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Kirksville Fire, Police Departments welcome new members

By City of Kirksville

The Kirksville Fire and Police Departments announced new members to their respective ranks.

The Kirksville Fire Department welcomed four new members. Zack Coy, Nathan Peterson, Jackson Boeck and Cheyenne Calcutt were sworn in at the rank of firefighter on March 7. All four received their training by the Kirksville Fire Department.

The Kirksville Police Department welcomed Alexa Mikita, who was sworn in as a patrol officer on March 13. Mikita brings with her experi-



Alexa Mikita is sworn in at City Hall.

ence from the Ottumwa Police Department, Wapello County Sheriff's Office and Keokuk County Sheriff's Office.

"The City of Kirksville is happy to welcome these individuals aboard," city officials said in a press release.



Firefighters sworn in, from left to right: Zack Coy, Nathan Peterson, Jackson Boeck and Cheyenne Calcutt.



Truman students volunteer their time during The Big Event last year. Students will again perform service tasks for Kirksville residents at this year's event, April 1.

Truman State students offer volunteer services to residents

By Truman State University

Truman students will participate in the annual Big Event service project April 1.

The Big Event allows students to display their gratitude to the Kirksville community for their continued support and contributions to the university. Hundreds of Truman students volunteer their time by helping individuals in the community with tasks such as raking leaves, trimming bushes or washing windows. Larger scale

community projects with area organizations are also part of the annual event.

Students will be volunteering their time from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 1. Residents of the community who would like to request assistance from Truman students can do so online at serve.truman.edu/the-big-event. Requested tasks must not require the use of any power tools, and residents must be home at the time volunteers are requested.

For more information, contact trumanserve@gmail.com or (660) 785-7222.

Pitch in and pick up during MoDOT's No MORE Trash! Bash

Volunteers sought to help clean up Missouri roadways

By MoDOT

JEFFERSON CITY – The clocks have sprung forward and that means it's time to spring into seasonal cleaning on Missouri's roadways. In this transition between winter and spring, the Missouri Department of Transportation turns its attention to the trash on Missouri's roadsides. No MORE Trash! Bash is an annual outreach of MoDOT's year-round litter control efforts that encourages all Missourians

to "pitch in and pick up" during the month of April. The campaign is designed to help curb the costs of litter control and is timed to clear the roads of trash and debris before the start of mowing season.

In 2022, MoDOT spent \$7.7 million to remove litter from more than 385,000 acres of right of way along nearly 34,000 state highway miles. For 2023, the work of MoDOT crews and additional litter pickup contracts in Kansas City and St. Louis are expected to bring that total to more than \$9 million.

"We're hoping all Missourians will pitch in and pick up trash this April to help us clean Missouri's

roadsides during our annual No MORE Trash! Bash," said Becky Allmeroth, MoDOT chief safety and operations officer. "You don't have to be part of a regular Adopt-A-Highway volunteer group to organize a one-time volunteer effort."

According to a 2020 study by Keep America Beautiful, there were close to 24 billion pieces of litter on the nation's roadways. That study concluded that if littering were to stop today and waste was properly managed, every American would only need to pick up 152 pieces of litter in a single unified effort to ensure a litter-free nation.

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MU School of Medicine takes emergency responder training on road to rural Missouri

By University of Missouri Extension and Daily Express Staff Reports

One way to improve health care in Missouri's rural communities is to expand the skills of local providers. University of Missouri School of Medicine and MU Extension are joining forces to help save lives by taking training on the road to hundreds of Missouri's rural emergency medical technicians and first responders. The effort involves a new state-of-the-art mobile simulation unit, which provided training to Adair County Ambulance emergency responders at their offices in Kirksville both Tuesday and Thursday this past week. This traveling classroom is part of MU's broader mission to improve medical education in the state.

The 38-foot-long specially equipped truck offers two training rooms and a high-tech control room to run simulations, according to Dena Higbee, MU School of Medicine simulation director.

"Everything you expect to see on the real patient, the simulators will model what is happening to the body as it is being taken care of," says Higbee.

Emergency responders in Callaway County recently received training during an infant-distress simulation. It was a hands-on exercise that was close to the real thing. And that simulation is just one of more than 100 different life-saving scenarios the mobile unit's staff can offer, ranging from cardiac arrest and trauma to delivering babies.

Dr. Christopher Sampson, Callaway County EMS medical director, describes the training unit's value: "High-fidelity mannequins that



Adair County Ambulance first responders train on a baby mannequin inside the state-of-the-art mobile simulation unit provided by the University of Missouri School of Medicine and the University of Missouri Extension.

have pulses, they can breathe on their own, they can show heart rhythms...so when the crews encounter these patients in real life, they are better trained for it."

Trainings take 30-40 minutes, according to Callaway County EMT Cayce Heiberger. That includes a short debriefing on trainee performance.

"Even if we did mess up," she says, "we'd rather mess up on a mannequin and then get it right on a real patient."

Plans call for the custom-built simulation unit to travel around Missouri, offering 20 free-of-charge training sessions between now and July. Costs are covered by a federal grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration. The unit can provide single-day sessions or be on site for multiple days at rural hospitals, making it one-of-a-kind in the Show-Me State, says simulation director Higbee.

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The state-of-the-art mobile simulation unit provided by the University of Missouri School of Medicine and the University of Missouri Extension, will travel through rural Missouri training first responders and emergency technicians.

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Gardner Collier Jewelry earns chamber ‘Lookin’ Good’ award

By Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee recently presented the “Lookin’ Good” award to Gardner Collier Jewelry Store, 111 W. Washington Street in Kirksville. Pictured are Annette Sweet, Debi Boughton, Bryan Collier (owner), Ashley Roland and Jeff Romine.”



Scotland County Hospital to hold Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month activities

By Scotland County Hospital

March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Colon cancer is a leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States that affects both men and women. Unlike most cancers, colorectal cancer is often preventable with screening and highly treatable when detected early. With early detection, colon cancer has a 90 percent survival rate.

Screening is the number one way to prevent or detect this disease early, when it's most treatable. The most common screening is a colonoscopy. If you're age 45 or older, talk to your doctor about screening. If you have a personal or family history of colorectal disease, ask your doctor when you should start screening and how often it should be done.

A less invasive alternative to traditional colonoscopy is a FIT screening. The fecal immunochemical test (FIT) uses antibodies to detect blood in the stool. This test is done in the comfort of your home and no bowel prep is required. FIT is a

common colorectal cancer screening test. People with a positive FIT result are advised to have a colonoscopy to investigate the cause of the bleeding because a FIT test alone cannot diagnose cancer.

In observance of National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, Scotland County Hospital is offering a FIT kit & lab results for \$25 total (Cash, Check or Credit/Debit). Call the Triage Nurse at Memphis Medical Services at 660-465-2828, during business hours, and ask for a FIT kit, then stop by any of Scotland County Hospital's rural health clinics (Lancaster, Edina, Memphis or Wyaconda) to pick up your FIT kit. Return the completed kit to any of Scotland County Hospital's rural health clinics or the hospital outpatient registration desk at the ER/Main entrance.

As another part of the observance of National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month at Scotland County Hospital, there will be a free “Lunch & Learn” on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 12 noon in the Hospital's Li-



Jay Nastav, DO

brary Conference Room located off Watkins Street in Memphis (Parking Lot B). Andrea Graham, Registered Dietitian Nutritionist, will demonstrate a healthy recipe, followed by a presentation by Dr. Jay Nastav, a general surgeon at Scotland County Hospital, who will present information on colon health and colon cancer prevention. Please call 660-465-8511 to register for this free event.

When it comes to colorectal cancer, the most common symptom is no symptom. Remember – colon cancer is highly treatable when detected early. Schedule your screening exam today with any of the surgeons at Scotland County Hospital & Clinics in Memphis or call this month for a FIT kit.

THOUSAND HILLS STATE PARK PROGRAMS

Saturday, April 1 — 10 a.m.
Petroglyph Tour

Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians. Explore the petroglyphs with park staff to learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter located next to the beach.

Friday, April 7 — 7:30 p.m.
Spotlight on Spiders

Join park staff in a presentation to learn about spiders and discover just how important they are to our ecosystem. If interested, join park staff to go looking to see if any spiders are nearby. Please bring a flashlight or headlamp. Meet at the Campground 1 Amphitheater.

Saturday, April 8 — 8 a.m.
Birding for Beginners

Join park staff to learn some birding basics! Binoculars, field guides, and cameras are welcome. Limited binoculars and field guides will be available to borrow during the program. Please wear closed-toed shoes and bring water. Meet at the beach parking lot to walk the paved trail.



Friday, April 14 — 7 p.m.
Something about a Snake

Something about a snake make them ss-super important. Join park staff to learn what that reason is and why snakes are unique. There may be a chance to meet a live animal. Meet at the Campground 1 amphitheater.

Thursday, April 20 — 8 p.m.-10 p.m.
Stars Up, Lights Down

Come out for a celebration of International Dark Sky week! Join others in learning about light pollution and exploring the sky above. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars. Meet at the Point Shelter.

All programs are weather permitting. Check out Thousand Hills State Park on Facebook for cancellations, location changes, and other park information. Questions? Contact the park office at 660-665-6995

McKim's celebrate 40 years of marriage

By Special to The Express

Tom McKim of Kirksville (son of Ronald and Rose McKim), married Davena McKim of Keosauqua, Iowa on April 16, 1983. The lovely couple are celebrating 40 years of marriage this spring. The couple have three daughters: Stefanie Davidson, Abigail Newland, and Angela McKim, one son-in-law, and four granddaughters who all reside in Kirksville. Tom is retired from a family owned business, R&S Masonry, and now owns and operates McKim Truck and Trailer. Davena is retired from the Sullivan County Memorial Hospital and is enjoying her much deserved free time with family and friends. The couple resides in Kirksville and their family and freinds congratulate them on the beautiful life they've built over the past 40 years. “Cheers to you both!”



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Kirkville Real Estate
& Personal Property Auction

Thursday, April 6, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

The Estate of Mary Lee Jorgenson

Directions: 1512 South Cottage Grove Avenue, Kirksville, Missouri. From South Baltimore Street in Kirksville, follow East Patterson Street east for 0.2 miles, turn South on Cottage Grove Avenue for 0.2 miles. The property will be located on your right. Look for signs the day of the auction.

REAL ESTATE: Well built and sitting on two city lots, this brick 4 bedroom, 2 bath home is ready for your finishing touches. The home has a large living room, dining room, family room and kitchen with abundant cabinets and storage. It also features a large utility room/pantry and an unfinished basement that can be accessed from inside the home or via a ramp in the attached, over-sized 2 car garage. The home has a spacious yard, a concrete patio and a nice utility shed. Located in a lovely neighborhood within walking distance of the school, this house would make a great family home. The home does need updating but has a lot of potential.

Please call Scotty at 573-356-4405 to schedule your personal showing.

*TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE: 10% down the day of the auction, balance due upon day of closing. There will be personal property included in the auction. We will add descriptions of those items closer to the auction date.

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KIRKSVILLE POLICE BLOTTER: MARCH 8-11, 2023

ARREST REPORTS
MARCH 8-9
Warrant, Jerrin I. Lee, Kirksville
MARCH 9-10
No Valid License-1st Offense (M), Alonzo Williams III, Kirksville
MARCH 10-13
Driving While Revoked/Suspended 1st Offense (M D), Chelcie R. May, Kirksville
DWI-Alcohol (M B), Taylor J. Baker, Kirksville
No Valid License-1st Offense (M), Chloe Alynn Musgrove, Kirksville
No Valid License-3rd and Subsequent Offense (F), Mayra Leticia Moran, Milan
Stealing From Shoplifting (M) Peter A. Babcock, Novinger
Tiffany M. Saner, Kirksville
Brett Michael Woolsey, Kirksville
Warrant, Tina Lynn Cuculich, Kirksville
Warrant-Adair County, Anthony Craig Haines, Edina
MARCH 13-15
No Valid License-1st Offense (M), Jeremy Allen Wilson, Kirksville
INCIDENT REPORTS
MARCH 8
8:19 a.m, Animal/Loose-Running at Large, Greenway Drive
10:43 a.m., Property/Damage Vandalism (M) 2nd Degree, 203 W. Mill Street
11:40 a.m., Runaway, 1101 S. Jamison Street
12:26 p.m., Traffic Stop, No Valid License-2nd Offense (M), North Florence Street, Arrestee: Sarah Yeggy,, 38
2:24 p.m., Traffic Stop, Franklin Street
2:47 p.m., Animal/Loose-Running at Large, 1112 N. Osteopathy Street
2:40 p.m., MVA/Minior, South Franklin Street
3:48 p.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Trespass, 503 S. Franklin Street
4:14 p.m., Traffic Stop, No Valid License-2nd Offense (M), 1000 Block of Sheridan Street, Arrestee: Christena Anders, 34
5:02 p.m, Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing \$750 or More All Other (F), 1300 S. Cottage Grove Avenue
6:04 p.m., Civil Dispute, 612 Shelby Street
6:49 p.m., Check the Well Being, 301 W. Washington Street
8:23 p.m., Domestic Disturbance/Verbal, 1501 S. Jamison Street
8:14 p.m., Traffic Stop, West McPherson Street
9:54 p.m., Check the Well Being, 2400 S. Baltimore Street
10:07 p.m., Trespass, 1116 E. Jefferson Street
MARCH 9
1:21 a.m., Field Contact, 2609 N. Baltimore Street
1:13 a.m., Traffic Stop, Warrant, 2710 Novinger Street, Arrestee: Jerrin Lee, 20
1:26 a.m., Fight/In Progress, Peace Disturbance, 114 S. Elson Street
7:07 a.m., Animal/Loose-Running at Large, 3602 N. Industrial Road
7:41 a.m., Traffic Stop, 1500 N. Walnut Street
8:01 a.m., Animal/Bite Attack, Animals Running at Large, East Orchard Street
8:07 a.m, Traffic Stop, 1901 N. Baltimore Street
9:56 a.m, Harassment, 1515 S. Cottage Grove Avenue
12:27 p.m., MVA/Injury, No Valid License-1st Offense (M), MVA Minor, 2102 N. Baltimore Street, Arrestee: Alonzo Williams, 23
2:11 p.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Burglary 2nd (No Force) Non-Residential (F C), 1105 Edgar Street
2:34 p.m., Trespass, 918 E. Randolph Street
3:04 p.m., Animal/Trap, 7 Eastgate Drive
3:57 p.m., Traffic Stop, Florence Street
4:50 p.m., Runaway, 804 N. Baltimore Street
6:53 p.m., Traffic Stop, North Green Street
8:22 p.m., Property/Damage Vandalism, Stealing From Building (M), 10 Cascade Drive
10:15 p.m., Animal/Abuse-Care, Animal Complaint, 1700 N. Centennial Avenue
MARCH 10
12:18 a.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing From Building (M), 202 E. Illinois Street
1:34 a.m., Peace Disturbance, 401 E. Jefferson Street
8:20 a.m., Animal/Trap, Complaint, 7 Eastgate Drive
4:36 p.m., Traffic Stop, North Osteopathy Street, Kailyn Watts, 28
7:19 p.m., Traffic Stop, Osteopathy Street, Barbara Kramer, 48
8:10 p.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing \$750 or More Auto (F), 119 E. McPherson Street
8:56 p.m., Traffic Stop, Osteopathy Street, Daniel Graves, 33
9:56 p.m., Traffic Stop, Osteopathy Street, Robyn Brown, 37
10:04 p.m, Traffic Stop, West Washington Street, Matthew Tobaben, 29
10:14 a.m, Traffic Stop, Failure to /Register Motor Vehicle/Trailer, Friedman Street, Gladys George, 24
10:32 p.m., Traffic Stop, 2221 N. Baltimore Street, Tristan Howes, 26
10:48 a.m., Traffic Stop, East La-Harpe Street, Tyler Roberts, 30
10:49 a.m., Traffic Stop, 1213 N. Green Street, Deborah Holte, 57
6:29 p.m., Traffic Stop, South Osteopathy Street, Diana Skaggs, 52
9:43 p.m., Traffic Stop, North Marion Street, Jacqueline Lopez, 45
10:08 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1408 N. Green Street, Aime Bokemo, 43
12:57 p.m., Animal/Trap, Complaint, 2504 N. Industrial Road
3:42 p.m., Trespass, Assault 4th Degree-Pursuant to Subdivisions, (6)(M), 2214 N. Baltimore Street
4:19 p.m., Traffic Stop, South Boundary Street, Joseph Roberts, 33
4:52 p.m, Traffic Stop, East Scott Street, Brett Briggs, 34
6:57 p.m., Warrant-Adair County, 2209 N. Baltimore Street, Arrestee: Anthony Haines, 50
7:10 p.m, Traffic Stop, West Normal Avenue, Alexis Holman, 21
8:09 p.m., Trespass, 2310 E. Illinois Street
9:28 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1711 N. Baltimore Street
10:17 p.m., Traffic Stop, South Baltimore Street, Rafael Villegas, 20
MARCH 11
12:06 a.m., Extra Patrol, 1708 S. Jamison Street
12:23 a.m., Traffic Stop, Baltimore Street, Raven Pope, 27



