery of death and other types of loss. Raja is an interdisciplinary artist and curator based in Milwaukee.

Home/Body - Madeleine LeMieux - in the Charlyn GalleryHome/Body is a series of works that combine fibers, sculpture, and painting to explore the relationship between embodied experiences and the domestic environment that often contain them. Madeleine LeMieux is Art on the Move coordinator and instructor at the University of Missouri.

Gallery hours are: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday Noon to 4:30 p.m. Art Gallery exhibits are free and open to the public. The art gallery is closed between exhibitions and during all Truman State University breaks. Additional information at gallery arttruman. com The Art Gallery is located on the first floor of the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts Center, entrance on the west side of the building.

Missouri State Treasurer Fitzpatrick announces over 1,000 MOScholars Scholarships awarded

By Missouri State Treasurer Scott Fitzpatrick

JEFFERSON CITY — Missouri State Treasurer Scott Fitzpatrick announced that over 1,000 scholarships have been awarded to students to attend the school of their choice through the MOScholars program. The 1,029 awards come from six Educational Assistance Organizations (EAOs) and provide scholarships to students in all eligible regions of the state.

"1,000 scholarships is an important milestone for this program. MO-Scholars gives Missouri students with special needs and from low-income households the opportunity to attend a school that can best meet their educational needs—this is good news for our state," Treasurer Fitzpatrick said. "This program, the first of its kind in Missouri, launched this year and has proven to be a great success for the students and families of this state. I am grateful for the continued efforts of our partner EAOs, their donors, and my staff to ensure eligible Missouri children and families are able to access education that meets their needs."

Nearly \$9 million in tax credits have been reserved for contributions to EAOs.

In 2021, the Missouri General Assembly passed HB349 and SB86 which established the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program, MOScholars. The law provides state tax credits for contributions to approved, non-profit Educational Assistance Organizations (EAOs). These EAOs use the contributions to award scholarships to Missouri students with Individual Education Plans (IEPs) and students living in low-income households.

More information about the program, tax credits, and a list of certified EAOs and eligibility requirements, can be found at https://treasurer.mo.gov/MOScholars/.



WILDFlower Spa

Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce holds pair of ribbon-cutting ceremonies

By Marty Bachman

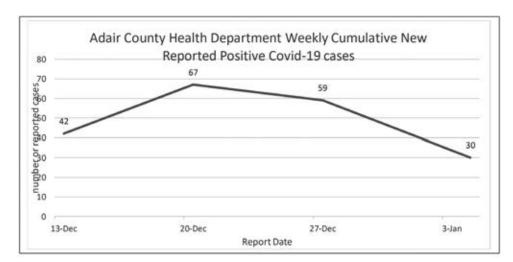
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The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce held a pair of ribbon-cutting ceremonies this week at locally-operated businesses. On Wednesday, a ribbon-cutting was held at the WILDFlower Spa at 1108 E. Patterson Street, Suite 4 in Kirksville.

WILDFlower Spa opened September 2021 with featured services that include massages, waxes, cupping, peels and more. On Thursday, a ribbon-cutting was held at Five Star Nutrition, 415 E. Northtown Road in Kirksville. Five Star Nutrition opened in September 2022 and serves a variety of delicious and nutritious drinks. They even offer a VIP Facebook group.



Five Star Nutrition



County Covid cases continue to fall

By Adair County Health Department

The number of cases of Covid-19 reported to the Adair County Health Department into the first week of 2023 has fallen to 30 from 59. The current count is for the seven-day period from Dec. 28 through Jan. 3.

The Adair County Health Department recommends residents be fully vaccinated and boosted to protect themselves and others from infection and serious disease. The Health Department administers Covid-19 bivalent boosters for residents ages 12 and older from 2-4 p.m. on Tuesdays while vaccine supplies last. The Health Department also continues administering the seasonal flu vaccine to those ages three and older. Parents of residents under age 12 should contact their child's doctor or pharmacy about getting Covid-19 vaccines.

To obtain information about slowing the spread of respiratory illnesses or to schedule a Covid-19 or flu vaccine, call the Adair County Health Department at 660-665-8491.

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Opinion

COLUMN

In January

amily togetherness isn't always a good thing. Especially in January, when the weather is so cold, so depressing and so dreary that you find yourself staring out an ice-encrusted window trying to remember what the sun looked like.

The green grass has been bleached into the color of old broom straws and the trees stick up like Amish whiskers on craggy, frozen hills.

This is the time of year when families have to be very careful. The loving people you spend your life with from February through December bear little resemblance to the creatures you share your home with in January.

When it is too cold to go anywhere or do anything outside you suddenly realize that you will be trapped for yet another Saturday afternoon with humans who seem determined to stretch your levels of love and patience to the breaking point.

You long to get in

your car and slide away to the nearest ditch, where the only whining you'll hear comes from your spinning tires.

My husband, John, is—by nature—an optimistic and cheerful man. I find his outlook on life to be refreshing since I tend to see things a bit more pragmatically.

Spring, summer and fall: I enjoy his happy commentary.

In January, I want to smack the happy little grin he greets me with each morning and scream: "Have you looked OUTSIDE?? Do you realize that we will be spending another day INSIDE?? TO-GETHER??"

Instead, I mutter: "Can we try to chisel the car doors open today so I can go to the grocery store?"

Always helpful and organized, John has decided to use a January morning to help me around the house. He decides his first project will be to take the big pile of odd socks that have been on top of the dryer since 1996 and "match them up".

He lays out socks of all colors and

lengths into tiny little rows, according to ownership, texture and over-all condition. The kitchen table is covered in neat rows and he whistles the same three notes over and over as he

works.

I want to walk
away and let him discover on his own just
how futile his efforts
were. Every wife in
America knows that
once a sock has lost
its mate it will NEVER be a pair again.

But—Oh, no. I am stuck there, listening and becoming actively involved in John's quest for sock order.

"Whose is this? I've never seen anybody in this house wear a purple sock."

"Why are we keeping socks with tops as wide as my neck?"

"Do these two match well enough to go together, or do you think there is another sock in here with five lines of ribbing and a blue line across the toe?"

All the time he talks (and alternately whistles his three notes), he is making little sock balls and tossing them into the air, over and over and over.

I look at the man I



ROBIN GARRISON LEACH ROBIN WRITES

love as much as my own life and have satisfying visions of a big, long, colorful sock rope, twisted tourniquet-tight around his neck.

He continues to whistle as he works, stopping only long enough to flash a quick smile my way, and I am filled with guilt.

I know it's just
January that's doing
this to me. When
February comes, I'll
be able to gaze at my
family with tenderness and devotion.
I'll remember why I
fell in love with my
cheerful hubby and I
will feel grateful for
all my blessings.

In the meantime, though, I'm trying hard to make it through the worst month of the year. And I sigh in surrender as I realize the God know exactly what he was doing when he arranged for my birthday to be—
In January.

Contact Robin at robinwrites@yahoo.com

COLUMN

Life changes for the new year

oc was just getting up to leave the philosophy counter as Herb walked in. Herb was grinning and flexing muscles and had the look of eagles in his eyes. We stared.

"Herb," said Doc. "You know, you can overdo a good thing."

"Why Doc ... whatever do you mean?"

"I realize that getting more exercise is your resolution for the new year, but a man your age ... you need to pace yourself a little, that's all. Don't try to get in shape all at once."

"Why Doc, I've never felt better in my life. Hey, you were so right to get me on this exercise kick. I've been meaning to thank you. It's just what I've been needing. What would you think about my playing some football in the spring? I mean, it's just touch football, but I miss the ol' razz-matazz, you know?"

Doc shook his head sadly and walked out. Herb started laughing and sat down with us and flipped his cup over for his morning eye opener. "What was that all

about, Herb?" Dud asked.
"A little joke I'm playing on Doc, that's all,"

Herb said. "You remem-



SLIM RANDLES
HOME COUNTRY

ber how Doc has been on my case to get more exercise and slim down some? Well, there was only one way to shut him up, so I started running. I bought a sweat suit and started running. I run past his house each morning. Then, about an hour later, I run past his house the other direction, huffing and puffing and looking at my watch."

"An hour? You run for an hour each morning?"

"Of course not," Herb said, laughing. "I run past Doc's house then walk the block to the library. An hour later, I run past Doc's house and then walk two blocks home."

We stared at him.
"What?" he said. "You know Doc's going to worry about me one way or the other. I just thought I'd change it up a bit."

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Missouri House minority leader offers agenda for 2023

issouri's state motto is salus populi suprema lex esto — the welfare of the people is the supreme law.

In an effort to live up to that standard, Missouri House Democrats will prioritize legislation during the 2023 legislative session to directly help Missourians at a time when so many are struggling.

House Democrats will fight to protect Missourians' freedoms and defend our democracy. We'll support laws that save lives. And we'll make sure that when it comes to the taxpayers' money, we're using it to invest in Missourians and the schools, infrastructure and social services we all rely on.

Republicans apparently have forgotten the very first section of the Missouri Constitution, which says "all political power is vested in and derived from the people." Not the legislature. Not the Republican Party. The people. This principle is integral to a free and democratic society, and House Democrats will defend it against Re-



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publican efforts to shift political power from the people to politicians.

When politicians focus on "culture war" issues, they seek to escape responsibility for objectively bad policy. In the rush to ban abortion. Republican legislators passed vague language forcing doctors to question treatment for ectopic pregnancies, which are always fatal to the child and usually fatal to the mother if not treated, because they fear arrest or losing their ability to practice medicine. The ban left pharmacists confused about how to fill prescriptions used to treat things like arthritis because that same medication can be used for an abortion. This makes no one safer.

For well over a century, Missourians have possessed the constitu-

tional authority to bypass the lawmakers to enact legislation their elected representatives refuse to pass, such as Medicaid expansion and legislative ethics reform, as well as medical and recreational marijuana legalization. Missourians also are empowered to block bad laws approved by the legislature and signed into law by the governor, as was the case a few years ago with Republicans' anti-union right-to-work law.

Because Missourians frequently and effectively use the initiative and referendum petition processes to thwart the Republican-controlled legislature, GOP lawmakers have launched an all-

out assault on Missourians' constitutional right to directly enact new laws they support and block bad laws they don't.

We can come together as a state and use our record \$6 billion surplus to make drastic changes that will benefit every Missourian. Increasing access to safe, quality, affordable childcare not only benefits children, it creates jobs and helps parents return back to the workforce, helping our local economies and small businesses.

Investing in infrastructure — like broadband access or expanding Interstate 70 — saves Missourians' money and makes all areas of our state more accessible and attractive for businesses.

Finally, despite law enforcement officers and county prosecutors pleading with them not to, Republicans have passed laws that allow dangerously unstable people to access firearms. St. Louis police cited this law as a reason they couldn't legally seize the weapon of the recent Central Visual and Performing Arts High School shooter, despite repeated warnings this person posed a threat.

We can close loopholes that allow dangerous people to buy or keep firearms. We can prioritize Missourians' safety with practical, common sense gun reform while not violating Missourians' Second Amendment rights.

Policy should be for the good of the people, not attacking the rights of others or putting them in harm's way. It has been the honor of my life to work for the people of Missouri, and in my last two years as a state representative leading a growing Democratic caucus, I know our vision of a safer, more fiscally intelligent and democratically secure Missouri is resonating. We can achieve greatness so long as we maintain our focus on the welfare of the people.

> State Rep. Crystal Quade, D-Springfield, is minority leader of the Missouri House of Representatives.



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OBITUARIES

Debra AnnePeavler

Sep 19, 1953 — Dec 31, 2022

Debra Anne Peavler, age 69, of Edina, MO, passed away Saturday, December 31, 2022, in the University

Hospital in Columbia, MO, with her family by her side. She was born in Groton, CT on September 19, 1953, the daughter of John David and Julia Ann Hussing Welch.

Debra graduated from Nile C. Kinnich High School in Yokosuka, Japan Class of 1972. Her father was in the Navy and they traveled to a new base



every three years. Seeing a lot of the United States and Japan. While in Japan, Debra climbed Mt. Fuji. Debra worked at Ortech, Hollister, Con-Agra Foods, several restaurants, and retired from Kraft Foods in 2015. She enjoyed bowling, crocheting, cooking and she cherished spending time with her family.

Surviving are five children, Mark (Michelle) Peavler of Knox City, MO, Travis Peavler and friend Colby Anderson of Novelty, MO, Alan (Crystal) Peavler of Novelty, MO, Regina Doss of Knox City, MO, and Shania Ewalt and friend Mat Rockhold of Knox City, MO, one sister Diana Owen of Williston, VT, grandchildren, Chelsea Bisch, Jared and Alyssa Peavler, Colton (Rachel) Peavler, Ella and Lane Peavler, MaKennah and Jennah Peavler, Addy and Karter Doss, Kaysleigh and Brynleigh Hamlin, great grandchildren, Connor and Adam Peavler, Braxten Smith and one on the way, along with several nieces, nephews and cousins she thought the world of.

