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## Kirksville City Council mulls design plans for new airport terminal

**By Marty Bachman**Daily Express

The Kirksville City Council discussed plans for a new airport terminal at their Feb. 13 study session. According to a staff report, Missouri's 6th Congressional District Congressman Sam Graves, through conversations with Kirksville Public Works Director and Airport Manager Glenn Balliew, has been instrumental in obtaining funding support for the replacement of the terminal at the Kirksville Regional Airport. The staff report states that the completion of the fuel farm and the runway rehabilitation project in 2022, has paved the way for the city to seek support for the terminal.



"A federal appropriation has been provided for the replacement of the airport terminal building in the amount of \$3,325,000 for the federal fiscal year 2023," the city staff report reads, noting that the appropriation will still require the city to provide a match of approximately \$166,250.

At the Feb. 13 study session, Balliew shared design concepts with the city council that were provided by the airport's engineering firm. Balliew said that getting the design approved was

the toughest part of the project, but once agreed upon by the council, it was just a matter of bidding and building.

"I'm trying to get this design as far down the road as I can before I leave," Balliew told the council.

The new terminal will be almost 6,000 square feet and as of last year went for \$700 a square foot, which put the cost at \$3.5 million. A bid last week came in at \$1,000 a square foot, which Balliew said means the city may have to put in more money. He said though, that there



are other funds coming in that they can use toward the project, they have a grant they will use and they'll go back to (congressional) appropriations to see if they can secure even more funding.

"You can always scale down and go smaller," Balliew suggested. "But we're trying not to scale down."

He said they hope to have the numbers narrowed by March and that they wish to make the conceptual drawings available to the public so that a vote could be taken as to which plan is more desirable before returning to the council with final plans.







# Truman State Forensics earns first place overall at state championship

By Truman State University

At the MAFA State Championship Tournament hosted by Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Missouri, the Truman Forensics team earned an overall first place state champion finish, in addition to earning first place in both individual events and debate sweepstakes.

Many students received individual honors based on their speeches, debates and performances. All 13 students in attendance performed well enough to be recognized at the tournament awards ceremony, due to 36 of the 46 total speeches and debates the team entered making it to final rounds. Students who entered into at least five speech categories across two or more speech genres were entered into a special pentathlon sweepstakes, and those who competed in at least one debate event and had eligibility in pentathlon sweepstakes were also entered into the overall forensicator

sweepstakes.

The team also qualified for the Director's Award, given to the team with the highest point accumulation over time, and earned second place for the Quality Award based on the percentage of students in outrounds/finals compared to the number of total slots the team entered at the tournament.

### In open parliamentary debate:

- Juniors Ella Schnake and Megan Ford finished second and were the state champions. Schnake also earned third place speaker.
- Freshman Alex Peterson was named second place speaker.

### In NFA-Lincoln Douglas debate:

- Junior Elijah Baum made it to the quarterfinals.
- Sophomore Eli Bartz made it to the semifinals, results pending, and was third speaker.
- Freshman Aiden Breesawitz also made it to semifinals, results pending, and earned fourth place speaker.

### In novice IPDA:

- Freshman Briggs Maynor was the state champion and earned seventh place speaker.
- Freshman Anna Hans was the first place speaker.
- Freshman Daniel Nzoiwu earned third place speaker.

### From the speech team, varsity members performed exceptionally well:

- Junior Jillian Humke earned second place in after-dinner speaking and sixth in program oral interpretation.
- Junior Lucah McCullough finished fifth in original oratory and sixth in after-dinner speaking.

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# Followwill recognized for 10 years with Kirksville Police Department

By Kirksville Police Department

On Thursday, Feb. 16, Kirksville Police Department Detective Aaron Followwill was recognized for 10 years of service with the department.

Followwill has served as a patrol officer, master police officer, and detective. Followwill is currently pulling double duty as an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) detective that serves 13 counties in Northeast Missouri and as a general investigations detective with KPD. Followwill was a graduate of the



Kirksville Citizen's Academy prior to joining KPD.

Kirksville police officials said they would like to thank Followwill for his dedication

to the department.

"Please join us in congratulating him on his 10 years of service with KPD," police officials said.

## Image is everything:

# NRMC upgrades nuclear medicine technology

By Northeast Regional Medical Center

Northeast Regional Medical Center provides a variety of radiology services and just recently upgraded its nuclear medicine imaging equipment. The new upgrades provide shorter, more tolerable exams for greater patient comfort, may diagnose disease earlier, and enable reduction of dose or scan time by up to 25 percent.

When it comes to maintaining good health, image — or actually, imaging — is everything. In addition to the head-to-toe physical at your doctor's office or an annual well-woman exam, diagnostic imaging tests assure that everything below the surface is in good working order — and help diagnose and monitor any conditions that warrant medical treatment.

Nuclear medicine allows for viewing images of organ functions. Nuclear medicine uses tiny amounts of radioactive materials to perform studies of the heart and lungs and to diagnose bone cancer, bone infec-



tions and stress fractures. The radioactive materials are placed into the patient's body by injection, swallowing or inhalation and images of the organ system in question are captured by a special camera.

If you need a diagnostic imaging test or procedure — for a routine check-up or an injury — you can feel confident in NRMC's technology and experienced team. Additionally, patients can now register for imaging services at the Radiology Entrance Patient Registration Area (east side of the facility on 5th Street) Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. — 4 p.m. To learn more about imaging services available at NRMC, visit nermc.com/diagnostic-imaging.

This information is not intended to replace the advice of your doctor, but rather to increase awareness and help equip patients with information and facilitate conversations with your physician that will benefit your health.



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## 18th Annual Polar Plunge scheduled for Saturday

**Staff Reports** 

The 18th Annual Kirksville Polar Plunge will take place on Saturday, Feb. 25. Brave men and women from around the area will don disco-themed costumes and swimwear and take "polar" dips into freezing water. Their Reason for Freezin'. . . the athletes of Special Olympics Missouri (SOMO). All proceeds from this year's event will benefit training and competition for the thousands of SOMO athletes across the state, including Kirksville.

The Polar Plunge is open to anyone 10 years or older who is a fan of having a good time for a good cause. The event is hosted by the Kirksville Police Department, MSHP Troop B and the Missouri Conservation Department. It will take place at Thousand Hills State Park in Kirksville. Day-of registration begins at 11 a.m., and the Plunge starts promptly at 1 p.m.

In 2022, Kirksville Polar Plungers raised over \$30,000 for SOMO athletes. Each participant must raise a minimum of \$75 to take the Plunge and can earn in-

centives by reaching fundraising goals. This year's goal is \$32,000, and organizers hope to break the million-dollar mark across the state with 10 events.

For more information, visit somo. org/plunge!

Kirksville Polar Plunge sponsors include: Brawner Insurance, B&H Graphics, MASC, the Knights of Columbus, Mark Twain Behavioral Health, David Goring Prosecutor and Steve Farnsworth Family.

### **Special Olympics Missouri**

Special Olympics Missouri (SOMO) is a year-round program of sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Thousands of athletes participate in 16 Olympic-type sports throughout the state. SOMO provides people with intellectual disabilities continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, and experience joy as they participate in the sharing of gifts and friendship with their fellow athletes, their family and friends, and communities across Missouri.

### KIRKSVILLE AREA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **United Way Annual Campaign** Celebration set for Feb. 23

You are invited to the United Way of Northeast Missouri 2023 Campaign Celebration on Feb. 23 from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Dukum Inn. See information on the United Way of Northeast Missouri Facebook Page. RSVPs requested, but not necessarily required. Join them as they reveal a new record in their recent fundraising campaigns.

### **Special Olympics Missouri Polar Plunge**

Special Olympics Missouri Polar Plunge will be held at Thousand Hills State Park—Forest Lake Swimming Beach in Kirksville, Feb. 25 from 1-3 p.m. This amazing event is a unique opportunity to show your bravery as you support local Special Olympics Missouri athletes by walking, running or crawling into the frigid winter waters. In 2022, the Kirksville Plunge had 100 plungers and raised more than \$26,380! This one-of-a-kind event promises a fun atmosphere complete with music, funny costumes 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 no registration fee.

### 54th Annual Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Festival

The 54th Annual Phi Mu Alpha Alpha Jazz Festival evening concert will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 25 at the Baldwin Hall Auditorium, 100 E. Normal Ave., Kirksville.

### **Kohlenberg Lyceum Series: Vanguard Jazz Orchestra**

The Kohlenberg Lyceum Series is bringing the Vanguard Jazz Orchestra to the Truman State University campus. This 16-piece jazz orchestra has won 11 "Best Big Band" awards in the DownBeat magazine Readers and Critics Polls. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 25 at the Baldwin Auditorium, 100 E. Norman Ave., Kirksville. All Lyceum Series events are open to the general public. Tickets are free. For additional information, visit lyceum.truman.edu or call 660-785-4133.

### **Truman State University Elementary** and Middle School Math Contest

Truman State University's Elementary and Middle School Math Contest will be held on Feb. 25 beginning at 8:30 a.m. To register for the contest, complete the mathleague.org membership form for the student's school at mathleague.org/membership.php. Once completed, registration for the Truman event can be done at tvazzana.sites.truman.edu/ mctm-qualifying-contest.