12:51 a.m., Liquor Law Violation, Endanger Welfare of Child 2nd Degree (M A), Minor Possession of Intoxicant (M), 1st Offense, 111 S. Elson Street
4:34 a.m., Fireworks, Discharge, 1305 S. Boundary Street
4:53 a.m., Traffic Stop, South Baltimore Street, Benjamin Hull, 37
6:43 a.m., Traffic Stop, Osteopathy Street, Nicole Hayes, 30
9:37 a.m., Warrant, 1301 Queens Court
9:17 a.m., Traffic Stop, 301 N. Marion Street, John Grossnickle, 41
9:26 a.m., Traffic Stop, Illinois Street, Juvenile
9:30 a.m., Warrant, 114 Valley Forge Drive
9:54 a.m., Fireworks, Trespass, 1915 N. Osteopathy Street
10:20 a.m., Summons/Civil, Service, 306 E. Cottonwood Street
10:30 a.m., Summons/Municipal, 902 E. Washington Street, Otis Hampton, 50
10:30 a.m., Summons/Municipal, Warrant-Municipal, 823 W. Scott Street, Arrestee: Tina Cuculich, 64
10:36 a.m., Summons/Municipal, Service, 314 S. Stanford Street, Larry Reed, 64
10:46 a.m., Summons Service/Municipal, 2101 Bartlett Street, Riley Phillips, 20
12:26 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1000 N. Green Street, Allison Beaton, 21
2:26 p.m., traffic Stop, Normal Avenue, Stephney Brown, 47
3:42 p.m., Trespass, Assault 4th Degree -Pursuant to Subdivisions (6)(M), 2214 N. Baltimore Street
4:40 p.m., Traffic Stop, No Valid License-1st Offense (M), East Pierce Street, Arrestee: Chloe Musgrove, 31
6:05 p.m. Trespass 2nd Degree, 2209 N. Baltimore Street, Arrestee: Anthony Haines, 50
7:11 p.m., Traffic Stop, Driving While Revoked/Suspended 1st Offense (M D), North Elson Street, Arrestee: Chelcie May, 29
8:52 p.m., East Pierce Street, Michael Patterson, 36
8:58 p.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing From Auto (M), 202 E. Illinois Street,
9:09 p.m., Traffic Stop, 315 S. Osteopathy Street, Tim Ostrowski, 42
11:04 p.m., Traffic Stop, Warrant, Owner Operating Motor Vehicle Without Maintaining Financial Responsibility (Motor Vehicle Required to be Registered)-1st Offense (M), NO Valid License-3rd and Subsequent Offense (F), Failure to Register Motor Vehicle/Trailer, Decker Road, Arrestee: Mayra Moran, 35
11:05 p.m., Suspicious/ Subject, Suspicious-Person, Activity, Vehicle, 507 Woodwind Court
11:28 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1608 N. Baltimore Street, Daniel Hursman, 52

KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

Early bird registration for youth summer baseball and softball ends March 19

Just a quick reminder, registration is open for Kirksville Parks and Recreation’s youth summer baseball and softball league, KBSL. Early bird registration ends March 19. Registration can be completed in person at the Kirksville Aquatic Center located at 801 E. Mill St in Kirksville, or online at parks.kirksvillecity.com now through April 2. For more information about this program contact the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485

NEMO Senior Citizen Nutrition Site to host chronic disease self-management classes

Do you need help with arthritis, asthma, cancer, diabetes, heart disease, depression, osteoporosis, fibromyalgia, lupus and other chronic conditions? Join us for Better Ways for Better Days, a chronic disease self-management class series. Class is free supported by a grant and NEMO Regional Arthritis Center/AT-SU-AHEC. Learn effective ways to manage your symptoms, medication, deal with stress, healthy eating habits, sleep improvement, communication and overall development of a healthier lifestyle. Program dates are April 6, 13, 20, 28, May 4 and 11, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Register or further information email toniaschlecht@atsu.edu or call 660-626-2061. NEMO senior citizen nutrition site, 100 Valley Forge Drive, Kirksville.

Environmental assessment public comment period for water management changes and habitat restoration at Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Midwest Region has developed a Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed water management changes and habitat restoration at Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge. Environmental Assessments are required for major actions on federal lands as part of the National Environmental Policy Act to inform and seek feedback from the public regarding the proposed actions. The public comment period will be open for 30 days from March 8 through April 8. Copies of the Draft Environmental Assessment are available for download on the Swan Lake NWR website at www.fws.gov/refuge/swanlake. Swan Lake NWR. All comments must be received by April 8, 2023 or postmarked prior to that time if mailed.

Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons Exhibit

A.T. Still Memorial Library to host traveling exhibit honoring pioneering African American surgeons and healthcare educators. “Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons,” a traveling exhibit from the National Library of Medicine, will be available for viewing at A.T. Still Memorial Library in Kirksville, from March 13-April 21. The exhibit will be open to public viewing from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. A.T. Still Memorial Library is located inside the Connell Information Technologies Center. The journey of African American physicians from pre-Civil War to modern day America has been a challenging one. Early Black pioneer physicians not only became skilled practitioners, but trailblazers and educators who created pathways for future physicians, surgeons, and nurses, and opened doors to better healthcare for the African American community. This exhibition celebrates their achievements and highlights those who exemplify excellence in their respective fields. The National Library of Medicine produced this exhibition and companion website. https://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/opening-doors/index.html

Exhibit to honor women’s history

To celebrate March as Women’s History Month, the Kirksville Arts Association is exhibiting needlework traditionally done by women. Titled “A Sampler of Needlework,” the exhibit has ninety pieces on display at the Sue Ross Arts Center dating from the mid-1800s to 2020. Also included are examples of ethnic pieces from Egypt and Uzbekistan demonstrating how women around the world interpret and complete the same arts and crafts. The types of needlework included in the exhibit are embroidery, quilting, applique, crochet, rug hooking, crewel, needlepoint, and knitting. The exhibit will be open through April 1. The Sue Ross Arts Center is located at 215 S Franklin Street in Kirksville. There is no charge to visit the exhibit. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hospice of Northeast Missouri To Hold Grief Support Group

Hospice of Northeast Missouri is offering a six-week grief support group for anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one. Topics include: understanding the grief process; personal loss history and its impact on the grief process; distinguishing between

grief and mourning; dealing with insensitive people; grief’s impact on a family system; self-care and observing special occasions and the holidays. Group facilitators are John Bambrick, chaplain and social worker, and Carrol Davenport, spiritual care and bereavement coordinator. Sessions will take place from 5:30-6:30 p.m., March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 26 and May 3, at 201 S. Baltimore Street in Kirksville. There is no charge for the six-week support group, but advance registration is required. To register for the group, contact Carrol Davenport at 660-627-9711. Hospice of Northeast Missouri, a service of Hannibal Regional, is a non-profit that focuses on quality of life for people and their caregivers who are experiencing an advanced, life-limiting illness. Hospice of Northeast serves Adair, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Macon, Putnam, Schuyler, Scotland, Sullivan, and Shelby counties.

Indoor walking activity for seniors at the Crossing Church

The RSVP office sponsors a walking activity five days a week during winter months for seniors to walk inside the Crossing Church location on Shepard Street from 9:30 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday. This is only for senior citizens — 55 or older. They have volunteers “manning” the location and seniors are welcome any time during that time period. They ask that you sign in. There is no charge and you may come any or all days. If the schools are closed, they are not open because of weather.

Truman State University Art Gallery Exhibit

A Truman State University Art Gallery Exhibit will be held March 21 — April 27
Annual Juried Student Exhibition — Guest juror: Madeleine LeMieux —The Annual Juried Student Exhibition is always one of the highlights of the University Art Gallery schedule. Some of the best recent Truman student artwork is on view, juried in spring 2022 by Madeleine LeMieux, Art on the Move Coordinator and Instructor, University of Missouri.
Land Enveloped – Lindsey Dunnagan – in the Charlyn GalleryIn Land Enveloped, shapes from mountains, fishnets, and iceberg striations come together in layers of fabric that hang from the ceiling and form pliable walls. These walls create a dynamic path where narrow passageways open to expansive and translucent views through silk organza. This project creates a sense of discovery and magic that is inspired by Lindsey Dunnagan’s childhood memories of growing up in the Alaskan landscape. Dunnagan is Associate

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

Spring Tiny Tykes Soccer registration now open

Join Coach Luke for Soccer FUNDamentals. The city of Kirksville’s Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting registrations for the Tiny Tykes Soccer program. Tiny Tykes Soccer, brought to you by Nolan Law Firm, is an exciting and engaging four-week program for children ages 3 through 5 that teaches soccer using play-based learning. Tiny Tykes Soccer will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting April 11. Registrants will choose either a 4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. session, or a 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. session when registering. That can be done online at parks.kirksvillecity.com or in person at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, located at 801 E. Mill St. Registration is \$30 per participant and each player will receive a Tiny Tykes Soccer t-shirt. All Tiny Tykes Soccer will be held at the Tiny Tykes Soccer Field, located next to the Pee Wee Baseball Fields at the North Park Complex on 3000 Novinger St. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

Food Bank Adopt a Buddy Pack program

The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri invites you to Adopt a Buddy Pack. 1,928 children in Adair County qualify for free or reduced-price meals

at school. Many of these children do not have access to nutritious meals during the weekend. The Food Bank’s Buddy Pack program aims to fill that gap by providing Buddy Packs full of nutritious food for children to take over the weekend. You can help fed a child with Buddy Packs. A gift of \$270 allows them to provide a Buddy Pack to a child in Adair County for an entire school year. Donate at sharefoodbringinghope.org/give-help or in-person at Alliant Bank, 201 S. Baltimore Street in Kirksville. Check by Mail: Make payable to “The Food Bank” with “Adair County Buddy Pack” in the memo to: The Food Bank, 2101 Vandiver Drive, Columbia, Mo. 65202. All funds stay in the county. Participating schools include Kirksville Primary, Ray Miller, Brashear and Novinger. Sponsored by Alliant Bank and Kirksville Daily Express.

Join the Kirksville Young Professionals Committee

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

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

An ongoing support group around the grief of aging will

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

Adair County Public Library Book Club is Back

Join the Adair County Public Library for their 2022-23 Friends of the Library Book Discussion group. Meetings will be held in the Special Collections Room at 5:30 p.m. Talk to the front desk staff if you would like to purchase these books through the library. Cost for an entire set of the books is \$72. March 14: Booth by Karen Joy Fowler; April 11: Tied Up in Knotts: My Dad and Me by Karen Knotts.

Catch-and-keep trout season begins at Spur Pond

Catch-and-keep trout season at Spur Pond in Kirksville until Oct. 31. Anglers can keep trout and remove the artificial bait only restriction. The Kirksville Police Department would like to remind citizens that even though there are ice-covered portions of Spur Pond, it may not be safe to venture out on the ice. According to the Missouri Department of Conservation, only ice that is four inches thick or more is safe to walk and fish on. For more information on ice safety and fishing regulations, visit the Missouri Department of Conservation webpage at https://mdc.mo.gov/.

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ROBIN WRITES

Beautiful March

I brought flowers to Mom this week. Springtime stems of forsythia, dogwood and lilac. It's too early for the real thing—but silk is fine.

March was Mom's favorite month, and on the first mild day of the month she would say the same thing: "It is going to be beautiful soon!" Her eyes would meet mine with sunbeams of serenity. I smiled each year and basked in the warmth of her excitement.

It was a long drive to Mom's place. The day blew across my windshield in frigid bursts, warmed here and there by late winter sunshine. Bits of dry, dead leaves that had forgotten to turn to dust swirled along the edges of the blacktop road. Gray tree trunks. Dull patches of old grass whose color had been stripped away by months of cold snow and pelting rain.

But it is March—the month that promises more than it can ever deliver. And although it seems impossible now, I know that within weeks these barren fields leading to Mom will begin to sprout new life: push away the sad colors

and burst into smiles of spring. Finally there. Wind tickled my neck as I pulled on my tired winter coat and walked around to the passenger's seat to collect the bouquet. Gravel crunched under my feet like cricket chirps.

I gripped the mass of flowers in both hands; the bouquet was much too large this year. I wanted just the right blend, so I had added stem after stem, balancing colors and juggling choices. I whispered to myself and dug into memories of Mom's favorites. 'She'll like these.' and 'too much yellow; she wants purple'. Before I knew it, my tiny bouquet had grown to a bush.

I imagined what her reaction would be. She would stare for a moment or two and then her hand would fly to her chest, warming her heartbeat. Her lips would open into a smile brighter than the sunshine overhead.

She'd reach toward them—and me—with the hand left free from heart-holding and touch them. Tiny, soft taps from practiced fingers that had spent a lifetime coaxing



ROBIN GARRISON LEACH
COLUMNIST

smiles and encouraging growth from reluctant, stubborn seedlings. Her eyes would meet mine, brimming with words and love neither of us needs to say. I carried the flowers with two hands, reaching toward the headstone as if a set of hands waited. I was a child, bringing home a glued and colored valentine. A blue ribbon from a race. A coloring page with the words, "TO MOM" carefully printed in crayon across the top. And as I bent toward the sun-warmed bronze vase, offering my springtime gift with a tearful grin, I could see and hear and feel Mom's words. Every March of every year, from now until forever. "It's going to be beautiful soon!"

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HOME COUNTRY

The Ides of March

Makes a guy wonder sometimes," Windy Wilson said, "if gettin' all stabbed to death might not be a bad way to go."

The rest of us — the Supreme Court of Dang Near Everything at the Mule Barn coffee shop — politely choked on our java and put the cups down. Even for Windy, this was quite an observation.

"Yer prolly askin' yer-selves," Windy said, "how I gerrymanderated myself into this observation."

"Well ... yes ...actually."

"Doc, I know you and the boys need fresh idears ever year or two jest to keep you sharpened, so here's how I finger it. You know it's dang near March fifteen, right? Back in the olden days, before we even had our interdependence from England, they called it The Idears of March. So they knew they needed idears even back then. This whole stabbin' thing came from that old Roman guy, Julius Caesar.

This year woman, called herself the Oriole of Dolphins, 'cuz she thought she was smarter than most folks in Baltimore or even in Miama ... she told ol' Julius to beware them Idears of March, 'cuz they's nothin' but trouble."



SLIM RANGLES
COLUMNIST

Windy waited for Loretta to top off his cup. "But ol' Julius wasn't too purty good about listenin' cuz he'd already whupped England and Germany so he figgered he was too smart already. So he give a speech they didn't like and a bunch of Brute's stabbed him plumb to death. Well, it sure made him famous, didn't it? I'm sure you heard of a caesarian section house – somethin' on the railroad, I think – and an epileptic Caesar, and Caesar salad, and an Orange Julius. 'Course you have.

"So mebbe we need to ease up on them Brute's in history, light up a roman candle in their honor. They messed up them Congressional steps some, but Julius Caesar's story is still around and it's long after that mop bucket dried out."

Need a sharp knife? Try a diamond eze-lap. The best. \$20 at Sportsman's Warehouse.

LETTER

Public records are your records

Happy Sunshine Week! (March 12-18) Each year, media organizations across the country highlight the importance of accessing government public records and shining the light on records which are stored away in government file cabinets (or computers).

Public records are the meat and potatoes of a reporter's data collection. Their first step usually is to collect the records for a story. The last thing is to interview the folks in the story.