Debra was preceded in death by her parents, one son James David Peavler and one brother John E. Welch.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, January 7, 2023, in the Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home in Edina, MO. Family will receive friends from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and services will follow at 11 a.m.

Burial will be at a later date in Novelty Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Knox County Nutrition Site. Memorials may be left at or mailed to Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1, Edina, MO 63537.

Paul M. Williams D.O.

May 29, 1939 — Jan 2, 2023

Paul M. Williams, D.O., of Brookfield, Missouri, formerly of Kirksville, Missouri, passed away peacefully January 2, 2023, at St. Luke's North-

land Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri. Born May 29, 1939, in Detroit, Michigan, Paul was the son of Harry and Anna (Valla) Williams. Paul met Nancy (Hutchinson) Williams while they were in medical school in Kirksville, Missouri, and were married on May 17, 1970.



Paul is survived by his wife Nancy of the home, sons: Scott (Denise) Williams of Independence, MO and Brian Williams of Kearney, NE; his granddaughter, Samantha (Gus) Hendren, and one great-granddaughter, Skyler Hendren. He is also survived by uncles Charles "Chuck" Williams and Clint Williams of Michigan, as well as numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews. He also leaves behind his faithful assistant, caregiver, and dear friend, Pam Gladbach for the last five years.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Hal Williams, sister-in-law, Betty Williams; sister, Sylvia McKenzie; brother-in-law, Don McKenzie, as well as numerous aunts and uncles.

Paul graduated from Roosevelt High School in Detroit, Michigan. He received a Bachelor's degree at Michigan Tech in Engineering/Physics. He moved to Kirksville, Missouri, and attended Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine graduating in July of 1964 with a Doctor of Osteopathy. In May of 2013 at A.T. Still University of Health Sciences he was awarded the Doctor of Osteopathic Education Degree.

Dr. Williams practiced Radiology at Kirksville Osteopathic Hospital (KOH), Grim Smith Hospital, and Northeast Regional Medical Center, and taught Radiology for over thirty-years at Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. After leaving Kirksville and moving to Brookfield, Missouri, Paul continued to practice Radiology at Pershing Hospital and Sullivan County Hospital until retiring in 2021.

Dr. Williams served on many Hospital Boards and Committees and was a member of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology (AOCR).

He was a member of and baptized at First Baptist Church in Kirksville, MO. He later attended United Methodist Church in Brookfield, MO after moving there. Faith was very important to Paul and one of his cherished moments was being baptized in the Jordan River during a trip to the Holy Land in 2007.

Dr. Williams loved to travel, hunt, fish, enjoyed the family farm and was a huge history buff especially about the Civil War. He loved dogs and leaves behind the family dog "Britches". Paul touched many lives throughout his career in medicine. He was known for being very kind and generous, and will be sadly missed by many people.

Funeral services for Dr. Paul Williams will be held 1:00 p.m. Saturday, January 7, 2023 at Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, Missouri, with Chaplain Joe Smith presiding. Interment will follow the service at Parkview Memorial Gardens in Kirksville.

Family will receive friends on Saturday, January 7, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. service time in the chapel at Travis-Noe Funeral Home.

Pallbearers are John Gladbach, Bill Toops, Steve Peterson, Gus Hendren, Luke Hobbs and Dr. Todd Sylvara.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Dr. Paul Williams may be made to A.T. Still University Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine and may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.

John Byron Giesler

Feb 5, 1952 - Dec 16, 2022

John Byron Giesler, 91, passed away peacefully and unexpectedly, Friday, December 16,

2022, in his home in Columbia with his loving wife, Carol of 70 years, at his side. John was a beloved husband, father and grandfather and was known for his gentle and charismatic nature and his unconditional love for his family and friends. His strong faith in Jesus was an integral part of his life and legacy.



He was born in Moberly, Missouri on February 5, 1931, to John A. and Catherine H. Giesler and graduated from Moberly High School and Moberly Junior College. He entered the Navy during the Korean War and served as a Navy Radar man stationed out of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Following discharge, he completed his Bachelors in Economics at Bradley University.

He married his hometown sweetheart, Carol Carpenter, June 18th, 1952, in Honolulu, Hawaii during his Navy enlistment. They had three children. During his career he held positions in Regional Sales management and Vice President of Sales for companies including International Harvester, General Tire, Ayers Oil Company, US Chamber of Commerce and National Federation of Independent Business. Mid-life, He became an ordained minister with The Assemblies of God and pastored churches in Canton and Labelle until his full retirement at the age of 82.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Raymond Giesler.

Survivors include wife, Carol, of the home, daughter, Catherine Wilder (Kevin), Columbia MO, daughter Mary and son Mark, granddaughter Lauren Patterson (Jason), granddaughter Allison Thomas, several other grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life Service with military honors will be held on Friday, January 6th at 12:00 p.m. with visitation beginning at 11:00 a.m. at Bach-Yager Funeral Chapel and inurnment following at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Jacksonville at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Life.Church at Life.Church Central, Attention: Giving Team, 4600 E 2nd St., Edmond, OK 73034

Online condolences and tributes may be shared with the family at www.bachyager.com.

Thomas G. Robison

Nov 26, 1941 — Dec 30, 2022

Thomas G. Robison, 81, of Winfield, MO passed away Saturday, December 30,2022 at his home in Winfield.

The son of Carmie L. and Genevie A. (Gatlin) Robison, Thomas was born November 26, 1941 in Kirksville, MO. He was united in marriage to Janet Michele Poston who preceded him in death.



Thomas is survived by four sons, Thomas G. Robison, Jr.

and wife Chris of Winfield, MO, Jeff Robison of Tampa Bay, FL, Austin Bain and wife Tanya of LaPlata, MO, and Mark Jayne of Memphis, MO; one daughter, Tracy Johnston and companion Rick of Columbia, MO; twelve grandchildren; twenty-six great grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Cherry Wayne of Owosso, MI and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter, Kena Jayne and one brother, Terry Robison.

Thomas grew up in Kirksville, MO where he attended the Kirksville public schools. After high school he spent twenty years in the United States Air Force before retiring. He returned to Kirksville where he was employed by the City of Kirksville at the Airport in many capacities and was also a meter reader for the city. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Funeral Service will be held at 2.00 p.m. Saturday January 7, 2023at the Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home with Reverend Larry Gibson officiating. Musical selections will be "I Only Imagine" and "When I Get Where I am Going". Burial will follow the service at Park View Memorial Gardens in Kirksville, MO.

Visitation will be from Noon until the time of the service on Saturday, January 7, 2023.

Funeral arrangements in the care of the Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home: www.davisplaylehudsonrimer.com.

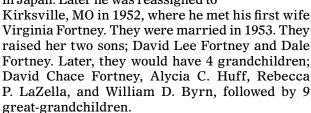
Charles Wayne Chace

Jul 26, 1931 — Jan 1, 2023

Charles Wayne Chace, 91, of Kirksville, passed away Sunday, January 1, 2023 at 12:07 pm.

Charlie was born in Morrison, Oklahoma on July 26, 1931, to Leland and Hazel L. (Akers) Chace. He also had a brother, William (Bill) Chace, and a sister LaWanda (Chace) Donovan.

Charles served in the United States Air Force and was stationed in Japan. Later he was reassigned to



Charles worked at several automotive parts stores in Kirksville before he began working as a driver for the United Postal Service. He retired from UPS in 1991.

He enjoyed deer hunting, especially bow hunting. He was once featured on the front page of the Kirksville Daily Express newspaper wearing full camouflage with his beloved bow.

After the loss of his wife, Virginia, in 2012, he married Katherine Joyner Jones. Charlie gained 5 more children and 24 great-grandchildren in this union, bringing the number of grandchildren to 28.

Charlie was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

He is survived by his wife, Katherine, 5 step-children; Anthony Joyner and wife Natalie, David Joyner, Gretchen Gillette and husband Chris, Daniel Joyner, Leah Goering and husband Danny, 28 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Virginia, one sister LaWanda (Chace) Donovan, one brother, William (Bill) Chace, two step-children; David Lee Fortney and Dale Fortney. He will be greatly missed by both family and

friends.
Funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Burial will be in Maple Hills

Cemetery in Kirksville.

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

sonrimer.com.

Eldon Dawine Rouse

Mar 22, 1955 — Dec 28, 2022

Eldon Dawine Rouse, 67, of Kirksville, Missouri passed away following a brief illness on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at Boone Hospi-

tal Center in Columbia, Missouri.

The son of the late Orville and Myrtle (Roberts) Rouse, he was born March 22, 1955 in Des Moines, Iowa. He was also preceded in death by one sister, Mary (Rouse) Avey. On June 14, 2003 in Kirksville, Missouri, Eldon was united in marriage



to Angie Martin.

Eldon is survived by his wife Angie of the home; one son, Toby Rouse of Kirksville, MO; two daughters and sons-in-law, Heather and Ryan Findling of Greentop, MO, and Leise and Chris Kelly of Kirksville, MO; two brothers, Edwin (Jan) Rouse of Kirksville, MO, and Mike Rouse and (Laurie Penn) of Columbia, MO; two sisters, Linda McElderry of Knoxville, IA, and Sheila (Alan) Coonfield of Novinger, MO; five grandchildren Taylor Rouse, Brandon Rouse, Leela Findling, Conor Kelly, and Wyatt Findling; his mother-in-law, Lottie Truitt of Kirksville, MO; his sister-in-law, Diane Dawson of Kirksville, MO; as well as a number of nieces and nephews

Eldon received his education in the Novinger public schools. He worked a number of years at Florsheim Shoe Factory and was last employed fifteen years for Truman State University until retiring in 2018.

Eldon enjoyed fishing, hunting, playing poker, riding motorcycles, scuba diving, and playing his guitar. He also enjoyed four cruises he went on with his wife Angie. Eldon loved his family and enjoyed the time spent with his children and grandchildren. Eldon attended the Union Temple Church of

Eldon attended the Union Temple Church of Novinger.
Funeral services were held on Monday, January 2,

2023, with interment in the Green Castle Cemetery, Pallbearers were Toby Rouse, Brandon Rouse, Mike Casey, Chris Kelly, Kenny McKim, and Junior Hatfield. Honorary pallbearers were Robert Gashwiler, Max Kelso, and Joe Billington.

Memorials can be to St. Judes Children's Hospital and may be left at Travis-Noe Funeral Home.



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Part 32 — WHO WAS JOHN ADAIR?

By Blytha Ellis, President Adair County Historical Society and Museum

So, why was Adair County, Missouri, named for Kentucky General/Governor John Adair, someone who never lived here nor even visited so far as we can determine? It seems to be simply because he was a much-admired military and political figure from the home state of many of the people who lived in Missouri and in Adair County. John Adair was an admired statesman who had spent a half century distinguishing himself in Kentucky history. Thousands of Kentuckians had migrated westward into Missouri in the 19th century but still had ties to and affection for their former state.

Whether it was citizens of the county or members of the Missouri State Legislature who chose Adair County's name, there is no doubt that individuals from Kentucky had input into the naming. It should also be noted that John Adair died only eight months before Adair County, Missouri, was officially named, so emotions also likely played a part in the naming.

John Adair (1757-1840) was born in South Carolina, and as a young man helped fight for freedom during the Revolutionary War as part of the South Carolina colonial militia. He experienced both victory and defeat and knew what it was like to suffer hardships.

While serving under Colonel Thomas Sumter in August 1780, Adair and his fellow American patriots attacked a British outpost at Rocky Mount, S.C., where they were defeated. However, their very next campaign a few days later at the Battle of Hanging Rock, S.C., brought the Americans a victory. It is interesting to note here that future U.S. president, Andrew Jackson, only 13 at the time, participated in this battle along with 23-year-old John Adair!

As a side note to this battle, after three hours of continuous fighting, the patriots were exhausted, hot and thirsty. They happened upon a stash of rum

in the British camp, and they indulged so heartily that they were not able to "finish off" the British and had to march back to their base camp foolishly intoxicated!

In that same month of August 1780, John Adair's company was again defeated at the Battle of Camden, and here, Adair was taken prisoner by the British. To make matters worse, he contracted smallpox while a captive and was treated harshly. At one point, he escaped and spent three days trying to reach a safe location. However, he was hampered by his weakened condition from smallpox and was recaptured. After several months, he was released in a prisoner exchange.

