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Financial woes threaten the employment of 47 developmentally-disabled individuals

By Marty Bachman
Daily Express

With the cost of living increasing exponentially, it's tough for folks to stay in business these days. For Community Opportunities, a local non-profit that employs 47 developmentally-disabled adults, primarily providing recycling services to the community in an effort to keep local lakes and rivers free from pollution, the situation has grown dire. In the af-

termath of a pandemic followed by record-high utility costs and a deteriorating building, the organization is on the verge of closing.

With as much as 20 percent of their more than half-million dollar budget subsidized, the last year has been brutal with a tripling of utility bills and unexpected capital costs that has pushed them to the edge, causing them to lose the confidence of some of their most sincere backers.



A worker at Community Opportunities loads sorted paper into a bin.

But that hasn't deterred Arthythe Curtis, who oversees one of the largest employers in Kirksville.

"I want to be positive about everything and not be negative," she said about the circumstances



Arthythe Curtis, who oversees the employees of Community Opportunities.

the organization has found itself in and the potential loss of funding from at least one important source. "We have put programs in place and I think any program that is set to help individuals with developmental disabilities is good and worth our time."

Curtis, who's son is developmentally-challenged and has worked for Community Opportunities for 16 years, believes that all the programs benefiting disabled beings are important and she doesn't feel that there should be a competition between one or the other.

"We're all trying to give these individuals a purpose," she said.

Community Opportunities got its start in 1969 by Fredrick Rollins, whose child had a disability and was getting ready to graduate from high school. His wife and he didn't know what their daughter would do once she left that setting so they joined a group of other investors and individuals that also had children with disabilities and formed the Sheltered Workshop, which later became Community Opportunities.

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A worker at Community Opportunities puts together straps that will be shipped to a plant in Columbia that will use them on masks they assemble.



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Missouri State Highway Patrol reports 10 Memorial Day weekend fatalities

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

Ten people died in traffic crashes over the 2023 Memorial Day weekend counting period of 6 p.m., Friday, May 26, through 11:59 p.m., Monday, May 29, 2023. Missouri State Highway Patrol troopers investigated the following over the 2023 Memorial Day holiday weekend:

Traffic Statistics

Crashes — 314
Injuries—102
Fatalities — 10
DWI — 130
Drug Arrests — 14

Boating Statistics

Crashes — 6
Injuries — 3
Fatalities — 0
Drowning — 0
BWI — 7
Drug Arrests — 0

(Note: During the 2022 counting period, the highway patrol investigated 301 traffic crashes, which included 129 injuries and nine of the 13 fatalities. Also, over the 2022 Memorial Day holiday: Marine operations troopers investigated nine boating crashes, which included one fatality and four injuries. Troopers made 131 driving while intoxicated arrests and seven boating while intoxicated arrests. No one drowned over the 2022 Memorial Day holiday.)

Troopers investigated all of the traffic crash fatalities. Two fatalities oc-



curred in both the Troop B, Macon area, and the Troop I, Rolla area. One fatality occurred in each of the following areas: Troop A, Lee's Summit; Troop C, Weldon Spring; Troop D, Springfield; Troop E, Poplar Bluff; Troop G, Willow Springs; and Troop H, St. Joseph.

Two people died within the counting period on Friday, May 26.

Danny R. Caudill, 56, of Doniphan, died after being struck by a vehicle on Missouri Highway U south of Doniphan in Ripley County. Caudill was a pedestrian and in the roadway at the time he was struck. The driver of the vehicle that struck Caudill was not injured and was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. Ripley County Coroner Mike Jackson pronounced Caudill deceased at the scene.

Jared C. Young, 20, of Hillsboro, died when he attempted to pass another vehicle on a curve and met a second vehicle. Young then swerved to the right and

the front of the oncoming vehicle struck his driver's side door. Young's vehicle then traveled off the right side of the roadway and caught fire. The vehicle that struck Young's vehicle traveled off the left side of the roadway. That driver was wearing a seat belt; he sustained moderate injuries. The crash occurred on Highway E at Belleville Lane in Jefferson County. It is unknown whether or not Young was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The driver of the vehicle Young attempted to pass was wearing a seat belt. He was not injured in the crash. Dr. Paul Granet pronounced Young deceased at Mercy Hospital in St. Louis.

Four people died in traffic crashes on Saturday, May 27, 2023.

