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The winning Trivia Night team (Not in order) was the "The Wallhuggers", Kevin Waddle, Billie Waddle, Daniel Thompson, Tim Humphry, Bailey Guiles, Craig Guiles, Glen Bailey, and Ella Callison.

United Way of Northeast Missouri Trivia Night brings in \$6,600 for organization

By United Way of Northeast Missouri

The United Way of Northeast Missouri hosted its 2nd annual Charity Trivia Night on Saturday, April 1, at the Kirksville Moose Lodge. The winning team was "The Wallhuggers", who outperformed 22 other competitors and donated their winnings back to the United Way. A total of \$6,600 was raised through the charity event.

"It was an absolute success," said United Way of Northeast Missouri Director Bill Castles.

This year's event built upon last years hugely popular "Trivia Night" that welcomed 18 teams, raising over \$5,000 for the 11 local agencies who are funded by the United Way of Northeast Missouri.

Besides playing Trivia, participants also played "heads or tails," a raffle and High/Low games.

Agencies of the United Way which will benefit from the event include: Adair County 4H Council, Adair County Family YMCA, Boy Scouts of America/Great Rivers Council, Community Opportunities/Sheltered Workshop, Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri, Hospice of Northeast Missouri, Macon Diversified Industries, NEMO Senior Citizens Services, Inc., RSVP/Senior Adult Services, the Salvation Army, and Community Child Development Center.

in the first place team donated their winnings back to the United Way in droves.

So all in all, it was an absolute success.



8th Annual Princess Tea held at Masonic Temple

By Marty Bachman
Daily Express

The Eastern Start Chapter 184 sponsored their 8th Annual Princess Tea on Saturday, April 1, at the Masonic Temple located at 217 E. Harrison St. in Kirksville. The event was open to Princesses ages 3 to 12 years of age, and had a Fairy-

land Theme with lots of flowers, butterflies and gnomes. Admission, at \$5 per person at the door, included a light lunch, games, arts, crafts, and prizes. This year's event included Tinker Bell's Boutique, where items could be purchased and all monies from the boutique went toward the renovation of the Masonic Temple kitchen.



Truman State University students enjoy Black Hawk helicopter rides

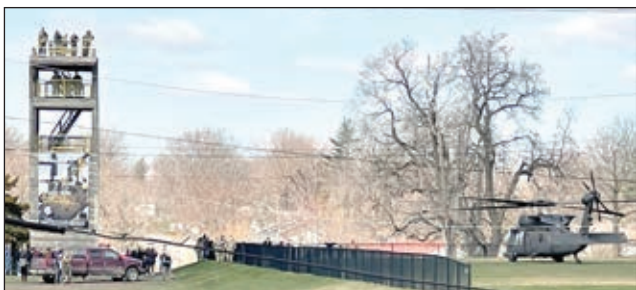
Staff Reports

The Truman State University Army ROTC Department hosted Black Hawk helicopter rides for select students on Saturday, April 1. The Black Hawks landed on the rugby field near the ROTC Rappel Tower (where La-

Harpe, South Haliburton, and South Florence meet behind the tennis courts). Trained pilots took students up on the helicopters and completed a pre-planned route around the Kirksville area. Residents came from all over the area to get a close-up look at the helicopters.



A Black Hawk helicopter gets set to land at Truman State University.



ROTC members oversee the landing of the Black Hawk helicopters from on top of the rappel tower.



Visitors check out one of the two Black Hawk helicopters that landed at Truman State University last Saturday.



A Black Hawk helicopter lands in the field off of Halliburton and LaHarpe streets.

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Ribbon Cutting for A.T. Still University, Museum of Osteopathic Medicine

By Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce staff and Ambassadors joined A.T. Still University personnel and guests for a ribbon cutting ceremony Thursday, March 23. The ceremony was held to honor the Museum of Osteopathic Medicine's recent accreditation by the American Alliance of Museums and took place during a Chamber Business After Hours event hosted by A.T. Still University.

Following the ribbon cutting, Chamber Ambassador Chair Angie Sullivan presented A.T. Still University President, Dr. Craig Phelps, with a framed certificate and thanked them for being a member of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce.



Pictured left to right in the photo: Chris Ferguson — Museum Registrar, Museum of Osteopathic Medicine; Bryan Krusniak, MBA — Vice President of Information Technology, ATSU; Debi Boughton — Interim Executive Director, Chamber; Dr. Margaret Wilson — Dean, ATSU-KCOM; Dana Funderburk, CPA, MBA — Vice President for Finance/CFO, ATSU; Dr. Craig Phelps — President, ATSU; Jason Haxton — Director, Museum of Osteopathic Medicine; Angie Sullivan — CAPNEMO, Chamber Ambassadors Chair; Courtney Blodgett — Services Coordinator, Chamber; Marie Murphree — Director of Development, Planned Giving, Truman State University; and Heather Rudy — Assistant Director, Museum of Osteopathic Medicine.



Dr. Craig Phelps — President, ATSU



Chamber Ambassador Chair Angie Sullivan presented A.T. Still University President, Dr. Craig Phelps, with a framed certificate and thanked them for being a member of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce.

KIRKSVILLE AREA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Kirksville Historic Preservation Commission meeting

The Kirksville Historic Preservation Commission will hold a meeting at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Franklin Street.

Factory Connection Ribbon Cutting ceremony

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.

Spotlight on Spiders at Thousand Hills State Park

Join Thousand Hills State 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, Friday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. Contact the park office at 660-665-6995.

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.

Birding for Beginners at Thousand Hills State Park

Join Thousand Hills State 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, Saturday, April 8 at 8 a.m.

April 10 deadline to register for Children's Literature Festival

The Children's Literature Festival (CLF) will return to Truman State University on Friday, April 21. They are expecting 11 authors from across the nation to be on campus that day to share their books with 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students. (More than 1,000 students will attend.) The public is invited to participate but please note online registration is required by April 10. For more information, visit <https://childrensliteraturefestival.truman.edu/> or email clf@truman.edu

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. April 11: Tied Up in Knots: My Dad and Me by Karen Knotts.

Something about a Snake at Thousand Hills State Park

Something about a snake make them super important. Join Thousand Hills State 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, Friday, April 14 at 7 p.m. Contact the park office at 660-665-6995

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.

Bottomless BBQ Feed Fundraiser for local scouts

Friends of (Scout) Troop 404 will be holding a Bottomless BBQ Feed Fundraiser at the NEMO Fairgrounds on Friday, April 14 from 5:30- 8 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person with sides and drinks. Soda for sale separately. Food by TNT BBQ. Silent Auction. Raffle for a mini-bike and smoker grill. Tickets available at the Troop 404 Facebook page or Nolan Law Firm, 210 S. Elson Street.

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.

Basking Weaving Workshop at Sue Ross Arts Center

A Basking Weaving Workshop will be held at the Sue Ross Arts Center on April 15, from 8 a.m. until noon. The class with Jennifer Daniels, will cost \$50 for Kirksville Arts Association member and \$55 for non-members. Register by April 11 at the Sue Ross Arts Center, 215 S. Franklin Street in Kirksville. Class size is limited. Beginners are welcome. All material for the basket will be provided. Different colors of reed will be available. A tool list will be provided to the class. Call 660-665-0500 or kirksvilleart@gmail.com or visit kirksvillearts.com.

Shopping Expo at Moose Lodge

A Shopping Expo will be held on Saturday, April 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Moose Lodge in Kirksville, 2405 E. Illinois Street. Local Shopping Expo of vendors, crafters, homemade items and much more. Vendor applications can be found on their website at <https://expo-shopping.wordpress.com/vendor-event-application/>

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.

Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours will be hosted by Gallery 104: Art on the Square, April 20 from 5-7 p.m., 104 N. Franklin Street, Kirksville.

Stars Up, Lights Down at Thousand Hills State Park

Come out for a celebration of International Dark Sky week at Stars Up, Lights Down at Thousand Hills State Park. 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, Thursday, April 20, from 8 p.m.-10 p.m. Contact the park office at 660-665-6995.

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OBITUARIES

Charles Jerome 'Jerry' Morris

Sep 16, 1938 – Mar 30, 2023

Charles Jerome "Jerry" Morris, 84, of Kirksville passed away Thursday, March 30, 2023 at his home.

The son of Stanley and Dorothy (Roberts) Morris, he was born September 16, 1938 in Moberly, Missouri. On June 28, 1961 in Chicago, Illinois he was united in marriage to Linda L. Massey.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Linda; two children, Melinda Zambito of Streamwood, IL and Charles Ray Morris of Palatine, IL; three grandchildren, Anthony Michael (Addelina Sah) Zambito, Zachary Alan Zambito and Patrick Ryan (Adrian Pawlakowski) Zambito; three great grandchildren, Jude Zambito, Lunetta Zambito and Zenyth Zambito; and one sister, Judith Morgan of Warren, MI.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his step father, Garland Stewart and one sister, Marilyn Strzelecki.

Jerry was born in Missouri and moved to Chicago. He was raised by his aunts and uncles, where he lived in Milan, Missouri and Chicago, where he attended school. He served a short time in the United States Marine Corp. Jerry worked many jobs including working with his step father in his sewer business, delivering company mail at International Harvester, worked with his aunt at Paul's Umbrella Hot Dog Stand, played bass guitar and sang, drove a catering truck, built and owned a restaurant known as Weedees in Carol Stream, IL, and owned and raced professional race horses. He retired in 2004 and moved to Kirksville.

He enjoyed working with horses, fishing, gambling, traveling and was a good cook.

Visitation will be from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 7, 2023 with funeral service at 1:00 p.m. at Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home. Burial will be in Mt Olivet Cemetery in Green City, MO.

In Lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to the United Parent Support For Down Syndrome, 1070 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg, Il 60193, www.upsfordowns.org.