In 1781, John Adair was commissioned as a lieutenant in the South Carolina militia. He fought in the Battle of Eutaw Springs, the last major battle of the Revolution in the Carolinas. One interesting incident is recorded as part of the Battle of Eutaw Springs. To help their food supply, many British soldiers were sent out early each morning to dig up yams from the fields of farmers in the area. These men went unarmed and accompanied by only a small guard detail. The Americans happened to come across these foragers and easily took 400 of them prisoners, along with their stolen yams!

After the war, John Adair became a justice of the peace in his home county of Chester, South Carolina. He had the privilege of being chosen as a delegate to the South Carolina convention to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1784, 27-year-old John Adair married 16-year-old Catherine Palmer, and they produced 12 children, 10 of whom were girls. In 1786, the family moved to Mercer County, Kentucky, where they eventually established a substantial estate. Unfortunately, as was the custom for many in those days, John Adair was a slave owner and also a slave trader.

From 1786-1895, the United States fought in what was con-

sidered the first of the American and Indian wars. It was called the Northwest Indian War. The United States and a united group of Native American tribes were fighting for control over the territory northwest of the Ohio River, also known as the Old Northwest. John Adair joined this conflict as a captain and was soon promoted to major under General James Wilkinson whom you may remember became the first Governor of the Louisiana Territory and the Missouri Territory when the capital was at St. Louis.

The treaty at the end of the Revolutionary War had granted this Northwest Territory (initially the Ohio Country and the Illinois Country) to the United States. However, the British supported the Native American tribes who lived in this area, and white settlements were prohibited. When George Washington became President, he directed the U.S. Army to enforce U.S. sovereignty over the area, and so the Northwest Indian War began. This is an early example of Native Americans being driven from their homelands which they had occupied for many years. The defeated tribes were forced to cede extensive territory, including much of present-day Ohio. Some historians have characterized the Northwest Indian War as genocide with the ultimate goal of depopulating the region of Native Americans and opening the land to white settlement. This was a prelude to the War of 1812.

In the Northwest Indian War, John Adair was recognized by his superiors for his bravery and fighting skills when he encountered a band of the Miami Indian tribe led by Chief Little Turtle. For this, Adair was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel.

Because of his popularity in war, Adair was selected as a delegate to the Kentucky Constitutional Convention in 1792. When Kentucky became a state in that same year, Adair was elected to the Kentucky House of Representatives serving from 1793 to 1795. During this time, he continued to serve in the

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Kentucky militia and achieved the ranks of Brigadier General and then Major General.

Adair was elected to the Kentucky House two more times and helped revise weaknesses in the first constitution. In 1802, he became Speaker of the House. For his service and popularity in this capacity, the legislature formed Adair County, Kentucky, in his honor. In 1805, John Adair was appointed to fill a vacancy in the Kentucky Senate.

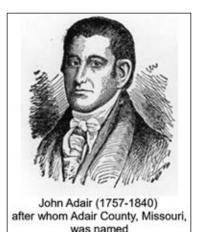
However, Adair unwisely supported former Vice-President Aaron Burr who wanted to take Mexico away from Spain. Adair was indicted as a co-conspirator with Burr for treason. Even though Adair was acquitted, his political career was damaged.

When the War of 1812 broke out, Adair rejoined the Kentucky militia. He was said to have rendered commendable service in this war, and he attained the rank of brigadier general. He played a major role in the Battle of New Orleans. His participation in the war of 1812 restored his reputation, and he was again elected to the Kentucky House of Representatives.

The first major financial crisis in the U.S. occurred with the Panic of 1819. John Adair gained popularity by siding with the Relief Party on this issue and was elected Governor of Kentucky in 1820.

The most important measure implemented during Governor Adair's administration was the creation of the Bank of the Commonwealth which made generous loans to citizens and helped them out of debt. Adair aided in ending the practice of putting people in jail for owing debts, and he supported strong anti-gambling legislation. He also did not want debt-ridden people to be forced to sell the items with which they made a living, such as horses, plows and other farm equipment.

Adair also strongly supported the creation of a public school system in Kentucky. Adair's endorsement of the Missouri



Compromise was instrumental in securing its passage by Kentucky legislators. He worked for prison reform and for humane treatment of the insane. He was a civic minded governor who supported a plan for internal improvements such as better

navigation on the Ohio River.

After his term as governor, he was elected once again to the Kentucky House of Representatives and served on the Military Affairs Committee. He retired from public life in 1833 and died May 19, 1840 at the age of 83 at his White Hall estate in Harrodsburg, Kentucky. He was buried on his own property as was his wife, Catherine, who died 14 years later in 1854. However, the remains of this couple were moved in 1872 to Frankfort Cemetery by the old state capitol building. The Commonwealth of Kentucky placed a tall and ornate tombstone at their burial location. John Adair's side of this stone is inscribed: This monument is erected by the people of KY in pursuance of a Resolution of the General Assembly, approved Mar 5, 1872, as a mark of their appreciation of his services as a Soldier and a Statesman.

In addition to Adair County in Kentucky, Adair County, Missouri, Adair County, Iowa, and the towns of Adairville, Kentucky, and Adair, Iowa, were named in John Adair's honor.

There is also a village in Adair County, Missouri, named Adair. However, it is thought to have been named after the town of Adare in Limerick County, Ireland, from which many of the residents of Adair, Missouri, had emigrated, rather than a namesake for John Adair.

(Next time: David Sloan, First Resident of Kirksville)

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TURNING THE PAGE: This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

105 Years Ago, January 4, 1918

A long dry season was creating water shortages all over Adair County. Nearly every well in the county was empty, and all the creeks were dry. The Chariton River was at the lowest point it had been in years. Residents of the Novinger area were particularly hard hit as there was no water to be found anywhere. The Truitt well, the source of water for many in Novinger was dry, and it was never known to have gone dry.

105 Years Ago, January 4, 1918

A notice on the front page of the Kirksville Daily Express attracted a large number of people to the Kirksville Produce Company where a carload of free bananas was being distributed to anyone who wanted to come and get them. The carload of bananas was delayed so long by the railway that they arrived over-ripe. They were too ripe to sell, but still safe to eat. Residents were encouraged to bring their baskets and bags on Saturday morning.

95 Years Ago, January 1, 1928

Jack Moore manager of the Kennedy Theater spent a few days in Kansas City at the head-quarters of the Midwest Theaters Inc. where he learned that the installation of a \$25,000 organ was planned for the Kennedy. He also learned that several well-known movies were slated to show at the Kennedy Theater in the coming year. They included: "The Family Upstairs," "The Cat and the Canary," "What Price Glory," and "7th Heaven."

85 Years Ago, January 4, 1938

Mirrel Dee Vanlaningham, the four-year old son of Dee and Emma Vanlaningham of the Fegley community northwest of Kirksville, died of scarlet fever at the family home. This was the second Vanlaningham child to die of scarlet fever in three weeks. Mirrel was seriously ill at the time of the death of his sister, Sophia, on December 14. This was the third recent scarlet fever death in the community.

85 Years Ago, January 6, 1938

A treasure hunt in the back yard of an 80-year-old Kirksville deceased widow revealed a cache of \$3,290. The body of Mrs. Bette Jones Dodson of West Normal Street was found in her home by her neighbor. Adair County Coroner, Dr. C. D. Davis, determined her death was the result of natural causes. The coroner found an envelope containing a handwritten will and a note. The note was addressed to Chester Smith of Novinger. The note instructed him to go out the west door of her house and follow the sidewalk to a well. Smith was then instructed to dig on the north side of the sidewalk between the well and a tree. Here he would find some bricks. He was further instructed to take the container he found into the coal shed and examine the contents. "What's there is yours," the note stated. Smith enlisted the help of three longtime friends from the Novinger area—Sheriff Arthur Floyd; Adair County Superintendent

of Schools, Marion Schott; and

Charles H. Truitt—to help with the digging. After digging to a depth of about three feet, the men uncovered the bricks and underneath the bricks they found a bucket containing a fruit jar. The jar was taken inside the house and opened. Smith found \$3,290 in cash. Mrs. Dodson's will made major bequests to Chester Smith, J. W. Jones, her brother-in-law, and the First Baptist Church.

65 Years Ago, January 2, 1958

The Kirksville Senior High School held a New Year's Eve dance at Greenwood gymnasium from 8:30 to 12:15. This was the second such school event planned by the student council and under the supervision of high school principal, Kenneth J. Smith. Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, and punch were served by the parents.

65 Years Ago, January 3, 1958

A March of Dimes campaign planning committee meeting was held in Kirksville at the home of Mrs. Jack Anderson. The purpose of the meeting was to organize the major events that would dominate the 1958 March of Dimes campaign in Adair County. Mrs. Glen Dean, Adair County campaign director, announced that the 1958 campaign would have only two phases. One phase was the Mothers' March Against Polio which was a one-night event in which all Kirksville residences would be solicited on a door-todoor basis. The second phase was the rural Adair County drive which was being conducted by the Adair County 4-H Clubs under the direction of



Konrad Heid, assistant county agent. Their job was to provide the opportunity for all rural residents of the county to donate to the March of Dimes. Efforts in Adair County were part of a national drive to raise \$44,900,000 for polio patient aid, rehabilitation, research, and education.

70 Years Ago, January 6, 1953

The two-story brick school building of the Novinger re-organized school district was completely destroyed by a fire caused by a boiler explosion. Estimates of the loss of the building and its contents ran from \$150,000 to \$200,000. No one was in the building as the fire started about 2 a.m. The Kirksville Fire Department responded to the call shortly after the fire was discovered, but no water was available to fight the blaze. The small truck was equipped with a 150-gallon tank, but it was kept in reserve to help save any houses which might have caught fire by flying sparks. The building was constructed

in 1928. The school's 357 pupils ranged from grade school through high school. They would attend school at various locations in Novinger. Superintendent of the Novinger School, Marvin Powell, announced that four of Novinger's churches and several store buildings were offered for use as classrooms. The school board's plans were to open school in a week in the improvised classrooms, and hopefully a new building could be constructed by the fall of 1953. The re-organized school district encompassed most of northwest Adair County and included ten rural schools that operated out of their own district schoolhouses.

The Kennedy Theater was located a block off the southwest corner of the downtown square in the same block as the Adair County Historical Society and Museum. It was built in 1925, closed in 1985, and demolished in 1992. Photo courtesy of ACHS.

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NFPA encourages prompt removal of Christmas trees, as **33 percent of Christmas tree** home fires occur in January

By National Fire Protection Association

One-third (33 percent) of U.S. home fires involving Christmas trees occur in January. With this post-holiday fire hazard in mind, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) strongly encourages everyone to keep the festive memories and remove the hazards by disposing of Christmas trees promptly after the holiday season.

"As much as we all enjoy the look and feel of Christmas trees in our homes, they're large combustible items that have the potential to result in serious fires," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at. "The longer Christmas trees remain in homes, the longer they present a risk."

Carli notes that fresh Christmas trees, which continue to dry out and become more flammable over time, are involved in a much larger share of reported Christmas tree fires than artificial trees.

According to the latest Christmas Tree Fires report from NFPA, 160 home structure fires began with Christmas trees, resulting in two civilian deaths, 11 civilian injuries, and \$12 million in direct property damage, on average each year between 2016 and 2020. Overall, fires that begin with Christmas trees represent a very small but notable part of the U.S. fire problem, considering that they are generally in use for a short time each year.

To safely dispose of a Christmas tree, NFPA recommends using the local community's recycling program, if possible; trees should not be put in the garage or left outside. NFPA also offers these tips for safely removing lighting and decorations to ensure that they remain in good condition:

Use the gripping area on the plug when unplugging electrical decorations. Never pull the cord to unplug any device from an electrical outlet, as this can harm the wire and insulation of the cord, increasing the risk for shock or electrical fire.

As you pack up light strings, inspect each line for damage, throwing out any sets that have loose connections, broken sockets or cracked or bare wires.

Wrap each set of lights and put them in individual plastic bags or wrap them around a piece of cardboard.

Store electrical decorations in a dry place away from children and pets where they will not be damaged by water or dampness.

For more information on home fire safety all winter long, visit "Put a Freeze on Winter Fires," a winter safety campaign NFPA promotes annually with the U.S. Fire Administration.

New Year, new gear?

Expert tips on how to hackproof your new device

By NordVPN

With holiday season now over, many Americans are pleased to have received tech gifts. However, a new gadget also means a new target for hackers looking for victims in the upcoming year.

According to a survey by NordVPN, 75 percent of users say that they set up their new devices themselves. A few basic steps can prepare their gadgets for cyber secure usage.

"Most shiny new things have very few default cybersecurity settings installed. Especially the Internet of Things devices. Your new smartwatch may be very good at tracking your running route, but will it ensure this data doesn't reach any malicious third party? No, not if you don't take proper steps to secure it," says Daniel Markuson, a cybersecurity expert at NordVPN.