But citizens can also take advantage of this law. The federal law is called the Freedom of Information Act, but each state has their own name. In Florida, where I'm from, it is called the Government-in-the-Sunshine Law. Although the law varies from state to state, the gist of it is simple. Don't ask your government official for his opinion or try to get them to answer questions. They are not required to answer you. If you want to be effective, ask for records! It's as simple as this. E-mail them and say:

This is a request for public records. Please provide a copy of (whatever you'd like to know).

And then wait to see what the official says. Sometimes a government agency is lightning fast and will give you the records within the hour. Some are not as efficient

and might take a day or two. Some are intent on not handing over any record and want to keep our public records private! You can spot these when the first person who answers your request for records is an attorney.

Another indicator that the agency is not "public records friendly" is they won't list the e-mail address of the records custodian on their website.

If you have any doubt of whether something is a "public record" or not, don't worry about it. Just ask for it. It is the agency's responsibility to either provide the record or state the statutory reasons why they won't provide them.

We know public records. As private investigators (my better half and I), we've been requesting records from tiny towns to state government to the Feds for decades. (Note: be prepared to wait from the U.S. government! They are S-L-O-W.)

We have compiled records on psychiatrists from every single state in the country and even from foreign countries culminating in the "world's largest collection of records on psychiatrists", which you can find at PsychSearch.net.

Good luck in your own search!

Warm Regards,
Ken Kramer
Private Investigator

OPINION

An expert in your corner

I never know what I'm going to find when my brother shoots me a text. Recently it was a photo of a spittoon at the Bates County Courthouse. It made me chuckle for a lot of reasons. I knew right away he was in the middle of a trial back in God's country.

Some of the best lessons I learned were when I was a small-town lawyer. When you are in a courtroom, you have to figure out the lay of the land pretty quick. I always knew when I saw the judge or even the opposing counsel walk in the courtroom wearing cowboy boots or chewing tobacco you could rely on one thing: You were dealing with a straight shooter who was from rural Missouri.

Make no mistake, they were going to be tough, but fair. Most importantly, when they gave you their word, you could take it to the bank.

That's why I enjoy working with the folks at Missouri's electric cooperatives so much. The people that work at your local co-op are the same folks you see at church, the coffee shop and the local high school basketball game. Much like finding a good rural Missourian in the courtroom, when you talk to your local co-op employee, they are someone you can trust.

When Lindsey and I built our farmhouse on Boone Electric Cooperative's lines I used their services a lot in order to decide what appliances and HVAC system would give me the best return on my investment. They even helped me get tax credits for a ground-source heat pump, reducing my electric bill dramatically in the process.



It doesn't make much sense for the guy who sells you electricity to help you figure out ways to use less, but that's what makes our electric co-ops so great.

Sometimes doing the right thing may not be the most profitable way to go. Your electric co-op is able to do this because of two very important reasons.

One, cooperatives are non-profit businesses — which means they are not sharpening their pencils at the end of the year to see how much money they made.

In fact, if they do make a profit, they give it back to the members of the cooperative as a capital credit.

The other fact that makes cooperatives so special is they are member-owned and governed. That means every one

of you owns a piece of those wires, poles and transformers that keep your lights on.

Cooperative members also get to elect a board of directors to run the cooperative.

This structure has allowed electric cooperatives to focus on doing what is best for their members instead of looking at the bottom line.

I always say that if everyone did what was right all the time, I probably would have just stayed on the farm and raised hogs instead of going to law school.

Sure seems to me like the electric co-ops have figured things out. It's good to have an expert in your corner.

Caleb is the executive vice president and CEO of the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives and a member of Boone Electric Cooperative.

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OBITUARIES

Shirley DeYon Weber

Shirley DeYon Weber was born at home in Nick-elton, Missouri to Willie Roberts Borron and Jennie Forsyth Borron on April 30, 1932. Shirley attended school at Nickelton School, later attending and graduat-ing from La Plata High School. She then attended college at Northeast Missouri State Teachers College in Kirksville, Missouri, where she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Edu-cation. Later she returned to college and earned her Master's Degree in Special Education.



Shirley was a lifelong teacher who was so loved by her students, wherever she worked. For six years she taught home economics to high school students in LaPlata. She then began teaching elementary school in the Knox County system at Novelty. While at Novelty for a number of years, she taught 5th grade, which she loved. Later in her career she stayed in the Knox County school system but transferred to Edina. Shirley taught kindergarten there for many many years until her retirement. She loved all of her teaching jobs, but working with 5 and 6 year old children was as she said "My Favorite!" All total she spent 20 years teaching in Knox County, touching so many lives positively.

On May 30, 1950, she and Marion Wayne (Ben-ny) Weber were married at the preacher's house in Atlanta, but skipped the honeymoon because there wasn't money for such frivolity. They set about starting a family with Bill Wayne being born August 15, 1951. On August 19, 1958, a sec-ond son was born, Kenneth Jace.

Shirley loved family life and never traveled other than a 25th anniversary trip to Hawaii, and she spoke of this highlight often. Her entire life was spent within 20 miles from where she was born, and she spoke often of this being the most beautiful place she'd ever seen.

She is survived by her son Jace and his wife Sally, her younger sister Charlotte Wheeler, and her hus-band Robert. Grandchildren Amanda Ruff, Nicky Wedel, Nathan Pike and Jake Pike and great grand-children Emma, Shelby, Noah, Jordan, Jazz, and Layla. She almost always burst with pride showing off her family and loved them all so very much.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Benny, her son Bill, and a much beloved niece Carla DeYon.

Visitation was at Travis Funeral Chapel from 9-11 AM, Thursday, March 16, 2023, with the fu-neral beginning at 11:00 AM. Burial was at Mt. Tabor Cemetery, east of Atlanta, Missouri.

Memorials may be made to the Randy Johnson Memorial Foundation or the Ray of Hope PCM.

Candace Rae Wait

Candace Rae Wait, age 81, passed away Thurs-day, March 16, 2023.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Keith E. Wait; and daughter, Heather Shannon Rae.

She is survived by her step daughter, Betsy (Russ) Maxey; six grandchildren, one great-grand-daughter, Hadley Joy Hull; and sister, Tina Wray. She will be missed by her family and friends.

Carolyn Sue (Pearce) Lindquist

Nov 22, 1945 – Mar 12, 2023

Carolyn Sue (Pearce) Lindquist, 77, of Greentop, Missouri, passed away March 12, 2023 surrounded by her family.



Born November 22, 1945 in Greentop, Missouri, Car-olyn was the daughter of Harvey "Leon" and Juanita Mae (Bookout) Pearce. She was united in marriage on June 6, 1963 in Greentop to Robert Lee "Bob" Lindquist, who survives.

Carolyn is also survived by one son, Douglas (Kelley) Lindquist of Greentop; one daughter, Jennifer Lou Sparks of Columbia, Missouri; two sisters, Linda (Lala) Prough of Greentop, and Debbie (Harry) Clubine of Greentop; one brother-in-law, Lester Leon Lindquist of England; four grandchildren, KaCei (Travis), Kody, Kevin (Amanda), and Rebecca (Eric); and ten great grand-children: Kella and Kalvin Gunnels; Kasen, Kye and Kimberlyn Lindquist; Kole, Kale, and Kenna Lindquist; Jeremiah and Archer Crawford; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her par-ents and sister-in-law, Donna Faye (Lind-quist) Patterson.

Carolyn received her education in Gre-entop and graduated from Greentop High School. After graduating from high school, her and Bob married and moved to Albu-querque, New Mexico where she worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone company until they moved back to the Greentop area. Carolyn then went to work at Kirksville Savings and Loan, where she retired after more than 30 years of service. During that time she made many friends. After retire-ment she served as the secretary/treasurer of the Ft. Madison Cemetery. She was a member of Greentop Methodist Church.

Carolyn was an avid dog lover and en-joyed watching birds and squirrels. She also enjoyed quilting, traveling to Yuma, Arizona during the winter months, riding her four-wheeler and watching St. Louis Cardinals baseball.

A funeral service will be held 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 16, 2023 at Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, Missouri, with Raymond Magruder presiding. Buri-al will follow in the Ft. Madison Cemetery.

Public visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until service time Thursday, March 16, 2023 in the chapel of Travis-Noe Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Kevin Lindquist, Kody Lindquist, Travis Gunnels, Eric Crawford, Kole Lindquist, and Tracy Treasure.

Memorial donation may be made to Ft. Madison Cemetery or Hospice of North-east Missouri and may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.

MU has a simulation center at the medical school in Columbia offering an annual average of 12,000 hours of training for medical profession-als. That covers about 750 training activities for 75 clients. With the addition of the mobile unit, the goal is to train an additional 30 fire fighters, first responders and health care workers each day the unit is in service, says Higbee.

Century 21 Lifetime Realty agent receives 2022 President's Producer Award for commitment to quality service and productivity

By Century 21 Lifetime Realty

Zachary Springer, broker/ owner of Century 21 Lifetime Realty announced that in rec-ognition of their outstanding sales production and com-mitment to quality service, Century 21 Real Estate LLC recently honored sales asso-ciate Erick Hanson with the 2022 Century 21® President's Producer Award. The annual award is bestowed upon those Century 21 System sales af-filiates that earn the Century 21 CENTURION® award and the Century 21 Quality Ser-vice Pinnacle Producer award in the same calendar year.

The CENTURION Producer award honors Century 21 Sys-tem sales affiliates that earn \$320,000 in sales production or 71 closed transaction sides within the calendar year.

To earn the Century 21 Quality Service Pinnacle Producer Award, a C21® sales affiliate must receive completed customer surveys for at least 80 percent of their transactions surveyed from Jan. 1 — Dec. 31, with an av-erage survey score of at least 95 percentage or better for two consecutive years.

"The power of the Cen-tury 21 brand rests on the shoulders of the relentless sales professionals like Erick

Hanson who always strive to deliver 121 percent for each and every client they serve," said Michael Miedler, pres-ident and CEO, Century 21 Real Estate LLC. "We are thrilled to recognize them for their amazing work and commitment to delivering the extraordinary experience that homebuyers, sellers and property investors deserve in their real estate journey."

Century 21 Lifetime Realty is a full-service brokerage locat-ed at 1605 S. Baltimore Street Suite A. For more information, contact Zachary Springer at zspringerc21@gmail.com.

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Bridge replacement project set to begin on Missouri Route 6

By MoDOT

HANNIBAL – Weather per-mitting, Monday, March 20, crews will begin setting signs in preparation for work to begin on the bridge replacement proj-ect located on Missouri Route 6 over the Chariton River, one mile east of Missouri Route 149 near Novinger in Adair County.

"Only occasional lane clo-sures are anticipated with no additional traffic impacts until later this fall. The new bridge will be constructed on the south side of the exist-ing structure. After the new bridge is complete, a 28-day closure is expected in order to complete work on tie-ins and approaches," said Missouri De-

partment of Transportation Area Engineer Amy Crawford.

Included in the contract is an additional project for the removal of the bridge on U.S. Route 136, located over an abandoned railroad 1.2 miles west of U.S. Route 63, near Lancaster in Schuyler County. This work is antici-pated to begin in June and will require a 35-day closure.

Emery Sapp & Sons was awarded the contract last fall in the amount of \$6,148,918.

For more information on this and other projects in your area, please contact MoDOT's Customer Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK MODOT (275-6636). You can also visit us online at www.modot.mo.gov/northeast.

TRAINING

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"The demand for rural trainings seems to be relatively high," she said. "A lot of times (local EMT units) don't have access to advanced train-ers that we have at the University."

TRASH

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MoDOT will provide trash bags and safety vests to anyone who volunteers to take part in the No MORE Trash! Bash. Regionally, events will be announced to encourage community groups, clubs or individ-uals to join in the litter pickup.

"Missouri was one of the first states in the country to implement the Adopt-A-Highway program," Allmeroth said. "This innovative volunteer program has recruited volunteers

who perform about \$1 million a year in litter cleanup. Every section served by adopters allows MoDOT to de-vote resources to other much-needed tasks."

Currently, there are more than 5,300 groups and 50,000 volunteers who have adopted more than 6,200 miles of road-way. Adopt-A-Highway groups include com-mercial and private enterprises; civic and non-profit organizations; families and individuals.

While MoDOT en-courages all Missour-ians to participate in the No MORE Trash! Bash, there are other simple

ways to help eliminate trash along the state's roadways:

- Don't litter. Keep a bag for trash in your car or truck and wait to dispose of it properly. Littering is a class A misdemeanor in Missou-ri. Anyone convicted of littering may be impris-oned in the county jail for up to one year and fined up to \$1,000 per incident. Illegal disposal of solid waste may be

punishable as a Class D felony with fines of \$20,000 or higher.

- Secure your load. Make sure nothing blows out or gets bumped into the roadway. In addi-tion to creating litter, unsecured loads can be a safety hazard to the vehicles behind you. Missouri statutes (Mis-souri Revised Statutes 307.010) and various city ordinances require all loads in transport

must be secured. Trail-ers without sides must be completely covered by tarps, truck tail-gates must be up and the disposal items can-not be hanging off the vehicle in any way. Any vehicle without its load

completely covered will be assessed a \$25 unse-cured load fee.

To learn more about how you can safely par-ticipate, visit www.mo-dot.org/adopt-highway or call 1-888-ASK-MO-DOT (1-888-275-6636).

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Thank you

...for your outpouring of love, kindness, and support after your friend and our loved one, John Ben Grossnickle passed away. Receiving your notes, cards, letters, texts, messages on social media, and the memorials overwhelmed us.

Thank you to the Dr. Ferrel Moots, Deb Slattery, and Dayna Swisher who rushed to aid John in church and the emergency room staff of Northeast Regional Medical Center who contin-ued to work with John. Thank you to Kevin Playle for helping to make this difficult time more comforting.

To the many friends who brought food and items to the house and those friends, acquaintances, and businesses who sent flow-ers to the funeral, who came to the visitation and/or the funeral, and a thousand other things that we can't begin to list here, thank you so very much. But most of all, we were able to see firsthand how much John Ben was loved by everyone who knew him.

We wish we could thank each one of you in person. If we left anyone out, please know we did not do so on purpose, but we want you to know how much your friendship meant to John Ben.

The family would like you to know that Grossnickle Insur-ance will continue with your support and with the guidance from John's brother, Gary "Skip", who is also in the insurance business. As John Ben always had a hand out to shake hello to everyone that came in, we hope to continue to shake your hand when you come to the office.

Thank you again for everything you have done for our family. May God bless you!

Mary, John Andrew, and Katie Grossnickle and Christopher and Anthony Warren

EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY PART 42 –

Judge Ringo and the Outlaw

By Blytha Ellis, President
Adair County Historical Society and Museum

Before we leave the history of Judge Joseph Ringo who was one of the first three county judges appointed to govern Adair County after the creation of the county, there is one last twist to his story.

Judge Ringo was a son of Cornelius Ringo who had a brother named Major Ringo (1755-1852). Major's son, Peter Ringo, was, therefore, a first cousin to Judge Ringo. Peter Ringo had a son named Martin who was born in Kentucky but grew up in Indiana. Just for reference, Martin would be a 1st cousin, once removed, to Judge Ringo. In 1846, Martin was in Liberty, Mo., where he joined the Missouri Mounted Volunteer Infantry and fought in the Mexican War. After he was discharged a year later, he returned to Liberty where he married Mary Peters in 1848.

By 1864, Martin Ringo, age 45, and Mary Ringo, 38, were living in nearby Gallatin, Missouri, and had five children, John 14, Albert 10, Fanny 7, Enna 4 and Mattie 2. The relationship of these children to Judge Joseph Ringo of Adair County is that they were 1st cousins twice removed.

Martin's wife, Mary (Peters) Ringo had an older sister, Augusta (Peters) Younger (1823-1910). Augusta was married to Coleman Younger who was an uncle of the infamous Cole Younger of the James Gang in Missouri. Prior to 1864, Augusta and Coleman Younger had moved from Missouri to California and were running a cattle ranch near San Jose. They encouraged Martin and Mary Ringo to also move to California. Martin especially thought this was a good idea for his health as he had tuberculosis. On May 18, 1864, Martin and his family left Gallatin and joined a wagon train headed for California on the Oregon Trail.