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



Larry Wayne Belcher

Feb 4, 1944 – Mar 31, 2023

Larry Wayne Belcher was born February 4, 1944 in Frederick, Oklahoma, to Clifford Henry Belcher and Juanita Ruth (Bowman) Belcher, and he went on to God's presence on March 31, 2023, at his home in Kirksville, Missouri.

He grew up in Oklahoma and Texas and landed in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he met and married Beth Ellen Morris, on February 17, 1967. Larry and Beth raised two daughters in Colorado and in Earlham, Iowa, and Larry worked as a field mechanic for Ziegler Caterpillar in Des Moines, Iowa until his retirement.

Larry moved to Northeast Missouri in 2000 after the death of his Bethie, where he built a cabin with his own hands and joined the Free Will Baptist Church, including many years of teaching Sunday School, quietly mentoring with his words and example, and enjoying many hours of fellowship. When not at church, Larry could usually be found in his garage, working on one of the old cars or trucks he was restoring or maintaining his daily drivers. Larry also greatly enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Larry is preceded in death by his parents, his wife Beth, his brother Clifford Belcher, his sister Linda Logan, and his son-in-law John Wildman. He is survived by his daughters Michelle Schwartz (Dugger Schwartz) and Lana Wildman, and by his sisters Betty Bagwell, Karen Dickens, and Donna Ortiz, and by many nieces and nephews (and greats).

Visitation and funeral services will be held at Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist Church, 13558 State Hwy B, Kirksville, Missouri, on Saturday, April 8, 2023, with Pastor Jon McVay officiating. Visitation will be at 11:00 am and the funeral will be at 12:00 noon. Larry will be buried next to Beth in Earlham, Iowa, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations to be made to the Missouri Department of Conservation and may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.



Franklin Donovan Wayman

Oct 3, 1931 – March 31, 2023

Franklin Donovan Wayman, age 91, peacefully passed away and returned to his heavenly home on March 31st, 2023. He had resided for the past several months in the La Plata Nursing home in La Plata, Missouri.

Frank was born October 3rd, 1931 in Greentop, Missouri, to Virgie Maurine (Mikel) and Donovan Eldon Wayman. He was a lifelong resident of Kirksville. He graduated in 1953 from Northeast Missouri State Teachers' College. Following graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served during the Korean War. He reached the rank of Corporal. Upon his return from military service, he joined his mother in the family realty business. He was married to Mary Ann Funk for 35 years. Frank eventually took over the Wayman Realty office on Green Street in Kirksville and spent the rest of his life building and selling homes in the area. The homes that Frank built were very consistent and recognizable as they were efficient to build and solid homes. Of the several real estate ventures he was involved in, the most notable was Kings Ridge which he developed with his partner Vernon Searcy.

Frank was very involved in the community and was always glad to help others. He was passionate about boating at Thousand Hills State Park where you could find him on his pontoon with friends and family. He was a staple at parades shooting the canon or firing the anvils to start a golf tournament. He was a very active Shriner in the Masonic Lodge and was responsible for several of the initiatives there including running the fireworks stand.

Frank is survived by his brother, Jerry Eugene Wayman. His loving family includes nephews, Mike (Cathie) Wayman and Joe (Margie) Wayman and nieces, Julie Riggs (Kenneth) and Janell Giesenhagen (Paul). Frank had 10 great-nieces and nephews as well as 18 great-great-nieces and nephews. The family is grateful for the many fond memories of Frank's fun personality and entertaining stories.

Visitation for family and friends will be at Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home on Wednesday, April 5th, at 10:00 a.m. followed by funeral service at 11:00. Burial will be in Park View Memorial Gardens.

In Lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to the Shriners Children's Hospital. Arrangements in the care of Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home; www.davisplaylehudsonrimer.com.



Barry V. Cundiff

Jun 18, 1961 – Apr 1, 2023

Barry V. Cundiff passed away April 1, 2023. He was born in Kirksville, Missouri on June 18, 1961, the son of William Vincil Cundiff and Doris Nola Gardner Cundiff, in Kirksville, Missouri.

Barry married his wife Audrey in Jefferson City in 1992. They have one son, Brody, who was born in 2008. Also surviving are brother, Kirby R. Cundiff and sister-in-law Katlin Cundiff, as well as niece Jasmine.

Barry was preceded in death by his parents.

He attended Truman State University graduating in 1983 with degrees in history and economics. He subsequently attended law school at the University of Missouri in Columbia graduating in 1986. He was engaged in the practice of law since his graduation and in Kirksville since 1993.

Barry was a member of Adair Lodge #366 AF&AM and served as Worshipful Master in 1998 and again in 2001. MWB Cundiff was a member of the Kirksville York Right bodies and has served as High Priest of Caldwell Chapter #53, Royal Arch Masons; Illustrious Master of Kirksville Council #42, Cryptic Masons; and Eminent Commander of Ely Commandery of Knights Templar #22. He was also a member of Heart of Missouri #188, York Rite Sovereign College; Tipperary Council #62, Knight Masons; Lafayette Council Allied Masonic Degrees; and St. Chrysostom Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. He was a 33 degree, KCCH, member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Valley of Columbia. MWB Cundiff served as the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri AF&AM 2020-2021.

MWB Cundiff's father William and paternal grandfather O. Vincil (Jack) were both Masters of Adair Lodge 366. His maternal grandfather Ray P. Gardner was also a member of the lodge.

Visitation will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 2023 family will greet friends at that time. Masonic service at 1:00 p.m. Saturday followed by a memorial service at the Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home. Burial will be in Maple Hills Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Humane Society or Kirksville Masonic Temple.

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



KIRKSVILLE POLICE BLOTTER: MARCH 28-29, 2023

INCIDENT REPORTS

March 28

12:06 a.m., Traffic Stop, 300 W. Washington Street, Jessica Bundridge, 22

1:24 a.m., Traffic Stop, Driving While Revoked/Suspended (F/D), 303 W. McPherson Street, Arrestee: Colton Hurley, 32

4:44 a.m., Traffic Stop, South Baltimore Street

9:05 a.m., Sex Offense, ICAC-Cybertip, 119 E. McPherson Street

9:39 a.m., MVA/Minor, Failed to Obey a Traffic Control Device, MVA Road Blocked, North Baltimore Street

10:05 a.m., Traffic Stop, West Patterson Street, Judith Albin, 80

10:30 a.m., Animal/Complaint, 1210 E. Washington Street

10:43 a.m., Assist Other Agency, 1300 S. Cottage Grove Avenue

12:37 p.m., Civivi Dispute, 515 N. Marion Street

2:07 p.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing Value Less Than \$150 and No Prior Stealing Offense (M), 512 E. McPherson Street

2:11 p.m., Traffic Stop, South Ann Street

3:23 p.m., Trespass, 500 N. Baltimore Street

3:34 p.m., Animal/Loose-Running at Large, 1502 S. Porter Street

3:49 p.m., Warrant Attempt, 43 Kellwood Drive

7:07 p.m., Field Contact, Interfering/Resisting With Arrest (F), Harrison Street Arrestee: Adrienne Farrar, 36

7:12 p.m., Traffic Stop, North Marion Street

7:34 p.m., Traffic Stop, West Shepherd Street

8:09 p.m., Traffic Stop, 119 E. McPherson Street, Khylisha Kwakye, 33

8:39 p.m., Property/Damage

Vandalism, Suspicious Activity, 1116 E. Jefferson Street

9:25 p.m., Traffic Stop, Crown Drive, Darryl Jeko, 30

9:28 p.m., Traffic Stop, North Marion Street, Jiayang Wang, 23

9:41 p.m., Traffic Stop, South Franklin Street, Lawrence Piton, 26

9:42 p.m., Traffic Stop, 900 Block of North Green Street, Dalice McDannald, 27

9:51 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1023 E. Jefferson Street

9:53 p.m., Suspicious/Activity, 1120 Edgar Street

10:29 p.m., Traffic Stop,



1614 N. Green Street, Aaron Baldwin

11:15 p.m., Traffic Stop, Potter Avenue

11:39 p.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing, 301 S. High Street

March 29

12:58 a.m., Suspicious/Activity, Suspicious-Person, Activity, Vehicle, 2405 E. Illinois Street

6:51 a.m., Animal/Deceased-Injured-Sick, 2700 E. Illinois Street

Rotary Club of Kirksville member achieves major donor status



By Rotary Club of Kirksville

At the March 29 meeting of the Rotary Club of Kirksville, Greg Gordon received major donor status, having donated \$10,000 to the

Rotary Foundation. Rotary uses the money to improve living conditions and health around the world and for various grants, exchanges and scholarships designed to promote peace and better world

understanding between cultures. Pictured from left are Club President Marie Murphree, Foundation Chair Jeff Romine and Greg Gordon. Gordon is retiring and moving out of the Kirksville area.

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Rotary Club of Kirksville welcomes new members

By Rotary Club of Kirksville

Two new members, pictured with their sponsors, were inducted by Club President Marie Murphree at the March 29 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting. Dr. Mason Garbs is an optometrist and Dr. O. Uyilawa, originally from Africa, is an orthopedic physician. Pictured from left are club President Marie Murphree, Dr. Mason Garbs, Kevin Butner, Dr. O. Uyilawa and Mark Czanderna.



KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

Planned roadwork for April 3-14

The following is a list of general highway maintenance and construction work the Missouri Department of Transportation has planned in the Northwest Missouri region for the week of April 3-9. All road closures and planned roadwork may be viewed on the Traveler Information Map at <http://traveler.modot.org/map/>. Inclement weather may cause schedule changes in some of the planned work. There also may be moving operations throughout the region, in addition to the work mentioned below. MoDOT asks drivers to work with us by buckling up, putting your phone down, slowing down and moving over in work zones.