There is a \$10 per student registration fee. Payment can be made via credit or PayPal as part of the registrations process. Alternatively, payments can be made by check, made out to MCTM, and can either be mailed to Tony Vazzana, Department of Mathematics, Truman State University, Kirksville, MO 63501, or presented at check-in on contest day. Lunch will be provided for student participants, compliments of the Truman Department of Mathematics. The contest will take place on campus in Violette Hall starting at 8:45 a.m., Feb. 25. Lunch begins at 11:45 a.m. with the awards ceremony at 1 p.m. For more information, contact Tony Vazzana at tvazzana@truman.edu or visit mathleague.org.

### State of the City Address scheduled

The city of Kirksville invites you to attend the State of the City Address, to be held Monday, Feb. 27, at 5:30 p.m., at the Rieger Armory and Community Center, 500 S. Elson Street. The State of the City Address will be delivered by Kirksville Mayor Zac Burden. Hear about key projects that will happen or begin this year, along with other

priorities for the city in 2023. You can also view the event live, online, on the city's YouTube channel at http://www.youtube.com/kirksvillecity. It will also be recorded there and can be viewed after the fact. An annual event, the State of the City Address is part of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce's "The Government in Focus - TGIF" series. For more information, contact the city of Kirksville at 660-627-1225.

### **Uncommon Practice Spring Concert**

Truman State University's contemporary music ensemble performs new acoustic music on a variety of instruments, March 2 at 7:30 p.m., at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall on the Truman State University campus.

### Kirksville Area Chamber of **Commerce Annual Banquet**

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet will be held on Thursday, March 2, at the White Oaks Barn, 23255 State Hwy. 11, Kirksville. Among the evenings activities will be the Kirksville Young Professionals "5 Under 40" Awards.

### **Quarters for Quota**

Quarters for Quota, featuring items from local stores, restaurants and onsite vendors, will be held on March 3 at the Kirksville Moose Lodge, 2405 E. Illinois Street in Kirksville. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Bryant Western Family. Doors open at 5 p.m. Quarters Auction begins at 6:30 p.m. Big paddles \$2 each or three for \$5. Bring quarters or get them at the door. Food will be available. Money raised supports local programs for families, children and the hearing and speech impaired. (Examples: Quota bears for comfort, fire baskets and education, children's car seats, George Rea Cancer Center, extras, earplugs, hearing aid supplies, school needs, a KBSA team, local mission, police computer crime unit).

### **Spring Composers Recital**

The Spring Composers Recital, a performance showcase of new music by Truman State University composers, will be held on March 3 at 8 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall on the Truman State University campus.

### Mousetrap performed at **Truman State University**

Mousetrap will be performed at Truman State University, March 1-3 at 7:30 p.m. and March 4 at 2 p.m. By Agatha Christie and directed by Randy Bame, the show will be held at the Black Box Theatre, Ophelia Parrish Building, 100 E. Normal Avenue in Kirksville. Appropriate for ages 10 and upAfter a local woman is murdered, the guests and staff at Monkswell Manor find themselves stranded during a snowstorm and it soon becomes clear that the killer is among them. A police detective, arriving on skis, interrogates the suspects. When a second murder takes place, tensions and fears escalate.

## The Kohlenberg Lyceum Series –

The Take3 Trio will perform, March 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Baldwin Auditorium at 100 E. Normal Avenue in Kirksville. Their show consists of top pop hits, Americana, oldies and everything in between. Admission for Lyceum events is free but tickets are required and can be reserved approximately two weeks before the performance at the Sue Ross Arts Center in downtown Kirksville, the Advancement Office in McClain Hall 205 and the SAB window in the Student Union Building. For additional information, visit lyceum.truman.edu, call 660-785-4133 or email lyceumseries@truman.edu.

## **KIRKSVILLE POLICE BLOTTER: FEB. 14, 2023**

### **INCIDENT REPORTS**

Feb. 14

1:59 a.m., Traffic Stop, Failure to Register Motor Vehicle/Trailer, 1711 N. Baltimore Street, Chloe Hubbard, 29 6:37 a.m., Traffic Stop, South High Street

6:45 a.m., Property/Lost-Recovered, 710 E. Randolph Street 7:26 a.m., Animal/Trap, 101 W. Northtown Road

7:36 a.m., Domestic Disturbance, 710 W. Elizabeth Street

9:28 a.m., Traffic Stop, U.S. 9:54 a.m. MVA/Minor,

2501 N. Baltimore Street 10:43 .m., Traffic Stop, North Baltimore Street 10:43 a.m., Traffic Stop, 900 E. LaHarpe Street, Mor-

gan Baker, 20

11 a.m., Traffic Stop, No Valid License-1st Offense (M), Owner Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Maintaining Financial Responsibility (Motor Vehicle Required to be Registered)-1sty Offense, 1312 S. Baltimore Street,



1:07 p.m., Traffic Stop, South Osteopathy Street, Fred Saner, 65

1:26 p.m., Traffic Stop, 2401 N. Baltimore Street, Joe Garrett, 70

2:35 p.m., Traffic Stop, West Potter Avenue, Shelby Willis, 30

2:53 p.m., Traffic Stop, North Osteopathy Street, Chloe Hubbard, 29

3:01 p.m., Traffic Stop, South First Street

4:25 p.m. Traffic Stop, 2002 N. Baltimore Street, Frances Smither, 39

4:29 p.m., Traffic Stop, Driving While Revoked/ Suspended, 1st Offense (M D), South Franklin Street, Arrestee: Matthew Turner, 39

4:56 p.m., Traffic Stop, Smith Street

> 7:31 p.m., Peace Disturbance (M B), Property Damage (M) 2nd Degree, 1302 Cottage Lane, Arrestee: Juvenile

8:21 p.m., Traffic Stop, 510 Baltimore Street, Curtis Deierling, 35

8:28 p.m., Domestic Disturbance, Physical, Assault/ Domestic-2nd Degree (F), Property Damage (M) 2nd Degree, 301 S. High Street

8;35 p.m., Property/Damage Vehicle, 1611 S. Baltimore Street

10:13 p.m., Traffic Stop, Osteopathy Street, Joseph Norman, 20

· Schnake was the

10:23 p.m., Traffic Stop, Jefferson Street, Katelyn Morse, 22

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Rayna Simonton, 29

 Ford was the state champion in original oratory, earned third in af-

ter-dinner speaking and fourth place in both communication analysis and prose. She received fourth place in pentathlon and was second in the overall forensicator sweepstakes.

state champion in communication analysis, prose, poetry and duo with Briggs Maynor. She also received second in dramatic interpretation and impromptu speaking. She earned the state champion title fb farmbank Free Lux Checking in both pentathlon and the overall forensicator sweepstakes.

• Senior Maya Krump finished fourth in both informative speaking and original oratory.

### The novice/freshmen speech team also had a strong showing:

• Hans earned top novice and third place in dramatic interpretation, fourth in persuasion and sixth in poetry.



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• Brynna Seim received fourth place in after-dinner speaking and sixth in informative.

• Jessie Philips finished third in poetry and second in both prose and duo, in which she also received top novice with Maynor.

• Maynor was awarded fifth place in dramatic interpretation, fourth and top novice in program oral interpretation, third place in poetry, top novice and second place in duo with Phillips and was also state champions in duo with Schnake. He received third place in pentathlon.

• Alex Peterson was the state champion and top novice in both after-dinner speaking and impromptu, receiving first place in each. They also earned top novice and second place in both original oratory and prose. Peterson placed second in pentathlon at the tournament.

In total, the team earned 14 state champion titles. New qualifications to the NFA national competition in April include Hans in dramatic interpretation and poetry, Bartz in extemporaneous, Seim in informative speaking and Philips in prose. The team currently has a total of 35 individual events and four Lincoln-Douglas debaters qualified to go to NFA, rising above their previous entry of 31 total slots at last year's national tournament.

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## Obituaries

### **OBITUARIES**

### John William 'Bill' Killday

Sep 30, 1934 - Feb 13, 2023

John William "Bill" Killday, age 88, of Edina, MO, passed away Monday, February 13, 2023, in Scotland

County Memorial Hospital in Memphis, MO. He was born September 30, 1934, in Edina, MO, the son of Robert Daniel and Esther Ellen Witherow Killday. He was united in marriage to Dorothy Poepsel on January 22, 1972, in O'Fallon, MO.

Surviving are his wife Dorothy Killday of Edina, MO; five children:

Donna (Ray) Hudson of Hendersonville, TN; Barb Abernethy (Mark Bredemeier) of Lee's Summit, MO; Linda (Tim) Wurm of Wentzville, MO; Steve (JoAnne) Conoyer of Palmyra, MO; and Nancy (Scott) Goodwin of Knox City, MO; two brothers: Danny Mike Killday of Holts Summit, MO and Dennis (Linda) Killday of Russellville, MO; two sisters Betty (Jim) Bruegenhemke of O'Fallon, MO; and Mary Carol (Mike) Early of Kirksville, MO; sister-in-law Carol Ann Killday of Winchester, IL and a brother-in-law Gene (Barb) Poepsel of Washington, MO; Seven grandchildren: Lauren Bristol, Elizabeth Hudson, Brian and Daniel Wurm, Jay and Trevor Conoyer, and Montana Wilcox (Ty Seibert); five great grandchildren, Eloise Bristol, Kess, Hope, Payson and Presley Seibert, and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers: Terrence Joseph "Terry" Killday, and Robert Anthony "Bob" Killday; two grandchildren: Ashley and Kelsey Abernethy, and one great-grandchild, Barker Seibert.