After over two months of hardships along the trail, by July 29, 1864, they had reached Converse County, Wyoming. The wagon train stopped for the night two miles west of what is now Glenrock, Wyoming, where Deer Creek flows into the North Platte River. As usual, the wagons camped in a circle and the pioneers turned their horses loose inside the circle or staked them outside the circle to graze while the families ate and then turned in for the night. The next morning, 14-year-old John Ringo, the oldest son, helped his father, Martin Ringo, hitch the horses to their wagon, then climbed up onto the driver's bench where he usually rode with his father. As his father stepped up to the driver's seat of the wagon, carrying his shotgun, the trigger of his gun got caught in his own boot strap causing it to fire. Martin was holding the gun by the barrel at such an angle that the discharge tragically entered his right eye and came out the top of his head, mortally wounding him. One can only imagine the horror that young John, his younger siblings, and their mother felt as they saw Martin fall to the ground never to rise again! The news of Martin's death was published in the Liberty, Missouri, Tribune since he had once lived in Liberty. The details were based on letters received from William Davenport, a member of the wagon train, sent to the publisher of the newspaper.

Mr. Davenport reported that this tragic event happened “just after daylight on the morning of July 30, 1864.” He further wrote: “At the report of his gun, I saw his hat blown up 20 feet in the air, and his brains were scattered in all directions. I never saw a more heart-rending sight, and to see the distress and agony of his wife and children was painful in the extreme. Mr. Ringo's death cast a gloom over the whole company. He was buried near the place he was shot in as decent a manner as was possible with the facilities on the plains.”

In those primitive days, any pioneers who died along the arduous Oregon Trail had to be buried by the side of the road. In preparing to bury Martin Ringo, the members of this wagon train discovered that an earlier traveler in 1860 had been buried in this same location along the trail. His crude stone showed that he was J. P. Parker of Iowa, age 41. This person was, of course, unknown to them, but Martin Ringo was buried beside him.

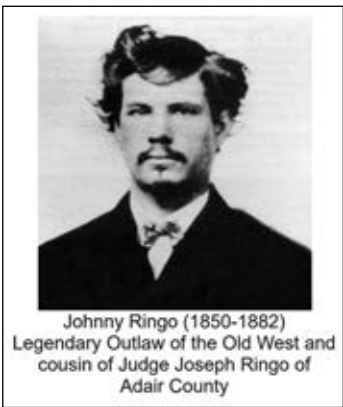
Today, these two emigrant graves are located on private property two miles west of Glenrock, Wyo. They have been preserved by a pipe fence around them and an historical marker erected in 1987 by the Oregon-California Trails Association.

Martin's wife, Mary, kept a diary throughout the long wagon train journey, and it was later shared publicly. On the day of Martin's death, she wrote, “And now, Oh God, comes the saddest day of my life for this day my husband accidentally shot himself and was buried by the wayside, and oh, my heart is breaking. If I had no children, how gladly would I lay me down with my precious dead—but, Oh God, I pray for strength to raise our precious children, and oh may no one ever suffer the anguish that is breaking my heart. My little children are crying all the time and I— oh what am I to do?”

The youngest child, Mattie, only a little over 2 years at the time, became a long-time teacher in San Jose, and later wrote of the accident that her father was killed while raising his gun. It got “caught in his boot strap as the boots were worn over his pants.”

But, it seems that 14-year-old John Peters Ringo took his father's death the hardest. He would never be the same innocent young man that he was when he began this trip. The family continued on with the wagon train to California and lived for a year with Mary's sister, Augusta, and her family on the cattle ranch. Then, Mary and her children moved into San Jose. Later, one of the Ringo daughters said of her mother, “The way was rough, but with her sheer determination, she raised her family unaided.”

Son, John, it seemed, was filled with anger and rage over the things he had experienced. Even prior to his father's death, the Oregon Trail had not been a good experience for John. It had robbed him of his innocence and hardened his heart. He had sustained a serious foot injury when it was run over by a wagon, and he had been exposed to violence. He had witnessed the murder of a man on the journey to California, and the settlers had experienced a vicious Indian attack upon the wagon train. John desperately wanted to strike back at someone, but who? At the age of 19, John left his family in California and went to Texas where he became a gunslinger and all-



out outlaw using the name Johnny Ringo or Ringgold. In Mason County, Texas, he joined the gang of a renegade Texas Ranger named Scott Cooley. This gang was involved in the Mason County or Hoodoo War, a conflict over cattle ownership between American-born men and German settlers.

Johnny was in jail several times for his lawless acts and spent time in the state prison at Austin. Unbelievably, he was also once elected Constable of Llano County, Texas, because he was perceived as tough! After a year in this job, he went to the Arizona Territory, where for the rest of his life, he committed crimes and was in trouble with the law for rustling cattle, robbery, and murders or attempted murders. He got mixed up with all sorts of troublesome people. He got on the wrong side of Wyatt Earp and John “Doc” Holliday in Tombstone, and they sought vengeance upon him. Johnny then fled to Mexico.

Johnny eventually returned to Arizona where he was given to heavy drinking. Two days after the 4th of July celebration in 1882 in Tombstone, a drunken Johnny Ringo left town on his horse, carrying several bottles of liquor with him. On July 13, a man hauling wood through the West Turkey Creek Valley near Chiricahua Peak in Arizona Territory, found the deteriorating body of a man seated on a rock in a grove of black jack oak trees. His feet were wrapped in torn strips of his undershirt, and there was a bullet wound to his right temple which exited the back of his head. A revolver was still in his right hand. It was 32-year-old Johnny Ringo.

His horse was found 11 days later about two miles away with Ringo's boots still tied to the saddle. A coroner's inquest officially ruled his death a suicide. He was buried a few feet from the location of his demise. Today, this is an Arizona State Historical Landmark which one can visit.

Johnny received more notoriety than he could have ever imagined. He became the subject of books, movies and a TV show where his actual exploits were greatly fictionalized and exaggerated. He was said to be highly educated when in truth he barely had an elementary school education. Legend called him the “fastest gun that ever lived” when he was probably only average. Johnny had heaped upon himself the many tragedies of lawlessness and revenge but never found the peace he actually sought.

Today, the same tree under which Johnny died still exists, although it is much larger. His grave is covered in large rocks and is located on private property. However, a gate on a nearby road permits visitors to view the site. An historic marker was placed there by the Cochise County Archaeological and Historical Society and the Arizona Historical Society.

After Johnny's death, his family disowned him and never acknowledged nor disputed the stories which grew up around his name. Johnny's mother and siblings are all buried in California.

(Next time: Richard Major Ringo, Kirksville Banker)

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Local History

TURNING THE PAGE

This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

110 Years Ago, March 18, 1913

Residents of the village of Bullion, six miles east of Kirksville and halfway point between Kirksville and Brashear, were requesting the Quincy, Omaha, and Kansas City Railroad (known as the OK Railroad) to construct a depot with freight facilities to accommodate passenger and freight service at that location. They also requested that the OK make Bullion a regular stop rather than a flag stop as it had been in the past. Bullion residents claimed that as a flag station nearly every train that passed through was flagged to board or deboard passengers or freight. They said that since Bullion was such an excellent farm region the depot would encourage farming and enhance the growth of the community. J. W. Henry, a resident of the neighborhood, and a leading proponent of the depot said that on a recent day forty people boarded the train in Bullion to come to Kirksville for business and shopping. He estimated that from January until summer, the freight out of Bullion, livestock, corn, and other produce, averaged a carload a day. He also claimed that there was more feed and stock shipped out of Bullion over the OK railroad than was shipped out of Kirksville. Residents felt that the existing railroad facilities were inadequate. The general store at Bullion was doing a thriving business and was used as the waiting room for rail passengers, however it was not open at night which necessitated passengers waiting outside in the weather. The residents also hoped for a station agent who would handle the passenger and freight service needs.

90 Years Ago, March 5, 1933

Kirksville's three banks, Citizens National Bank, First National Bank, and Bank of Kirksville, all closed their doors in response to the National Banking Holiday declared by President Roosevelt. The Kirksville banks decided to remain open on the first day of the bank holiday as that was a Saturday which was typically one of the best business days of the week. The banks were able to take care of their customers Saturday, but the bank officials thought it best to close their banks on Monday as all of the large banks in the cities were closed under the bank moratorium. Many of the large banks were corresponding banks for the local banks where they maintained their cash reserves. With the corresponding bank closures, the local banks could not access their funds to meet local depositors' demands. The banking holiday continued for ten days before the moratorium was lifted. On March 15, 1933, Kirksville Banks reopened their doors. As banks reopened an air of confidence prevailed in the local business district, and all the banks were crowded with customers who were depositing money. The banks indicated that they received the greatest amount of money for deposits on record for a single day. Much money had accumulated during the holiday period, and owners were glad to have an opportunity to put it in a safe place. Two restrictions were in place at the local banks. They did not cash checks on out-of-town banks unless that bank was a member of the Federal Reserve System, and they restricted the amount of withdrawals from their bank. If large withdrawals were requested, the person making the withdrawal was required to complete an affidavit as to the purpose of the funds withdrawn.

85 Years Ago, March 16, 1938

The second death in their family within three days from measles left Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pierson of Kirksville childless. Elmer Clyde, six years old, died at the family home on North Franklin Street from pneumonia which developed from measles. His sister, Alice died three days earlier.

80 Years Ago, March 11, 1943

A tragic event occurred at the Wabash water tower at McPherson Street on March 11, 1943, when a large icicle fell on a ten-year old Kirksville boy. Garnet Dewayne Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart of Kirksville, was crushed and died instantly as a two-ton chunk of ice fell from the Wabash water tower. The large icicle formed as water leaked from the tower in sub-freezing temperatures. Stewart, a student at Willard School, and two friends, Tommy Whitlock and Frankie Rainwater were either playing or had just walked under the tank when the large icicle broke from the tank and fell on Stewart. The chunk of ice that fell on Stewart was about ten to twelve feet in length, three to four feet thick and was estimated to weigh two ton. Five men with prying devices could not remove the chunk of ice from the boy's body.



The Wabash Railroad water tower (far right) was located at the point where West McPherson Street intersected with the Wabash Railroad just south of the Travelers Hotel (behind the water tower). The Wabash Railroad Depot (center) was located at what is currently the center of West Washington Street by the hotel. The water tower was removed in 1956. Photo from the Adair County Historical Society Collection.

80 Years Ago, March 11, 1943

Measles and scarlet fever were running rampant in parts of Kirksville. Benton School second and sixth grades were suspended for the remained of the week due to the high number of cases. Many school activities including the Benton PTA and the Boy and Girl Scouts meetings were also postponed.

80 Years Ago, March 17, 1943

A Kirksville dog was to be examined for service in World War II. If Suzy Q passed the physical and mental examinations, one branch of Uncle Sam's service would be increased by a thoroughbred canine. Suzy Q was a sleek speedy greyhound. She was purchased a year previous by J. P. Frankford, a Kirksville resident, who was serving in the United States Navy. Suzy Q's mother was a famous racer and frequent winner in the San Diego greyhound races. In May 1942, her master enlisted in the Navy. He was stationed in the United States until July when he was sent to Iceland, but since last October his location has not been revealed. The rest of Suzy Q's family were equally patriotic. Mrs. Frankford and the three sons: Marshall Joe, 15; James Paul, 14; and Harold, 12; lived on South Halliburton Street and planned to raise chickens and plant a Victory Garden. When the government issued a call for dogs to be trained with the Army for defense purposes, Mrs. Frankford concluded that this was another way their family could serve their country. A canine had to be a purebred and in top physical condition to be accepted into the Army. The dog also was required to display characteristics of a watchdog and be donated unconditionally to the U. S. Army. If accepted, Suzy Q would be the first dog from Adair County to serve in the U.S. Army.

50 Years Ago, March 18, 1973

The Kennedy Theater, a source of entertainment for Kirksville area residents since 1926 was sold by Dickenson Inc. of Kansas City to Collier Enterprises, Inc. of Kirksville. The theater was to continue to operate showing first-run movies, according to Bryan Collier, president of the local corporation. The Collier corporation also owns the Petite Three Cinema in Northtown Shopping Center.

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KIRKSVILLE AREA EVENTS CALENDAR

28th Annual Spring Arts and Crafts Show

The 28th Annual Spring Arts and Crafts Show will be held on March 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at William Matthew Middle School, 1515 S. Cottage Grove.

Guest Artist Amy Guffey at Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall

Dr. Amy Guffey, clarinet, will be the guest artist on March 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall on the Truman State University campus.

Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Spring Candidate Forum

Plan to attend the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce, Spring Candidate Forum for candidates for Kirksville City Council and Kirksville R-III School District. Tuesday, March 21 at 6 p.m. at the IPE Building (Dental School) on the ATSU campus (800 W. Jefferson, Kirksville). Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Election Day is April 4.

Opening reception and Juried Student Exhibition awards

An opening reception will be held for the "Annual Juried Student Exhibition" and "Land Enveloped" by Lindsey Dunnagan on March 21 at 5 p.m. at the Charlyn Gallery and University Art Gallery on the Truman State University campus.

Funding the Future Rocks Financial Literacy at Green City High School

Funding the Future, in partnership with Carter Hulsey, will visit Green City High School on Tuesday, March 21 at 1 p.m. to share with students the importance of financial literacy. Using the raw, undeniable energy of a live musical performance, Hulsey, will weave a high-energy show integrating original music, multimedia visuals, and testimony of the artist's life story; dreams, trials, and successes, into valuable life lessons on personal finance, giving students the knowledge and confidence to make their own dreams a reality. Funding the Future is a 501(c)(3) organization that teaches students vital financial principles by organizing live musical performances at schools across the nation and creating a dialogue around financial literacy between students and musicians. Carter Hulsey is an Americana singer-songwriter from Joplin, Missouri who has played hundreds of shows across the globe over the last decade.

University of Missouri Feedlot School

A Feedlot School will be held on March 22-23 at the Adair County Extension Center, 503 E. Northtown Road, Kirksville. Learn the ins and outs of feeding cattle in Missouri. They will cover nutrition and health management, the performance of calves fed by MU and harvested locally and the economics of feeding cattle in Missouri. During the two day event, participants will have the opportunity to tour three local cattle feeding facilities and hear from industry experts from across the country. For program information, contact Jim Humphrey at 816-324-3147 (humphrey@missouri.edu), Shawn Deering at 660-726-5610 (deerings@missouri.edu) or Eric Bailey at 573-884-7873 (bailey-eric@missourir.edu).

Ribbon cutting for A.T. Still University Museum of Osteopathic Medicine

Join the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce in celebrating A.T. Still University and their recent Museum of Osteopathic Medicine accreditation. A ribbon cutting ceremony will take place during Business After Hours, hosted by A.T.S.U., on Thursday, March 23. Business After Hours will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the ribbon cutting at 5:45 p.m. More Business After Hours event details to follow.

2023 Community Engagement Conference

The Community Engagement Conference will be held on Saturday, March 25. Submit your registration form by Friday March 10. You won't want to miss this year's conference. The event will be held at William Matthew Middle School from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

and will offer amazing keynote speakers, five tracks with 15 breakout sessions, free lunch for participants who pre-register, an indoor and outdoor exhibitor area, and more. For more information, visit <https://sb40life.org>.

Curtain Call Theatre presents 'The Murder Room!'

Curtain Call Theatre will present "The Murder Room!" on March 24, 25, 30, 31 and April 1 at 7 p.m. Come out and see their spring production, The Murder Room! "Murder has never been this funny. A spoof of all crime thrillers ... it is good clean mirth all the way. The quick, smart, extremely well timed dialogue of Jack Sharkey comes through loud and clear [with] never a dull moment." Located at the theatre at 512 W. Elizabeth Street, Kirksville. Tickets are \$15 per person and will be available at the Hy-Vee service desk or at the door.

Hospice of Northeast Missouri presents Creative Ways to Cope With Loss

Are you looking for creative ways to cope with a loss? Join Carrol Davenport, Hospice of Northeast Missouri's Spiritual Care & Bereavement coordinator, and Monica Barron, Hospice volunteer, for this workshop where participants will be exploring creative ways to cope with loss. The workshop will take place in Kirksville from 10 a.m. to noon on March 25 at the First United Methodist Church located at 300 E. Washington Street. There is no charge for the seminar, but advanced registration is required. To register for the event, contact Hospice of Northeast Missouri at 660-627-9711. Hospice of Northeast Missouri, a service of Hannibal Regional, is a non-profit that focuses on quality of life for people and their caregivers who are experiencing an advanced, life-limiting illness. Hospice of Northeast serves Adair, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Macon, Putnam, Schuyler, Scotland, Sullivan, and Shelby counties.