Below, the expert proposes several tips on how to set up your brand-new gear before exposing it to the cruel world of internet dangers.

Set up strong and sophisticated passwords

Not only should your passwords differ from one internet account to another, but from one device to another as well. Your laptop password should be completely different from the one you use to unlock your smart speaker or smart TV. A strong password typically consists of no less than 20 characters, including numbers, letters, and symbols. You can use a password manager to both generate and store your passwords. Remember: If the password is easy to remember, it is not strong enough.

Turn on two-factor authentication (2FA)

Every year, hackers come up with new ways to crack users' devices, so a password is no longer enough to protect your gadgets. That is why our expert advises using two-factor authentication on every device that offers this possibility.

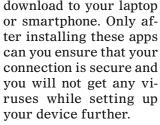
The 2FA process adds an extra layer of security to your device, making it much harder for malicious actors to attack and steal your data. Just entering a password won't be enough — hackers would also have to get access to your phone or email.

Review app permissions

If you received a phone as a gift, don't forget to double-check the permissions you give to the apps vou install. Some apps can request more data than they actually need. For example, your calendar app does not need permission to access your camera or microphone. And surely none of the photo editing apps need to know every person on your contact list.

Install cybersecurity tools

Not every new device is equipped with antivirus software or a VPN, so cybersecurity apps are the first thing you should download to your laptop or smartphone. Only after installing these apps can you ensure that your connection is secure and you will not get any viruses while setting up



Set up automatic updates

Once you have installed everything you need, set up automatic updates so that you never miss one. Many people disregard updates because they don't want to waste time installing them or just don't see the point. However, that is a big mistake because most updates are aimed at patching serious vulnerabilities that manufacturers find in their devices.

"Even though new devices bring new vulnerabilities, there is a secure way to enjoy them. All it requires is a little more attention to what we install, which links we click, and how we act online. If we prepare our gadgets properly, they will serve us without compromising our data," says Daniel Markuson, a cybersecurity expert at NordVPN.

SENSORY

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"Some people want to turn their controls up for stimulation, which helps with cognitive development, but others kind of want to turn it down and and prevent sensory overload through pleasant lights or sounds or those kinds of things that prevents them from having sensory overload," she said. "So it's just a way to help people learn to manage their senses and their response to stimulus and learn how to manage it by keeping control of the room itself."

Amini-Rad said that approximately 75 people passed through the Community Learning Center on Thursday to see and experience the sensory room. Even more came by Friday, spending time enjoying the benefits it offered. She said the comments she has received have been "really exceptional" and that many in the community believe it will be beneficial for their child to participate in.

"Generally, the feedback has been really positive," she said.

She encouraged residents that want to experience the room to call and



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schedule a time to use it as some may want to be in it alone while others don't mind sharing the space while entranced within it.

Amini-Rad said that sensory rooms are relatively common in working with people with emotional support needs or developmental disabilities. She said that while there are a few sensory

rooms that already exist in Kirksville, none that she knows of are open to the general public.

Features within this room include bubble lights where the bubbles rise inside a glass tube, changing colors while making a gurgling sound. A marble board sits on a wall and has many hundreds of marbles that roll, light up and change color as you run your hands across them. There are vibrating lights, gentle Northern lights that expand across the ceiling when the room is darkened, music, and a sensory swing that can hold 400 pounds, all of which is designed to encourage visual, auditory and tactile processing.

The swing allows for compressions swinging for those that like compression around them while sway, which is deemed more therapeutical than the typical recreational platform swinging.

"It's intended to be a very calming environment," Amini-Rad said, noting the benefit to individuals who don't have developmental disabilities but are looking for a quiet room that has a therapeutic space with a variety of different equipment to calm themselves. "Probably reducing anxiety is one of the most common uses of a sensory room. Our society is in a mental health crisis and people's anxiety levels are higher than ever and when you get people shut up with cold weather and can't really get out and enjoy the outdoors, it's nice to

ment where they can go to where they have access to therapeutic type equipment that might help them

reduce their anxiety." Other features include tiles on the floor that people can walk on or press that change colors inside the tile as pressure is put on it, several different seating type arrangements and a TV where they can input music. There's a slide projector that is currently projecting an elaborate sea life scene on the walls.

"Sensory rooms are becoming very, very popular and are used in schools and the communities and libraries and everywhere," Amini-Rad said. "That's why we felt it was important to make sure, first of all, we had one that was open to the public. My hope is that if somebody walks in with stress and

anxiety, that after they spend a few minutes in the sensory room, they will feel in control of their environment and relaxed and ready to take on the world."

The new sensory room is a natural extension of SB40s Community Learning Center, which, while targeting and servicing people with developmental disabilities, invites residents of all abilities to participate in their many programs and offerings in order to achieve a more inclusive environment that benefits everyone. Amini-Rad encourages community members to contact the Adair County SB40 Community Learning Center (660-665-9400) to schedule a time to take advantage of the sensory room and learn more about the programs offered there.



Des Moines

Weather

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THURSDAY



Shown is Saturday's weather

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Outdoor Activity Forecast

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Temperatures are Saturday's highs

7-DAY FORECAST FOR KIRKSVILLE

SATURDAY SAT. NIGHT A little icy mix in the morning, 1-2"

POP: 85%

Oskaloosa

A bit of evening snow; otherwise, cloudy LOW: **25**

SUNDAY Times of clouds

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TUESDAY MONDAY Partial sunshine

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POP: 5%

Periods of clouds and sunshine

POP: 10%

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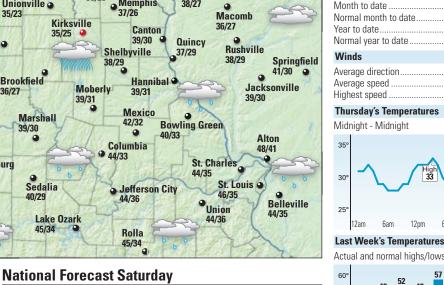
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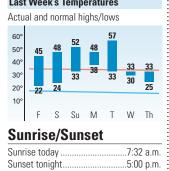
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FRIDAY

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41/24/s 51/31/s Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

Topeka

River Stages									
(in feet)	Flood Stage	Thu. 7 a.m.	24-hr +/-						
Chariton River									
Chariton	19.5	4.66	+0.07						
Rathbun Tail		2.12	-0.01						
Moulton	36	20.42	-1.82						
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Prairie Hill	15	5.53	+1.74						
South Fork Cha	ariton Riv	er							
Promise City	25	3.81	-0.43						
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Keokuk	16	5.69	+0.32						

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Columbus	38/26/pc	36/27/c
Dallas	64/39/pc	63/39/s
Denver	44/25/pc	46/29/c
Detroit	37/25/pc	36/27/c
Fargo	18/10/pc	23/11/pc
Grand Rapids	36/23/pc	36/27/c
Hartford	43/23/pc	38/29/pc
Honolulu	82/66/s	83/71/s
Houston	78/51/t	68/50/r
Jackson, MS	74/56/pc	59/40/r
Jacksonville	68/42/s	73/50/pc
Las Vegas	55/40/pc	58/42/c
Little Rock	65/44/r	59/34/pc
Los Angeles	65/49/c	61/53/pc
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Memphis	58/46/r	53/36/pc
Miami	77/65/s	81/66/pc
Minneapolis	19/1/s	22/17/pc
Nashville	49/46/r	55/40/r
New Orleans	75/57/s	70/52/sh
New York City	44/32/pc	40/35/pc
Norfolk	52/36/pc	46/40/r
Oklahoma City	49/28/pc	55/35/s
Orlando	73/53/s	80/59/s
Philadelphia	46/32/pc	42/34/pc
Phoenix	68/46/s	68/44/pc
Pittsburgh	35/24/sf	37/31/c
Portland, ME	41/21/pc	35/24/s
Portland, OR	48/41/r	49/44/sh
Rapid City	38/16/c	42/23/s
Sacramento	56/49/r	58/52/sh
Salt Lake City	39/30/c	43/30/sn
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Sisters give cold shoulder to sibling's new boyfriend

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DEAR ABBY: I dearly love my youngest daughter. She's the only one of my four daughters who has never married. For several months, she has been living with a man who is divorced and the father of two sons.

He's a caring father. The problem is his status as a felon, for possession of drugs and fleeing the police. He served his time -- about a year -and received commendations during that time. Her sisters refuse to come to my home if he's present and won't invite NEW JERSEY him for holidays.

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JEANNE PHILLIPS DEAR ABBY

here with her sisters, but she will not come without him. I believe everyone deserves a second chance. How long should it take for her sisters and their husbands to accept him? -- ACCEPTING IN

DEAR ACCEPTING: My birthday is ap- If your daughter's boy-

lifestyle, has found employment and is trying to turn his life around, your other daughters and their husbands should give him the chance to prove himself. That they refuse is sad in light of the fact that it prevents you from enjoying holidays with your entire family. However, I can't change what's happening, and neither can you, so celebrate with this couple separately.

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

When Mark, 38, and his wife left for work one morning in January, their back garden in Belfast, Northern Ireland, looked just like it does any other day. But when the wife returned that afternoon, there was a concrete slab painted with a creepy clown face propped against the wall, the Belfast Telegraph reported. "Someone would have had to come through our gate and down the steps to place it there -- and deliberately place it so it was facing the window so we would see it," Mark said. The clown was holding a lighted candle, and on the reverse, a Bible verse was inscribed: "Let your light shine. Matthew 5:16." Mark contacted friends, neighbors and family members to see if it was a prank, or if others had received a clown, but no one had experienced anything similar. He threw the clown away, but remains creeped out: "It's so unsettling."

Thanks for Nothing!

Catherine Graham of Marshfield, Massachusetts, recently cashed in on her 15 minutes of fame on "The Price Is Right" with host Drew Carey. She flew to Los Angeles to visit her daughter and attended a taping of the show, which aired on Feb. 1.

As luck would have it, Graham ended up on stage with Carey and played for a great trip -- to New Hampshire! When Carey gushed, "New Hampshire is beautiful!" Graham replied, "Drew, I live in Boston! I've been to New Hampshire a million times!" But wait, there's more! In order to collect the prize roundtrip airfare, she'll have to travel to Los Angeles again to fly to Manchester, New Hampshire. "I just wish it was Tahiti ... or Bora Bora. A cruise around the world maybe," Graham told WBZ-TV. But, she said, "It was so fun."

Ooohhh-kkkaaayyyyy

Some romantic relationships are full of drama and strife, so maybe Sandra, 28, of Budapest, Hungary, has come up with a better model. According to Oddity Central, Sandra has fallen for Luffancs, a plastic model of an airplane. After breaking up with her latest human boyfriend in January, Sandra bought Luffancs for \$660 and fell madly in love. "I don't know why I love him, I just love him," she said. Sandra works in the aviation industry and is around airplanes every day, but says she will never cheat on Luffancs. In fact, she doesn't know if she'll ever date another human being. "Planes are more reliable as partners," she said.

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Sports



Truman head coach Theo Dean addresses the team during a timeout against Indianapolis on Nov. 28. ADAM TUMINO

Truman women's basketball team gets win in return to conference play

By Adam Tumino

Daily Express

After a break from conference play that lasted nearly a month, the Truman State women's basketball once again played a GLVC opponent. The Bulldogs hosted Quincy on Thursday, beating the Hawks by a score of 68-56. The 56 points allowed are the fewest for the Bulldog defense in conference play and the second fewest in a game this season.

Truman improved to 5-1 in conference play with the win. They lost their previous conference game on Dec. 10 against Southwest Baptist. The Bulldogs join Maryville with 5-1 conference records. Both teams trail 5-0 Drury in the standings.

In Thursday's game, Truman and Quincy exchanged leads twice in the early minutes of the first quarter before Truman took the lead for good. The Bulldogs outscored Quincy 18-12 in the first quarter. Quincy was able to cut that six-point deficit to five by halftime, but Truman pulled away once again in the third quarter, outscoring the Hawks 22-14. Quincy was able to then



Truman guard Hannah Belanger puts up a shot in traffic against Indianapolis on Nov. 28. ADAM TUMINO

outscore Truman 14-13 in for a shooting percentage the fourth, but never put together a true comeback push. for a shooting percentage of 47.3 percent. Quincy took 13 more shots than Truman, but crucially

Quincy actually outperformed Truman in some secondary statistical categories. The Hawks forced 16 Truman turnovers while committing 12 of their own. They also outscored Truman 34-16 with points in the paint while also having more second chance points and points off turnovers than Truman.

Despite these numbers, Truman was able to take and maintain a lead by simply shooting much more efficiently than Quincy.