Adair County

Missouri Route 6 – April 3-13, LANE RESTRICTION from one-half mile before and after the bridge over North Fork Salt River overflow, located near Brashear, for bridge maintenance between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. daily, Monday through Thursday with a 14-ft width restriction in place while work is being completed.

Macon County

U.S. Route 63 – April 4-7, LANE RESTRICTION for signing operations from Route J to Route M between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. daily Monday through Thursday.

Missouri Route 156 – April 10 & 11, CLOSED for culvert replacement operations from Southeast Outer Road to Leopard Avenue between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Missouri Route 156 – April 12-14, CLOSED for culvert replacement operations from Leopard Avenue to Mercury Avenue between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Putnam County

Route KK – Resurfacing project from Route K to Route EE (Sullivan County), April 3-10. The road will be narrowed to one lane with a 10-foot width restriction while the work zone is active. (Contractor: Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc.)

Sullivan County

Route E – CLOSED for a bridge replacement project at the West Locust Creek Bridge, 8 miles northwest of Milan, through May 2023. (Contractor: Lehman Construction and Wilson & Company)

Route KK – Resurfacing project from Route K (Putnam County) to Route EE, April 3-10. The road will be narrowed to one lane with a 10-foot width restriction while the work zone is active.

Kirksville High National Art Honors Society Exhibit Reception

Kirksville High National Art Honors Society Exhibit Reception will be held April 1-8 at Gallery 104, 104 Franklin Street.

Little Shop of Horrors at Truman State University

A deviously delicious Broadway and Hollywood sci-fi smash musical, “Little Shop of Horrors” has devoured the hearts of theatre goers for over 30 years. Howard Ashman and Alan Menken (Disney’s The Little Mermaid, Beauty And The Beast, and Aladdin) are the creative geniuses behind what has become one of the most popular shows in the world. Directed by Cat Gleason. Performance Dates: April 19-22 (Wednesday through Saturday) at 7:30 p.m. Performance Location: James G. Severns Theatre, OP Hall. Appropriate for ages: 13 and up

Adair County Route B to close for bridge replacement project

Weather permitting, Monday, April 10, Adair County Route B is scheduled to close as work begins on the bridge replacement project located over Hazel Creek, 3.8 miles south of Route K near Fegley. Completion of the new bridge is scheduled for late summer. Included in the contract are two additional bridge replacement projects scheduled to begin later this summer. Locations are as follows:

Scotland County Route H over North Fork Wyaconda River, 3.2 miles east of Missouri Route 15 near Brock.

Scotland County Route T over South Fork Middle Fabius, 4 miles east of Route A near Bible Grove.

Bleigh Construction Company was awarded the contract earlier this year in the amount of \$3,625,670. 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.

Spring brush pick-up scheduled for April 3-7

The city’s spring brush and limb pick-up is scheduled for April 3-7. City crews will begin picking up tree limbs and large brush on Monday, April 3. Although the work is expected to take the entire week, to guarantee pick-up, your brush must be placed curbside by 7 a.m., Monday, April 3. For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 660-627-1291.



Annual Easter Week Community Prayer Breakfast

The Annual Kirksville Easter Week Community Prayer Breakfast will be held Monday, April 3 through Friday, April 7 in the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall located at 100 North High Street, Kirksville. This year’s theme is “Learning to Trust”. Each morning you will have the opportunity to hear an inspirational talk from a layman’s point of view. Breakfast is served promptly at 7 a.m. each morning. There is no charge, but donations are accepted to cover food costs. Excess monies will be donated to the Food Pantry of Adair County. This event is sponsored by these Kirksville Service Organizations: Noon Rotary, Thousand Hills Rotary, Optimist Club, Lion’s Club, Quota of Kirksville, and Kiwanis Club. The public is highly encouraged to attend.

NEMO senior citizen nutrition site chronic disease self-management class series

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/ATSU-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.

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,

through 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>

Truman State University Art Gallery Exhibit

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Land Enveloped – Lindsey Dunnagan – in the Charlyn Gallery/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 Parrish Fine Arts Center, entrance on the west side of the building.

Food Bank Adopt a Buddy Pack program

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

Indoor walking activity for seniors at the Crossing Church

The RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Persons) 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. As of April 1, the Crossing will only be open on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week. It will be rain free, wind free, and cool on hot days. Citizens above 55 years of age.

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nate at sharefoodbringhope.org/give-help or in-person at Alliant Bank, 201 S. Baltimore Street in Kirksville. Check by Mail: Make payable to “The Food Bank” with “Adair County Buddy Pack” in the memo to: The Food Bank, 2101 Vandiver Drive, Columbia, Mo. 65202. All funds stay in the county. Participating schools include Kirksville Primary, Ray Miller, Brashear and Novinger. Sponsored by Alliant Bank and Kirksville Daily Express.

Join the Kirksville Young Professionals Committee

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

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.

Learn 2 Aim at Thousand Hills State Park

Saturday April 29 10 a.m.-Noon and 1-3 p.m. Registration opens March 17

Saturday Sept. 16, 10 a.m.-Noon and 1-3 p.m. Registration opens Aug. 4

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. Register at mostateparks.com/learn2

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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Rotary Club of Kirksville hears about upcoming Children's Literature Festival

By Rotary Club of Kirksville

The speaker at the March 29 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting was Jenne Harding, who spoke about Truman State University's Children's Literature Festival to be held on April 21. This event,

for children in grades 4-6, will include 11 children's book authors. Attendance by over 1,400 children is anticipated. Pictured from left are Past Club President Amanda Langendoerfer (who introduced the speaker), Jenne Harding and Club President Marie Murphree.



PSC sets intervention deadline in Ameren cases

By Missouri Public Service Commission

JEFFERSON CITY — Ameren Missouri has filed a request with the Missouri Public Service Commission to adjust the fuel adjustment clause (FAC) charge on the bills of its electric customers.

Ameren Missouri made two filings. In its first filing (Case No. ER-2023-0338), Ameren Missouri proposes to adjust the FAC to reflect changes in its fuel and purchased power costs, net off system sales revenues and associated transportation experienced during the four month period of October 2022 through January 2023. The second case is Ameren Missouri's true-up filing (Case No. EO-2023-0340).

According to the Ameren Missouri filings, the FAC for a residential customer using 1,017 kWh (kilowatt-hours) of electricity a month will drop from approximately \$6.37 a month to approximately \$5.35 a month. The proposed change would take effect on June 1, 2023.

Applications to intervene and participate in these cases must be filed no later than April 21, 2023, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, or by using the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS) at www.psc.mo.gov.

Individual citizens wishing to comment should contact either the Office of the Public Counsel (Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Suite 650, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-2230, telephone 1-866-922-2959, e-mail opcservice@opc.mo.gov) or the Public Service Commission Staff (P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone 1-800-392-4211, e-mail pscinfo@psc.mo.gov). The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency that represents the general public in matters before the Commission.

Ameren Missouri serves approximately 1.29 million electric customers in

Missouri Senate passes 'Siddens Benning Hands Free Law' to improve roadway safety

AAA Missouri calls on Missouri House leadership to advance bill to save lives

By AAA Missouri

Missouri Senators have passed Senate Bill 56/61, the "Siddens Benning Hands Free Law," which would require all Missouri drivers, regardless of age, to utilize hands-free cell phone features while behind the wheel. The 22-11 vote on Thursday now sends the bill to the Missouri House of Representatives. It will now await action by House Speaker Dean Plocher.

AAA Missouri endorses Senate Bill 56/61 "Siddens Benning Hands Free Law" as a long-overdue improvement to Missouri roadway safety that will undoubtedly save countless lives. In Missouri, between 2012 and 2021, there have been 197,564 distracted driving-related crashes that killed 801 people, according to Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety data.

We are calling on Speaker Plocher to act swiftly to refer Senate Bill 56/61 to committee and ensure that it is voted on by the full House this session," said Angela Nelson, AAA Missouri Vice President of Public Affairs and Government Relations. "The sense of urgency cannot be overstated as preventable traffic fatalities continue to climb across our state. The Missouri Senate has finally taken the first step to save lives, but inaction by House leadership will result in more Missourians senselessly killed on our roadways."

Senate Bill 56/61, named the "Siddens

Benning Hands Free Law," is in memory of two Missourians who lost their lives in traffic crashes. Michael Benning, 46 of Raymore, Mo., was struck and killed by a suspected distracted driver on I-49 in Cass County in May 2021 while attempting to retrieve debris in the roadway. Michael was husband to Stephany Benning and father of two.

Randall Siddens, 34, of Columbia, Mo., died after he was struck by a driver who was video chatting on a cell phone and speeding. Randall, a husband to Adrienne Siddens and father of three, was hit while he was collecting traffic cones after a triathlon race in Columbia in May 2019. Both Adrienne and Stephany now courageously share their stories to prevent more tragic crashes and advocate for stricter distracted driving laws.

"If Randall's life and story can help impact others, I think that's what he would have wanted," said Adrienne Siddens. "Drivers need to realize when they choose to drive distracted, they needlessly risk their lives and the lives of others. I don't want any other families to go through what mine has gone through."

Senate Bill 56/61 "Siddens Benning Hands Free Law" Summary

The combined bill, introduced by Sen. Jason Bean and Sen. Greg Razer, would strengthen the state's existing texting and driving law, one of the weakest in the country.

"Senate Bill 56/61's intent is simple, save lives on our Missouri roadways," said Sen. Jason Bean. "Crashes caused by a driver choosing to focus on their phone instead of the road are completely preventable. This bill sends the right message to drivers that it's never safe to be distracted by your phone when behind the wheel."

"Regardless of age, we are probably all guilty of looking down at our phones while driving and taking our eyes off the road for a few seconds," Sen. Razer said. "We know it is a dangerous practice. We have got to unlearn this bad habit, put down our phones and stay focused and safe while driving."