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. March 25 in Violet 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.

A Night of Stargazing at Thousand Hills State Park – Constellation Tales

Come out to Thousand Hills State Park on Saturday March 25, 7-9 p.m., for a celebration of the night sky. Join others in the exploration of the stars and sky above you. This program will include Constellation Tales. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars. Meet at the Point Shelter at Thousand Hills State Park.

Acrylic Painting Workshop

Join the Kirksville Arts Association for a workshop on acrylic painting taught by Anna Dabney on Saturday, March 25, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Sue Ross Arts Center, 215 S. Franklin Street, Kirksville. Anna recently took first place at the Regional Artist Exhibit earlier this year. She will be teaching three separate painting techniques. The cost is \$45 for Kirksville Arts members and \$55 for non-members. All

supplies and materials will be provided. It is suggested each participant bring a hair dryer. Class size is limited. To register stop by the Sue Ross Arts Center from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday and between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday or call 660-665-0500. This is a great opportunity to learn from a fantastic artist and should be a fun and beneficial workshop. This workshop is geared for beginning and intermediate artists.

Dan Fink Senior Piano Recital

Dan Fink Senior Piano Recital will be held on March 25 at 6 p.m., at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall, 100 E. Normal Avenue.

Percussion Ensemble II Spring Concert

Concert Percussion Ensemble I Spring Concert, Dr. Michael Bump, Director, will held on March 26 at 2 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall, 100 Normal Avenue, Kirksville.

Free storm spotter training scheduled

Have you ever thought about becoming a storm spotter? Now is your chance. The Sullivan County Emergency Management Agency and the National Weather Service invite you to attend free Storm Spotter Training. Storm Spotter class will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29 in the Milan Community Center, 205 N. Market Street, Milan. The class will last approximately 1½ hours. It will be presented by an experienced meteorologist from the National Weather Service. Various aspects of severe weather, storm spotting and weather safety will be presented. The training is free and available to everyone, regardless of age, where you live or education level. Becoming an active, trained storm spotter is an excellent way to serve our community. While there is no personal commitment from attending this class, if you recognize hazardous weather on the horizon, you will be in a position to help warn your neighbors by calling 911. To reserve your seat for this highly sought after class you must call or text the Sullivan County Emergency Management Agency Director, Dennis Goldsmith, at (660) 265-5619 or email him at monranch@grm.net. Reserving a seat for the class will not commit you to attending the class, but the class may not be held if fewer than 15 people reserve a seat in advance.

Kirksville Parks & Recreation Department hosts Paint the Ville

The city of Kirksville Parks & Recreation Department hosts Paint the Ville on March 30 and April 25, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, 801 E. Mill St. Register your first through eighth grade artist for the monthly Kid's Club event. 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.kirksvillemo.org>. 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.

MU Extension Hay School set for March 31 in Glenwood

Hay producers can learn strategies to grow, harvest, and store high quality hay at University of Missouri Extension's upcoming Hay Production School, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Schuyler County Community Center. MU Extension specialists will teach on how to get more quality and quantity hay production during this

one-day workshop, says Darla Campbell, Agri Business and Community Economic Development specialist. Topics include Forages for North Missouri, Quality Issues; Hay Testing; Cattle and Horse Nutrition, Storage and Feed Management; Economics of Stored Forages; and Fertility Management. Registration for the school is due by March 24. A minimum of 15 participants is required to hold the school. Contact Darla Campbell at 660-457-3469 or campbelld@missouri.edu for cost and questions. The Schuyler County Community Center is located at 308 Main Street, Glenwood.

Bastien and Bastienne performance

Truman Opera Theatre presents Bastien and Bastienne by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, March 31 at 7:30 p.m. at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Fairyland Princess Tea Party

A Fairyland Princess Tea Party will be held on April 1 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Kirksville Masonic Temple, 217 E. Harrison Street, Kirksville. There will be crafts, games, food and drink for \$5. Presented by Kirksville Chapter #184 Order of the Eastern Star, assisted by Sigma Kappa Sorority, Truman State University. Questions? Call 660-341-4042.

Foolin' Around Downtown

Foolin' Around Downtown will be held on April 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in downtown Kirksville. Support your local downtown stores and shops. In-store specials and refreshments provided at participating businesses. Shopping, specials and more.

United Way of Northeast Missouri to host 2nd Annual Charity Trivia Night

The biggest trivia night of the year is back. The United Way of Northeast Missouri (UWNEMO) will host the 2nd Annual Charity Trivia Night on Saturday, April 1 from 7-10 p.m. at the Kirksville Moose Lodge. This year's event will build upon last years hugely popular Trivia Night that welcomed 18 teams, raising over \$5,000 for the 11 local agencies funded by the United Way of Northeast Missouri. Tickets are \$150 per 8-person team, or \$200 with Mulligans. One Mulligan can be used each round in place of an answer. The first-place team will take home a \$500 first place prize and the coveted United Way Trivia Trophy. Only five table remain available so act now.

Otto McFarland Senior Voice Recital

Otto McFarland Senior Voice Recital will be held on April 2, at 2 p.m., at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall, 100 E. Normal Avenue.

Emma Bushery & Bridget Boyle Recital

Emma Bushery & Bridget Boyle in a Senior Recital! At the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall, April 2 beginning at noon. 100 E. Normal Avenue.

Double Reed Recital

Double Reed Studio Recital at the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall beginning at 6 p.m. 100 E. Normal Avenue.

NEMO Job Fair Spring 2023

NEMO Job Fair Spring 2023 will be held on Friday, April 21 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Moberly Area Community College, 2105 E. Normal Avenue. Pre-registration is required.

Crossing Church to hold Car Care for deserving people

The Crossing Church will hold Car Care on April 2. This event will serve single parents, foster parents, widows, active military personnel and veterans. The church is inviting anyone who falls in one or more of those categories to sign up to have their

vehicle detailed and inspected. All community and church members are invited to help serve this deserving group of people on April 2. Volunteer opportunities range from greeting participants to inspecting vehicles. There's a place for everyone to serve, ages high school and up. If you're not available on the day of the event, there will be opportunities to serve prior. For more information visit www.thecrossing.net/carcare or contact The Crossing's local Campus Pastor.

Factory Connection Ribbon Cutting

A ribbon cutting will be held for Factory Connection on Wednesday, April 5, at 4 p.m. Join the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce at the open house event for chamber member Factory Connection in celebration of their new management team. The ribbon cutting ceremony will take place at their retail location at 2402 N. Baltimore Street in Kirksville.

45th annual Kraft Heinz Easter Egg Hunt set for April 8

Mark your calendars and hop on over to the 45th annual Kraft Heinz Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8, at 10 a.m., at the Truman State University Quad. Kraft Heinz, the city of Kirksville's Parks and Recreation Department, and Truman State University's Cardinal Key are partnering to host this event free of charge. All children ages 2 to 12 are invited to join and find as many eggs as possible. Remember to bring a basket for all the eggs and your camera for a picture with our special guest, the Easter Bunny. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

Curtain Call's 2023 Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars for Curtain Call's 2023 Annual Meeting. They will be meeting at the theatre on Monday, April 10 at 5:30 p.m. in order to nominate board members for the upcoming year and give everyone updates on their upcoming season.

Indie rock band DEHD to perform at Truman State

The Student Activities Board has announced the lineup for its spring concert series. Indie rock band DEHD will headline the second concert at 5 p.m. April 14 on the quad. The rain site for these concerts will be the Student Union Building Georgian Room. Admission to all concerts is free and tickets are not required.

Northeast Missouri United Way Texas Hold'em Tournament

The Northeast Missouri United Way Texas Hold'em Tournament will be on April 19 at the Dukum Inn. Signups start at 5:30 p.m. and the tournament starts at 6:30 p.m. 1st Prize is \$500, 2nd Prize is \$250 and Third Prize is \$100. Sponsors of the event are as follows: Gold Sponsorship ATSU and Heritage House Realty. Silver Sponsorships are Lovegreen Motors and Pagliais. Bronze Sponsorships are Kirksville Brake and Muffler and Hampton Inn.,

International Dark Sky Week Night Sky Program

Come on out to Thousand Hills State Park on Thursday April 20 from 8-10 p.m. to learn about the night sky above you and take part in celebrating International Dark Sky Week. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars. Meet at the Point Shelter at Thousand Hills State Park.

Earth Day celebrated at Thousand Hills State Park

Come on out to Thousand Hills State Park on Saturday April 22 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

to celebrate Earth Day. Local organizations will have stations and activities set up around the beach parking lot and the paved trail. Come connect with the earth and nature through unique opportunities facilitated by community members. There will be activities and educational booths for all ages at this free event. SB40, a local nonprofit, will be selling snacks and drinks as a fundraiser during the event. The Missouri Department of Conservation will be providing fishing opportunities along the shore just past the beach showerhouse and at the ADA accessible fishing dock. (Signs will direct visitors to these locations.) This event was created in partnership between Thousand Hills State Park, the Adair County Public Library, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and the city of Kirksville. Other organizations are joining to provide educational opportunities for all attendees. In the event of inclement weather, activities will be moved to the Rieger Armory, located at 500 S. Elson St.

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Chase Bryant to perform at Truman State

The Student Activities Board has announced the lineup for its spring concert series. The last concert will feature country artist Chase Bryant at 5 p.m. April 28 on the quad. The rain site for these concerts will be the Student Union Building Georgian Room. Admission to all concerts is free and tickets are not required.

Kids to Parks Day at Thousand Hills State Park

Come out to Thousand Hills State Park to celebrate Kids to Parks Day Saturday May 20. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.: Kids Fishing — Join the Missouri Department of Conservation for a day of fishing at the Point. From 10 a.m.-2 p.m., staff will be available with gear to help you fish or fish with you. Fishing is open to all ages. All children must be accompanied by an adult. 11 a.m. — Nature Detective Hike Animals leave behind clues to tell us they have been in the area. Join park staff to explore the many different clues animals leave behind and learn what animals share the park with us. This hike will take place on the Oak Trail located next to the playground on Big Loop Road. All programs are weather permitting. Check out Thousand Hills State Park on Facebook for cancellations, location changes, and other park information.

Learn 2 Aim at Thousand Hills State Park

Come out to Thousand Hills State Park to Learn 2 Aim. This is a great opportunity to learn new skills with joint instruction on the basics of archery and atlatl throwing. The program is free but does require registration. Saturday Sept. 16, 10 a.m.-Noon and 1-3 p.m. Registration opens Aug. 4 Register at mostateparks.com/learn2

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SATURDAY

Breezy with periods of clouds and sunshine

HIGH: 29

POP: 0%

SAT. NIGHT

Cold with patchy clouds

LOW: 15

POP: 0%

SUNDAY

Cold with plenty of sunshine

41 22

POP: 0%

MONDAY

Breezy with plenty of sunshine

51 36

POP: 5%

TUESDAY

Times of clouds and sun

54 39

POP: 25%

WEDNESDAY

Cloudy with a couple of showers

54 48

POP: 55%

THURSDAY

Some sun with a couple of thundershowers

68 37

POP: 55%

FRIDAY

Cooler with a thick cloud cover

51 32

POP: 25%

Shown is Saturday's weather. Temperatures are Saturday's highs and Saturday night's lows.

POP: Probability of Precipitation

Conditions Saturday

UV Index & RealFeel Temperature®

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National Forecast Saturday

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

Shows	T-storms	Rain	Flurries	Snow	Ice	Cold Front	Warm Front	Stationary Front				
-10s	-0s	10s	20s	30s	40s	50s	60s	70s	80s	90s	100s	110s

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Kirksville through Thursday

Temperature

High/low.....50/28

Normal high/low.....51/29

Record high.....80 in 1945

Record low.....0 in 1900

Precipitation

Thursday.....0.58"

Past week's total.....0.77"

Month to date.....1.47"

Normal month to date.....1.30"

Year to date.....7.33"

Normal year to date.....4.70"

Winds

Average direction.....S

Average speed.....12.9 mph

Highest speed.....23 mph

Thursday's Temperatures

Midnight - Midnight

Last Week's Temperatures

Actual and normal highs/lows

The Region

City	Sat. Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Branson	40/20/s	45/22/s
Burlington, IA	26/15/c	37/20/s
Cape Girardeau	41/23/s	41/20/pc
Carbondale	38/21/pc	39/21/pc
Cedar Rapids	23/10/c	38/19/s
Champaign	28/18/c	38/20/s
Chicago	28/20/sf	40/26/s
Columbia	31/18/pc	42/22/s
Danville	29/19/c	39/22/s
Davenport	26/14/c	39/21/s
Decatur	29/18/c	38/19/s
Des Moines	26/14/pc	40/26/s
Evansville	36/21/c	39/22/s
Galesburg	24/14/c	40/20/s
Green Bay	25/14/sf	37/23/s
Indianapolis	29/18/c	38/23/pc
Iowa City	27/14/c	38/20/s
Jefferson City	32/20/pc	44/21/s
Joliet	29/18/c	40/22/s
Kansas City	30/15/s	43/24/s
Lafayette, IN	28/18/c	42/23/s
Lincoln	28/18/c	40/19/s
Madison	30/18/pc	41/22/s
Milwaukee	28/19/sf	41/27/s
Omaha	27/10/pc	44/27/s
Ottumwa	26/12/pc	39/23/s
Peoria	27/17/c	40/20/s
Rockford	26/18/c	40/22/s
St. Louis	33/21/pc	42/24/pc
Springfield, IL	29/17/c	38/19/s
Springfield, MO	33/17/s	39/22/s
Topeka	33/18/s	44/27/s
Wichita	38/17/s	45/29/pc

Weather (W): s=sunny, pc=partly cloudy, c=cloudy, sh=showers, t=thunderstorms, r=rain, sf=snow flurries, sn=snow, i=ice

The Nation

City	Sat. Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Albany, NY	45/23/pc	33/22/pc
Albuquerque	42/28/c	47/33/c
Anchorage	36/28/sn	42/13/s
Atlanta	52/31/pc	49/30/s
Baltimore	55/29/pc	45/27/s
Billings	47/29/s	53/25/pc
Birmingham	53/29/pc	46/27/pc
Boise	55/35/c	53/36/c
Boston	53/31/pc	39/27/pc
Buffalo	33/22/sn	34/27/sf
Charleston, SC	63/43/r	58/38/pc
Charleston, WV	46/21/c	39/22/pc
Charlotte	57/32/pc	52/29/s
Cleveland	32/23/sf	36/25/c
Columbia	60/39/pc	55/32/s
Columbus	34/20/c	38/21/pc
Dallas	58/32/pc	50/35/c
Denver	41/19/pc	54/28/c
Detroit	28/21/sn	40/25/s
Fargo	17/2/s	29/15/s
Grand Rapids	26/21/sf	35/25/pc
Hartford	53/28/pc	38/24/pc
Honolulu	83/72/sf	83/71/pc
Houston	53/40/c	53/38/c
Jackson, MS	53/33/pc	48/27/c
Jacksonville	66/45/t	61/39/pc
Las Vegas	64/48/s	65/52/c
Little Rock	53/27/pc	47/28/pc
Los Angeles	75/52/pc	66/53/c
Louisville	39/23/pc	42/25/pc
Memphis	49/27/pc	43/28/pc
Miami	86/71/pc	81/68/t
Minneapolis	26/10/sf	35/27/s
Nashville	50/23/pc	43/23/pc
New Orleans	55/47/sh	55/42/pc
New York City	54/32/pc	43/31/pc
Norfolk	54/39/pc	48/37/pc
Oklahoma City	46/21/pc	46/29/c
Orlando	85/53/t	61/53/c
Philadelphia	54/30/pc	43/29/s
Phoenix	75/54/s	73/55/c
Pittsburgh	37/19/sf	36/21/c
Portland, ME	49/27/pc	36/22/pc
Portland, OR	66/45/pc	59/43/c
Rapid City	30/13/s	55/22/s
Sacramento	68/52/pc	57/49/r
Salt Lake City	51/32/pc	54/38/c
San Diego	70/54/pc	65/58/pc
San Francisco	66/53/c	58/50/sh
Seattle	65/45/pc	58/42/c
Shreveport	59/30/pc	48/32/c
Tampa	80/50/t	60/54/sh
Tucson	71/48/s	70/50/c
Tulsa	44/20/s	46/29/c
Washington, DC	55/32/pc	47/31/s

Partner in need doesn't have a partner indeed

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my boyfriend for 11 years. In all this time he has never once asked me if I'm OK whenever I have gotten hurt. I got used to it, you might say. Well, I recently lost the ability to walk, and ended up in a nursing home for rehabilitation. My boyfriend would come to visit, but would never ask about progress. Furthermore, when I would show him my progress he wouldn't act happy.