The Bulldogs shot 26of-55 from the field, good of 47.3 percent. Quincy took 13 more shots than Truman, but crucially made two fewer, shooting just 35.3 percent from the field. There was an even bigger gap in three point shooting. Truman went 11-of-29 from three while Quincy went 3-of-16 from deep.

The Bulldogs were led offensively by Hannah Belanger, who eclipsed 20 points for the ninth time in 14 games this season. She finished with 24 points on 10-of-15 shooting and 4-of-8 from three. She also reached a milestone in the game, moving into fourth place on the program's alltime scoring list, surpassing Amy Eagan.

Forward Ellie Weltha was the only other Truman player to score in double figures, finishing with 10 points and a teamhigh seven rebounds. Point guard Gracie Stugart had a season high with 10 assists while also scoring six points and grabbing five rebounds.

The Bulldogs took advantage of their depth once again, with 10 players seeing action and playing at least nine minutes, with most players remaining on the court for more than 10 minutes in the game. All 10 players that entered the game scored at least two points.

Quincy's two leading scorers, Sarah Nelson and Beth Matas Martin, accounted for 37 of the Hawks' 68 shot attempts. Nelson led the team with 17 points on 8-of-21 shooting while Matas Martin had 11 points while shooting 4-of-16.

The Bulldogs will be back in action on Jan. 12 when they host William Jewell. The Cardinals are 2-4 in conference play, coming off a conference win Thursday against Illinois-Springfield. The game will tip off at 5:15 p.m. from Pershing Arena.

COLUMN

How to reconcile football viewership after Hamlin incident

ootball is a violent sport. Every sensible person is aware of this. At every level of football, there is the risk for serious injury on every play. It is something that every football player, coach, parent and fan has to deal with in their own way.

Many people acknowledge the danger and accept it. That is fine. Others cannot get over the dangerous aspects of the game and choose not to play or watch football. That is fine, too.



DAILY EXPRESS SPORTS

But using what happened to Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin in the Monday Night Football game against the Bengals on Jan. 2 as an example of the danger of football is not necessary, or wholly accurate.

For those unaware, Hamlin was going to tackle Cincinnati receiver Tee Higgins on Monday when he took a blow to the chest. Hamlin briefly stood up after the play before collapsing on the field. Medical personnel rushed to Hamlin and immediately realized that he had gone into cardiac arrest.

Hamlin was given CPR on the field and had an AED used to restore circulation before he was rushed to the hospital and listed in critical condition. There was some positive news on Thursday, as Hamlin was reported to be awake and communicating to family members via writing. It also seemed that he was neurologically intact.

As of Jan. 5, there is still no official word on what exactly happened to Hamlin, but many professionals consider something called commotio cordis to be the reason. Commotio cordis is an extremely rare event where a high-velocity blow to the chest in the exact right spot and at the exact wrong time in the heartbeat can cause the heart to stop suddenly.

This type of injury is almost unheard of on football fields. It is more common among youth baseball and softball players who take line drives to the chest, although it is still exceedingly rare in those situations. There are approximately 20 occurrences of commotio cordis each year.

The reason that is more likely to happen to children is because they have less fat and muscle tissue protecting their chests than adults do. Professional athletes are even more unlikely to suffer from commotio cordis due to their physical condition.

That is why what happened to Hamlin was so unlikely and terrifying. Even with all the high-speed collisions in every game of football, it is rare to see a player collapse the way Hamlin did. It is even rarer to see the ambulance brought onto the field. The fact that CPR had to be immediately administered made this a particularly disturbing event.

Even though television viewers could not see CPR being done, the emotional responses of the players on the field certainly conveyed the seriousness of the situation. Professional football players witness serious injuries quite often, so seeing these players openly weeping on the field or turning away from the scene with their head in their hands was startling.

It is understandable that many people watching Monday's game would see what happened as an unfortunate example of the brutality of football. But as more information comes to light about what happened to Hamlin, it does not seem like football itself is to blame.

Commotio cordis is not in any way connected to football. It is certainly true that if Hamlin had not taken that hit to the chest, none of this would have happened. But the NFL dates back to 1920 and something like this has never been recorded in a game before.

For people who consider football too violent, their minds were probably made up before Monday's incident. There are honestly plenty of reasons for people to find if they want to stop watching football. For those who still choose to watch or play football, what happened to Hamlin is unlikely to change their minds.

It is of course natural to be concerned about the physical wellbeing of football players, but commotio cordis is not a realistic fear when it comes to football. But for those who understandably want to try and prevent it from happening again, there are plenty of relatively inexpensive heart guards and chest pads people can wear when playing sports, especially those playing youth baseball, softball or other similar sports.

Slow start hurts Truman men's basketball team against Quincy

By Adam TuminoDaily Express

The Truman men's basketball team had a strong showing in the second half against Quincy on Thursday, but a slow first half was too much for the Bulldogs to overcome in their return to conference play.

The Bulldogs lost the game 85-74 to fall to 1-5 in conference play, putting them in last in the GLVC. Quincy improved to 4-1 in conference play, putting them atop the standings alongside 4-1 Missouri-St. Louis.

Slow first halves have been a problem throughout the season for the Bulldogs, and on Thursday it proved costly. Truman struggled shooting early on, making just seven shots from the field in the opening half while Quincy shot 20-of-35 from the

field. Quincy made seven threes on 13 attempts in the first half while Truman shot 0-of-8 from deep.

The only thing seemingly keeping the game somewhat in reach for the Bulldogs in the first half was their success getting to the free throw line and converting. Truman went 14-of-19 from the line while Quincy was 4-of-5.

Despite trailing 51-28 at the half and 54-28 early in the second half, Truman was able to climb back into the game over the final 20 minutes and make the end result closer. After shooting 35 percent in the first half, Truman shot 16-of-29 in the second half for a solid 55.2 percent. They were also better from three, shooting 6-of-10 from deep.

Quincy's shooting from the field was less effective in the second half, but was



Truman guard Hunter Strait looks to pass the ball against Indianapolis on Nov. 28. ADAM TUMINO

still good enough to allow the Hawks' lead to remain safe. Their shooting percentage dropped from 57.1 percent in the first half to 41.7 in the second and their three point shooting percentage dropped by over 16 percent to 37.5.

The Hawks got to the line more in the second half and missed just once, going 11-of-12 in the half and 15-of-17 in the game. Quincy's Malik Hard-

mon had a performance that was indicative of the team's success. He shot 10-of-17 from the field, 3-of-6 from three and 6-of-6 from the line to score 29 points in the game. He also led the team with seven rebounds and three steals. Paul Zilinskas scored 16 points thanks in part to shooting 4-of-5 from three.

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Chiefs would be top seed in **AFC** with win over Raiders

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS — The Kansas City Chiefs now know they control their destiny.

With the NFL's decision to cancel the suspended Monday night game between Buffalo and Cincinnati, a Chiefs victory at Las Vegas on Saturday makes them the AFC's No. 1 seed.

There's a catch, however: NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell proposed Thursday night that the AFC championship game would be played at a neutral site if the Chiefs earn home-field advantage over Cincinnati or Buffalo by virtue of having played one more game and end up meeting either of those teams. That proposal will go before NFL clubs for approval on Friday.

The Bills-Bengals game was postponed in the first quarter when Bills safety Damar Hamlin went into cardiac arrest. He has shown signs of improvement but remains in critical condition at a Cincinnati hospital.

Kansas City (13-3) began its preparations this week for the Raiders not knowing what decisions the league would make regarding playoff seeding or even this weekend's schedule.

"All I can do is come in here and give it everything I have in the building and then when I go home just appreciate my family," Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes said. "I know there's a job to do, and you have to go in there and do it. But at the end of the day, you just want to make sure (Hamlin's) all right because that's what's most important."

As for the Raiders (6-10), their season ends this weekend, but that doesn't mean the game is inconsequential for them.

Las Vegas faces a lot of questions in the offseason, most notably at quarterback. Jarrett Stidham will start his second game in a row in place of the benched Derek Carr. Stidham threw for 365 yards and three touchdowns in Sunday's 37-34 overtime loss to San Francisco.

"I think he showed what he's capable of and what he can do," Raiders wide receiver Davante Adams said. "Definitely has some potential. I think that sustaining that and doing it again will be something that'd be big for him as far as seeing how (the coaches) view him and how they want to move forward."

SPECIAL TEAMS SITUATION

The Chiefs have struggled on special teams most of the season. Last week, punt returner Kadarius Toney lost a fumble, Kansas City missed a point-after because of holder Tommy Townsend's miscue and a fieldgoal attempt was blocked.

Making things even worse, kicker Harrison Butker experienced back spasms in practice Wednesday, and it's unclear whether he will play against the Raiders. The Chiefs planned to sign a kicker to the practice squad as insurance.

PERSONAL HIGHLIGHT REEL

Adams made two tremendous catches against the 49ers.

On one, he brought in a touchdown pass on the left side of the end zone, leaping and finding a way to land both feet inbounds.

On another, he somehow grabbed a deep pass barely off the ground and held on to it for a 45-yard gain that set up a touchdown. That play was reviewed and the call of a completed pass upheld.

"What I enjoy more (than watching his highlights) is reading the comments of every Niner fan that said it was incomplete," Adams said. "That makes me a little bit happier than praising myself and patting myself on the



Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes runs off the field after an NFL football game against the Denver Broncos Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, in Kansas City, Mo. AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL

back. I like the people that are pissed off about it."

CHIEFS INJURY WOES

Kansas City had been charmed all season when it came to injuries until last week. A flurry of them against the Broncos has coach Andy Reid facing some uncertainty on Saturday. Left guard Joe Thuney (sore ankle), wide receiver Skyy Moore (lacerated hand) and cornerback L'Jarius Sneed (hip pointer) are all important contributors who missed practice time this week.

CLOSE CALL

The Raiders nearly beat the Chiefs in Kansas City when the teams met on Oct. 10, blowing a 17-point lead in the 30-29 loss.

Las Vegas coach Josh Mc-Daniels said only so much can be taken out of the game for the rematch because both teams have undergone significant changes.

"So I think there's definitely some challenges in terms of just getting to know the personnel that's out there now as opposed to what it was," McDaniels said. "But I definitely think that any time you have previous knowledge of an opponent and you've played against them (it's beneficial), especially for the players.

"It's not always a precursor of what's going to happen the next game, as we know. The second game of these division rivalries is always a little bit different because you're going to change some things."

Chiefs hope to continue dominance of Raiders

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY (13-3) AT LAS VEGAS (6-10)

Saturday, 4:30 p.m. EST, ABC/ESPN

FANDUEL SPORTSBOOK NFL LINE: Chiefs by 9 1/2 AGAINST THE SPREAD:

Chiefs 5-10-1; Raiders 8-8 SERIES RECORD: Chiefs lead 71-54-2

LAST MEETING: Chiefs beat the Raiders 30-29 on Oct. 10.

LAST WEEK: Chiefs beat Broncos 27-24; Raiders lost to 49ers 37-34 in OT

CHIEFS PLAYER TO WATCH: QB Patrick Mahomes is having another MVP-caliber season, though he's also been prone to making inopportune mistakes, such as his pick in the end zone in last week's win over Denver. Still, the Pro Bowl quarterback needs just 50 yards passing to break his own franchise record of 5,097 vards set during his 2018 MVP season. Last week, Mahomes joined Drew Brees as the only QBs in NFL history with multiple seasons of at least 5,000 yards passing and 40 touchdown throws.

RAIDERS PLAYER TO WATCH: DE Maxx Crosby. He's in a dry spell for sacks, not having had one over the



Chiefs running back Jerick McKinnon celebrates after scoring a touch down during the second half of an NFL football game against the Broncos Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, in Kansas City, Mo. AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL

past three games and one in five weeks. Especially with Chandler Jones out on the other side with an elbow injury, the Chiefs can load up on keeping Crosby out of the backfield. If he isn't able to put pressure on Mahomes, it will be a long day for the Raiders defense. It might be anyway.

KEY MATCHUP: Chiefs TE Travis Kelce vs. Raiders defense. It's not a simple oneon-one matchup, and it will take a complete team effort by Las Vegas considering Kelce has eaten up the Raiders. He caught seven passes for just 25 yards in the October meeting,

but four went for touchdowns. Kelce hauled in eight passes for 119 yards in another meeting last season.

KEY INJURIES: Chiefs LG Joe Thuney (ankle), WR Skyy Moore (hand) and CB L'Jarius Sneed (hip) missed practice time this week. So did K Harrison Butker, who experienced back spasms during Wednesday's workout. Raiders RB Josh Jacobs (hip and oblique) could miss the game. LB Darien Butler (concussion) was limited in practice this week.