David G. Daniels, 67, of Lawson, died after he swerved around a vehicle turning left into a driveway, then struck the front of another vehicle. Daniels was operating a motorcycle at the time of the crash; he was not wearing a helmet. The crash occurred on Missouri Route M north of Clever Road in Ray County. The drivers of the two vehicles involved in the crash were wearing their seat belts; neither driver was injured in the crash. Dr. Jesse Gregory pronounced Daniels deceased at the scene.

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Dwayne Gillespie (left) and Mayor Zac Burden.

Gillespie receives 2023 Granvil Prize Stevens Memorial Award

By City of Kirksville

The Kirksville Public Works Department announced the recipient of this year's Granvil Prize Stevens Memorial Award as Dwayne Gillespie.

This annual award is given to an exemplary public works staff member during National Public Works Week. Gillespie started at public works with the street department on Nov. 16, 1998. He transferred to the water treatment plant on May 28, 2007.

"Dwayne is very dedicated to his job," said Kirksville Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Russell Pruett. "He has worked every shift at the plant and is always willing to fill in where needed. The city is very fortunate to have such a dedicated employee work for it. I know I am very lucky to have him."

According to city officials, award winners take their job seriously and are willing to work whenever needed to guarantee that it gets done. They are proud to be public service employees and they feel responsible for the tasks assigned to them, as well as the city property they use. They are never the last to arrive at work nor are the first to leave at the end of their shift. If called on during their off hours, they come in immediately and take care of the situation or call for additional help.

This award is given to one employee each year who best represents the image of loyalty and devotion, which is associated with the name of "Prise" Stevens. Stevens was responsible for the operations of the water plants, lake pump station, and the two sewer treatment plants from May 1, 1947, until his death on Dec. 4, 1973. The award has been presented since 1974.

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Kiwanian Buckwalter speaks to local club

By Kirksville Kiwanis Club

The Kirksville Kiwanis Club welcomed fellow Kiwanian John Buckwalter to speak at their May 25 meeting. Buckwalter serves as the Region Two Trustee to the Board of Directors of the Missouri-Arkansas District of Kiwanis International (as well as Past Club President, Past Lieu-

tenant Governor, and current club secretary). He presented on the work of the MO-ARK Kiwanis District's Earl Collins Foundation as well as the Beatrice Johnson Kiwanis Youth Kamp. Learn more about the "JKYK" by visiting kampkiwanismoar.org! Pictured are Buckwalter (left) and Kirksville Kiwanis Club President Elect Daniel "Dan" McGurk.



Northern Missouri Road Maintenance Report

Staff Reports

Mill and overlay work to start on West Michigan Street

The Street Maintenance Division of the city of Kirksville's Public Works Department will begin mill and overlay work on West Michigan Street, between South Boundary Street and the city limit, starting Wednesday, May 31.

The street will have alternating lane closures during construction. This work will impact Ray Drive and Alma Avenue. This project is expected to be completed by June 14th, depending on the weather.

City officials said they appreciate the patience of all affected citizens during the 2023 street improvement season. For more information, please contact the Public Works Department at 660-627-1291.

Bridge Replacement

Weather permitting, June 12, Scotland County Route H is scheduled to close as work be-

gins on the bridge replacement project located over North Fork Wyaconda River, 3.2 miles east of Missouri Route 15 near Brock. Completion of the new bridge is scheduled for late summer.

Included in the contract are two additional bridge replacement projects. Locations are as follows: Scotland County, Route T over South Fork Middle Fabius, 4 miles east of Route A near Bible Grove. This bridge is scheduled to begin later this summer.

Adair County, Route B — over Hazel Creek, 3.8 miles south of Route K near Fegley. Work began on May 1 and is anticipated to be completed by late summer.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kirksville Area Calendar of Events

Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours

Northeast Regional Medical Center will host the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours on Tuesday, June 6, from 5 to 7 p.m. Dr. Steven Lyons, general surgeon at NRM, will showcase NRM's new surgical robot. Join them for appetizers and the opportunity to learn more about the robot and its capabilities. For more information call 660-785-1297.

'Pumptown' to perform at Summer on the Square

Pumptown will perform Friday night, June 9 at 7 p.m., as part of the Kirksville Arts Association's Summer on the Square concert series on the lawn of the Adair County Courthouse Square in downtown Kirksville. The rain venue will be Club One at 301 W. McPherson Street. The concert is free to the public.

Thousand Hills State Park Petroglyph Tour

Thousand Hills State Park Petroglyph Tour will be held on June 9 from 7-8 p.m. 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. All programs are weather permitting. Check out Thousand Hills State Park on Facebook for cancellations, location changes, and other park information.