Under the bill, drivers are prohibited from:

- Physically holding or supporting, with any part of the body, an electronic communication device, like a cell phone
- Manually typing, writing, sending, or reading text-based communications

- Recording, posting, sending or broadcasting video, including video calls and social media posts
- Watching a video or movie

The bill does allow drivers to:

- Place or receive calls utilizing voice-operated or hands-free functions that can be engaged/disengaged with a single touch or swipe
- Send or receive text-based communication through voice-to-text features

- Utilize GPS navigation, and audio broadcast or digital audio recording functions on an electronic communication device

The bill contains specific exemptions for drivers communicating in emergency situations, emergency first responders and other emergency roadside workers, and for-hire drivers. The "Siddens Benning Hands Free Law" would also make it illegal for school bus drivers to use an electronic communication device while the school is in motion or while loading or unloading passengers.

Under the penalty provisions, a first-time violation would result in a fine up to \$100. Fine amounts increase, up to \$500, for repeat convictions within a two-year period. Additional penalties can occur, misdemeanor or felony charges, if the distracted driver causes a crash that results in significant property damage, serious injury or death.

If passed, the bill would not take effect until Jan. 1, 2025 to allow adequate time for public education.

Support for Senate Bill 56/61 "Siddens Benning Hands Free Law"

On Feb. 8, SB56/61 received a hearing in the Senate Transportation Committee. In total, 24 organizations, businesses, and individuals testified in support of the bill. There was no witness testimony against.

List of witnesses for SB56/61:

AAA Missouri, Mis-




souri Department of Transportation, Missouri Insurance Coalition, Missouri Police Chiefs Association, Missouri Fraternal Order of Police, Missouri Chamber of Commerce, Missouri State Medical Association, Stephany Benning, victim advocate, Adrienne Siddens, victim advocate, Enterprise Leasing of St. Louis, LLC, State Farm Insurance Companies, Associated General Contractors of Missouri, Missouri Trucking Association, Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys, Missouri Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons, Missouri Nurses Association, ABATE for Missouri, St. Louis Police Officers Association, Kansas City Fraternal Order of Police, City of Jefferson, Mo., Missourians for Responsible Transportation, Missouri Hands-Free Coalition

Missouri is just one of two states that does not prohibit texting for drivers of all ages. As of 2013, Missouri Stat-

ute 340.820 bans sending, reading, or writing a text message or electronic message on hand-held mobile devices while operating a motor vehicle for drivers 21 and younger. However, data shows distracted driving isn't just a young driver problem. Approximately 74 percent of drivers using cell phones in Missouri traffic crashes are older than 21 years of age. Of those people killed in distracted driving related crashes in 2021, 52 percent were someone other than the distracted driver — innocent passengers, other drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists.

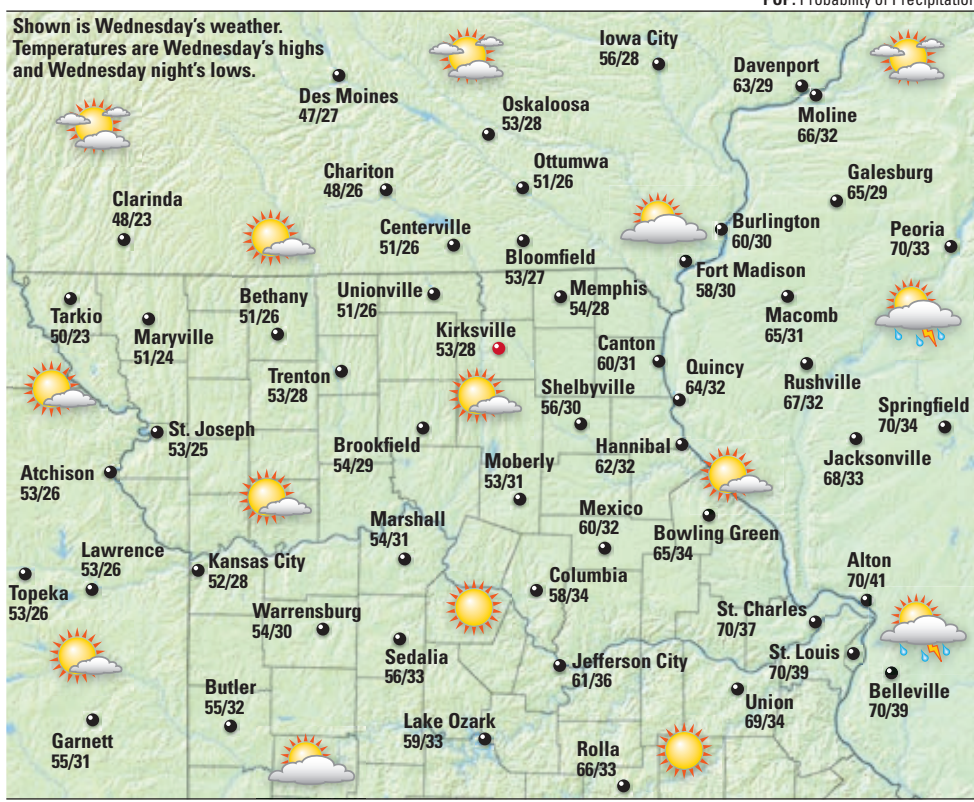
The current statute does prohibit commercial drivers of large vehicles, like semi-truck drivers, from using a hand-held communication device, including to send, read, or write a text message or electronic message. The consequences of violating the texting and driving law is a fine of \$200 and two points against the young driver's license.



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7-DAY FORECAST FOR KIRKSVILLE

WEDNESDAY	WED. NIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Sunny much of the time, breezy and cooler	Clear and colder	Plenty of sun	Nice with plenty of sunshine	Pleasant with plenty of sunshine	Clouds and sun, warm; a p.m. t-shower	Sun through high clouds	Partly sunny and warmer
HIGH: 53	LOW: 28	56 34	66 38	70 47	73 49	69 49	77 57
POP: 15%	POP: 10%	POP: 5%	POP: 5%	POP: 0%	POP: 55%	POP: 20%	POP: 0%



Conditions Wednesday

UV Index & RealFeel Temperature

Time	UV Index	RealFeel Temp
8 a.m.	1	42
10 a.m.	3	38
Noon	6	44
2 p.m.	6	47
4 p.m.	3	49
6 p.m.	1	44

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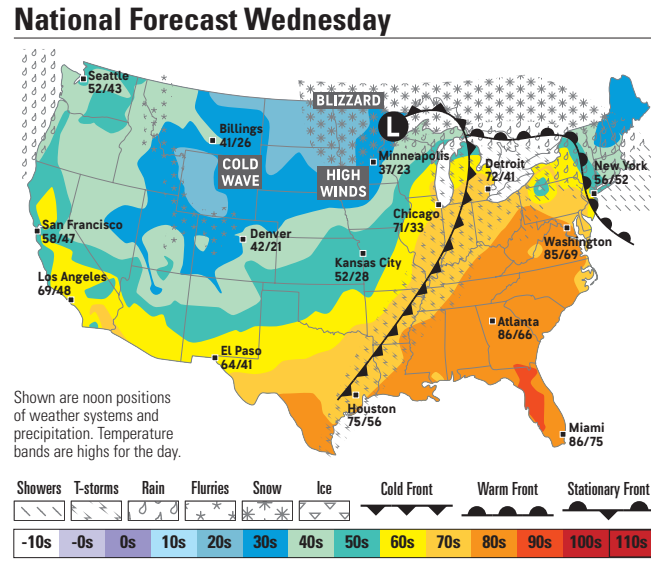
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Boating Index

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Almanac

Kirksville through Monday

Temperature

High/low 71/47
 Normal high/low 58/35
 Record high 85 in 2012
 Record low 8 in 2018

Precipitation

Monday 0.00"
 Past week's total 0.53"
 Month to date 0.00"
 Normal month to date 0.31"
 Year to date 9.15"
 Normal year to date 6.38"

Winds

Average direction ENE
 Average speed 12.3 mph
 Highest speed 17 mph

Monday's Temperatures

Midnight - Midnight

Last Week's Temperatures

Actual and normal highs/lows

The Region

City	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Branson	65/38/s	63/37/s
Burlington, IA	60/30/pc	57/34/s
Cape Girardeau	72/44/t	59/38/pc
Carbondale	71/40/t	59/36/pc
Cedar Rapids	52/24/pc	56/30/s
Champaign	70/34/t	55/30/s
Chicago	71/33/t	52/34/s
Columbia	58/34/s	59/37/s
Danville	70/36/t	55/34/s
Davenport	63/29/pc	56/31/pc
Decatur	70/35/t	56/35/s
Des Moines	47/27/pc	55/33/s
Evansville	73/45/t	58/38/pc
Galesburg	65/29/t	55/31/s
Green Bay	64/27/r	44/26/c
Indianapolis	72/41/t	55/37/pc
Iowa City	56/28/pc	57/31/s
Jefferson City	61/36/s	61/35/s
Joliet	72/33/t	54/34/s
Kansas City	52/28/s	58/37/s
Lafayette, IN	73/37/t	56/34/s
Lincoln	71/34/t	56/32/s
Madison	53/31/s	59/34/s
Milwaukee	71/33/t	51/33/s
Omaha	46/26/pc	61/36/s
Ottumwa	51/26/pc	55/32/s
Peoria	70/33/t	56/34/s
Rockford	69/30/t	52/31/s
St. Louis	70/39/t	59/41/s
Springfield, IL	70/34/t	57/34/s
Springfield, MO	60/33/s	60/37/s
Topeka	53/26/s	60/37/s
Wichita	55/31/s	64/38/s