SERIES NOTES: Kansas City has won the past four meetings, nine of 10 and 14 of 16. ... Andy

Reid is 16-3 against the Raiders since becoming Chiefs coach in 2013. Patrick Mahomes is 8-1 since becoming the starting quarterback in 2018. ... The rivalry goes back to 1960 when they both were in the American Football League. The Raiders were in Oakland and the Chiefs were the Dallas Texans.

STATS AND STUFF: The Chiefs can match the franchise record for regular-season wins set in 2020. ... Kansas City can set a franchise record with at least 300 yards total offense in its 16th consecutive game. ... Reid needs five regular-season wins to pass Tom Landry (250) for fourth among NFL coaches. ... Mahomes has 5,377 yards through the air and on the ground this season. He needs 186 yards to pass the record of 5,562 set by Brees in 2011. ... Kelce needs eight catches to break the Chiefs season record of 111 set by Tyreek Hill during the 2021 season. Kelce is the only NFL tight end with multiple 100-catch seasons. ... Kelce needs 180 yards receiving to break Hill's season record for the Chiefs of 1,479 set in 2018. ... The Chiefs' Jerick McKinnon is the first RB since 1947 to catch a touchdown pass in five consecutive games. He has eight TDs total over that span.

... Chiefs DE George Karlaftis is third among rookies with 5 1/2 sacks this season. All but his first half-sack have come in the past six games. ... Chiefs LB Nick Bolton needs 15 tackles to break Derrick Johnson's season record of 179 set in 2011. ... Chiefs WR JuJu Smith-Schuster needs 102 yards receiving for his second 1,000-yard season. He had 1,426 yards for Pittsburgh in 2018. ... The Raiders are one of three teams with multiple games of 500-plus vards this season. Kansas City and Detroit are the others. Las Vegas has done it twice, including Sunday against the San Francisco 49ers. This is the first time since 2011 the Raiders have had more than one game with at least 500 vards.... Davante Adams has the Raiders' record with 1,443 receiving yards. Tim Brown held the mark with 1,408 yards in 1997. Adams needs one more touchdown catch to become the fifth receiver in NFL history with 15 or more TD receptions multiple times. ... Josh Jacobs is 152 yards from setting the Raiders' record for the most rushing yards in a season. Marcus Allen rushed for 1,759 yards in 1985. ... Crosby leads the league with 20 tackles for loss. Only Khalil Mack with 23 in 2015 had more tackles for loss for the Raiders.

Chiefs activate WR Mecole Hardman off injured reserve

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Kansas City Chiefs activated wide receiver Mecole Hardman from injured reserve on Wednesday, less than an hour before the deadline to decide whether to place him on the active roster or end his season, though it's unclear whether he will play this weekend in Las

Hardman has not played since Week 9 because of an abdominal injury. He was designated to return on Dec. 14, opening a threeweek window in which he could practice. And the Chiefs were optimistic that he could play in last Sunday's win over Denver until Hardman experienced what coach Andy Reid called "a setback" during practice.

The Chiefs cleared roster

backup offensive lineman Geron Christian.

The AFC West champions will no doubt get a boost from Hardman, one of the fastest wide receivers in the league, who had scored five touchdowns — three through the air and two on the ground — in the three games prior to his injury.

In fact, they have hardly played with their full complement of wide receivers because JuJu Smith-Schuster missed a game to concussion protocol and Kadarius Toney was out with a hamstring injury shortly after his trade from the Giants.

Still, the high-flying Chiefs are No. 1 in the league in scoring (29.1 points per game), total offense (417.7 yards), passing yards (305.1) and yards per play (6.4). They're also second

space for Hardman by waiving in third down conversion rate, their red zone touchdown rate and sacks allowed, and they are one of the least-penalized teams in the league.

> The Chiefs also made a couple of practice squad moves Wednesday, signing former Kansas defensive tackle Daniel Wise and releasing wide receiver Brian Edwards. Wise appeared in 17 games for the Commanders the past two seasons.

> The Chiefs, who at 13-3 are a half-game ahead of Buffalo for the best record in the AFC, play the Raiders on Saturday night in their regular-season finale. The Bills, who hold a tiebreaker over Kansas City after their head-tohead win in October, play the Patriots on Sunday, though it remains unclear whether their game against Cincinnati will be completed.



Truman guard Xavier Hall handles the ball near the top of the key against Indianapolis on Nov. 28. ADAM TUMINO

TRUMAN

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Truman had four players reach double figures in scoring, led by Xavier Hall with 12 points. Hunter Strait, Elijah Hazekamp and CE Talton each added 10 points. Hazekamp also

had a game-high nine rebounds while Strait had a game-high five assists.

Truman will continue conference play on Jan.12 when they host William Jewell. The Cardinals are 4-2 in conference play and beat Illinois-Springfield 73-63 on Thursday. Tipoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Sports

NFL: Bills-Bengals won't resume; playoff scenarios revealed

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The NFL said Thursday it will not resume the Bills-Bengals game that was suspended Monday night after Buffalo safety Damar Hamlin collapsed and went into cardiac arrest on the field.

The league said some of the factors in coming to its decision included that "not playing the Buffalo-Cincinnati game to its conclusion will have no effect on which clubs qualify for the postseason. No club would qualify for the postseason and no club will be eliminated based on the outcome of this game."

Also, the NFL said playing the game between the Bills and Bengals would have required postponing the start of the playoffs by a week, and affecting all 14 teams that qualified for the postseason.

The NFL said its decision creates "potential competitive inequities in certain playoff scenarios." The league said clubs on Friday, in a special league meeting, would consider a resolution recommended by the commissioner and approved today by the competition committee.

Hamlin has shown what physicians treating him are calling "remarkable improvement over the past 24 hours," the team announced Thursday, three days after the 24-yearold player had to be resuscitated on the field.

The Bills-Bengals game had major playoff implications for the AFC. Buffalo (12-3) entered Monday night needing a win to maintain the AFC's No. 1 seed. The Kansas City Chiefs (13-3) now hold that spot. The Bengals (11-4) had a chance to earn that top seed with two more wins and a loss by the Chiefs.

The scenarios approved by the competition committee include a potential neutral site for the AFC championship game. The league is considering several sites, including indoor and outdoor stadiums.

The resolution being presented to clubs for a vote on Friday follows:

The AFC Championship Game will be played at a neutral site if the participating teams played an unequal number of games and both could have been the No. 1 seed and hosted the game had all AFC clubs played a full 17-game regular season.

Those circumstances involve Buffalo or Cincinnati qualifying for the game as a road team. If Buffalo and Kansas City both win or tie this weekend, a Bills-Chiefs AFC title game would be at a neutral site.

If Buffalo and Kansas City both lose and Baltimore wins or ties, a Bills-Chiefs AFC title game would be at a neutral site.

If Buffalo and Kansas City both lose and Cincinnati wins, Bills or Bengals against Kansas City in the AFC title game would be at a neutral site.

Also, if Baltimore defeats Cincinnati in Week 18, the Ravens would have two wins

Buffalo safety Damar Hamlin collapsed and went into cardiac arrest on the field, two people familiar with the decision told The Associated Press on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023. AP PHOTO/JOSHUA A. BICKEL over the Bengals, a divisional opponent, but will not be able to host a playoff game because Cincinnati will have a higher winning percentage for a 16-

Therefore, if Baltimore defeats Cincinnati and if those two clubs are schedule to play a wild-

game schedule than Baltimore

will for a 17-game schedule.

card game against each another, the site for that game would be determined by a coin toss.

However, if the Bengals win this weekend or if Baltimore and Cincinnati are not scheduled to play each other in the wild-card round, the game sites would be determined by the regular scheduling procedures.



An ambulance leaves the field with Buffalo Bills' Damar Hamlin during

the first half of an NFL football game between the Bills and the Cincin-

nati Bengals, Monday, Jan. 2, 2023, in Cincinnati. The NFL will not re-

sume the Bills-Bengals game that was suspended Monday night after

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — The Buffalo Bills got a much-needed jolt of good news on Thursday.

Coach Sean McDermott and his team found out that safety Damar Hamlin has made remarkable progress in his recovery since his heart stopped during Monday night's game.

In three days since the Bills were left emotionally devastated as they watched their teammate collapse on the field in Cincinnati, the team's motto has gone from "Pray for Damar" to "Play for Damar."

And a rallying message from Hamlin's father, Mario — delivered to the Bills via a Zoom call on Wednesday — provided another boost as the Bills (12-3) resumed practicing in preparation to host the New England Patriots (8-8) in their season finale on Sunday.

team needs to get back to focus on the goals they had set for themselves. Damar would have wanted it that way," McDermott said during the team's first media availability since Hamlin's life was endangered. "We owe that to Damar. and we owe that to his family."

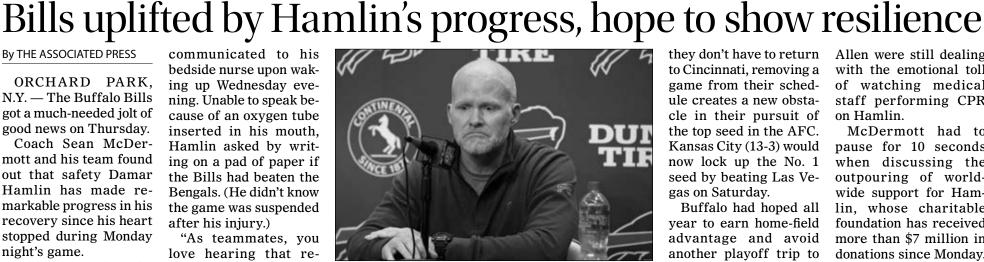
Quarterback Josh Allen was particularly inspired by what Hamlin but this marks a really

communicated to his bedside nurse upon waking up Wednesday evening. Unable to speak because of an oxygen tube inserted in his mouth, Hamlin asked by writing on a pad of paper if the Bills had beaten the Bengals. (He didn't know the game was suspended

after his injury.) "As teammates, you love hearing that response, that the first thing on his mind wasn't, you know, 'Poor me.' It was, 'How are my teammates doing?" Allen said. "For Damar to go through that and to come out on the other side and still, again, just thinking about his teammates, that's Damar. That's who he is."

Though the 24-year-old Hamlin remains listed in critical condition in the intensive care unit of the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, his doctors provided encouraging news on his recovery. "His message was the Aside from being able to communicate, Hamlin has also been able to grip people's hands.

"So we know that it's not only that the lights are on. We know that he's home. And it appears that all the cylinders are firing within his brain, which is greatly gratifying for all of us," Dr. Timothy Pritts said. "He still has significant progress he needs to make,



Bills head coach Sean McDermott speaks with the media, Thursday Jan. 5, 2023, in Orchard Park, N.Y. Bills safety Damar Hamlin was taken to the hospital after collapsing on the field during the Bill's NFL football game against the Bengals on Monday night. AP PHOTO/JEFFREY T. BARNES

good turning point in his ongoing care."

The test for the Bills now is focusing their attention on returning to the field. It's vet another challenge during a year filled with adversity for one of the AFC's best

The last remnants of a blizzard, in which more than 40 people died across the region over Christmas, are still visible in melting snow piles along the region's streets and in parking lots. The storm was the second to hit Buffalo in a month, with the first one in November forcing the Bills to relocate their home game against Cleveland to Detroit. The Bills also rallied in support of the community in May in the aftermath of a racist shooting spree in which 10 people were killed at a Buffalo supermarket.

McDermott — who sat with Allen at the podium during an emotional, nearly 40-minute news conference — is confident the Bills, much like their community, can once again show their

resilience. "How do I know that we'll be able to overcome, is we have to. Just like we've done many times before, and this city, and the people of western New York that have dealt with what they've dealt with. That's what you do," McDermott said. "This is what western New York and the fans of the Buffalo Bills, this is what we do."

The NFL confirmed on Thursday night what had become inevitable: The Bills-Bengals game won't be resumed. While the Bills may be relieved they don't have to return to Cincinnati, removing a game from their schedule creates a new obstacle in their pursuit of the top seed in the AFC. Kansas City (13-3) would now lock up the No. 1 seed by beating Las Vegas on Saturday.

Buffalo had hoped all year to earn home-field advantage and avoid another playoff trip to Kansas City, where it lost a thrilling, back-andforth divisional playoff matchup in overtime last season. The Bills did their part by beating the Chiefs on the road on Oct. 16.

Under a proposal Thursday from NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell that was pending approval by clubs, the Bills would indeed escape that return trip.

Goodell proposed that potential AFC Championship meetings between the three teams affected by the canceled game — Buffalo, Kansas City and Cincinnati (11-4) — be played at neutral sites if the team that earned home-field advantage benefited from playing an unequal number of games.