Hope for Heroes 5k Run/Walk

The Hope for Heroes 5k run/walk benefiting The Food Bank's veteran programs, including VIP Veteran Packs will be held on June 10, with the Opening Ceremony at 7:30 a.m. The race begins at 7:45 a.m. Races will be held at the YMCA in Kirksville, 1708 Jamison Street. Registration is \$35. Pickup your packets prior to the race. Virtual race packets will be mailed the week in-person races begin. Information on where to pick up packets and other race details will be communicated by the email address to the address provided. Hosted by The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri, Hope for Heroes benefits veteran's programs, including the VIP Veteran Pack Program. VIP Packs provide additional nutrition to food-insecure veterans, including ready-to-eat entrees, soup and fruit and vegetables in easy-to-open cans. They also provide toiletries such as razors, body wash and deodorant. The Food Bank distributes VIP Packs in 13 counties, with ongoing efforts to further expand the program. People interested in sponsoring the event should contact milon@sharefoodbring-hope.org.

Dollar Swim Nights return

Dollar Swim Nights return to the Kirksville Aquatic Center, 801 E. Mill Street, beginning June 10, from 6-9 p.m.

'Renewed' to perform at Summer on the Square

Renewed will perform Friday night, June 16 at 7 p.m., as part of the Kirksville Arts Association's Summer on the Square concert series on the lawn of the Adair County Courthouse Square in downtown Kirksville. The rain venue will be Club One at 301 W. McPherson Street. The concert is free to the public.

Thousand Hills State Park 'Sunset Painting'

Thousand Hills State Park 'Sunset Painting' will be held on June 16 from 7-8 p.m. Learn how to paint nature sunset with staff and volunteers. Supplies will be provided but you may bring your own if you prefer. Meet at the Special Use Area. All programs are weather permitting. Check out Thousand Hills State Park on Facebook for cancellations, location changes, and other park information.

660 Charitable Motorcycle Organization Kirksville Cars & Coffee

The next 660 Charitable Motorcycle Organization Kirksville Cars & Coffee will be held June 17 from 8:30-11 a.m. at the Dukum Inn, 111 S. Elson Street. All are welcome. Bring your car, truck, bike, hot rod, daily or clunker. It's all about good company and a good time. Check out all the cars and everything else. Enjoy a free doughnut, some coffee and some great conversation with some good people. They look forward to seeing you there and don't forget, come on out, to see what other great free raffle prizes they will have.

Thousand Hills State Park presents: 'Snake Survival'

Thousand Hills State Park presents: 'Snake Survival' — June 17, 10-11 a.m. Snakes have a variety of different ways that they defend themselves. Join park staff to discover these survival techniques. There may be a chance to meet a live animal. Meet at the Campground 1 amphitheater. All programs are weather permitting. Check out Thousand Hills State Park on Facebook for cancellations, location changes, and other park information.

Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department's 'Movies in the Park'

The second Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department's "Movies in the Park" will be held on June 17 from 8-10 p.m. at Rotary Park's Ray Klingensmith Amphitheater. The movie will be "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish."

Kirksville City Wide Yard Sale

The Kirksville City Wide Yard Sale will be held on Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24. The Kirksville Daily Express advertising deadline is Thursday, June 15. \$13.50 for 25 words or less. Ad will run June 17,21 and 24. Call today, 660-665-2808.

Summer on the Square Concert Series with 'Blue Velvet'

Blue Velvet will perform Friday night, June 23 at 7 p.m., as part of the Kirksville Arts Association's Summer on the Square concert series on the lawn of the Adair County Courthouse Square in downtown Kirksville. The rain venue will be Club One at 301 W. McPherson Street. The concert is free to the public.

Thousand Hills State Park presents: 'Which Pollinator Am I?'

Friday, June 23 — 7 p.m. In celebration of Pollinator Week, join park staff to learn about many of our amazing pollinators. Guess the pollinator based on clues. Learn about each one and its importance to the environment. Meet at the Campground 1 Amphitheater.

Thousand Hills State Park presents: 'Party for Pollinators'

Saturday, June 24 — 10 a.m. Come on out to celebrate pollinator week! Learn about bees, butterflies, birds, and other pollinators through activities for kids and kids at heart. Meet at the picnic area next to the Oak Trail and playground on Big Loop Road.