The Nation

City	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Albany, NY	50/46/r	64/40/sh
Albuquerque	51/30/s	63/40/pc
Anchorage	40/23/c	34/10/pc
Atlanta	86/66/pc	81/57/t
Baltimore	79/65/pc	82/50/t
Billings	41/26/pc	51/33/pc
Birmingham	86/66/c	74/56/t
Boise	48/33/pc	55/38/pc
Boston	43/39/r	68/48/sh
Buffalo	73/49/t	51/36/pc
Charleston, SC	85/66/pc	84/65/t
Charleston, WV	87/61/pc	63/40/sh
Charlotte	85/67/pc	83/56/t
Cleveland	77/46/t	55/37/pc
Columbia	88/67/pc	85/65/t
Columbus	78/47/t	56/37/pc
Dallas	71/48/pc	67/48/pc
Denver	42/21/sn	55/29/pc
Detroit	72/41/t	54/34/pc
Fargo	24/17/sn	30/8/pc
Grand Rapids	74/35/t	46/30/pc
Hartford	48/41/r	72/45/sh
Honolulu	83/73/sh	83/74/pc
Houston	75/56/t	87/65/t
Jackson, MS	87/60/t	64/53/t
Jacksonville	89/66/pc	88/65/pc
Las Vegas	58/44/s	67/51/s
Little Rock	74/51/t	61/47/pc
Los Angeles	69/48/s	74/51/s
Louisville	77/50/t	61/42/pc
Memphis	75/52/t	59/50/pc
Miami	86/75/s	86/74/pc
Minneapolis	37/23/c	37/23/c
Nashville	82/52/t	58/47/pc
New Orleans	87/73/t	81/67/t
New York City	53/49/r	71/49/t
Norfolk	82/69/pc	85/54/t
Oklahoma City	58/38/s	65/40/pc
Orlando	90/68/s	89/65/pc
Philadelphia	74/63/c	80/52/t
Phoenix	69/49/s	79/54/s
Pittsburgh	80/53/pc	58/37/sh
Portland, ME	37/33/r	56/43/sh
Portland, OR	51/44/r	52/45/r
Rapid City	29/9/c	37/10/s
Sacramento	62/42/s	65/49/pc
Salt Lake City	39/23/sn	43/27/s
San Diego	65/47/s	69/53/s
San Francisco	58/47/s	60/51/pc
Seattle	52/43/r	53/43/r
Shreveport	78/53/t	59/49/t
Tampa	92/72/s	90/70/pc
Tucson	68/43/s	80/51/s
Tulsa	61/39/s	67/40/s
Washington, DC	85/69/pc	83/51/t

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

River Stages

(in feet)	Flood Stage	Mon. 7 a.m.	24-hr +/-
Chariton River			
Chariton	19.5	4.70	-0.10
Rathbun Tail	--	3.70	none
Moulton	36	19.60	-2.60
Novinger	20	3.14	+0.77
Prairie Hill	15	3.26	-0.03
South Fork Chariton River			
Promise City	25	3.00	none
Mississippi River			
Keokuk	16	7.48	+0.07
Quincy	19	12.30	+0.34
Quincy Lock & Dam	18	9.70	+0.19

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Firefighter's wife alarmed by man's behavior at party

DEAR ABBY: Last night I went to a party where my husband introduced me to all of his co-workers except for one young female who kept hanging out beside him. She's about 25 years younger than he is, and he's her boss. I thought it was odd that he didn't introduce me. I finally introduced myself because it felt so awkward. He often talks about her (affectionately, in my opinion) and what a hard worker she is, plus that her mother is going through cancer treatment so he feels bad for her. Abby, my husband has worked with this young woman's father for more than 25 years and has always talked about how much he dislikes him. He says she's the "polar opposite" of her dad. These people are firefighters,



JEANNE PHILLIPS
DEAR ABBY

and my husband is their battalion chief. Our marriage has suffered because of his 25 years of alcoholism, and although he's no longer drinking, the effect on me continues. I have learned to pick my battles because he will deny anything that I ask or change a story so I seem "crazy." My question is, should I ask my husband why he didn't introduce me? The whole situation didn't feel right. -- **UNCOMFORTABLE IN THE WEST**

DEAR UNCOMFORTABLE: Sure. You have the right to ask your husband anything you wish. Whether you can get an honest answer from someone who regularly gaslights you is another question entirely. After he denies it, tell your husband how glad you are to know that nothing is going on because, unlike years ago, sexual impropriety between a boss and a subordinate could cost both parties their careers. Then, to ensure that you haven't been exposed to an STD, make an appointment with your doctor to be tested. *Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.*

NEWS OF THE WEIRD...


Oh, Canada
Fans of our favorite rude gesture, rejoice! Flipping the bird is a protected, "God-given" right in Canada, NPR reported, after Judge Dennis Galiatsatos ruled on Feb. 24 that "offending someone is not a crime." The decision stemmed from a court case between two un-neighboring neighbors in a Montreal suburb. "The complainants are free to clutch their pearls in the face of such an insult," Galiatsatos said. "However, the police department and the 911 dispatching service have more important priorities to address."

Suspicious Confirmed
On March 20, police officers were called to a home in Mill Creek, Washington, on a report of items stolen from the house, Fox13-TV reported. As they investigated, they discovered someone was living in the home's upstairs loft -- with a bed, drug paraphernalia and half-eaten food. The oblivious homeowners did say they had noticed the smell of cigarette smoke.

Police suggested the homeowners wait until the person returned, and it didn't take long: On March 21, they arrested Daniel Tomoiaga, 24. In his possession, they found the stolen items, along with meth and fentanyl. No word on how long he'd been staying at the home.

The Tech Revolution
Artificial intelligence has infiltrated television news in China, Oddity Central reported. Ren Xiaorong, a virtual news anchor, was introduced on March 12 to viewers of People's Daily. "For 365 days, 24 hours, I will be reporting the news for the whole year, round the clock, without rest," (Redundant) Ren told viewers. "Whether at news sites or back in the studio, you will always see me." She has absorbed the talents of "thousands of news anchors" and will continue to evolve based on feedback. Ren can answer many questions, but her answers are all within the parameters of the Chinese Communist Party's rhetoric.

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Truman baseball drops road series to Missouri S&T

By Adam Tumino
Daily Express

The Truman State baseball team was able to snap a losing streak over the weekend in their conference series against Missouri S&T, taking the series opener Friday by a score of 9-5. But the Bulldogs then had another losing streak begin, dropping the final three games of the series to drop to 12-17 overall and 2-10 in conference play this season.

The nine runs put up by the Bulldogs in the opener set a new high in runs in a conference game this season and the most they scored since a March 12 game against Parkside. The game did not start on a good note, as Truman starter Zachry Schneider surrendered three runs on two hits in the bottom of the first while also walking a batter and hitting another. He then settled in, and the offense began to go to work.

The Bulldogs put together a two-out rally in the top of the second, plating two runs. The first came on a single from Will Fromm that drove in Dylan Thompson from second. Fromm then advanced to second on a passed ball, putting him into position to score on a single from Grant Beck.

Truman did not wait until there were two outs to rally in the third. Simon Murray led off the inning with a single, then advanced to third on a single from Tal Dean. Luke Turner reached on catcher's interference, loading the bases for Holden Missey.

Missey doubled to drive in two runs, giving Truman a 4-3 lead and putting two more run-



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ners in scoring position. Turner then scored on a Thompson groundout before a fielder's choice and strikeout ended the inning with no more damage done.

The Bulldogs did not score in the middle innings, getting just two baserunners via a walk in the fourth and an error in the sixth before once again putting three runs on the board in the seventh inning.

They were quickly put in a strong position to score after a leadoff double from Murray and a walk from Dean put two runners on with no outs. The pair then executed a double steal and Turner walked to load the bases. A wild pitch then scored Murray and a single from Missey drove in Dean and Turner. A strikeout, groundout and flyout then

ended the inning. Truman added an insurance run in the eighth when Kevin Donohue tripled and then scored on a double from Beck.

Schneider cruised after the rocky first inning, allowing just two more hits in his outing. He pitched six innings, allowing just the three runs on four hits and improving to 3-3 on the season. Alex Leary pitched a scoreless seventh and Brian Bruxvoort did the same in the eighth. Michael Daggett allowed two runs on three hits in the ninth, but still was able to close out the win.

A Saturday doubleheader was swept by Missouri S&T, with one game being close and another being not so close.

The opener was won by the Miners 18-5, with a bulk of their scoring

coming in the sixth inning. Truman was able to jump out to a 3-0 lead in the top of the first. Thompson drove in Turner on a single, Tyler Tieman drove in Missey and Dakota Spicer drove in Thompson, all on singles.

The lead proved to be short-lived, as the Miners responded with three runs of their own in the bottom of the frame. They added two more runs in the second, two in the third and three in the fourth. Truman scored single runs in the fourth and fifth innings, coming on RBI hits from Turner and Beck respectively.

Missouri S&T exploded for eight more runs in the bottom of the sixth, all but crushing any comeback hopes for Truman. The Miners

had just two hits in the inning, taking advantage of three walks, three hit batters and two errors in the inning. Truman pitching issued six walks and hit seven batters in the game, while four errors led to five of the Miners' runs being unearned.

The second game on Saturday was not nearly as high scoring, with Missouri S&T winning 4-2. All of the scoring was done in the third inning. Dean scored on a fielder's choice to open the scoring before Turner, who reached on the fielder's choice, scored on a double from Missey. Missouri S&T tallied their third-inning runs on a pair of singles and a sacrifice fly.

Both teams had six hits in the game while the Bulldogs were led by

Thompson with two. He also walked in the game. Truman pitcher Isaac Epp went 4.2 innings and allowed six hits and all four runs. Leary did not allow a baserunner in 1.1 innings of relief.

The series finale on Sunday was a back-and-forth affair, with Truman eventually losing in heartbreaking fashion. The Bulldogs fell behind 1-0 in the first before jumping ahead with a six-run third inning. They tied the game with a double from Dean before a single from Missey drove in two more and gave Truman the lead. They got another run on a double steal that saw Missey take second and Turner steal home. Truman scored two more runs on singles from Thompson and Beck.