Bill graduated from St. Joseph Catholic High School and later from Barber school in St. Louis Missouri. He served his country in the United States Army. Bill was employed as a Barber for 60 plus years working in St. Louis, Palmyra, Canton, Edina, Milan, and Kirksville, MO. Bill and his wife also owned and operated the Sears Catalog Store in Edina and the Edina Dry Cleaners for several years. Bill loved telling stories to anyone who would listen, playing pitch, watching westerns and spending time with his family and friends, especially at the family cabin at Baring Lake. He was an avid quail hunter and enjoyed his Blue Room group on Saturday nights. Bill was a lifelong member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church and a 4th Degree Knight. He served the Knights of Columbus as a Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 25, 2023, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Edina, MO. Father Simeon Etonu will officiae the services assisted by Deacon Ken Berry. Music will be provided by Lisa Bowen and Carol Fox.

Casket bearers will be Lauren Bristol, Elizabeth Hudson, Montana Wilcox, Jay Conoyer, Trevor Conoyer, Brian Wurm, and Kevin McGinnis.

Visitation will be held Saturday, Feb. 25th from 9:30 a.m. till 11:30 a.m. at the Church.

Interment will be held immediately following Mass at Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Edina, MO.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Ashley Abernethy Purple Star Foundation or the Knox County Health Department. Memorials may be left at or mailed to the Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1, Edina, MO 63537. You may access Ashley Abernethy's Purple Star Foundation at the following link: https://gkccfonlinedonations.org/ ashley/ashley.asp.

### Kenneth Dee Jackson

Jan 20, 1955 - Feb 15, 2023

Kenneth Dee Jackson, 68, of Kirksville, Missouri passed away on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 in St. Louis at Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

The son of Wallace and Dortha (Ketchum) Jackson, Kenny was born in Kirksville on January 20, 1955. On May 11, 1974 he married Joanne Sue Jones.

Surviving are his wife, Joanne, his children Stephanie LaVeine and husband Geoffrey of St. Louis and Eric Jackson of Kirksville, grandchildren Kenneth Tyler Hirsch-

beck, Jackson Glenn LaVeine, and Justin Dee LaVeine, sister Jeanne Kay Clark, brothers-in-law Chuck Jones and wife Pam of Macon, Steve Jones and wife Becky of Queen City, sister-in-law Jeanne Harding and husband Geoff of Greentop, nieces, nephews, cousins, and a lifetime of great friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother-in-law Dave Clark, and nephew Alan Clark.

Kenny graduated from Lancaster High School in 1973 and was employed by Clark and Sons installing grain bins in Northeast Missouri. In 1975, he began working for Ed Polovich as an electrician. For eight years, Ed mentored Kenny and taught him all aspects of running a first-class business. With Ed's encouragement and support, Kenny started his own company in 1983. Jackson Electric and Sign was incorporated in 1987. For 40 years Kenny's motto was, "If it's worth doing, it's worth doing right." Kenny mentored many employees through the years, including his son, Eric, who continues to operate Jackson Electric and Sign, Inc.

Kenny loved being a papa to Tyler, Jackson, and Justin. He shared his life-long love of cars with Tyler by teaching him the importance of keeping all vehicles spotless by regularly washing and waxing them, and taking joy rides in his '95 Torch Red Corvette and 50th Anniversary Nightfall Gray Camaro Supersport convertible.

He had endless patience in teaching teenagers to drive not only his own children but also his grandson Tyler and niece Olivia.

Over the years, Kenny was one of Jim Robertson Chevrolet's best customers but found his pride and joy in Hurdland, Missouri when he purchased an original 1954 Empire Blue Chevrolet pickup. While the truck won awards in car shows, Kenny most enjoyed teaching Tyler to drive the "3 on the tree" so they could putt back and forth to town.

Kenny and Joanne spent their summers at 1000 Hills cruising the lake with friends and family on their pontoon, "Bentley." They enjoyed grilling hot dogs with friends and family while listening to Solid Gold Saturday Nights on the radio.

For more than a decade, Kenny was a member of the NEMO Fair Board serving as President in 1994-95 when the fair moved to its current location. Kenny was a strong supporter of the Kirksville R-III Booster Club and could be found outside the concession stand grilling every Friday night throughout football season. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Kirksville, the Adair Masonic Lodge 366, and El Kadir Shrine Club for over 40 years.

Kenny never met a stranger, always had a witty one-liner, and could drink scalding hot coffee with an oatmeal cream pie or cherry mash candy on a 110 degree day.

Masonic services will be held Friday, February 24, at 5 pm followed by public visitation until 7 pm. Funeral services will be Saturday, February 25, at 10 am. All services will be held at Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer with entombment in the Park View Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Pallbearers will be: John Ben Grossnickle, Greg Guffey, Nick Harris, John Moffit, Dennis Shultheiss, and Steve Treasure.

In honor of the joy his cat, Lucy Dee, brought to his life, the family encourages donations to the Adair County Humane Society.

### Philip Dale Barrett

Mar 16, 1947 — Feb 18, 2023

Philip Dale Barrett of Kirksville, Missouri, died peacefully at home with his wife and daughters by his side on February 18, 2023.

He was born on March 16, 1947 in Kirksville to Philip and Ruth (Cannaday) Barrett. He graduated from Northeast Missouri University in 1969, where he was a member of the Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity.

Dale served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He began his tour of duty in Vietnam and he finished his service at the Pentagon in Washington, DC. Dale attended law school at the University of Missouri — Kansas City School of Law, and he graduated in 1975. He returned to Kirksville and practiced law for over 45 years.

On April 19, 1982, Dale married Susan Ellen Kruse and they were happily married for 40 years. In addition to his wife, Dale is survived by his daughters, Rachel Whitney (Mick), Mandy Turner, and Ali Hutcheson (Mike); grandchildren Claire, Selby, Will, Maddy, Barrett, and Jack; great grandchild, Bo; sister Jeanne Day (Dan); siblings-in-law Terry Kruse (Fran), Patty Obrecht (Rick), and Randy Kruse (Mary), as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Dale is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Tim Barrett; and sister, Frieda

Dale was a long-time Mason and member of the Adair Lodge #366 and the El Kadir Shrine Club, serving as Club President in 2004. Dale served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri, and he and Sue were awarded the Becky Thatcher Council Family of the Year Award in 2005. He was a life-long member of the First United Methodist Church. Last year, Dale was grateful to participate in an Honor Flight trip to Washington, DC.

Dale was a "helper" and he was passionate about providing legal services to those in need.

In the summertime, Dale could be found working in the yard and he loved celebrating the 4th of July by leading a round of "God Bless America" with a roman candle in hand. He enjoyed conversing with family and friends, and he was an avid fan of the St. Louis Cardinals, Kansas City Chiefs, and Mizzou Tigers.

The following services will be held on Saturday, February 25, 2023 at the First United Methodist Church in Kirksville; Masonic Service conducted by Lodge #366 at 10:30 a.m.; Visitation from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Memorial Service at 12:00 p.m.

The family will attend military rites with internment of ashes on Monday, February 27, 2023 at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Jacksonville, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Children or Hospice of Northeast Missouri.

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

### KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

### **Planned Roadwork**

The following is a list of general highway maintenance work the Missouri Department of Transportation has planned. All road closures and planned roadwork may be viewed on the Traveler Information Map at http:// traveler.modot.org/map/.

Inclement weather may cause schedule changes in some of the planned work. There may also be moving operations throughout the region, in addition to the work mentioned below. MoDOT asks drivers to work with us by buckling up, putting your phone down, slowing down and moving over in work zones.

### **Putnam County**

Route 5 - Pothole patching from Route F to U.S. Route 136, Feb. 21-24

### **Sullivan County**

Route E – CLOSED for a bridge replacement project at the West Locust Creek Bridge, 8 miles northwest of Milan, through May 2023.

### **Lewis County**

Route H - CLOSED for culvert replacement from Missouri Route 6 to Route Y, Feb. 21-24, between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. daily.

### **Macon County**

U.S. Route 63 (Southbound) - LANE REDUCTION from Route T to Marshall Road, Feb. 23-24, 8 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily with a 12-foot width restriction in place while pavement patching operations are being completed.

Route J - CLOSED for bridge maintenance from Jasmine Avenue to the intersection of Iowa Street and Icon Street, February 27 -March 2, between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

### **Randolph County**

U.S. Route 63 - LANE **REDUCTION** for pavement patching operations between U.S. Route 24 to onehalf mile south of Route EE, Feb. 22, between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

### **Business license renewals** due February 28

If you own or manage a Kirksville business, it's time to complete your business license renewal for 2023. Business license renewals were mailed on Jan. 6, on yellow paper, to valid business license holders. Business license renewals are due back to the city on or before Feb. 28. Return the completed renewal form, along with all required documents and fees, to the Finance Department

at City Hall. If you have not received your renewal notice, please contact the Finance Department at 660-627-1251. For licensed contractors. plumbers, and electricians: renewals received after the Feb. 28, deadline will be considered late and will require the applicant to pay a penalty and complete the process over again, including the contractor testing/waiver process.