Now I'm home, and he treats me like garbage. I don't know why. When I brought it up, he said he doesn't know why. Should I end this relationship so I can find someone who's supportive and who will help me get back to 100%? Or should I stay and work on this relationship? I'm less and less happy every day. -- **HURTING IN THE MIDWEST**

DEAR HURTING: Your boyfriend of 11 years is

JEANNE PHILLIPS
DEAR ABBY

not a nurturer. That he doesn't ask if you are hurt or injured shows he lacks empathy. If I had to hazard a guess, I would opine that he treats you like garbage now because he's mad at you for needing his help and support. No amount of working on this will fix what's missing in his character. Unless you want to be treated like this for the rest of your life, get rid of him.

DEAR ABBY: I have a co-worker I share an office with. We are cordial, but not friends. The problem is she chews gum most of the day with her mouth open,

and occasionally pops it. The noises she makes are extremely disturbing and they disgust me. I have taken to wearing headphones and listening to music as often as possible to tune out her noises, but it feels a bit rude and isn't practical for all day. I'm on the verge of snapping at her. Is there a kind way I can alert her of the problem without disrupting our working relationship? -- **ABOUT TO POP OFF**

DEAR POP: Have a congenial chat with this co-worker and ask her to let you know when she's going to pop in a piece of gum so you can pop on your headphones. It beats popping your cork in frustration.

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD...

Awsome!

Kansans take their tornado sirens seriously, so it was no surprise that on March 4 in the Wichita suburb of Park City, a ribbon-cutting ceremony took place to mark the reinstallation of the city's oldest Thunderbolt siren, KSNW-TV reported. The sirens are remnants of the Cold War, and four of them are still in service in Sedgwick County. "About a year ago, we took them down, had them refurbished, and put them back up in our system," explained Jonathan Marr, deputy director for Sedgwick County Emergency Management. The feted siren had been in use for 70 years.

It's Come to This

Tattoo artist Dean Gunther of Manchester, United Kingdom, has made one man's body goals come true: He's inked a ripped six-pack on the man's torso, freeing the man from eating right and exercising more, the Daily Mail reported on March 6. "He decided that by getting a six-pack tattoo, he will always

look summer-ready while still being able to enjoy beer and good food," Gunther said of his customer. The artistic tat took two days to complete.

Compelling Explanation

At a preliminary hearing in San Francisco Superior Court on March 6, police officers offered testimony about a Feb. 1 incident in which Dmitri Mishin fired a replica gun inside a synagogue, The San Francisco Standard reported. As officers interrogated Mishin, he explained that the shooting was an act of prayer he was giving for his neighbor's bird. Mishin, who pleaded not guilty, told officers he lives on a submarine and talks with North Korean and Japanese leaders, and that weapons found in his home were movie props. After the shooting at the synagogue, he waved goodbye and left. Unsurprisingly, this isn't Mishin's first run-in with the law; his mother testified that he suffers from mental illness. The hearing was ongoing.

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Atlanta senior Kyley Magers drives past a pair of Novinger defenders in the district semifinal game on Feb. 23.

Local players represented in Class 1-3 All-District teams

By Adam Tumino
Daily Express

A number of local players were recognized as among the best players in their districts recently. The All-District teams were announced for Classes 1, 2 and 3, and players from Atlanta, Brashear, La Plata, Novinger, Green City, Knox County, Putnam County, Schuyler County, Scotland County and Milan were among the honorees.

BOYS BASKETBALL

In Class 1 District 11, six local players were named All-District. For Atlanta, Landon Gilliland, Roman Phillips and JJ White were selected. Phillips was named the District Player of the Year and head coach Jason White was named District Coach of the Year. Carson Erwin and Cole Erwin from Brashear were also honored, as was Novinger's Wes Findling.

In Class 1 District 14, Green City's Asher Buggs-Tipton, Xander Salas, Grant O'Haver and Aaron Peavler were selected. Buggs-Tipton was named DIstrict Player of the Year and head coach Matt Ayers was named District Coach of the Year.

In Class 2 District 6, seven local players were honored. Kellen Parrish and Blake Parrish of Knox County were selected, as were Owen Ream and Trace Riediger of Putnam County. Schuyler County's Kale Windy, Cooper Amen and Connor Smith were also selected. Windy was also named District Co-Player of the Year.

Milan had two players, Jeremy Bennett and Ahmet Niasse selected All-District in Class 3 District 16. Niasse was named Player of the Year and head coach Andrea Dabney was named Coach of the Year.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Six players were named All-District in Class 1 District 11. Atlanta's Kyley Magers and Aislynn Baker, Novinger's Abbi Fountain and Avery Carter, Brashear's Lacey Fisher and La Plata's Claire Coy were selected. Green City's Jaryn Hatcher and Lily Helton were named to the All-District team in Class 1 District 14.

Seven players from four schools were named All-District in Class 2 District 6. Knox County had one representative in Brianna Miller, as did Putnam County with Jenna Knowles and Scotland County with Paige Bishop.

Schuyler County had the other four players, with Kaitlyn Hatfield, Jacie Morris, Ashlyn Laws and Raina Small making the team. Hatfield was named Player of the Year and Schuyler County head coach Thomas Kirkland was named Coach of the Year.

In Class 3 District 16, Milan had a representative on the All-District team in freshman Marian Dabney.



Atlanta senior Roman Phillips passes to the perimeter in the state quarterfinal game against Glasgow on March 3. PHOTOS BY ADAM TUMINO



Novinger junior Carson Erwin drives toward the basket in the game against Paris on Feb. 14.



Novinger freshman Avery Carter makes a move toward the basket in the district semifinal game against Atlanta on Feb. 23.

COLUMN

Rooting for competent sports teams is a luxury

As a sports fan, there may be no better feeling than when the team you root for is well run. This area has fans that are accustomed to this feeling, with the Kansas City Chiefs and St. Louis Cardinals currently in eras where they are perennial playoff contenders with no sign of slowing down any time soon.

As a fan of the Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears, and I am optimistic that I will be rooting for well-run teams for at least the next several years.

The Bears are coming off perhaps the best 3-14 season in NFL history. I have never been so happy to see one of my favorite teams finish with the worst record in the league. The Bears had perhaps the worst roster in the NFL in 2022, but the season was a massive success for the player in the most important position.

Quarterback Justin Fields' passing statistics may not look very good, but anyone who watched Bears games regularly were able to watch one of the most clearly gifted players in the NFL continuously make highlight-worthy plays with a completely mediocre supporting cast.

As is often the case, the team with the top pick in the NFL Draft is a team that needs a quarterback. But the Bears were in the rare position of having the top pick in the draft but already having a young star at quarterback.

That gave the Bears flexibility, as did the fact that they had the most cap space in the NFL entering free agency. Many fans were nervous that Bears GM Ryan Poles, who was hired in January 2022, would be orchestrating the most important offseason in franchise history with a relative lack of experience.

Any fears were quickly disproven as Poles made an extremely early trade, sending the top pick in the draft to the Carolina Panthers, moving down the ninth pick and getting a collection of future draft picks and star wide receiver DJ Moore back from Carolina.

The Bears were able to solidify their future with a 2024 first round pick from the Panthers, which considering that they will likely be starting a rookie quarterback and just traded away their only good receiver, will probably be near the top of the draft.

They also gave Fields a legitimate No. 1 receiver. Moore has 5,201 receiving yards in his first five NFL seasons despite having poor quarterback play throughout his time in Carolina. Those 5,201 yards are also more than any player has gained in a Bears uniform, proving that the Bears may be the least impressive team in NFL history in terms of passing offense. That lackluster past can soon be truly behind the Bears if Fields and Moore live up to their potential in the next few seasons.

Now with the ninth pick in the draft, the Bears can start to build up the roster where impact players are needed, which is frankly everywhere. Some outstanding offensive and defensive lineman can be available at the ninth spot, and with the Bears already-active free agency, the draft almost looks like a bonus at this point.

Poles has already shored up the linebacker spot with former Bills star Tremaine Edmunds and Eagles stand-out TJ Edwards. There still needs to be additions made to the offensive and defensive lines in particular, but the Bears roster is already looking much, much better than last season.

The Bears might not be good next season. All of their signings could prove to be disappointing and their draft picks could be busts. Fields might not make the jump that many are expecting. But it sure looks like Poles is the right man for the job.

It reminds me of when the Cubs hired Theo Epstein to run the team following the 2011 season, after he had built up the Boston Red Sox from perennial punching bag to a team that won the World Series twice in four seasons.

It takes longer to turn around an MLB team than an NFL team, but it became clear in 2015 that Epstein had turned the Cubs around. A combination of homegrown talent and big free agent signings made the Cubs a threat to win the title that season, and allowed them to win it all a season later.



ADAM TUMINO
DAILY EXPRESS SPORTS

Chiefs announce signings of OT Taylor, DE Omenihu to deals

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Kansas City Chiefs wasted little time filling two enormous holes on their Super Bowl-winning roster.

After reaching agreements earlier in the week, the Chiefs announced the signings Thursday of offensive tackle Jawaan Taylor and defensive end Charles Omenihu. Taylor is expected to replace Orlando Brown Jr., who agreed to a deal elsewhere in free agency, and Omenihu is expected to help replace Frank Clark, who was released in a move to create salary cap space.

“There was a good amount of teams involved,” Taylor said, “but once free agency opened up, my agent told me about the possibility of the Chiefs wanting me. It’s a great opportunity and I couldn’t pass it up.”

The 25-year-old Taylor, who played almost exclusively right tackle in Jacksonville but will likely move to the left side in Kansas City, agreed to a four-year, \$80 million deal with \$60 million guaranteed, a person familiar with the terms told The Associated Press. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the terms were not disclosed.

Omenihu, who is also 25, signed a two-year, \$16 million deal, a person with knowledge of the deal also told the AP.

The Chiefs were tight on salary cap space after the season — a big reason they released Clark and were unable to sign wide receiver JuJu Smith-Schuster, who instead agreed to a deal with New England. But they were able to free up some extra space on Wednesday night when they converted part of quarterback Patrick Mahomes’ \$34.4 million roster bonus into a signing bonus spread over the next four years, which freed up nearly \$10 million in space for the current offseason.

Mahomes will hope that Taylor can continue the breakthrough he began to experience last season.

The second-round pick of the Jaguars in the 2019 draft gave up a league-leading 40 sacks his first three seasons. But Taylor only allowed six sacks while protecting Trevor Lawrence last season, which ended with a divisional-round loss to Kansas City, and produced one of the lowest pressure rates among offensive tackles in the league.

It’s not guaranteed that Taylor will end up at right tackle, though that’s the expectation. The Chiefs also have a hole on the right side after Andrew Wylie joined Washington, but that position is typically easier — and cheaper — to fill. The Chiefs have an in-house candidate with Lucas Niang and could also address that need through next month’s draft.

“Left tackle, right tackle, it’s just a flip of the hips, honestly,” Taylor said. “If you’re athletic enough, trust your feet, have good coaching and I think they have that here, I think the transition will be pretty good.”

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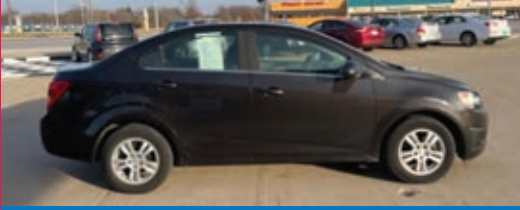
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FWD, 6 Cyl., White



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FWD, 4 Cyl., Gray



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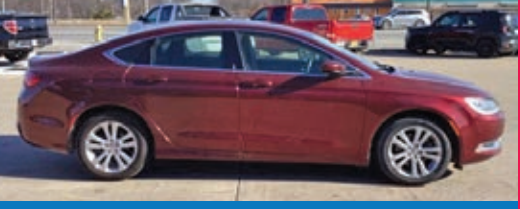
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2015 GMC ACADIA
AWD, 6 Cyl., Maroon



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4WD, 8 Cyl., White



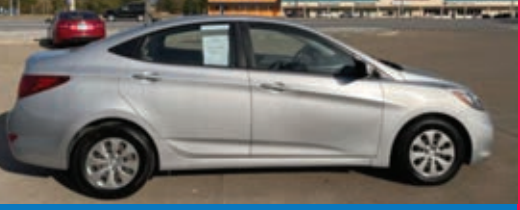
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High school baseball teams on verge of 2023 season

By Adam Tumino
Daily Express

The 2023 high school baseball season is about to begin. Some local teams will be looking to build on recent success while others will be looking to get back on a winning path. Let's take a look at what these teams did last season and some returning players that might have an impact in 2023.

ATLANTA

The Hornets enjoyed a winning season in 2022, finishing with a 10-1 record. They won all of their regular season games while averaging 10 runs per game for the second-straight year. They allowed 3.9 runs per game, the fewest since the 2015 season where they finished as state runners up.

Their lone loss came in the Class 1 District 13 tournament, where they fell 7-2 to a North Shelby team that Atlanta had defeated 14-4 in the regular season.

BRASHEAR

The Tigers had an up and down 2022 season, but ultimately posted their first winning record in over a decade. They were 8-6, their best mark since the 2011 team went 11-4. Brashear also averaged more runs per game since 2011 and allowed their fewest runs per game since 2010.

A four-game losing streak ended the season for the Tigers, coming on the heels of a four-game winning streak. Like Atlanta, Brashear lost to North Shelby in the district tournament to end the season.

GREEN CITY

The Gophers won the Class 1 District 14 tournament last season, their fourth district title in a row. They then became the third local team to have their season ended by North Shelby., this time in the Class 1 State Tournament. Green City was 16-2, posting a winning record for the seventh-straight season.

Green City had two All-State players last season, and although first-team selection Laydon Fields graduated, honorable mention All-American catcher Grant O'Haver will be back for his senior season.

KIRKSVILLE

The Tigers finished the 2022 season with a 10-19 record, their first losing campaign since 2014. Their scoring average of 5.9 runs per game was a bit lower than in recent seasons, but not by much. They allowed 6.1 runs per game, which



FILE PHOTOS



was lower than it was in winning season in 2021 and 2018.

They beat Centralia in the opening round of the Class 4 District 7 Tournament but then fell to Macon in the following game.

KNOX COUNTY

The Eagles posted a 13-5 record in 2022, holding a winning record for the second-straight season after finishing below .500 the previous four seasons. They won nine of 10 games late in the season, with the final two wins in that stretch coming against Marion County and La Plata in the Class 1 District 13 Tournament. Then they became yet another local team to have their season ended by North Shelby.

Knox County will have a pair of honorable mention All-State players back from last year's team in Robert Dooley and Rylan Roberts, who will be back for their junior and senior seasons respectively.

LA PLATA

The Bulldogs posted a seven-game winning streak and a pair of three-game winning streaks in the 2022 season, finishing with a 15-4 record. It was their fifth-straight season with at least 15 wins and their fourth-straight season allowing less than three runs per game.

The district tournament loss to Knox County ended La Plata's run at a fourth-straight

district title. Two All-State players led last season's team, and honorable mention pitcher Reese Mesecher will be back for his senior season.

MACON

The Tigers had their fifth-straight winning season in 2022, and seventh winning season in the last eight. They went 19-3, the most wins for the program since 2015, when they went 20-5 for the second-straight year. They also allowed just two runs per game while scoring 9.1 runs per game.

Their run prevention was anchored by senior pitcher Chrisjen Riekeberg, who was named second team All-State. The Tigers will have to make up for his production in 2023 top help the stretch of winning seasons reach six years.

MILAN

An increase in runs allowed over the previous two seasons led to Milan posting a 7-12 record in 2022, as they look to finish over .500 for the first time since 2017. The Wildcats had a stronger finish to the season after starting 2-6, going 5-5 over their last 10 games heading into the Class 2 District 6 Tournament where they lost to Schuyler County.