But Missouri S&T tied the score with five runs in the bottom of the fourth and then took an 8-6 lead with a pair of runs in the fifth. Truman got closer with an RBI single from Turner in the top of the sixth, but the Miners responded with another run in the bottom of the inning.

Beck singled to bring the Bulldogs within a run once again in the seventh, and then a bases-loaded walk issued to Dean tied the score 9-9, where it remained until the bottom of the ninth. A walkoff home run from Doug Wood ended the game 10-9 and gave the Miners the series win.

Truman will return home for a conference series against Missouri-St. Louis starting on Thursday. The Tritons are 7-5 in conference play so far and are coming off a series split with Indianapolis.

Truman softball sees conference losing streak grow to 8 games

By Adam Tumino
Daily Express

The Truman State softball team had a pair of road doubleheaders over the weekend against two of the conference's top teams, and the Bulldogs were swept in both. They first lost a pair to first-place Indianapolis on Saturday and then were defeated twice more by fourth-place McKendree on Sunday. Truman is now 1-9 in conference play and 11-25 overall.

Indianapolis is the No. 6 team in the nation, and showed why on Saturday. The Greyhounds outscored Truman 30-7 in the games, winning the opener 18-3 and the finale 12-4. The wins were the 14th and 15th consecutive wins for Indianapolis and saw the Greyhounds move to 10-0 in conference play and 31-3 overall.

The first game saw Truman score its three runs on four hits, two of which belonged to McKenzie West. She was 2-for-2 from the plate and also score two of the Bulldogs' runs. The other hits belonged to Callie Unrein and Macy Taylor. The third Truman run was scored by Taylor, who also walked in the game.

Truman's bats were a bit more lively in the second game, in which they had eight hits. They were also the game for much longer, not falling far behind until Indianapolis put together a seven-run fourth inning before walking off on a sixth inning single to give the Greyhounds a win via the run rule.

Truman fell behind 1-0 in the first but then responded



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with a run in the top of the second with an RBI groundout from Maria McGonegle. Indianapolis scored twice in the bottom of the inning, but the Bulldogs did briefly hold a lead after scoring three runs in the top of the third to go up 4-3.

An Alex Beard double drove in Emily Eberwine, a Breianna Klein single drove in Cameryn Patterson and a Lauren Stade single drove in Beard.

But Indianapolis scored the final nine runs of the game, tying the score with a run in the bottom of the third before piling on with their seven-run fourth inning.

Klein and Stade tied for the team lead with two hits and

an RBI each while Patterson had a hit, two walks and a run scored.

The Bulldogs' bats were quieted on Sunday against McKendree, a team which has allowed the second-fewest runs in the conference this season. The Bearcats took the first game 7-2 and then ran away with the finale by a score of 13-1.

In the opener, the Bulldogs had just three hits but got a big swing of the bat from Patterson. She belted her first home run of the season in the sixth inning, a two-run shot that also scored Eberwine and came when the Bulldogs were trailing 6-0. McKendree had

scored four runs in the third inning and one each in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings.

McKendree jumped ahead by a wide margin early on in the finale, scoring four runs in the second inning and seven in the third. They added one run in the fourth and another in the fifth, giving Truman just one inning to try and avoid a loss by the run rule.

The Bulldogs had just one hit in the first four innings, but did show a little more spark in the fifth. Beard lined out to open the inning, which was followed by a single from Klein. A Madi McCarty strikeout put the Bulldogs one out away from a shutout loss, but

West then singled to advance Klein to third. Brooke Nutter then drove in Klein with a single, but the Bulldogs were not able to score any more runs to stay alive in the game.

The Bulldogs will return home for two more doubleheaders this weekend, starting with a tough test on Friday against Maryville. The Saints are 9-1 to start conference play, putting them in third place. They have won seven games in a row. Saturday's doubleheader will be against Southwest Baptist. The Bearcats are currently 2-8 in conference play and are in 11th place, one spot ahead of Truman.

Sunday's NCAA women's title game draws record TV audience

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRISTOL, Conn. — LSU's 102-85 victory over Iowa in Sunday's national championship game was the most-viewed NCAA women's basketball game on record, with 9.9 million viewers on ABC and ESPN2 according to fast national numbers by Nielsen.

The total audience is a 103% jump over last year, when South Carolina defeated UCo-

nn and averaged 4.85 million on ESPN and ESPN2. The audience on Sunday at one point peaked at 12.6 million.

LSU's first national title in women's basketball was the first on network television since UConn's win over Tennessee in 1995. That game averaged 7.4 million on CBS.

ESPN took over the rights to the entire tournament the following year. The previous network high for a women's

national championship game was in 2002, when UConn beat Oklahoma.

The record ratings come as the NCAA is deciding whether to separate the women's tournament or keep it as part of the championships TV package that includes at least 24 sports. That contract expires next year, with the NCAA expected to decide the next steps in negotiations by the fall.



LSU head coach Kim Mulkey holds the winning trophy after the NCAA Women's Final Four championship basketball game against Iowa Sunday, April 2, 2023, in Dallas. LSU won 102-85 to win the championship. AP PHOTO/TONY GUTIERREZ

UConn March Madness steamroller could be start of a new era

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — There was a short list of believers in the potential of a rebuilt UConn roster before the season started.

It was made up mostly of the UConn players and coaches themselves.

The team that was among "others receiving votes" in the first AP poll of the season ended up cutting down nets after the last game — as sure a sign as any that in the new college landscape reconstituted by the transfer portal and name, image and likeness deals, anything is possible.

For anyone.

The Huskies not only won the title but won it in one of history's most dominating runs through the NCAA Tournament. They won their six games by an average of 20 points, closing it out Monday night with a 76-59 pasting of San Diego State.

"We came into the season unranked," coach Dan Hurley said. "So we had an edge to us to start the year to prove people wrong."

Nobody could really blame fans and pundits for overlooking UConn, just as it might have been hard to blame them for pumping up North Carolina, a national runner-up the year before that was bringing back the core of its roster.

UConn won the title. UNC didn't even make the tournament.

It's a testament to how quickly things can change in an era that looks more like NFL free agency than anything college sports has ever seen.

Hurley said he went back to work the day after the Huskies lost to New Mexico State in the first round last season and started looking at retooling his roster. The goal was to add more options from the perimeter. So, he got four new players, including Joey Calcatera (two 3s for 6 points in the final), who had spent four years at University of San Diego, and Tristen Newton (19 points, 10 rebounds), who had spent three years at East Carolina.

Big East coaches still picked UConn to finish fourth in the conference. Even if the talent is there, it's hard to gauge how it might all come together.

The UConn story played out in different ways at different places all across the sport this season, and had a lot to do with a Final Four that included three underdog programs, seeded fifth (SDSU), fifth (Miami) and ninth (Florida Atlantic), that had never made it to the final weekend.

The Aztecs had two new players this year joining two others who came to San Diego State the year before.

Elsewhere, Kansas State was picked last in the Big 12 and ended



Connecticut players celebrate after the men's national championship college basketball game against San Diego State in the NCAA Tournament on Monday, April 3, 2023, in Houston. AP PHOTO/BRYNN ANDERSON

up three points shy of making the Final Four, with the help of Keyontae Johnson, a transfer from Florida who was named a third-team AP All-American.

Creighton made its own run to the Elite Eight with big help from a transfer from South Dakota State, Baylor Scheierman, who was also getting looks from Duke and other bluebloods.

Texas withstood the midseason firing of its coach and made the Elite Eight with two transfer-portal players: Tyrese Hunter from Iowa State and Sir Jabari Rice from New Mexico State.

Arkansas made its third straight Sweet 16 with a semi-rebuilt roster.

"I promise I wouldn't be sitting here if it wasn't for the transfer portal," Razorbacks coach Eric Musselman said earlier in the tournament. "Really interesting, because eight years ago, when somebody was transferring, the process was a lot different."

Instead of having to sit out a year, players can now go freely from one school to another. Some coaches find it too destabilizing, too transactional. No longer, however,

is it a matter of faith that veteran teams that stick together — say, as recently as Villanova's 2018 team that crushed everyone on the way to the title — have a better chance of winning.

And even though FanDuel Sportsbook is listing UConn (11-1) and Duke (13-1) as the early favorites to win it all next season, there's little reason to put much stock in any "way too early" looks at next year's top teams.

"We don't really know rosters, or how different players are going to fit in," said ESPN analyst Jay Bilas. "Will they blossom, will they not? And preseason polls are done for fan interest and nothing else. You can't really predict anything based on those."

Certainly, nobody was picking Florida Atlantic, Miami or San Diego State to make the Final Four back in October.

And UConn with all those new players to win it all? Nobody saw that coming either.

Well, almost nobody.

"We knew we were the best team in the tournament going in," Hurley said. "We just had to play to our level."

Women's NCAA Tournament features plethora of March Madness

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HISTORY DENIED

DALLAS — This year's record-breaking women's NCAA Tournament featured breakout stars, upsets and capped off with the flamboyant Kim Mulkey leading LSU to its first basketball championship.

Mulkey's unforgettable outfits were just one of several memorable moments. There was Caitlin Clark's 40-point triple-double in the Elite Eight game, the drama of South Carolina's quest to complete the latest undefeated season and two No. 1 seeds being knocked off before the Sweet 16.

It led to the highest attendance ever in the tournament's history to go along with stellar TV ratings in every round. The timing couldn't be better for the sport. It all could lead to women's basketball getting a separate TV deal when the contract expires next summer.

Here's a look at some of the top moments from the tournament:

FIERY FASHIONISTA

Mulkey is never hard to miss on the sideline with her feisty approach and reactions to referees and her players. The coach's flamboyant attire takes her presence to a different level, and her Final Four outfits certainly stood out.