### Kirksville Parks & Recreation Department hosts **Paint the Ville**

The city of Kirksville Parks & Recreation Department hosts Paint the Ville on Feb. 28 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.. March 30, 5:30-7:30 p.m. and April 25, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, located at 801 E. Mill St. Register your first through eighth grade artist for one or all of the monthly Kid's Club events. Artists will create a masterpiece under the direction of Paint the Ville instructor, Rachel Messer. All participants must pre-register, and class size is very limited. To register, visit the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Office at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, or online at https://parks.kirksvillecity. com/. Each class is \$20 and all supplies are included. For more information, please contact Luke Callaghan with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

### **Truman State University** affiliated organization offers free help with tax preparation

Beta Alpha Psi will host Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) sessions from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 25 and March 25 in Violette Hall 1424. Clients who come to VITA should bring: social security cards for spouses and dependents; bank routing numbers and bank account numbers for direct deposit; wage and earnings statements such as W-2, 1098T and 1099; and a copy of last year's federal and state tax returns if available. VITA services will be completed by

IRS-certified volunteers and will also offer free electronic filing to receive a faster return. Appointments are required. Call 660.785.6064 to schedule. For more information, visit bap.truman.edu/vita.

### Free Testing for Covid-19, **RSV** and Influenza

A drive-through clinic will be sponsored by the Department of Health and Human Services in the parking lot at the corner of S. First and W. Randolph streets from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Feb. 24.

### **Truman State Art Gallery Exhibits** — Through **March 3 exhibitions**

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

The University Art Gallery is in the renovated gymnasium in Ophelia Parrish Hall located on Truman State University's campus near the intersection of East Normal Street and South Mulanix Street. Exhibitions are free and open to the public. Gallery Hours are: Monday -Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.; Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Saturday Noon – 4:30 p.m. The University Art Gallery is closed between exhibitions and during all Truman State University breaks.



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## Business

## How businesses can express appreciation for employees

By MetroCreative

Without the dedication and hard work of employees, businesses large and small would not be successful. Recognizing that it takes a team of professionals to help their companies function optimally, business owners can show appreciation to the staff in various ways. This is beneficial to the employees themselves, but also to the company as a whole. Employees who feel valued may be less likely to leave their jobs and be more fully engaged and productive. This results in reduced downtime and removes the need for employers to interview and train.

Employers who want to offer more than verbal appreciation to employees can explore these ideas.

• Maintain a positive tone. There are always problems to be solved in business. Rather than focusing on what went wrong or what could be



fixed, lead conversations with recent wins or steps in the right direction. An overall positive tone can make a difference in employee satisfaction.

• Express interest in employees. Make time to sit personally with each employee over coffee or lunch. Ask genuine questions about their personal lives and show interest.

That helps employees feel heard and indicates that managers have a vested interest in their well-being.

• Offer non-monetary perks. Many employers show their appreciation through raises or monetary gifts but the funds may not be there in tight economic times. That doesn't mean there aren't other perks to explore.

For example, reward work done well or special company milestones with a reserved parking spot close to the door, an extra paid day off of work of the employee's choosing, or early dismissal.

• Host TGIF gatherings. Make Fridays a chance to have a little fun and gather together. Use this informal time to address employee accomplishments, and encourage employees to say something of value to their coworkers.

• Highlight workers on social media. Social media is a significant part of modern business operations. Companies can create a Wall of Fame page that puts a weekly spotlight on a different employee who is contributing in his or her own way to the operations. Not only does this improve the morale of the team, it provides the public with a glimpse into the positive working environment of the company.

 Cater meals when possible. Employers recognize the key seasons of the year that are crunch times for their particular businesses. Employees may have to work harder or put in longer hours during this time. Set aside one day a week to have lunch or dinner catered for the team.

 Host company events. Spending time away from the office or the job site can provide the break employees need. Company retreats or special family days help give back to the team in an enjoyable way.

Employee appreciation is something business owners and managers can focus on to keep employees in good spirits and maintain high morale.

## Keys to successfully applying for jobs and what to expect next

By MetroCreative

A job application presents a great opportunity to make a strong first impression with a prospective employer.

Job applications have changed as the utilization of technology has increased. Today the majority of employers advertise jobs online and conduct much of the initial search process through digital channels. According to Indeed, companies typically direct applicants to fill out a digital application through a specific website. Unlike a résumé, the job application is a legally defendable document. The information contained on it should be as thorough and accurate as possible. Some additional strategies can help applicants successfully apply for jobs.

• Read over the application carefully. Understand what is expected of you as an applicant. Carefully read the instructions on the application and any other supporting documents or information the employer may be requesting. Applicants should not miss

out on a job opportunity due to a failure to follow directions.

• Recognize the use of ATS. Many employers utilize an applicant tracking system (ATS) to help whittle down the applicant pool to the best qualified. ATS may use keywords that coordinate with skills desired in applicants. Be sure to mirror keywords used in the job listing on your application to further your chances of the application being flagged

for consideration. • Have your résumé at the ready. An application likely will ask you to fill out fields regarding your work history. Refer to your résumé to fill out this portion. Some applications also have an optional tool that will auto-fill job information from an uploaded résumé. Therefore, it is handy to have an updated and proofread file available.

• Use a professional email address. Employers are judging everything about you. Present a professional front by using an email address that is clear and to the point, rather than something clever or con-



troversial. Avoid email addresses like Kissy-Face123@email.com or ManCave456@email. com, opting instead for FirstName.LastName@ email.com. Do not give employers any reason to reject you based on perceptions from something as silly as a lighthearted email address.

 Proofread everything. Be sure to look over your application and make sure that everything is spelled correctly and that your grammar is perfect.

If the application makes it through, the emplover may ask you to participate in either an in-person interview or an online interview. Some companies rely on a third-party application for you to upload a statement or answer pre-determined questions. Make sure all technology is working for these next steps, and consult the hiring manager with any issues. Always dress and speak professionally when doing interviews of any type.

If you are offered the job, the hiring manager may send further digital correspondence that will link to their onboarding system. This system will collect more information possibly conducting a criminal background check - and ask that you fill out tax and payroll forms.

The job application process has changed in recent years due to an increased reliance on technology. Applicants should know what to expect to land their dream jobs.

## Things everyone can do to support rural economies

By MetroCreative

Efforts to revive small business sectors have helped countless communities regain their prosperity and sense of community pride. Those efforts have been wildly effective in many urban areas, and they also can help rural economies recover from the many challenges they've been confronting since the Great Recession, which occurred between 2007 and 2009.

Rural communities have faced many unique challenges since 2007. For example, a 2019 study published in the journal Rural Sociology found that 46 percent of remote rural counties were depopulating, while just 6 percent of metropolitan counties were facing population losses. Reviving rural communities does more than help the people who call those communities home. Thriving rural communities can ensure access to fresh foods for people in both rural and urban areas, thus keeping costs down. Thriving rural communities also can reduce reliance on government assistance programs. With access to well-paying jobs, more people in rural communities can live above the poverty line. That's a significant benefit, as the U.S. Department of Agriculture reports that roughly 85 percent of counties combatting persistent poverty are rural.

Attempts to revive rural economies will require a collective effort on the part of people



from all walks of life, and there's much everyone can do to pitch in.

• Buy products from local farms. When buying foods, looking for products from local farms and/or domestic farms can benefit consumers in various ways. Many individuals find locally grown foods more flavorful than products imported from foreign countries. And buying local, whether the farm is on the outskirts of the metropolitan area you call home or elsewhere in your own country, provides some much-needed economic stimulation to rural communities.

• Look beyond foods. Rural communities produce more than food. Soaps, lotions, candles, decorative items, and other products people use everyday are produced on farms and within rural communities. Choosing these products over mass-produced alternatives made in other countries or in places where profits are less likely to be funneled back into local communities is a great way to support rural economies.

• Support legislation that benefits rural economies. One of the most effective ways to lend a hand to rural economies is to support legislation that can help them. There are many reasons why rural economies have fallen on hard times, and a lack of digital infrastructure has undoubtedly contributed to those struggles. All businesses benefit from a strong online presence, and communities can attract more remote workers if their digital infrastructure is improved. Those improvements are often the subject of local, state and even federal legislation. Individuals who want to help rural economies can urge their representatives to support legislation that can help rural communities build their digital infrastructure so it's on par with that which has already been established in more populous areas.

Rural economies are struggling. However, there's much everyone can do to pitch in and support efforts to revive rural communities.





## Health

## **MU researcher studies** childhood obesity prevention programs in rural schools

Findings offer recommendations for rural schools interested in implementing similar programs.

By University of Missouri Extension

Since 1990, obesity rates in American children — particularly in rural and underserved areas — have skyrocketed due to a variety of factors, including more sedentary human behavior and an increase in food swamps, or communities with both limited access to fresh fruits and vegetables as well as excessive access to fast food.

In a recent study, Crystal Lim, a researcher and pediatric psychologist at the University of Missouri, and her team reviewed 72 obesity prevention programs that were implemented in rural elementary, middle and high schools from 1990 to 2020 across the United States. England and Australia to identify the strategies that worked best to help young people live healthier lifestyles. They found that programs that combine both nutrition and exercise components over an extended period of time had the most success in changing students' daily behaviors.