Milan had three road wins last season, tied for their most in the last seven seasons. They also had a stretch where they

won four of five games, averaging 9.8 runs per game in those four wins.

NOVINGER

The Wildcats finished the 2022 season at 5-12, finishing below .500 for the second-straight season after alternating winning and losing seasons for the previous six years. Their average runs allowed per game dropped for the third-straight season, going down to six runs per game. Unfortunately, their runs per game on offense also dropped a bit.

Their first win came in the season opener, and they won back-to-back games midway through the season and again near the end. They won the regular season finale and then got a win to open the district tournament before falling to Green City in the second round.

PUTNAM COUNTY

The Midgets won the district title for the second-straight season and posted a winning record for the sixth year in a row, finishing 18-3 on the season. They opened the season on an 11-game winning streak. Prior to their season-ending loss to Russellville in the second game of the state tournament, Putnam County won six games in a row and outscored opponents 45-4 in that span.

They had five All-State selections last season, with only one

returning. Infielder Brayden McReynolds will be back for his senior season after being named second team All-State last season.

SCHUYLER COUNTY

The Rams got hot late in the season after a six-game losing part way through the season put them in a tough spot. They won their final four games in the regular season and beat Milan to open the Class 2 District 6 Tournament before losing to Putnam County in the next game to finish at 8-9 on the season.

Schuyler County allowed 6.1 runs per game, the fewest in a season since they allowed 5.7 runs per game in 2014. They also posted a winning record at home for the first time in four seasons, going 4-3 at their home field.

SCOTLAND COUNTY

The Tigers finished the season at 9-12, their second-straight season posting nine wins. They have not won fewer than five games since they went 7-6 in 2013. Scotland County made a run in the Class 2 District 6 Tournament, winning their first two games before losing to Putnam County 2-0 in the championship game.

A seven-game losing streak in the middle of the season hampered the Tigers' chances to finish above .500. They were 3-1 before the streak and went 6-4 after the streak ended.

CHIEFS

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Omenihu was a fifth-round pick of the Texans in 2019 but was traded after

two-plus seasons of mediocre production to San Francisco in November 2021. He proceed to have a career-best 4 1/2 sacks for the 49ers last season.

"I think I'm a guy that

can play the run on first and second down, play over tight ends, and I can rush on the edge if you need me to," Omenihu said. "I think versatiltiy is what I bring to the table, a guy

that's going to play hard."

Omenihu arrives in Kansas City amid some off-the-field trouble. He was arrested on suspicion of domestic violence in January, though

no charges have been filed, after his girlfriend accused him of pushing her to the ground.

Chiefs general manager Brett Veach has been a whiz when it comes to

plugging holes through the draft, and while their first pick isn't until No. 31 overall, they have 11 total to further address defensive end, offensive tackle and wide receiver.

COLUMN

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After that win, the Cubs were unable to really sustain that success and the members of the 2016 team were never able to recapture it before nearly all of them were moved to other teams. The Cubs are on the upswing again after

a few seasons of disappointing and frustrating baseball, making several major signings this past offseason and looking primed to make a playoff push this year.

It is always refreshing when professional sports teams actually try to win, spending money freely and actually attempting to produce the best product

possible year after year. So many organizations seem to be fine with keeping costs as low as possible and robbing their fans of excitement and fun.

Teams like the Pittsburgh Pirates, who had a very brief run of successful season starting about a decade ago that has been bookended by absolutely terrible base-

ball, represent the very worst traits an organization can have.

I am very happy to be rooting for teams that seem to value winning, and put people in charge that maximize the chance for success. I hope that the Bears and Cubs keep trying their best to win, and that all franchises do the same.



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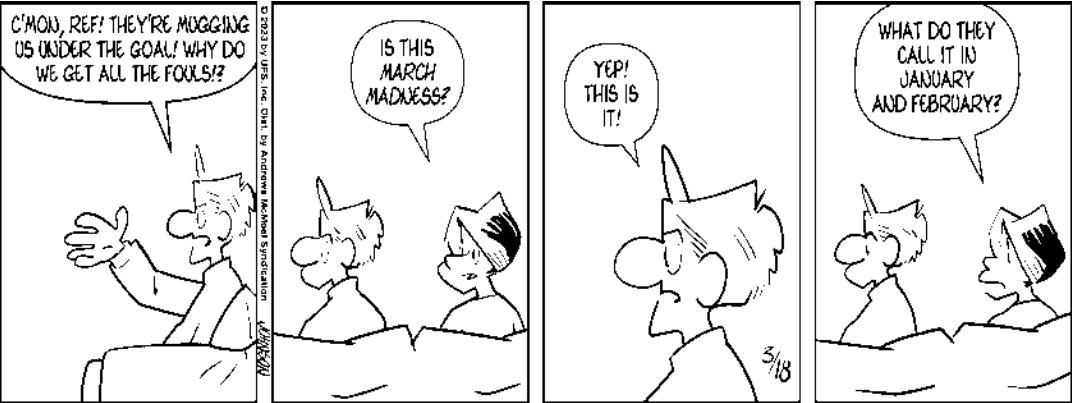
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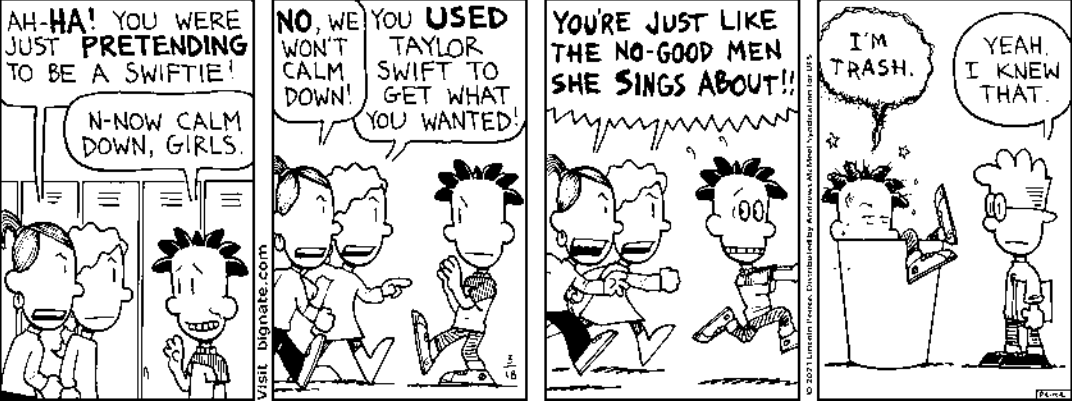
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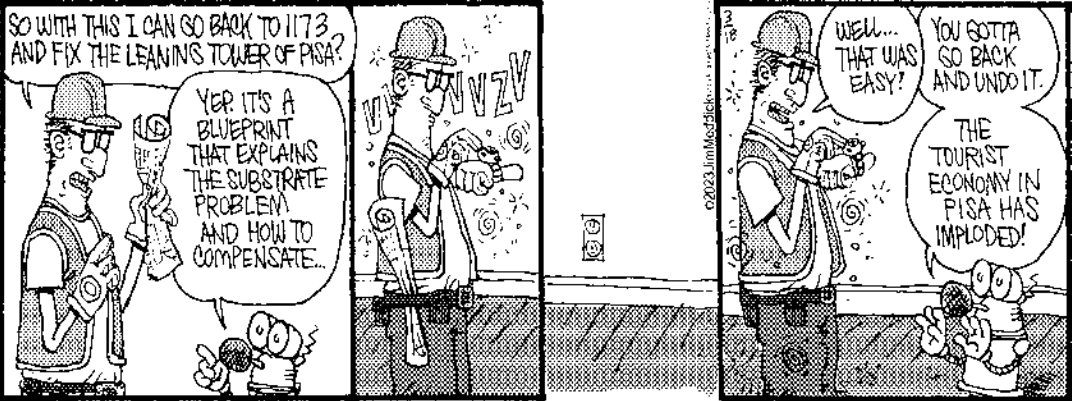
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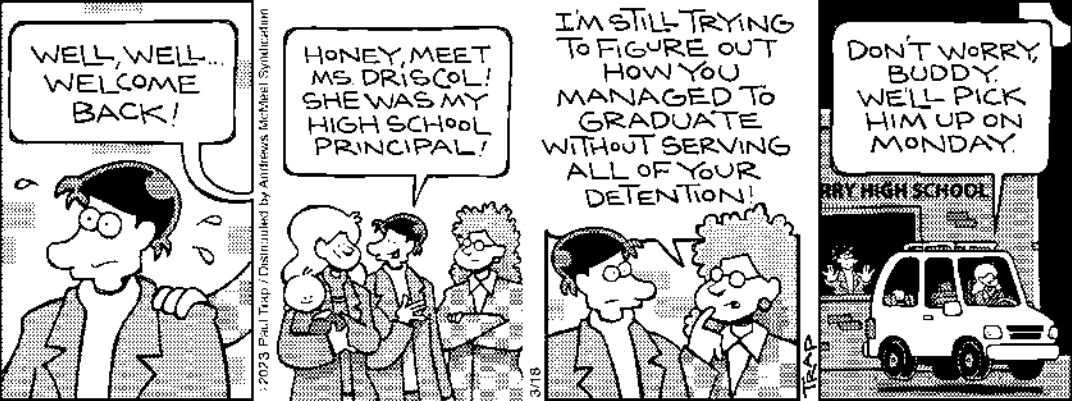
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ACROSS

1 Fury
4 Air pump meas.
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11 Like '60s fashion
12 Gator kin
13 Objectives
14 Taro product
15 Ape a pig
16 Jail at sea
17 Whimpers
19 Three- sloth
20 — Kippur
21 Former Chinese leader
22 Prairie schooner
25 Nap
28 El Dorado trove
29 Caterwaul
31 Ms. Thurman
33 Scarpetta or Starr
34 Actress — Bonet
36 Thud
37 Aromatic resin
40 Like some whiskers
42 Clumsy guy

DOWN

43 Kennel sound
44 Hedge shrubs
46 Warning floats
49 Portend
50 Fumble the ball
52 Van Gogh medium
54 Seaweed derivative
55 Be next to
56 Spiral molecule
57 Loses brightness
58 Cambridge univ.
59 Earlier

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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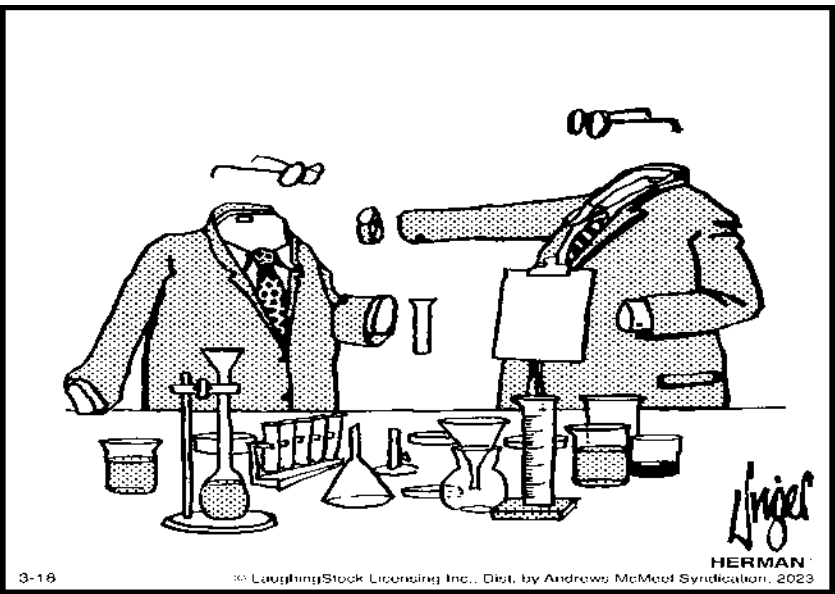
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21 Wire thick- nesses
22 Stir-fry need
23 Fast horse
24 "Naked Maja" artist
25 Do the backstroke
26 Places to soak
27 Asian nanny
30 Norse king
32 Actress Poehler
35 Curt

38 Brings down
39 Airline to Stockholm
41 Starman's vessel
43 Concern- ing
44 Cartoon bear
45 Party tray cheese
47 The Force was with him
48 What divas do
49 Naughty
50 Reservoir boundary
51 Slugger's stat
53 Mekong native

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HERMAN



"If it's gonna take six hours to wear off, shall we send out for a pizza?"

ASTROGRAPH BY EUGENIA LAST

Design the life you want and start working toward your goal. Your drive and determination will carry you the distance this year if your heart is in the right place. Dream big, but don't let greed diminish the possibility of achieving peace, love and happiness. Choose the path that puts a smile on your face.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Simplify your life. Channel your energy into clearing clutter instead of letting the little things get to you. Pay attention to health. Make stability your goal.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Keep sensitive information to yourself. Take your time and work carefully and thoroughly, with an eye on the bottom line. Don't attempt to please anyone other than yourself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- You'll have trouble making up your mind regarding emotional issues. Talk to someone you trust about the pros and cons of something that tempts you, and you'll get a different perspective.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- A passionate approach to whatever you do will give you the stamina you need to reach your goal, but it will also attract jealousy and interference. Work alone for best results.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Share your thoughts. Launch a plan that is within your means financially, but is also innovative and difficult to decline. Distance yourself from anyone trying to take charge.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Don't share too much information. You may enjoy an audience, but if the people around you know more about you than you do about them, an imbalance will occur that may not favor you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Do what others expect of you and take a break. A breather will help you see things differently. Organize your life and figure out how to up your game. A change of heart is apparent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Listen, learn and set a course that allows you to keep your options open. Traveling and pursuing education will encourage you to try something new. Be a leader, not a follower.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Follow a path that allows you to explore new territory. Taking a trip, joining a group or heading in a creative direction that helps you develop skills you enjoy using will lift your spirits.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Step back and make decisions based on facts. Question what doesn't seem right and be willing to carry out your plans alone if that's what it takes to get things done your way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Keep things in perspective. If you let your emotions take the reins, you'll miss out on meeting someone or doing something that can improve your life. Listen intently to others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Control situations, read between the lines, verify your thoughts and put in the time and energy to adjust whatever isn't working for you. Take control instead of letting someone step in and take over.

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CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
- 1 Unseld of the NBA

4 Tex- —

7 Mr. Brynner

10 Clancy hero Jack —

12 Cruel

14 Ghost — — chance

15 Guthrie of folk music

16 Strauss of denim

17 Garden pond fish

18 Squinted at

20 Knight's journey

22 Mo. fractions

23 Hearty laugh

24 Aquarium buildup

27 High spirits

30 Undersized whiz

32 Fish without scales

34 — — dare

35 Surround

36 "Cheerio!" (hyph.)

37 Bring into accord

39 Sheet music line
- 40 Chef's phrase (2 wds.)

41 Merchandise ID

42 Eye color

45 Comic page pooch

49 Give — — whirl

50 Draw on glass

53 Tony relative

54 Ely of "Tarzan"

55 Gift-wrapping need

56 " — — chance!"