None of those details were of much concern Thursday to McDermott, who said seedings and playoff scenarios took a backseat to the team's focus on Hamlin's health. McDermott and Allen were still dealing with the emotional toll of watching medical staff performing CPR on Hamlin.

McDermott had to pause for 10 seconds when discussing the outpouring of worldwide support for Hamlin, whose charitable foundation has received more than \$7 million in donations since Monday.

"It's amazing to me to know the impact that this has had on so many people," McDermott said, his eyes welling. "And for now, Damar to be awake and his mom to be able to share that with him is incredible."

Allen said it will be difficult to determine what it will be like for the team to play on Sunday.

"I think for every person, it's going to be a little bit different. I think putting that helmet back on today was a really good thing for our team," Allen said. "But I'd be lying to you if I didn't say some people will be changed forever, you know, after being on the field and witnessing that and feeling those emotions."

What encouraged the quarterback was a conversation he had with Mario Hamlin after his son was hospitalized on Monday night.

"The only thing he said was: 'My son's going to be all right," Allen said.



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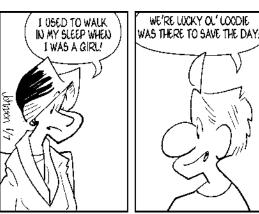
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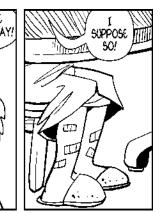
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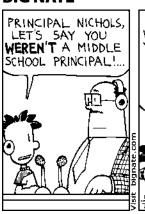
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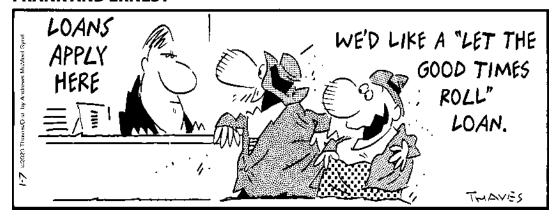
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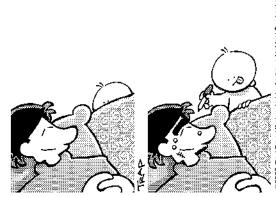
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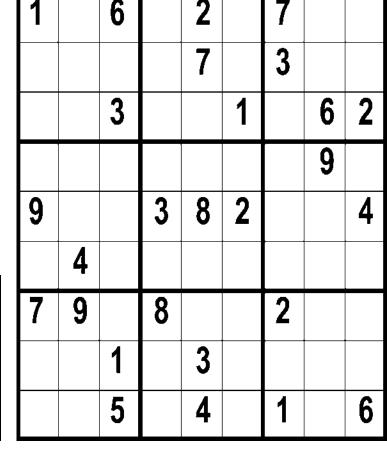
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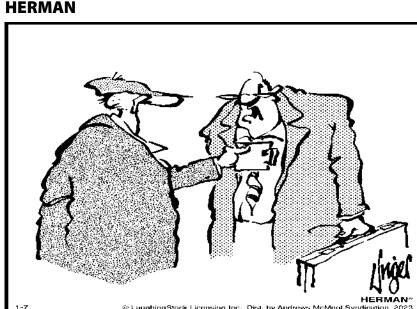
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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Do what needs to be done and go about your business. Waiting for someone to pitch in will be a disappointment. Use your expertise and wherewithal to outdo any competition.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Change your surroundings to meet your needs. Make room for something to add to your daily routine or put time aside to work on personal growth or a creative project. Do what makes you happy.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Share your enthusiasm with someone who can appreciate it. A connection you make will encourage you to handle your money and investments differently. A hunch will pay off.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Offer suggestions, but don't offer your time or money. Someone will take advantage of you if you let compliments feed your ego. Know when to say no. Have faith in yourself and your abilities.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Refuse to let anyone limit you. Size up situations, look for the easiest way to accomplish your objective and implement what you must do to ensure success. A change of heart will offer insight.

you hear before passing the information along.

Learn from your mistakes and leave nothing to

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Verify everything

chance. Dress the part and know what you are talking about. Romance is favored.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- You'll draw interest and suggestions that will make your life easier. Check for incentives and government assistance to help fund something you want to pursue. A partnership looks promising.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- An open mind will invite information that puts a new twist on an old plan or skill. Reach out to someone you know can fuel the fire and get things up and running. A romantic gesture will pay off.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Engage in something that moves you. Get out and socialize, travel or learn something new. A conversation with someone close to you will change how you move forward. Start making things happen.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Take pride in how you present yourself. Show how dedicated you are to bringing about positive change and lowering your overhead. Put your heart and soul into your professional goals.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Step outside your comfort zone, and you'll discover something quite enjoyable. Express your feelings and offer insight to others. An educational journey will not disappoint.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Promptly take care of financial, contractual and health matters. Search for the best way to make your gifts and attributes profitable. Update your look and improve your surroundings.

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IN THE ESTATE OF Verlene Ann Pedlar, Estate No.: 19AR-PR00008

Deceased.

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF VERLENE ANN PEDLAR, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Personal Representative will file a Final Settlement and Petition for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest to the Personal/Real property of the decedent and of the extent and character of their interest therein and for distribution of such property, in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, on January 24, 2023, or as may be continued by the Court.

If no objections to the settlement or proposed order of distribution are filed within 20 days after the date of the filing thereof, the court will consider said settlement and proposed distribution and, upon their approval, the court will determine the persons entitled to decedent's descendible interest in the estate and the extent and character of their interest therein. Upon proof of compliance with the court's order of distribution by the personal representative, the court will discharge the personal representative from further claim or demand by any interested person.

Brent Mayberry David Kawelmacher, Personal Representative

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Adair County R-II School District For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Summary Statement of Scope

Adair County R-II School District obtained an audit of the cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Adair County R-II School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Adair County R-II School District's basic financial statements.

Auditor's Opinion

The auditor's opinion, dated December 21, 2022, on the cash basis financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022, was as follows:

"In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Adair County R-II School District, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1."

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Summary Statement of Fund Balances and Receipts & Disbursements By Fund

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	General	Revenue	Service	Projects	Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds
<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Property tax receipts	\$1,310,733	\$-	\$256,192	\$-	\$1,566,925
Other local receipts	169,536	98,427	1,410	115	269,488
County receipts	46,301	6,038	12,698	84,750	149,787
State receipts	59,761	1,068,761	-	45,827	1,174,349
Federal receipts	112,960	127,426	-	437,357	677,743
Non-revenue receipts	1,210	<u>-</u>	_	<u>-</u>	1,210
Total receipts	1,700,501	1,300,652	270,300	568,049	3,839,502
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>					
Instructional services	273,389	1,443,928	-	-	1,717,317
Support services	388,471	299,137	-	56,638	744,246
Food services	160,479	-	-	8,063	168,542
Building	244,617	-	-	565,336	809,953
Debt service principal & interest	-	-	114,083	-	114,083
Other	1,638_	17,124	1,218	<u>-</u>	19,980_
Total disbursements	1,068,594	1,760,189	115,301	630,037	3,574,121
Excess (deficiency) of receipts					
over (under) disbursements	631,907	(459,537)	154,999	(61,988)	265,381
Other financing sources (uses)					
Operating transfers (out)	(637,991)	-	-	-	(637,991)
in		<u>459,537</u>	<u>-</u>	<u> 178,454</u>	<u>637,991</u>
Total Other Financing					
Sources (uses)	<u>(637,991)</u>	459,537	<u>-</u>	<u>178,454</u>	<u> </u>
Change in fund balance	(6,084)	-	154,999	116,466	265,381
Fund Balance—Beginning	<u>1,167,770</u>		<u>112,244</u>	<u>64,210</u>	<u>1,344,224</u>
Fund Balance—Ending	\$ <u>1,161,686</u>	\$ -	\$ 267,243	\$ 180,676	\$ 1,609,605

A complete financial report is available in the office of the superintendent for public inspection during regular business hours.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

IN RE: Gregory S. Stiner and Lisa M. Stiner, husband and wife Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Gregory S. Stiner and Lisa M. Stiner, husband and wife dated September 17, 2004 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri as Book 841, Page 597 and modified by Final Judgment entered in Case No. 20AR-CV00522 recorded December 5, 2022 in Book 1145, Page 351 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday. January 24, 2023 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit: ALL OF LOTS 3 AN [AND] D4 [4], BLOCK 2, ORCHARD PLACE AD-DITION TO KIRKSVILLE, [ADAIR COUNTY,] MO [THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN BRACKETS HAS BEEN ADDED TO MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION]

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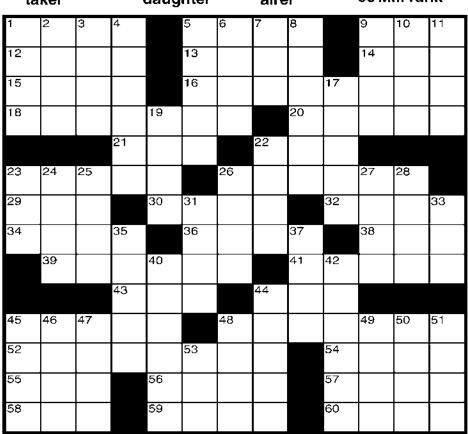
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ENERGY + ENVIRONMENT 'Everybody can do their part': Naturalists working to reestablish prairies in Missouri

'Within a 40-mile radius of the town of Monroe City, there are two remnants of the 8,000-year old prairie,' one conservationist notes

By Allison Kite Missouri Independent

MONROE CITY — As beautiful as a tallgrass prairie in bloom is, establishing one is equally unglamorous. First invasive species, like autumn olive or bradford pear trees, have to be ripped out and burned off. And even after prairie grass seeds are thrown, it won't be pretty at first.

"And next year, you look out there and you just weep because it looks disgusting," said Bob Kendrick, a member of the Mississippi Hills chapter of the Missouri Master Naturalists.

After that, the prairie slowly creeps in and then leaps to its full beautiful form. It's the "weep, creep, leap" cycle, as Kendrick calls it.

"But that's not really true because sometimes it's six or seven years," Kendrick said, drawing knowing laughs from fellow master naturalists as they mixed seeds from a dozen species with cat litter to toss on a patch of ground near Mark Twain Lake that the Army Corps of Engineers had just burned.

The Mississippi Hills group has committed to reestablishing seven prairies each year for seven years. Kendrick and fellow volunteers hope to bring native wildlife back into abundance by reestablishing grasslands that were wiped out after European settlement of Missouri.

"Within a 40-mile radius of the town of Monroe City, there are two remnants of the 8,000-year old prairie," Kendrick said. He said the two total less than two acres.

The group is in its third year and has established a seed bank that provides free seeds to landowners who want to establish a prairie. It's got four more years — or 12 more prairies — to go.

They want people to know anyone can do it. Kendrick pointed out a sign where the group tossed seed that should have read "prairie in progress." Instead, it said "prairie in progess." Another "r" had been squeezed in after the fact.

"They'll look at it and say, 'Well, if those people can do it, I know we can do it," Kendrick said.

A committed group

Kendrick and Kristy Trevathan were in the inaugural class of master naturalists in north-central Missouri. Trevathan said the term "web of life" used by an instructor in their training four years ago still stuck with her.

"Because when you plant a prairie, you bring the insects. When you



Alan Miller, a member of the Mississippi Hills chapter of the Missouri Master Naturalists, throws grass seeds in a field undergoing prairie restoration on Dec. 2, 2022. REBECCA RIVAS/THE MISSOURI INDEPENDENT

bring the insects, you bring the birds and you bring the little mammals and then the little mammals feed the turkeys and the deer," she said.

She continued: "It all started making sense why we do what we do."

Before his training as a master naturalist, Kendrick said he thought he knew a fair bit. But the knowledge he gained about invasive plants and the sheer number of species of animals in Missouri made him rethink that.

"I'm in the woods a lot. I thought I knew a little bit of stuff," Kendrick said. "And I found out I was a babe in the woods."

One of the group's instructors said their newfound knowledge of invasive plant species would ruin every walk from then on.

When Alan Miller started to establish an acre of prairie on his property, he first had to clear out rampant invasive species — primarily autumn olive trees. A friend who helped him then started noticing the trees everywhere as he drove home.

"When I got my place, there was...one place in my area that had that autumn olive, and now it is just spread out all over the place," he said.

This year, Miller said

he cleared autumn olive on 12 acres. He had to fight autumn olive as it tried to encroach on land he cleared four years ago.

But on the acre he started establishing a prairie on a few years ago, he's seeing results following a prescribed burn last year.

"One of the guys that helped on that burn came to my place," he said. "I goes, 'You're in for a treat now,' and it was blooming and it was just full of flowers."