The findings can help provide inspiration for rural school districts in underserved areas who are interested in implementing similar programs, as well as help identify the roles teachers, parents and community members can play in combatting the issue of childhood obesity.

"There seemed to be different variations in how the programs were implemented, as some programs focused solely on the nutrition aspect and others focused solely on the exercise aspect," said Lim, an associate professor in the MU School of Health Professions and lead author on the study. "Some interventions were a one-time event while others lasted the entire school year."

Lim also found that most of the successfully implemented programs included evidence-based strategies to create effective, long-lasting

behavior changes, including goal setting, problem solving and self-regulation techniques.

"My biggest recommendation going forward is we should make these interventions more fun and engaging for kids so that the healthy behaviors become activities they look forward to as opposed to dread," Lim said. "An example can be playing 'dodgeball' or 'capture the flag' during P.E. class rather than running miles or doing pushups. Goal setting can help lead to gradual and practical changes, such as drinking three glasses of water per day instead of two, and then tracking the results over time."

While reviewing the past research literature, Lim found that teachers were most often the ones implementing the interventions, but a multi-pronged approach is more successful.

"Teachers can implement nutrition and exercise concepts into their classrooms. Rather than math problems about the speed of an airplane, for example, what about math problems regarding the speed of a marathon runner or the

number of calories consumed in a day," Lim said. "Another strategy is taking short breaks

School districts and administrators can play an integral role as well in creating a healthy school environment.

to allow kids to stretch and be

active, as it is not realistic for

them to sit still for most of the

school day."

"Whether it is reassessing what foods we offer in vending machines, in the school cafeteria or at school celebrations, we need to set up the school environment so that the healthy choice becomes the 'easy' choice and the 'cool' choice," Lim said. "When kids see their peers and role models eating healthy, hydrating and exercising, they are more likely to engage in those behaviors

themselves."

Finally, parents and community members can help students continue healthy behaviors outside the classroom.

"To make a simple activity like going for a walk more fun and engaging, consider listening to music, bringing a soccer ball or turning it into a scavenger hunt," Lim said. "Community organizations, such as MU Extension, churches and YMCAs can be leveraged as well to continue the conversation outside the classroom."

"School-based obesity prevention programs in rural communities: a scoping review" was recently published in Joanna Briggs Institute of Evidence Synthesis. Funding for the study was provided by the National Institutes of Health.



By Missouri Department of Mental Health

JEFFERSON CITY - The Department of Mental Health (DMH) recently released the Missouri Well-Being Playbook which shares strategies and resources to promote organizational wellness. It provides practices used in behavioral health and developmental disability state operated facilities

and programs, as well as other diverse hospital and healthcare settings across the state.

Though some topics are specific to healthcare settings, many are general and can be applied to diverse workplace settings. The Missouri Well-Being Playbook is intended to be used by a team who will work through the seven steps to organizational well-being and figure out how

their agency can address each step.

"The Department of Mental Health recognizes that burnout is not a new problem. The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted new challenges and exacerbated the ongoing workforce crisis," said DMH Director, Valerie Huhn. "This renewed focus on mental health, wellness and trauma informed care is necessary to support all

of Missouri's workforce."

The Missouri Well-Being Workgroup is made up of individuals from DMH, Missouri Hospital Association, Cox Health System, SSM Health, Mid-America Regional Council, and St. Louis Area Regional Response System. The project was funded by Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services



Administration (SAMH-SA) and Missouri's Crisis Counseling Program "MO Show Me Hope.

View the Missouri Well-Being Playbook or access other DMH Wellness Resources. Mental health and wellness is for everyone in every community.

For more information contact Rachel Plaggenberg at Rachel.Plaggenberg@dmh.mo.gov or 573-751-6714.

## Get the skinny on triglycerides

By MetroCreative

People who see their doctors for routine wellness exams typically undergo certain blood tests during that process. In addition to a complete blood count (CBC), doctors frequently request lipid panels that indicate cholesterol and triglyceride levels.

While cholesterol is a familiar term, triglycerides may be more of a mystery to the average Joe.

According to the Cleveland Clinic, triglycerides are lipids (waxy fats) that provide energy to the body. The body produces triglycerides and also gets them through food. Triglycerides are actual fats, while cholesterol is a waxy, odorless substance made by the liver. Since cholesterol cannot mix or dissolve in the blood, the liver puts cholesterol together with triglycerides to move the fatty mixture (lipoproteins) throughout the body.

When a person eats, any extra calories not used for energy are converted into triglycerides, which are stored in fat cells. Later, hormones release these triglycerides as energy between meals. Individuals who regularly eat more calories than

they burn, particularly from high-carbohydrate foods, may have high triglycerides.

According to the Mayo Clinic, high triglyceride levels may contribute to a hardening or thickening of the arteries, which is a condition known as arteriosclerosis.

For healthy adults. normal triglyceride levels should be under 150 mg/dL. Values of 151 to 200 mg/dL are considered borderline high, and anything over 201 is high or very high. In addition to arteriosclerosis, high triglyceride levels can raise the risk of cardiovascular disease and pancreatitis.

Overeating, having a family history of high cholesterol, drinking alcohol to excess, being overweight or obese, and having unmanaged diabetes can contribute to high cholesterol levels. Smoking, the presence of thyroid disease and certain medications, like diuretics and hormones, also may raise the risk of developing high triglyceride levels.

Lifestyle changes similar to those recommended to manage high cholesterol can help people lower their triglyceride levels. These include eating a nutritious diet, doing aerobic exercises regularly and maintaining a moderate weight. Individuals should avoid simple carbohydrates, such as those made with white flour, fructose, trans fats, and hydrogenated oils or fats.

Low triglyceride lev-

els are not typically a cause for concern. But in these instances malnutrition or malabsorption could be the culprit.

Individuals should undergo routine health screenings to determine if high triglycerides are part of their lipid panels.



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Mainly cloudy and breezy

LOW: **31** 

**THURSDAY** Mostly sunny,

windy and colder

**37** 

Cloudy and cold

**POP: 15%** 

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**29** 

**FRIDAY** 

milder

Partly sunny and

**POP: 5%** 

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**SUNDAY** Plenty of

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**TUESDAY** 

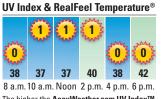
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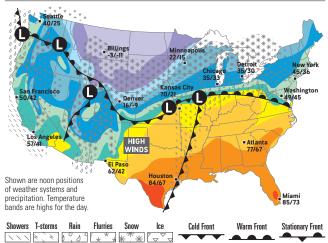
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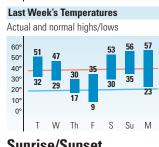
**Outdoor Activity Forecast** 



## **National Forecast Wednesday**



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### River Stages

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Prairie Hill	15	2.97	-0.20
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# Wife not sure where to turn

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been together for six years, married for four. We have had a lot of marriage issues during the last few years, sexually and otherwise. I no longer trust him because of something I found out last year.

I have his email information, and I also was able to see the search history from his phone on the computer. I disa lot of porn. I don't think it's a big deal because I know many men and women do. But I saw he was also watching gay porn and searching for pictures of well-endowed guys. Does this mean my husband is gay and



**JEANNE PHILLIPS** 

**DEAR KNOWS: Your** husband may be bisexual, gay or bi-curious. You wouldn't have checked his phone history if you hadn't felt "something" was wrong. Do not let it go. You will never know the truth unless you ask for it. This does not necessarily have to be a marriage-breaker. However, in case your husband has wandered (off the screen), call your doctor and ask to be tested for STDs.

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# when snooping bares stunn

**DEAR ABBY** likes men? Or does it just mean he likes different sexual things? I'm not sure what

covered that he watches to do. I don't know if I should approach the subject with him. I don't want him to know I'm snooping around, so how do I ask him about it without telling him how I know? Or should I just let it go? -- KNOWS TOO MUCH IN TEXAS

### **NEWS OF THE WEIRD Family Values** Tony Toto and his wife, Frances, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, are celebrating 57 years of marriage, WFMZ-TV reported in a feel-good Valentine's Day story. "We have been blessed

Yeah, that was the time in 1983 when Frances hired teenaged hitmen five times to kill Tony. "I don't think I was thinking straight," Frances said. "It was like it was a love-hate kind of a thing." Of course, the murder attempts weren't successful, and Frances and the young hitmen were arrested. She spent four years in prison, but their love never wavered. A feature film called "I Love You to Death" was made about their troubles, and they became minor celebrities, traveling to movie premieres and giving interviews. Tony and Frances got counseling and committed to better communication, and decades later, have a long marriage

that we had all these years," Tony said, noting

"that one time when we had a rough time."

### The Aristocrats

to show for their efforts.