57 Pilot's dir.

58 Cakelike cookie

59 Pitcher handle
- DOWN
- 1 Tinfoil

2 Bronte governess

3 Garage event

4 Pinochle combos

5 Time to celebrate

6 Centurion's 14

7 Harness

Answer to Previous Puzzle

I	R	E		P	S	I		T	E	A	M		
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8 ETs' craft

9 Milk, in Paris

11 Viking base

13 Water or oil

19 Barely manage

21 Small music maker

23 Textile measure

24 PFC mail drop

25 Kind of moth

26 Tiny fly

27 "Runaway Bride" co-star

28 Shred

29 Sasquatch cousin

31 Ms. Foch

33 Varnish ingredient

35 Throat

36 Mogul

38 Menlo Park initials

39 Hosp. staffer

41 Wedding party member

42 Put on the payroll

43 Like — — of bricks

44 Grey of Westerns

46 Wind instrument

47 Gyro bread

48 Date part

51 File label

52 Balance sheet guru

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- ACROSS
- 1 Truck part

4 Cry of distaste

7 Dell

11 Hotfoot it

12 Requirement

14 Fall birthstone

15 Not common

16 Red inside

17 Recipe qtps.

18 Bother

20 Cracker go-with

22 NATO cousin

23 Rower's pole

24 Fishing net

27 Pats down

30 Spyglass part

31 Ancient France

32 One, to Conchita

34 Household pet

35 Benchmark

36 Rickrack

37 Desert phenomenon
- 39 Tattered

40 Arith. mean

41 Evil spell

42 Thrust forward

45 Workers' groups

49 Volkswagen kin

50 Gael republic

52 Old pro

53 It runs on runners

54 Barge

55 Down Under bird

56 Dick Tracy's wife

57 USN officer

58 San Francisco hill
- DOWN
- 1 Karate blow

2 Helper

3 Rose patches

4 Imaginary

5 Watch innards

6 That lady

7 Politician pickers

Answer to Previous Puzzle

W	E	S			M	E	X			Y	U	L	
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8 Altar end

9 Times around the track

10 Failing that

13 Propriety

19 Drags behind

21 Weather phenomenon

24 RN's knack

25 500 sheets

26 Debate side

27 Ticket price

28 Russell or Cobain

29 Agitated state

31 Eye protectors

33 Actress Poehler

35 Wheel hub

36 Car for hire

38 Turbulent water

39 Freshens

41 Erie neighbor

42 Time gone by

43 Exercise power

44 Inspired verses

46 Kiln

47 Fictional captain

48 Blunt end

51 Road hazard

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The test for the Optical Scan System will be conducted in the County Clerk's temporary office at 311 N. Elson St. in Kirksville, on March 24, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

A pre-audited group of ballots will be processed. If an error is detected, the cause shall be determined and corrected and an errorless count shall be made before the tabulation equipment is approved. The test shall be open to the candidates, the news media and the public.

Sandra Collop
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to be completed at the 2022-2023 Construction Trades Facility. Prospective bidders may inspect the building site at the school on Steve Farnsworth Drive. Materials list and blueprints may be picked up at the Kirksville Area Technical Center located at 1103 South Cottage Grove. Bids and bidding certificate must be turned in to Kirksville Area Technical Center, 1103 S. Cottage Grove, Kirksville, MO 63501 prior to 1:00 PM, March 20, 2023. For further information, please call (660) 665-2865. The Kirksville R-III School District and Kirksville Area Technical Center reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI

PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE ESTATE OF OPAL B. HOERRMANN

ESTATE NO: 23AR-PR00001

NOTICE OF LETTERS GRANTED

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF OPAL B. HOERRMANN, A DISABLED PERSON.

On the 24th day of February, 2023, Kale Hoerrmann was appointed conservator of the estate of Opal B. Hoerrmann, a person adjudicated disabled under the laws of Missouri by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri.

The business address of the conservator is 14973 State Street, Mercer, Missouri 64661 and the attorney is Leslie Silvernail, 803 S. Baltimore, Kirksville, Missouri 63501.

All creditors of said disabled/partially disabled person are notified to file their claims in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court.

Date of first publication March 4, 2023.

Clerk of the Probate Division
Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri

Martha Cole
Adair County Circuit Clerk

PUBLICATION DATES: 3-4-2023, 3-11-2023, 3-18-2023, 3-25-2023

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

For default in the payment of debt secured by a deed of trust executed by Robert Dee Shedron and Ruth M Shedron, dated August 23, 1997, and recorded on August 25, 1997, Document No. 97-2449, in Book No. 589, at Page 083 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Adair County, Missouri, the undersigned Successor Trustee will on April 10, 2023, at 2:30 PM, at the South Front Door of the Adair County Courthouse, Kirksville, Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash:

All of the North half of Lots 5 & 6, Block 11, Northeast Addition to Kirksville, Missouri., commonly known as 604 N High, Kirksville, MO, 63501

subject to all prior easements, restrictions, reservations, covenants and encumbrances now of record, if any, to satisfy the debt and costs.

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First Publication: March 18, 2023. For more information, visit www.southlaw.com

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Join the Missouri 4-H goes mobile movement

By University of Missouri Extension

COLUMBIA — Missouri 4-H has taken a big step forward in communicating with 4-H'ers across the state by launching the Missouri 4-H app. When downloaded, it not only gives the user access to the state-wide app but also lets user to choose county-specific apps.

The St. Charles County app is live and several more counties will be added very soon. It is available to download free from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.

“We have made it our goal to improve communication with 4-H families,” says Lupita Fabregas, Missouri 4-H director. “The Missouri 4-H app is the first step towards reaching this goal. As you explore its pages, please note what you love and what else you might want to see added. Your feedback in the app survey will allow us to continue building the best product we can. The 4-H app is available to everyone, so all youth, regardless of how they participate, have access to all Missouri 4-H has to offer.”

“St. Charles County 4-H is excited to have one location to meet all our 4-H commu-

nication needs,” says Victoria Bernard, University of Missouri Extension 4-H youth

development specialist. “We hope by utilizing the Missouri 4-H app, our 4-H community

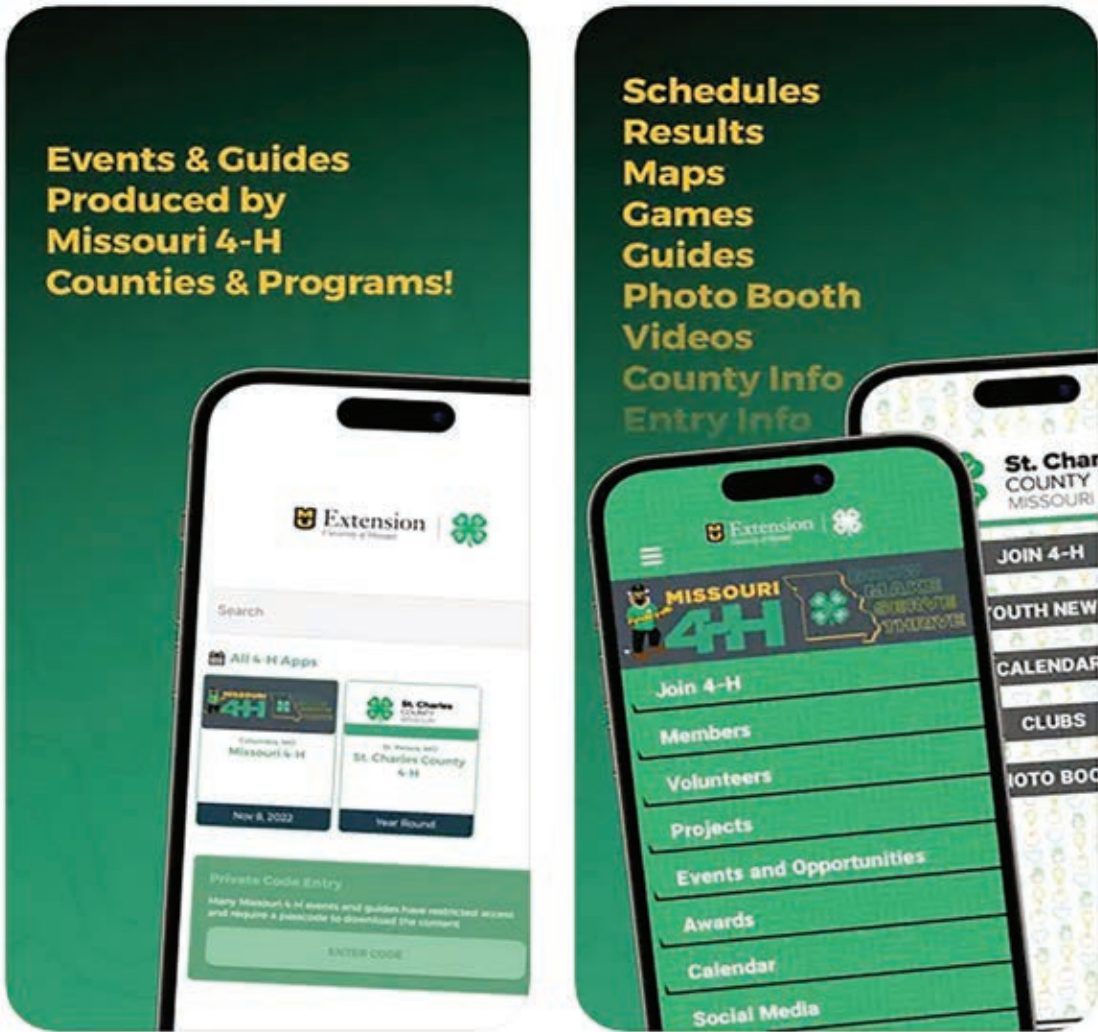
will be better connected and better informed about all the opportunities at the county,

state, and national level.” The app was designed with youths and families in mind, says Sherry Grace, Missouri 4-H marketing and communications coordinator. Users will find information on events, awards available, project resources and a calendar for statewide events. Users can check Missouri 4-H's social media feeds and take a selfie in the photo booth.

“Safety of our 4-H'ers is our top priority,” Grace says. “We put measures in place to keep information flowing in one direction. For instance, there is no in-app communication when a user takes a photo. It can only be saved on their phone. They choose what to do with it from there.”

Grace says she hopes users choose to post their selfies on their own social media feeds with the hashtag #MO4HGoMobile to encourage others to download the app.

In the statewide app users will also find useful links in the side menu, including a newsletter archive, access to 4-H Online help and the Clover Catalog. The app can also be used for scavenger hunts, quick lessons, evaluations and more, she says.



Missouri Master Pollinator Steward course begins April 6

By University of Missouri Extension

COLUMBIA — University of Missouri Extension offers a virtual Master Pollinator Steward class April 6 to May 11 to help participants learn about pollinators.

“Pollinators such as bees, birds, butterflies, bats and insects play a crucial role in the production of most fruits and vegetables,” says MU Extension horticulturist Tamra Reall. Pollinators support healthy ecosystems that clean the air, stabilize soils and support wildlife.

Reall says the class helps participants learn how to prevent the decline of pollinator populations due to loss of feeding and nesting habitats, pollution and the misuse of pesticides.

The course will discuss how plants and insects have a unique dependence upon each

other for survival and the vital role they play in the agricultural economy and food supply, she says.

Zoom sessions are 10 a.m.-noon Thursdays, April 6 to May 11. Lecture sessions will be recorded. This course qualifies as Advanced Training for Extension Master Gardeners and Missouri Master Naturalists and is certified for several learning objectives for the Great Plains Master Beekeeping program.

In addition to the Zoom sessions, extension fac-

ulty will hold in-person field trips and lab sessions in the county extension centers listed below. If your county isn't listed, register at <https://bit.ly/MPS-2023>.

To register for the in-person sessions in Adair and surrounding counties with specialist Jennifer Schutter: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/missouri-master-pollinator-steward-1677018320>

For more information, contact Jennifer Schutter at schutterjl@missouri.edu or Tamra Reall at reallt@missouri.edu.



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9:00 a.m. Sunday School Faith
10:15 a.m. Worship Service Faith
10:00 p.m. Issues, Etc. 107.9 KLTE
www.faithkirksville.org

Hamilton Street Baptist Church
802 W. Hamilton
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9:45 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
www.hamiltonstreet.org

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201 S. High at McPherson
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9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.
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5:30 p.m. College Fellowship
Kirksville Church of Christ
110 Pfeiffer Ave.
Elders/Pastors: Dan Green, Dean Hansen
10:00 a.m. Bible Study
11 a.m. Worship
Weds 6:30p.m. Bible Study
www.kvcc.org

First Baptist Church
207 E. Washington
Jason Marlin, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Bible Study for all ages
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Faith United Methodist Church
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10:45 a.m. Worship
Southside Baptist Church
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10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Preaching
6:30 p.m. Evening Service
First Church of God
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www.kirkvillechurchofgod.com

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10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Faith Baptist Church
502 N. Florence
Pastors: Brandon Rhea & Robert Price
10:00 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
12:00 p.m. Noon Lunch
1:30 p.m. Worship
The Crossing Church
810 E. Shepherd Ave.
9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service
www.thecrossing.net

Grace Community Bible Church
1501 E. Northtown Rd.
Benjamin Jorden, Pastor
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9:30 a.m. Worship
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Pure Air Baptist Church
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11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
TBA Bible Study

Church of God of Prophecy
807 Benton Way
Pastor: Rob Linhart
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Evening Service
Fellowship Baptist Church
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Catholic Newman Center
11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Sunday
7:00 a.m. Monday
9:00 p.m. Wednesday
Union Temple Church Southwest of Kirksville
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Sugar Creek Baptist Church
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Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist Church
2 mi. W. Greentop on Rt. K then 1/2 mi. S.
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10:30 a.m. Song Service
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Meadow Brook Christian Church
602 E. Washington
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 Morning Worship

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church
Novinger, Mo.
7:30 a.m. Sunday

Life Church of Kirksville
112 W. Potter
Jeremy Pingle, Pastor
10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Service

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

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

Countryside Christian Church
S. Boundary St. Rt. H, Troy Mills
Preacher, Harold R. Engel
8:30 - 9:45 a.m. Blended Worship
10:00 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Worship
6:00 p.m. High School-College Youth meet
www.countrysidekv.com

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

Lake Road Chapel
22963 Potter Trail
Pastors: Andrew Turner, Andy Thompson, David Kelly
10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service
www.lakeroadchapel.org

Church of God (Holiness)
1601 N. Elson
Pastor Ralph E. Wheeler, Jr.
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

New Hope Evangelical Church
620 Steer Creek Way
9:30 - 10:20 a.m. Bible Class
10:20 - 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship
Darrell Draper, Pastor
660-341-0000
Jim Maxey, Calling Pastor
660-665-6949 or 660-216-4183

First Assembly of God
2401 S. High
Jeff Arp, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:40 a.m. Morning Worship
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6:30 p.m. Evening Praise
www.KirkvilleFirst.org

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

Novinger Baptist Church
Highway 6 & 149
Rev. Darrell Crooks, Pastor
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
High & Harrison
9:30 a.m. Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

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Kirksville Second Ward Bishop Isaac Ison
9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sunday Services

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

Seventh Day Adventist Church
1301 N. Elson
Curtis Denney, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sabbath School (Saturday)
11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Saturday)
Fellowship Dinner on 4th Saturday.

United Methodist Church
Brashear Charge, Brashear
Lay Minister, Nancy Douglas
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
7:00 p.m. Singspiration - 1st Sunday

Willow Bend Association East Center Community Church
10:00 a.m. Sunday 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 E. Prime Street
Minister Walker Franke
Associate Minister Larry Smith
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Service
660-379-2329

Willow Bend Church
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New Hope Methodist Reformed Church - Millard
9:15 a.m. Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Worship

Greentop Community Church
Highway K, Greentop, Mo.
Pastor: Lynae McFarland
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Trinity United Fellowship Church
Pastor: Lorne Arber
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School

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

Shekinah Mennonite Church
15981 Blueberry Way, Kirksville
John Mark Miller, Pastor Roger Berry
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship
6:00 p.m. 2nd Sunday - hymn sing
6:00 p.m. 4th Sunday of month Topic

Bethel Community Church
12 miles NE of Kirksville on Rt. T
Marvin Cross, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Kid's Klub/Youth Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship.

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

Grace Bible Baptist Church
Greencastle, Mo.
Rev. 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

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9:30 a.m. Bible School
10:30 a.m. Communion/worship Hour

United Pentecostal Church
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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
Email: laplatafbc@gmail.com

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

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.
Sam Burkholder, 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 Iammattoe-Code
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

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

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

Cornerstone Community Church
Meeting at the Fohn Family Center 404 N. Elson
9:30 a.m. Sunday Small Group Bible Study designed for adults

Locust Hill Community Church
Rt. I, Novelty, Mo
William Gaines, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

New Harmony Free Will Baptist
3 miles West of Greentop on Rt. K
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

Word Alive! Family Church
Hwy 63, Greentop
Pastors: Robert Gange
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, Adult service, Childrens Church

Schuyler County Church of Faith
Highway 136 East, Lancaster
Sonny Smyser, Pastor
8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Sunday Services
11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday Class
3rd Sunday Fellowship dinner 12 noon

Gospel Outreach Church
209 W. Washington
Norman Keller, Pastor
Gonda Manning, Co pastor
7:00 p.m. Thursday Services
7:00 p.m. Sunday Services

Victory Baptist Church Of Greentop
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Pastor Joshua Wesley
10:30 a.m. Worship



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