For the national semifinal game, Mulkey arrived in a carnation pink top with a flower-like puffs along the entire sleeves, a designer-made top similar to what her 2-year-old granddaughter wore. Even the LSU mascot was spotted in pink attire.

The coach wore a sparkly, golden, tiger-striped outfit during the championship game. Her team were the golden girls, winning the first basketball championship in school history.

DAZZLING CLARK

Clark set an NCAA Tournament record by scoring 191 points over Iowa's six games, surpassing Sheryl Swoopes' 177 points for Texas Tech in 1993 — and Glen Rice's 184 for Michigan in the 1989 men's tournament.

Before 30 points in the championship game, the 6-foot Iowa-born Clark was the first player in the women's tournament with back-to-back 40-point games. That included her 11th career triple-double in the regional final against Louisville, before another 41 points against previously undefeated South Carolina in the national semifinal game.

South Carolina was trying to become the 10th women's team to run through a season undefeated and the first school to win consecutive titles since UConn won four straight from 2013-16. The Gamecocks were denied that chance, losing to Iowa in the Final Four behind a stellar effort from Clark.

END OF AN ERA

UConn's run of 14 consecutive Final Four appearances came to an end in the Elite Eight when Ohio State forced the Huskies into 18 first-half turnovers with full-court pressure defense. The Huskies hadn't missed playing in the national semifinals since 2007.

NEW FORMAT

The NCAA changed its regional format this year going to two sites instead of the traditional four. It got strong reviews from players and coaches and fans alike. There ended up being a record attendance for that round with more fans showing up in Seattle — which had no team within 1,300 miles of the venue — than Greenville, South Carolina.

'CANES WERE COOKING

Miami did more than just be part of history by knocking out No. 1 seed Indiana before the Sweet 16. The Hurricanes under coach Katie Meier ousted Villanova and ended national scoring leader Maddy Siegrist's career to reach the Elite Eight for the first time. The champs from LSU ended Miami's run with a 54-42 win in the regional finals.

THIRST FOR FIRSTS

Virginia Tech was a first-time participant in the Final Four, which had a pair of first-time finalists after LSU beat the top-seeded Hokies and Clark's Hawkeyes ousted undefeated defending national champion South Carolina. It was already guaranteed before the final that the champion would be something other than a No. 1 seed for the first time since 2011.

UPSETTING PERFORMANCES

Stanford and Indiana both fell in the second round, becoming the second pair of No. 1 seeds to not make the Sweet 16 since the tournament expanded to 64 teams in 1994. It also happened in 1998. The Cardinal were stymied on their home court by Mississippi's defense. They never led the second-round game and had their streak of 14 consecutive Sweet 16 appearances ended. The Hoosiers lost at Assembly Hall the next night, when Miami's Destiny Harden made the game-winning shot with 3.5 seconds left.

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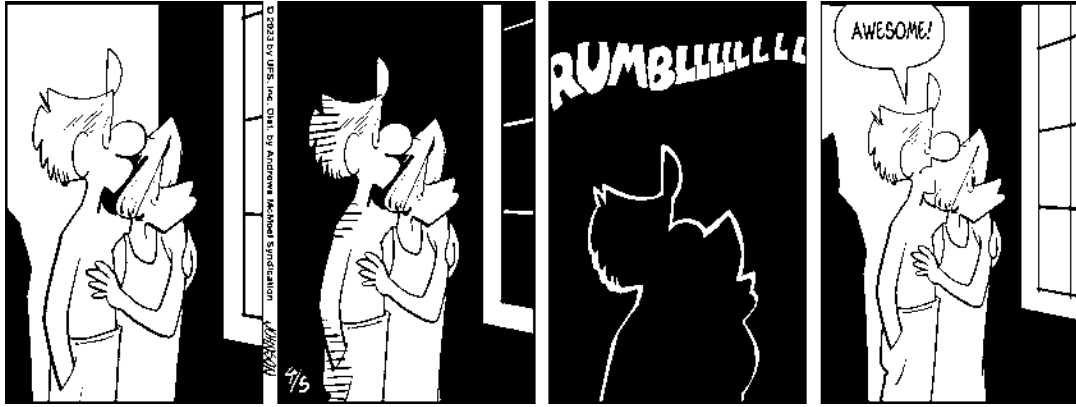
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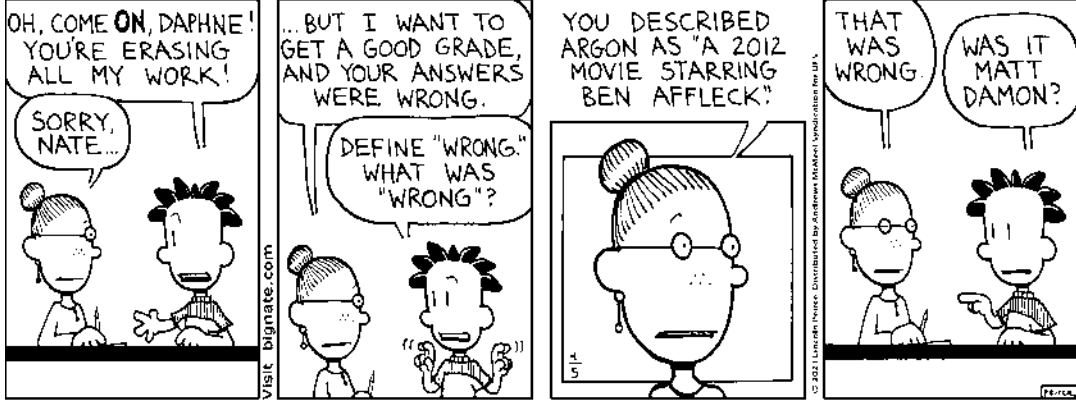
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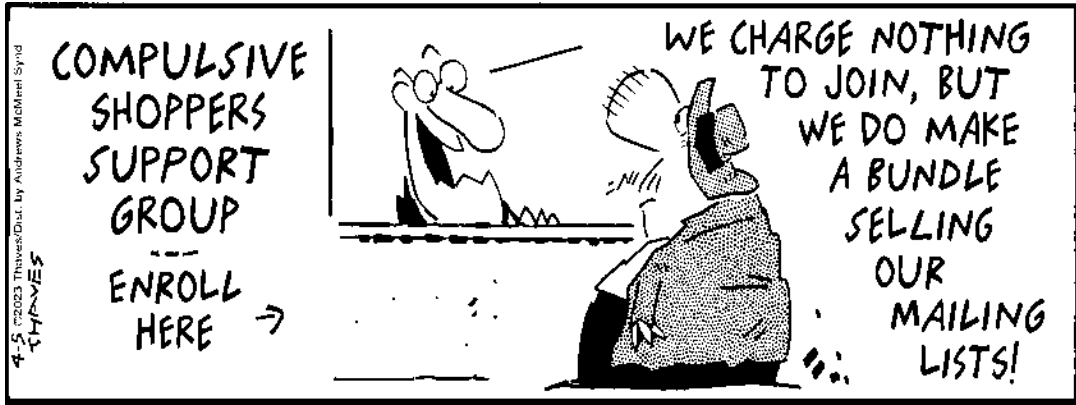
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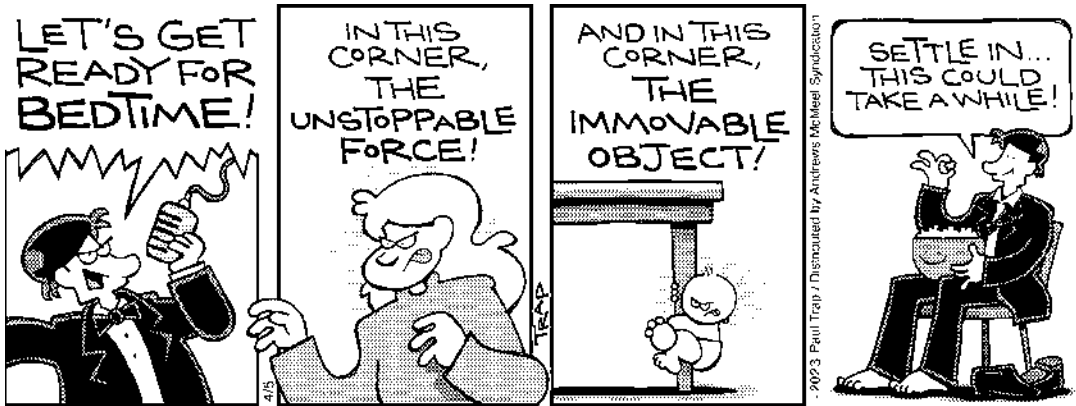
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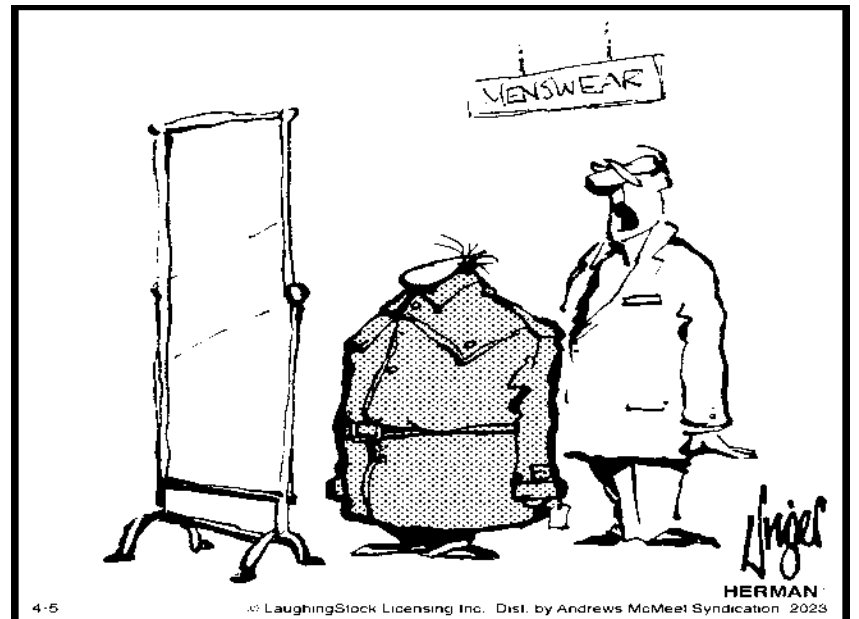
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To All Persons Interested in the Estate of DAVID JAMES MORGRET, Decedent:

On March 9, 2023, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of DAVID JAMES MORGRET, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri. The personal representative's business address is:

Glahnda Gaylene Morgret, 29346 State Highway 11, Kirksville, MO 63501.