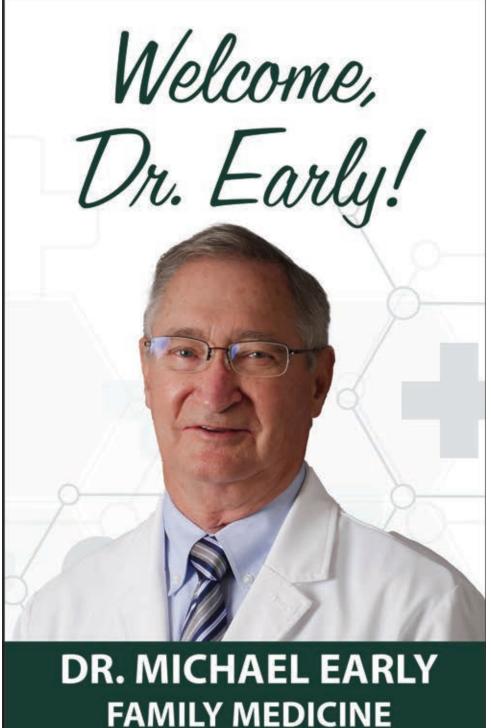
On Feb. 11, during an intermission at the Hannover State Opera House in Hannover, Germany, ballet director Marco Goecke shocked even himself when he approached the dance critic from the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung

animal feces on her face. The Associated Press reported that Goecke was unhappy with a recent review of a production he staged in The Hague. Following the incident, he took off through the crowded theater lobby. But strangely, Goecke seemed to justify his actions in a later interview, saying that after having his work "soiled for years ... Once a certain point has been reached, I disagree." The opera house suspended and banned him from the facility until further notice.

### **Weird Science**

People who suffer from chronic constipation now have a high-tech treatment option: a vibrating pill that stimulates the colon, CNN reported. The Vibrant capsule, prescribed by a doctor, is taken at bedtime and reaches the large intestine about 14 hours later. Vibrations cause the gut to contract, moving food along. Eventually, the capsule is eliminated and makes its way to a sewage treatment plant, where it's sifted out and sent to a landfill. Dr. Eamonn Quigley of Houston Methodist Hospital helped test the new technology. He said most people couldn't feel it working. "A minority could feel it. None of them felt it was being uncomfortable." But we're uncomfortable just reading this.

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# Sports

## Kirksville boys get big win on eventful senior night

**By Adam Tumino**Daily Express

The Kirksville boys basketball team continued a recent hot stretch, beating Chillicothe 57-48 at home for their third win in their last four games. The Tigers improved to 17-7 with the win.

Not only was Monday's game valuable preparation for the upcoming district tournament, it was also the final home game for the team's six seniors. Isaac Danielson, Keaton Anderson, Jalen Kent, Drew Chrisman, Camden Dempsay and Johnny Boyer were recognized before the game along with Channing Totta, the lone senior on the girls basketball team, as well as numerous members of the jazz band, dance and cheerleading teams.

Kirksville head coach Tyler Martin said that the team's seniors have played a major role in the team's success, especially given the challenging nature of Kirksville's schedule.

"They do a lot of our scoring, they've got a majority of our experience and they just bring that intensity to win games, night in and night out," he said. "This year has been, competitively, one of our toughest years, and they've had a good year. They've won some big games, and we lost some big games, but they keep coming back."



Kirksville head coach Tyler Martin talks to the players during the game against Chillicothe on Feb. 20.



Kirksville senior Keaton Anderson drives along the baseline against Chillicothe on Feb. 20.

Kirksville's schedule this season is littered with opponents with very strong records. Standouts include a pair of wins against a 19-win Palmyra team and a close loss against Fulton team that currently stands at 20-3. When opponents often have records that are comparable to Kirksville's, or surpass it, Martin said that the team's experienced approach has been valuable.

"Just their ability to keep fighting and keep battling, that's just what they do," he said. "They don't get too high or too low."

The Tigers needed that level-headed approach early on in Monday's game. The two

deficit into a 35-24 lead.

Chillicothe did push back, outscoring the Tigers 13-9 over the rest of the third, cutting Kirksville's lead to 44-37 heading into the final quarter. They got closer still in the fourth quarter, forcing another Kirksville timeout with the Tigers leading 51-45 with 2:42 left.

teams battled throughout the

first quarter, with Kirksville

holding a narrow 15-14 lead

lead right back with back-to-

back three pointers to open

the quarter, forcing a Kirks-

ville timeout. Once play re-

sumed, the Tigers shutout the

Hornets for the rest of the

quarter, outscoring them 10-0

the rest of the way. Kirksville

The Tigers were not done

pulling away. They opened the

third quarter on a 10-4 run,

executing a 20-4 run on both

sides of the half to turn a 20-15

led 25-20 at halftime.

Chillicothe snatched the

entering the second.

The Hornets could not sustain a comeback attempt, committing turnovers on threestraight possessions after the timeout, leading to four Kirksville points that brought the lead back to double digits. The Tigers ran down the clock from there and won by nine.



Kirksville senior Isaac Danielson battles with a pair of Chillicothe defenders in the game on Feb. 20. PHOTOS BY ADAM TUMINO

Martin said that the team really buckled down on the defensive after falling behind in the opening minute of the second quarter, leading to offensive opportunities that allowed them to build up a lead.

"I think both teams were scoring pretty evenly there for a little bit, and then we kind of went into a little bit of a lull heading into the second quarter," he said. "It got to that point where we had to get some stops, we had to do some stuff, and I thought our guys just turned up the intensity defensively. We pressed a little bit, went to zone, and got a couple runouts from that, so we were able to get some buckets in transition and ease the pressure offensively for us. That was what helped us build that lead."

Danielson and Anderson scored nearly all of the Tigers' points in the game. Danielson led the team with 23 points while Anderson was right behind him with 22. Anderson also reached a major milestone in the game, with his 21st point being the 1,000th point of his career. It came on a free throw

with just 56 seconds left in his final home game. Danielson also reached the 1,000-point mark earlier in the season.

Closing out Kirksville's scoring were Dempsay and Cole Kelly, who had five and seven points respectively.

With a road game against Marshall on Tuesday closing out the regular season, the only thing ahead is the post-season. With one week left before the Tigers play in the district tournament on March 1, Martin said the team is going to be working on avoiding a first-round exit, which happened last season.

"We won't know our next opponent until Monday, so we'll probably scout both, and anybody that potentially we might see, so we'll throw out some things that we know everyone does a little similarly, that way we can kind of be prepped," he said. "We did this last year, where we kind of had a week off and then we went into district play, and we didn't play well. Obviously a lot of these guvs are returners from that, so we'll probably be talking about that quite a bit."

## Red hot Chillicothe downs Kirksville girls on senior night

**By Adam Tumino**Daily Express

Monday marked the home finale for the Kirksville girls basketball team. It served as a chance to prepare for the upcoming district tournament, which begins next week, and also as a sendoff for Channing Totta, the Tigers'

lone senior this season.

After a promising start, the Tigers fell to a red hot Chillicothe team by a final score of 64-43. Kirksville moved to 12-12 on the season with the loss, and after the season finale on the road against Marshall on Tuesday, now have the postseason on the horizon. Chillicothe improved to 20-4 with the win, which was their fifth-straight victory and 13th win in the last 14 games.

Kirksville head coach Nick Totta said he felt that the team was playing well early, but Chillicothe's high-level of talent began to show the more time went by.

"I thought early on we were taking good shots, and defensively we were pretty solid," he said. "First of all (Chillicothe's) a really good team. They've got so many kids that can score, so it really puts pressure on your defense. Then we had moments where we would get a good defensive stop, but we wouldn't complete it with a rebound. So we'd give up something there."

He also said that the defense had moments where they were sticking to the game plan more effectively than others, and when they slipped up, Chillicothe took advantage.

"When we covered it like we worked on it, we had success,"



driving against Chillicothe on Feb. 20.

Nick Totta said. "When we were inconsistent with that, they hurt us."

Kirksville was able to grab an early lead from the Hornets, hitting back-to-back three pointers in the first quarter to go up 11-6 with 2:30 left in the quarter. Chillicothe quickly jumped back ahead, closing out the quarter on a 7-0 run. With a hot start to the second quarter, Chillicothe was able to turn that 11-6 deficit into a 21-13 lead with 3:38 left in the first half. The Hornets held a 26-16 lead at halftime.

Kirksville's offense was able to bounce back from their five-point second quarter by scoring 16 points in the third, but Chillicothe continued its efficient scoring and tallied 17 points in the quarter. The Hornets were able to pull fur-

ther ahead thanks to a 21-11 advantage in the fourth quarter which stretched their lead to 21 points by the final buzzer.

Sophomore guard Elli Porter scored a majority of the Tigers' points, leading the team with 22 points in the game. She made a pair of three pointers and converted eight of her nine free throw attempts. Channing Totta hit a pair of three pointers in the first half of the final home game of her high school career.

Nick Totta said that Channing's position as the team's lone senior suited her, and she seemed to do a good job filling that leadership role throughout the season.

"She really is a friend for the juniors through the freshmen," Nick Totta said. "She's really done a good job her



Kirksville senior Channing Totta splits a pair of Chillicothe defenders in the game on Feb. 20. PHOTOS BY ADAM TUMINO



Kirksville sophomore Elli Porter drives against a Chillicothe defender in the game on Feb. 20.

whole career of welcoming the new students, the new players. I'm really proud of her for that. I'm proud of her academically. She's an A student, over a 4.0. She's been involved in a lot of activities. She's active socially... The fact that she's able to do those things and be successful at it, I'm really proud of her for that."