In Kendrick's own yard, he estimates he has four or five species of birds that weren't there before. It's not just the

master naturalists who are helping. Kendrick said more than 40 people have pitched in to collect seed from swaths of prairie for the seed bank. Kendrick said he bought enough seeds for two acres and it cost more than \$1,000.

So he's giving away seeds for those who want to help establish the prairie.

"My garage is a mess," Kendrick said. "My wife is ready to kill me."

Trevathan is establishing a prairie on her oneacre yard and a songbird garden on a neighboring property she rents out.

"Everybody can do their part," she said.

Growing Lavender in Missouri — Outcomes at Kirksville site

A team of MU Extension Field Specialists received a Missouri Department of Agriculture Specialty Crops Block grant in January 2021, to fund a lavender research project at three sites in Missouri: Kirksville, Springfield, and Ste. Genevieve. The purpose of the project is to learn which cultivars of lavender are best suited for each site based on flower production, winter hardiness, drought hardiness and overall vigor of the plant, and provide this information to producers and home gardeners.

The project started in Kirksville in May of 2021. Over 120 lavender plants, 13 cultivars, were planted in seven raised rows with drip irrigation laid down the length of each row to provide water to plants during dry periods throughout the summer. Data was collected every two weeks from the first week of June 2021 through the end of October 2021. Data collected included height and width of the plants, vigor and in bloom/not in bloom. Based on data collected in 2021, the cultivars 'Super', 'Phenomenal', 'Grosso', 'Melissa' and 'Provence' performed the best.

Plants were covered in late December 2021 with row cover for winter protection. Garden staples were used to keep the covers in place. The covers were removed on March 29, and pruning was done



Master Gardener volunteer Diane Burger and MU Extension horticulture specialist Jennifer Schutter, collected data on the lavender plants every two weeks during the summer. Data collected included height and width of the plants, vigor and in bloom/not in bloom.

in April to remove dead growth and shape the plants. The plants started blooming in late May with the first flower harvest of 2022 on June 3. Flower stems for each cultivar were measured, with 'Grosso' and 'Provence' having the longest stems. The flowers were weighed and weights recorded for each harvest. In 2022, the same cultivars, 'Super', 'Phenomenal', 'Grosso', 'Melissa and 'Provence', again out-performed all the other cultivars. All these, with the exception of 'Melissa', had 14-21 inch stems. Stem length is important for floral arranging. 'Grosso' was the biggest producer of flowers. 'Melissa' is a white flowered cultivar, with shorter stems, but it is very pretty when arranged in bouquets with the

purple cultivars. This information has been presented at workshops, programs and through newsletters. A local producer, Titus Creek Flower Farm, near LaPlata, has made the decision to incorporate lavender into their existing operation. They planted 400 lavender plants in 2022, and will plant another 400 this spring. Their plans are

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candles, sachets, and much more. They are currently transforming an old barn on the farm into a flower shop.

Home gardeners should consider growing lavender. It makes a beautiful addition to a garden, and there are several benefits to growing it. Apart from its beautiful color, lavender is known for its soothing scent. It has a relaxing effect and helps relieve stress. Lavender oil is a commonly used ingredient in shampoos, soaps, air fresheners, candles and scented sachets. Fresh lavender plants will keep a garden fragrant as well as attract a variety of pollinators like bees, butterflies, praying mantis and others. In urban settings where the population of natural pollinators, including bees and butterflies, is on a decline, lavender plants offer an invaluable attraction to

lavender products like fleas, flies, and mosqui- dy-loam, well-drained soap, infused honey, tos don't like lavender. soil. Water-logged or soil Hence, growing a lavender plant in a garden may be a way to deter these unwanted insect pests. The use of lavender products on skin can serve the purpose of mosquito repellant without damaging your skin.

Lavender plants prefer full sun and a san-

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that is always moist or wet will cause root rot in the plants and may kill them.

For more information on growing lavender, contact me at the MU Extension Center in Adair County at 660-665-9866 or email schutterjl@missouri.edu.

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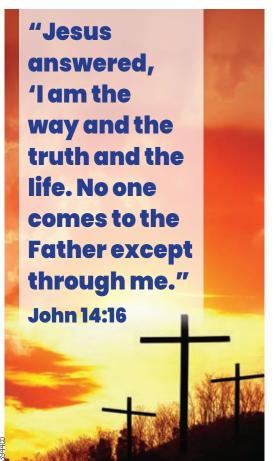
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8:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship Service **Rehoboth Baptist Church**

Curtis Ferguson, Pastor 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

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Communion 1st Sunday

9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time. 11:00 a.m. Church School/all ages 5:30 p.m. College Fellowship Kirksville Church of Christ

Elders/Pastors: Dan Green Dean Hansen 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship

Weds 6:30p.m. Bible Study www.kvcoc.or First Baptist Church

207 E. Washingtor Jason Marlin Pastor **9:30 a.m.** Bible Study for all ages 10:45 a.m. Worship & Kidz Worship firsthantistkirksville.com Faith United Methodist Church

Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Southside Baptist Church 1010 W. Burton

Pastor: Aaron Rodgerson 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Preaching 6.30 p.m. Evening Service First Church of God 2900 S. Halliburtor Chad Farhart

9:00 a.m. Sunday School **10:30 a.m.** Morning Worship www.kirksvillechurchofgod.com Kirksville Nazarene Church

2302 N. Lincoln Road Mark Czanderna, Lead Pastor 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Central Church of Christ 2010 S. Halliburton **9:30 a.m.** Sunday School 10:30 am. Worship Service **Faith Baptist Church**

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

9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service **Grace Community Bible** Church

1501 E. Northtown Rd. Benjamin Jorden Pastor ated with the Evangeli Church of America 9:30 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

12 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m. Small groups www.KirksvilleGCBC.com • First United Methodist Church

300 E. Washington Pastors - Rev. Scott Beard & 9:30 a.m. Worship In Person & Online

Pure Air Baptist Church 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Church of God of Prophecy 807 Benton Way Pastor: Rob Linhart

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Evening Service Fellowship Baptist Church 1701 S. Jamison St. Kirksville

Larry Gibson, Pastor 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Study fbck@sbcglobal.net www.fellowshipbc.org • 660-665-0633 Yarrow Methodist Church

Highway N., Yarrow Guest Pastors

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Mary Immaculate Catholic

Weekday Masses: Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. Wed.& Friday: 7 a.m. Thursday: Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Catholic Newman Center 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Sunday 7:00 a.m. Monday 9:00 p.m. Wednesday Union Temple Church Southwest of Kirksville Alan Coonfield, Pastor

Every Sunday Evening 5-5:30 p.m. Bible Study 5:30-6:30 p.m. Church Service Sugar Creek Baptist Church 5 mi South on Hwy 3 Pastor, Virgil K. Jones

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist Church 2 mi. W. Greentop on Rt. K then 1/2 mi. S.

Elder Dillion Thurman, minister Services on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays 10:30 a.m. Song Service 11:00 a.m. Preaching Meadow Brook

Christian Church 9:30 a.m. Sunday School St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

Novinger, Mo. 7:30 a.m. Sunday Life Church of Kirksville 112 W. Potte emy Pingle, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Service Community Presbyterian

Church 210 N. Owensby, LaPlata, Mo Rev. John Becker, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Worship Service **Cornerstone Church**

1702 N Elson St Kirksville, MO Jeremy Broach, Senior Pastor Chad Stearman, Associate Pastor Sunday 10 am - Morning Worship

Wednesday 6:30 pm-8 pm Family Ministry Night www.cornerstonechurch.faith

Countryside Christian Church S. Boundary St. Rt. H, Troy Mills Preacher, Harold R. Engel 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. Blended Worship 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Worship

6:00 p.m. High School-College Youth

www.countrysidekv.com

Gifford Christian Church Minister: Darren Potter 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

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

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

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

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship **New Hope**

Evangelical Church 620 Steer Creek Way 9:30 - 10:20 a m Rible Class 10:20 - 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time 10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship Darrell Draper, Pastor 660-341-0000

Jim Maxey, Calling Pastor

660-665-6949 or 660-216-4183 First Assembly of God 2401 S. High Jeff Arp, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:40 a.m. Morning Worship (Communion First Sunday of the Month) 6:30 p.m. Evening Praise www.KirksvilleFirst.com First Liberty Full Gospel 1302 E. Filmore

Rev. Fred Baker, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Novinger Baptist Church**

Highway 6 & 149 Rev. Darrell Crooks, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

7:00 p.m. Evening Worship **First Christian Church** (Disciples of Christ) High & Harrison

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

2000 E. Normal Kirksville First Ward Bishop John Grider 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sunday Services Kirksville Second Ward Bishop Isaac Ison 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sunday Services

Trinity Episcopal Church 124 N. Mulanix Rev. Amy L. Fallon. Pastor 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Seventh Day Adventist Church 1301 N. Elson

Curtis Denney, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sabbath School (Saturday) 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Saturday) Fellowship Dinner on 4th Saturday

United Methodist Church Brashear Charge, Brashear Lay Minister, Nancy Douglas

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. Singspiration - 1st Sunday **Willow Bend Association East Center Community Church**

10:00 a.m. Sunday Schoo 10:45 a.m. Worship

Illinois Bend Community Church

Highway 3 Pastor Terry Hunsaker 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Bible Study

Baring Community Church 11:00 a.m. Worship

Downing Christian Church 430 E. Prime Street Minister Walker Franke Associate Minister Larry Smith 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Service

660-379-2329 Willow Bend Church Find Us on Facebook for Event Schedule **New Hope Methodist** Reformed

Church - Millard 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship **Greentop Community Church** Highway K, Greentop, Mo.

10:30 a.m. Worship Service **Trinity United Fellowship** Church Pastor: Lorne Arber **9:00 a.m.** Worship

Pastor: Lynae McFarland

10:00 a.m. Sunday School **Lancaster United Methodist Church** Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Shekinah Mennonite Church 15981 Blueberry Way, Kirksville John Mark Miller, Pastor Roger Berry 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship 6:00 p.m. 2nd Sunday - hymn sing

6:00 p.m. 4th Sunday of month Topic

Bethel Community Church 12 miles NE of Kirksville

Marvin Cross, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Kid's Klub/Youth Fellowship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Lancaster Baptist Church Southeast Side of Square, Lancaster Lonnie Johnson, Pastor 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Grace Bible Baptist Church

Greencastle, Mo.

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

First Baptist Church Winigan, Winigan, Mo. Sam Burkholder, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Fairview Baptist Church**

53610 Knob Hill Road, Polloci Sam Burkholder, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening

Bible Missionary Church 508 S. Main St. Bro. Glenn Kiger, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

LaPlata Christian Church Scott McNay, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Worship Service **Christ's Family Church** 531 N. Baltimore

Glenn Berry, Pastor 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service www.cfckvmo.com • cfckvmo@gmail.

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

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

Brashear Community Bible Church Donny Powell, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

First Baptist Church of LaPlata B. J. McAlpin, Pastor 9:00 am "Donut Hole" Fellowship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Worship 6:00 pm Monday - AWANA

http://laplatafbc.org/ Email: laplatafbc@gmail.com **Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist**

8 mi. N.W. of Kirksville on Rt. B. Tim Hodges, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Worthington Baptist Church Roger Busnell, Pastor 9.30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship The Salvation Army

1004 W. Gardner Brian and Michelle Bump, Pastors 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Queen City First Baptist** Church

6th at Washington St. Robert Smith, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

St. John's Lutheran Church ELCA North of Queen City go East on Rt. O Pastor, Bill lammatteo-Code 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Hurdland First Baptist Church Robert Shobe, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service **7:30 p.m.** Sun. & Weds. Worship and/ or Bible Study

Colony Baptist Church 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. 4th Sunday worship **Cornerstone Community**

N. Elson 9:30 a.m. Sunday Small Group Bible Study designed for adults **Locust Hill Community Church**

Meeting at the Fohn Family Center 404

William Gaines, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship **New Harmony Free Will Baptist**

3 miles West of Greentop on Rt. K

Rt. I, Novelty, Mo

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship **Word Alive! Family Church** Hwy 63, Greentop Pastors: Robert Gange

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, Adult service, Childrens Church **Schuyler County Church** of Faith Highway 136 East, Lancaster Sonny Smyser, Pastor

8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Sunday Services 11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday Class 3rd Sunday Fellowship dinner 12 noon **Gospel Outreach Church** 209 W. Washington Norman Keller, Pastor Gonda Manning, Co pastor

7:00 p.m. Thursday Services 7:00 p.m. Sunday Services **Victory Baptist Church** Of Greentop Meets at the Willmathsville Community Church on Hwy A.

Pastor Joshua Wesley

10:30 a.m. Worship

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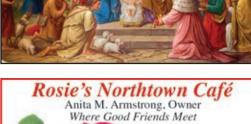
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