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

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IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI Case Number: 22AR-PR00143 (Date File Stamp)

Judge or Division: PROBATE

In the Estate of DORIS D HAMILTON, Deceased.

Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted (Supervised Administration - Non-Resident Fiduciary)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of DORIS D HAMILTON, Decedent:

On March 20, 2023, the last will of the decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed personal representative of the estate of DORIS D HAMILTON, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri. The name and business address of the personal representative is:

Scott E. Hamilton, 21865 Shirk Road, Marysville, Ohio 43040.

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

Connie S. Haden, 827 E. Broadway Suite B, PO Box 7166, Columbia, Missouri 65201, 573-442-3535.

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

Connie S. Haden, 827 E. Broadway Suite B, PO Box 7166, Columbia, Missouri 65201, 573-442-3535.


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

Date of the decedent's death: June 3, 2021

Martha Cole

Adair County Circuit Clerk

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A.T. Still University hosts area high school students

By Scotland County Hospital & Clinics

The Med Club students from Schuyler and Scotland County High Schools took a field trip to A.T. Still University in Kirksville on March 27. Med Club meetings, field trips and symposiums are designed to increase emphasis on math and science, stressing their importance in preparation and pursuit of healthcare careers. The students and sponsors toured the A.T. Still Museum, Dental School Simulation Lab and the Medical School Simulation Lab. The students were also shown the pediatric simulators, birthing simulator and immersion room.

“The students were very excited to be able to see all of the amazing features of the lab and get their hands on real healthcare equipment,” said Dr. Meagan Weber, CEO, Scotland County Hospital.

There were a lot of good questions from the students. The Med Club program is organized and coordinated by Dr. Weber. She said she is hoping to make the field trip to A.T. Still University an annual event for the area Med Club students.

The simulation labs in both the dental school and medi-



Med Club students from Schuyler and Scotland County high schools took a field trip to A.T. Still University in Kirksville on March 27. Students from Schuyler County High School that attended, From Right to Left: Cadence Meeker, Kaitlyn Hatfield, Madison Haley, Kelsey Tallman, Elaine Schmitzer, Phoebe Freiburger, Salli Stalnaker, Madison Byrn, and Hannah Leftwich.

cal school allow dentistry and osteopathic medical students to practice their skills on human manikins that feature programmable internal organ responses. The manikins can communicate with the students,

and have all the vital signs, including life-like lung and heart sounds, necessary for students to carry out assessments.

Lisa Archer BSN, RN, CHSE, Director of Simulation & Performance Assessment,

A.T. Still University, said, “We took the students through our adult simulation rooms and gave them an opportunity to take a history and do a physical exam on a patient with pneumonia. They learned the

proper technique for using a stethoscope to listen to lung sounds. They ordered labs and chest x-rays, and gave antibiotics and nebulizer treatments and oxygen therapy. I think they had fun.”

Bryn Aylward, a senior at Scotland County High School in Memphis, attended the field trip to A.T. Still University. She said, “I thought the experience was super neat being able to see first year dental school students working hands-on with simulation dummies. We were also able to go into the monitored simulation classroom and do hands-on learning activities to see what it is like for medical students to perform and learn from high tech dummies with different medical problems.”

Aylward plans to attend nursing school at the University of Missouri-Columbia this fall.

Madison Haley, a senior at Schuyler County High School said, “ATSU campus had a fascinating history of healthcare and medicine. The sim lab made for an exciting experience I hope to have again in my future at nursing school.” Madison plans to attend Columbia College this fall, majoring in Nursing.

Bridge on Route E in Schuyler County to be replaced

Road to close April 3 over North Fork of the South Fabius River

By MoDOT

HANNIBAL — Weather permitting, April 3, Route E will close at North Fork of the South Fabius River, approximately 3.5 miles east of Queen City in Schuyler County,

for a bridge replacement project. Originally built in 1941, this is the twenty-second bridge to be replaced under the FARM (Fixing Access to Rural Missouri) Bridge Program. “We have 31 weight-restricted, poor condition

bridges in northern Missouri to replace under this federally-funded program,” Gander said. Lehman-Wilson was awarded the design-build contract by the Missouri Highways and Transportation

Commission. “The MoDOT team has worked closely with the contractor to develop plans for these improvements, and by October 2023, all 31 bridges will be replaced,” Gander noted. “We understand closing a road can be challenging, yet it’s the best

use of our tax dollars, it makes it safer for all the workers, and it speeds up construction,” Gander explained.

There is no posted detour on most of these projects. The average traffic volume on Route E is approximately 120 vehicles a day. All bridge-



es in the program are expected to be closed during construction. The bridge is expected to reopen by mid-August.

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Rural road resurfacing projects continue in Northeast Missouri

By MoDOT

HANNIBAL — Weather permitting, a resurfacing project located on Route K in Adair County, from Missouri Route 6 to Missouri Route 11, is expected to begin mid-April. The length of the improvement is 17.3 lane miles.

The \$19.1 M contract, awarded last year to Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc. of Columbia, Missouri, includes several additional resurfacing projects. The remaining work in the contract will be completed by W.L. Miller Company with all projects scheduled for completion by June 30, 2023:



Scotland/Schuyler County, Route T – From Route A in Schuyler County to Missouri Route 15 in Scotland County (20.6 lane miles).

Adair County, Route J – From Route A to Missouri Route 6 (27.2 lane miles).

Traffic will be reduced to one lane during the day at the location where crews are actively working for the duration of the project. For the safety of the

crews and the traveling public, we would like to remind drivers to be attentive in work zones and put down your cell phones to eliminate distractions.

Flaggers and a pilot car will direct motorists through the work zone. Workers will be present during daylight hours, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. A 10-foot width restriction will be in place for the duration of the project. All work is weather dependent and schedules are subject to change.

The following six additional routes included in this bundle were completed last year.

Macon/Linn County, Route J – From Missouri Route 129

in Linn County to U.S. Route 63 in Macon County (49.9 lane miles).

Macon County, Route JJ — From Aspen Street to Route J (6 lane miles)

Schuyler County, Route N – From Iowa state line to U.S. Route 136 (16 lane miles).

Macon County, Route HH – From Route J to Missouri Route 3 (13.7 lane miles).

Schuyler County, Route E – From U.S. Route 63 to Route A (19.1 lane miles).

Schuyler/Adair County, Route A – From U.S. Route 136 in Schuyler County to U.S. Route 63 in Adair County (42.5 lane miles).

Macon County, Route EE – From beginning of state maintenance to Missouri Route 3 (4.6 lane miles).

These projects are part of Gov. Parson's Rural Road program. The state's approved Fiscal Year 2023 budget provided an additional \$100 million in General Revenue for work on Missouri's low volume rural roads. Using asset management data, MoDOT has identified approximately 1700 lane miles of low volume roads ranked in Poor Condition. By next summer, these 113 locations will receive resurfacing treatments of hot mix asphalt to improve the road conditions.

Wienermobile visits Kirksville

By Special to The Express

The Oscar Mayer Wienermobile visited the Kirksville HyVee grocery store at 500 N. Baltimore Street on Friday, March 31. They handed out their iconic Wiener Whistles and took pictures of fans with the big dog.



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GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7
9:00am Morning Prayer at Mary Immaculate
3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena Opening at Mary Immaculate, continues daily at 3pm
7:00pm Liturgical Celebration of the Lord's Passion & Death at Mary Immaculate

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8
9:00am Morning Prayer at Mary Immaculate
8:30pm Easter Vigil at Mary Immaculate

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9
7:30am Mass at St. Rose in Novinger 911 Rombauer Ave.
9:00am Mass at the Catholic Newman Center 709 S. Davis St., Kirksville
11:00am Mass at Mary Immaculate, 716 E. Washington St.

Church of God (Holiness)

Easter Celebration April 9

Sunrise Service 7:30 am
Church Sanctuary

Sunrise Breakfast 8am
Family Life Center
100 E. Mary St.

Sunday Morning Worship
10:45 am
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Easter Sunrise Service

7AM, April 9, 2023.

Masonic Temple, 217 E. Harrison St., Kirksville

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Easter
Worship Sunday 4/9/23 • 10:30am

2302 N. Lincoln Street, Kirksville, MO
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First Presbyterian Church

Maunder Thursday
APRIL 6 - DINNER 6:00 PM; SERVICE 7:00 PM

Good Friday Service
APRIL 7, 4:00 PM

Annual Easter Egg Hunt
APRIL 8, 1:00 PM

Easter Sunday Service
APRIL 9, 9:30AM

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HAPPY Easter

Holy Week Services

- *April 2 Palm Sunday worship, 9:30 a.m. in-person & online
- *April 6 Maundy Thursday meal, 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
- *April 7 Good Friday worship, 7:00 p.m., in-person & online
- *April 9 Easter Sunday special worship times
8:00 am service – in-person
10:00 am service – in-person & online
- *Egg hunt for the kids at 9:30 am

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