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Tournament next on the calen-

dar, starting on Feb. 28, Nick Totta said that there are still some things the team needs to work on in order to have a successful postseason. "I think we've got to amp

"I think we've got to amp up our defense another notch, and we've got to clear up some things execution wise offensively," he said. "I feel like if we can make those steps, then we can go be competitive and take our best shot."

# Sports

## Kirksville's Anderson passes 1,000-point milestone Monday

By Adam Tumino

**Daily Express** 

The loudest the crowd got during the Kirksville boys basketball team's win over Chillicothe on Monday night was not on a buzzer beater or a clutch shot to put the Tigers ahead. In fact, it came after the Tigers' victory was all but assured.

Senior Keaton Anderson entered the game 21 points shy of the 1,000-point mark for his career, and with 56 seconds left in the game and 20 points scored, Anderson stepped to the freethrow line. He made both shots, finishing the day with 1,001 career points, having taken advantage of perhaps the last chance he had to reach the milestone in front of a home crowd. It was a suitable end to senior night in Kirksville, and the win

was just an added bonus.

Anderson said that he knew he had a chance to reach the milestone on Monday, and was happy to be able to accomplish it in his final home game.

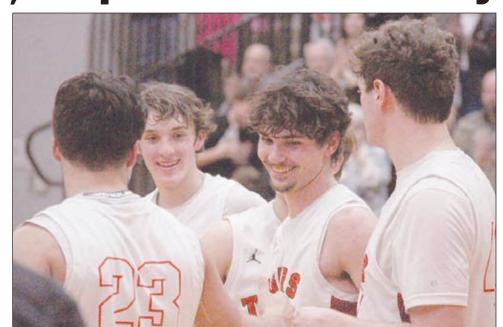
"I had known how many points I needed, and it was senior night and our last home game, so I felt a little bit of pressure there to get it," Anderson said. "It got loud, which was awesome. I had a huge grin on my face, or at least it felt like it. All my teammates, they've helped me along the way, and my coaches. So it was cool to celebrate with them because they've been there for me throughout my entire journey, so I was thankful for them."

Chillicothe head coach Tim Cool called a timeout between Anderson's free throws, allowing a brief celebration to take place between Anderson and his teammates and coaches, including fellow senior Isaac Danielson who also surpassed 1,000 points this season.

Kirksville head coach Tyler Martin said that the importance of milestones like this has been magnified throughout his years of coaching.

"I wanted him to get it, and I wanted (Danielson) to get it the night he got it," Martin said. "It's good for those guys. It's good for their teammates. Their teammates get excited, and there's nothing wrong at all with that. We definitely had some opportunities to make sure he was getting close and we kind of fed into that a little bit."

With the milestone and regular season now in the rearview mirror, Anderson and his teammates will head to district next week to try



Kirksville senior Keaton Anderson (second from right) smiles with teammates while getting a standing ovation from the crowd after surpassing the 1,000-point milestone for his career. He reached the milestone in the fourth quarter against Chillicothe on Feb. 20. ADAM TUMINO

and elongate their season as long as possible. He said he thinks the team is in a position to make good things happen in the postseason.

"We have a hard district coming up, but I think we play within ourselves and we're confident

with ourselves, we can win districts, and hopefully get past sectionals," he said. "The goal is to win districts for sure."

# Truman women kick off final stretch with win over Quincy

By Adam Tumino

Daily Express

The Truman State women's basketball team opened up the final stretch of the regular season with a big road win against Quincy on Saturday. With the 67-51 win, the Bulldogs are now 14-4 in conference play, good for third place in the GLVC, with just two games left on the schedule.

Truman never trailed, starting off on a 7-0 run in the first three and a half minutes of the game. Quincy pushed back, tying the score 9-9 over the next three and half minutes. Truman went up 11-9 with 2:42 left in the first and neither team scored for the rest of the quarter.

The score was tied 11-11 early in the second, but Truman quickly took control of the game for good. The Bulldogs went on a 14-2 run to claim a 25-13 lead, which grew to a 32-19 lead entering halftime.

After struggling from the field in the first quarter, shooting 4-of-16 from the field, Truman shot 9-of-17 in the second quarter to up their first-half shooting percentage to 39.4%. Quincy shot just 9-of-35 in the first half, including going 1-of-10 from three-point range.

Truman maintained its lead throughout the thor quarter, where it grew to as high as 16 points



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

with 4:05 left in the quarter. With the lead at 47-31, Quincy attempted to mount a comeback. The Hawks closed out the quarter on a 9-3 run to cut the Bulldog lead to 50-40 entering the fourth, the closest it had been since the middle of

the second quarter.

They cut it even closer early in the fourth and Truman's lead shrunk to 53-46 with 6:18 to go. But the comeback attempt was then shut down as Truman went on a 10-0 run over the next two and a half minutes of game time. Then all the Bulldogs needed to do was run down the clock, which they did to claim a 67-51 victory.

The Bulldogs made just 11 field goals in the second half after making nine in the second quarter alone, but increased production at the freethrow line helped them maintain their often-sizeable lead. Truman was 11-of-15 from the line in the second half and 13of-17 in the game.

Quincy's shooting percentage greatly improved in the third quarter, where they went 6-of-13 from the field and 9-of-10 on free throws. They managed to outscore Truman 21-18 in the third, but could not keep up offensively once the fourth

quarter began.

Quincy had its worst-shooting quarter of the night in the fourth, going 4-of-19 from the field. Three of those made shots were three pointers, but they could not knock down shots consistently enough to remain a threat as the quarter wound down.

The poor shooting for Quincy on two-point attempts was also a problem in the paint, where Truman had a major advantage. The Bulldogs doubled up Quincy in points in the paint 32-16.

The Bulldogs' talented pair of forwards, Ellie Weltha and Alex Fanning, both had double-doubles in the game. Weltha finished with 17 points and 12 rebounds while Fanning had 12 points and 10 rebounds. Fanning also led the team with six assists. Guard Hannah Belanger led the team with 20 points, shooting 8-of-15 from the field.

Quincy was led by Beth Matas Martin with 17 points while going 6-of-23 from the field. She was the only Quincy player to score in double figures.

Truman has two more road games remaining in the regular season, the first of which is against Rockhurst on Thursday. Rockhurst is 7-11 in conference play this season, with one of those losses coming against Truman on Jan. 14.



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

# Quincy outlasts Truman as regular season winds down

**By Adam Tumino** Daily Express

A third-straight win proved elusive for the Truman State men's basketball team on Saturday The Bulldogs fell on the road to Quincy 83-75, dropping to 7-11 in conference play this season with two games left on the schedule.

The two teams were even through the first seven minutes of the game and the score was tied 10-10 before the Hawks began to pull away. Quincy quickly built up a sizable lead, going on a 14-point run to lead 24-10 with 10:27 to go. Truman chipped away, going on a 13-5 run of its own to cut the deficit to 29-23 with 6:17 left in the half.

The runs were not over, as Quincy responded with a 7-0 run over the next two-plus minutes to go back up 36-23. Truman, perhaps unsurprisingly, then went on yet another run of its own, closing out the quarter on an 8-0 run to trail 36-31 at halftime.

Truman went 10-of-27 from the field in the first half for a shooting percentage of 37%. Quincy was slightly more effective, shooting 11-of-26 for 42.3%. Truman made five three pointers while Quincy connected on four.

Truman kept getting very close to retaking the lead or tying the score throughout the fourth quarter, but were never able to pull even. The Bulldogs cut the Quincy lead to two points at eight different points in the second half, with the latest instance coming with 7:03 left when Truman cut Quincy's lead to 64-62. The Hawks began to slowly rebuild their lead from there, holding at least a two-possession lead for the rest of the game and winning by eight points.

Truman shot the ball well in the second half, going 14-of-28 from the field, 6-of-14 from three and 10-of-10 from the free throw line. Quincy, however, shot nearly 60% from the field in the half, going 18-of-31 overall but making just two three pointers on seven attempts.



Truman guard CE Talton looks to make a play against an Indianapolis defender in the game on Nov. 28.

Truman made five more threes than Quincy in the game, but the Hawks outscored the Bulldogs in the paint 40-18. Quincy also outrebounded Truman 32-25 and had twice as many offensive rebounds.

The Bulldogs had four players score in double figures, led by guard Trey Shearer with 16 points. That was the third-highest total in a game this season for Shearer. Hunter Strait added 12 points, right around his season average of 12.5 points per game. That number has risen lately as Strait is averaging 15.3 points per game over the last 10 games.

Xavier Hall scored 11 points while also recording five rebounds and five assists, leading the team in both categories. Dylan Peeters, back to his usual role as the top option off the bench after getting a senior-night start in the Bulldogs' last game, scored 12 points. He has scored in double figures in the last eight games, raising his season average by over two points per game in that span.

Quincy was led by Mailk Hardmon, who had game highs with 23 points and nine rebounds. He shot 8-of-14 from the field.

Truman has two road games left on the schedule, the first of which is a matchup with Rockhurst on Thursday. Rockhurst is 9-9 in conference play this season and is currently in eighth place, three spots ahead of Truman.



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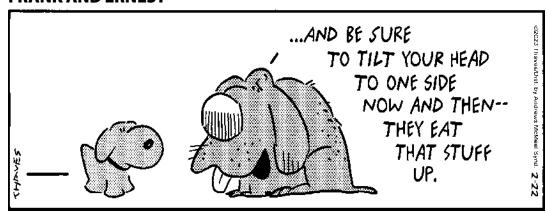
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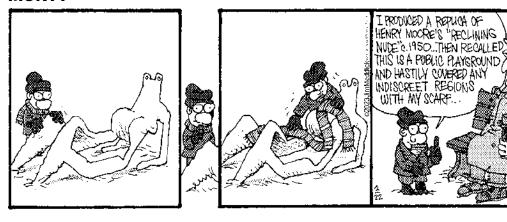
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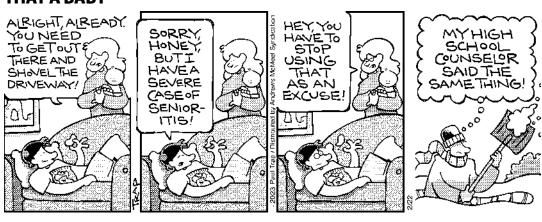
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Fox Terrier puppies. Three males born November 3, 2022. Parents on site, both tree up. 641-649-2429.

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### CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI (Date File Stamp) PROBATE

In the Estate of LARRY D. FINDLING, Deceased.

**Notice of Letters of Administration Granted** (Supervised Administration)

### To All Persons Interested in the Estate of LARRY D. FINDLING, Decedent: On February 09, 2023, the following individual was appointed the

personal representative of the estate of LARRY D. FINDLING, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County,

The personal representative's name and address is:

Mary E. Findling, 1111 N. Centennial, Kirksville, MO 63501

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is: Jessica Rooks, 2424 S. Franklin, Suite A, Kirksville, MO 63501, 660-627-3369

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

Date of the decedent's death: December 3, 2022

Date of first publication: February 15, 2023

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PUBLICATION DATES: 2-15-2023, 2-22-2023, 3-1-2023, 3-8-2023

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Case Number: 22AR-PR00144 CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI (Date File Stamp) Judge or Division:

KRISTIE JEAN SWAIM In the Estate of BOBBY G ZIMMERMAN, Deceased.

### **Notice of Letters of Administration Granted** (Supervised Administration)

Decedent: On February 1, 2023, the last will of the decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed personal representative of the estate of BOBBY G ZIMMERMAN, decedent by the Probate

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of BOBBY G ZIMMERMAN.

Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri. The name and address of the personal representative is:

RONALD W LEWELLEN, 23793 COYOTE ROAD, GREENTOP, MO

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:

TOM HENSLEY, 101 W. ILLINOIS, P.O. BOX 7535, KIRKSVILLE, MO 63501, 660-665-4419

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### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE ESTATE OF: MICHAEL W. MULFORD,

Deceased.

Case No. 19AR-PR00016

### NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENTOF ESTATE AND PROPOSED

**ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION** (Section 473.837, RSMo.)

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Independent Personal Representative will file a Petition for Order of Complete Settlement of Estate, together with a Final Settlement and proposed Order of Distribution, in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, on March 16, 2023, or as may be continued by the Court. If no objections to the Final Settlement or proposed Order of Distribution are filed within twenty (20) days after the filing thereof, the Court will consider them and upon their approval, the Court will determine the persons entitled to distribution of the estate and the extent and character of their interests therein.

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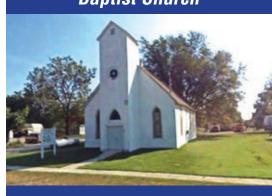
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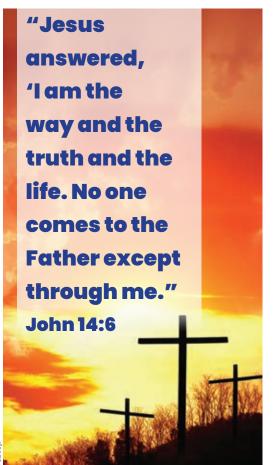
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www.countrysidekv.com **Gifford Christian Church** 

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6:00 p.m. Evening Worship New Hope **Evangelical Church** 620 Steer Creek Way

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First Liberty Full Gospel 1302 E. Filmore Rev. Fred Baker, Pasto

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** 

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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 School

10:45 a.m. Worship **Illinois Bend Community** Church

Highway 3 Pastor Terry Hunsaker 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 660-349-0052

**Baring Community Church** 11:00 a.m. Worship

**Downing Christian Church** 430 F. Prime Street Minister Walker Franke Associate Minister Larry Smith

9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Service 660-379-2329

Willow Bend Church Find Us on Facebook for Event Schedule

**New Hope Methodist** Reformed Church - Millard 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship **Greentop Community Church** 

Highway K. Greentop, Mo. Pastor: Lynae McFarland 10:30 a.m. Worship Service **Trinity United Fellowship** 

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

Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School **Shekinah Mennonite Church** 15981 Blueberry Way, Kirksville

John Mark Miller, Pastor Roger Berry 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship **6:00 p.m.** 2nd Sunday - hymn sing 6:00 p.m. 4th Sunday of month Topic

**Bethel Community Church** 12 miles NE of Kirksville on Rt. Marvin Cross, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday Schoo **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, Lancast 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. Earl 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, Pollock

Sam Burkholder, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening **Bible Missionary Church** 508 S. Main St. Bro. Glenn Kiger, Pastor

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship LaPlata Christian Church Scott McNay, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:40 a.m. Worship Service **Christ's Family Church** 531 N. Baltimore

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

**Queen City Christian Church** Queen City, Mo. Bud Cornwell, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Bible School 10:30 a.m. Communion/worship Hour **United Pentecostal Church** 1502 E. Northtown Road David E. Brown, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

**6:30 p.m.** Sunday Evening Worship **Brashear Community Bible** Church Donny Powell, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

660-323-5305 First Baptist Church of LaPlata B. J. McAlpin, Pastor 9:00 am "Donut Hole" Fellowship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Worship

6:00 pm Monday – AWANA http://laplatafbc.org/ Fmail: laplatafbc@gmail.com **Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist** 

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

Worthington Mo Roger Busnell, Pastor 9.30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship The Salvation Army 1004 W. Gardner

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

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

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

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

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

or Bible Study

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

Meeting at the Fohn Family Center 404

Rt. I, Novelty, Mo William Gaines, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship **New Harmony Free Will Baptist** 3 miles West of Greentop on Rt. K

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

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, Adult service. Childrens Church **Schuyler County Church** 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

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### Lookin' Good!

The Economic Development Committee of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce recently presented the Lookin' Good Award to the Wooden Nickel Restaurant. The award is presented to businesses which have beautified the look of their business. Wooden Nickel recently redid the front façade of their building and purchased new signage for the front and side of the restaurant in partnership with the City of Kirksville as part of the Downtown Revitalization Plan.

Pictured left to right are, Courtney Blodgett, Annette Sweet, Jen Vogt, Jeff Romine, Judy Vogt, Troy Pinkerton, and Angie Sullivan.

To nominate a business for the Lookin' Good Award email: boughtondebi@gmail.com.



### Important Upcoming Dates & Events:

- Feb. 23 KLI Recruitment Event
- Midwest Gold & Silver Ribbon Cutting noon
- Mar. 16 NEMR Ribbon Cutting 11:00 AM
- Mar. 17 Kirksville R-III Ball Field Ribbon Cutting 4:00 PM
- Mar. 23 A.T. Still University: Business After Hours 5:30 PM: Museum of Osteopathic Medicine Ribbon Cutting - 5:45 PM, members only, please.

### Looking Further:

Apr. 21 NEMO Job Fair - 11:00 AM-3:30 PM



### The Importance of Online Reviews

By: Anastasia Tiedemann, SBDC, MERIC

When visiting a new place, you may rely on a local search engine like Google to search for a place to eat or local shopping places to visit. A list will come up, but how will you make your decision?

Nearly nine out of ten (88%) of consumers worldwide consult reviews before purchasing from a local business. Not only are reviews an integral part of the purchase process, but it indicates that purchasers have a high level of

confidence in the opinions of others who have purchased from the business. In fact, 49% of buyers trust the reviews they read online (Source: Oberlo) as much as they trust personal recommendations. And most purchasers will read at least four reviews before buying a product.

So, who is writing these reviews? BrightLocal found that about 74% of consumers have left a review of a local business in the past year – and more post a positive review than a negative one. Service is the most reviewed factor.

The biggest reason why a small business should be concerned about reviews is because good reviews drive

Google is the most popular online review platform (Source: Bizrate Insights, 2021), followed by Amazon. Facebook, Yelp, and the Better Business Bureau (BBB) also encourage customer reviews, as well as other industry-specific organizations such as TripAdvisor. It's crucial to diversify where your customers read reviews.

And it's also important that as a business owner, you interact with those leaving the review, especially if the review was a negative one. Reviewers see it as good customer service, and it's a way you can turn an angry customer into a happy one, thus retaining customer loyalty.

So, as a business owner, what do your reviews look like? Encourage your customers to post their experience. And as a customer, do you write reviews? To support your local businesses, you should!

For more information on resources for small businesses, contact your Northeast MO Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at 660-665-3348.

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