Summer on the Square Concert Series with 'No Apology'

No Apology will perform Friday night, June 30 at 7 p.m., as part of the Kirksville Arts Association's Summer on the Square concert series on the lawn of the Adair County Courthouse Square in downtown Kirksville. The rain venue will be Club One at 301 W. McPherson Street. The concert is free to the public.

Thousand Hills State Park presents: 'Marvelous Mammals'

Friday, June 30 — 7 p.m. Mammals can be found all around us. Join park staff to take a closer look at Thousand Hills marvelous mammals! Meet at the Campground 1 Amphitheater.

2023 All American Red, White and Blue Festival Apple Pie Contest and Pie Auction

The United Way of Northeast Missouri Red, White and Blue Apple Pie Contest and Pie Auction is coming back to the Courthouse Square at 4 p.m. on June 30. Get your ovens warmed up and pull out those family apple pie and special pie recipes. Contact the United Way (660-665-1924) to enter your pies.

Thousand Hills State Park presents: 'Petroglyph Tour'

Saturday, July 1 — 10 am 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. Questions? Contact the park office at 660-665-6995.

Kirksville Real Estate Auction
Tue., June 13, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.
Donald & Joann Wheeler family

Directions: 30626 Hereford Lane, Kirksville, Missouri. From US Highway 63 South of Kirksville, follow State Highway KK East for approximately 3.7 miles, then continue on to State Highway F for approximately 1 mile, turn north on Frontier Lane/County Road 462D for approximately 0.3 miles then turn left on Hereford Lane to the Property. Watch for signs the day of the auction.

REAL ESTATE: This property is set up perfectly for the family farm. With 30 acres more or less of good soil and good grass, featuring mostly broome and clover, it features a 1932 26' x 28', two story, Sears home with the original woodwork. The sellers are the second owners. The home has large rooms with a 16' x 30' family room, a large back porch and mudroom area. The main floor also includes a large kitchen with a lot of cabinets, plenty of storage and a full bath. The living room features a wide staircase to the second level which has 3 bedrooms and another full bathroom. The windows were replaced in 1988. The 50 gallon hot water heater was replaced 5 years ago. The home has an electric furnace with a humidifier and central air conditioning. The property has several outbuildings including a 2020 built, 30' x 30' shed with 9' ceilings, concrete and electricity; a 2013 built 50' x 80' Quonset building; a 46' x 48' shop building; a 30' x 60' livestock barn; a 18' x 30' Quonset hut and a 20' x 32' loafing shed. You must see this property to appreciate its beautiful setting.

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

DOWN PAYMENT: 10% of the contract purchase price will be due upon acceptance of the Sales Contract. Personal or Cashier's Checks will be accepted. This is "AS IS, WHERE IS" and is non-refundable. **CLOSING:** Closing shall be within 30 days of the auction date.

SEE MORE PHOTOS ON SCOTTY'S WEBSITE

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KIRKSVILLE POLICE BLOTTER: MAY 23-25, 2023

ARREST REPORTS

MAY 23-24
Animals-Running at Large, Antonio Santana

MAY 24-25
Driving While Revoked/Suspended (F D), Roy Dale Clark, Kirksville
Warrant, Ginger Lou Baker, Kirksville

MAY 25-26
No Valid License-3rd and Subsequent Offense (F), Radonna Rae Pickett, Novinger
Warrant, Jennifer A. Bratton, Kirksville
Warrant-Adair County, Handy Mesidor, Kirksville

MAY 26-30
No Valid License-1st Offense (M), Loretta Lyn Cox, Kirksville
No Valid License-3rd and Subsequent Offense (F), Nacoda R. Duncan, Kirksville
Operating Motorcycle When Driver's License Not Valid for Such Operation-1st, Jayson W. Findling, Greentop
Warrant, Kourtney Dawn Redmon, Kirksville
Warrant-Adair County X7, Madison P. May, Kirksville
Warrant-Violation of Court Order, Jesse Neil Eddy, Kirksville

INCIDENT REPORTS

MAY 23
7:16 a.m., Animal/Trap, 609 E. Illinois Street
7:31 a.m., Animal/Trap, 1512 E. Dear Street
7:59 a.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Fraud or (Attempt) Use of Credit Device (MA), Under \$750; Stealing From Auto (M), 2102 S. Marion Street

8:13 a.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing \$750 or More Shoplifting (F), 2206 N. Baltimore Street
10:20 a.m., Animal, 2200 W. Burton Street
10:42 a.m., Juvenile Problem, Issue, 507 Walker Street
11:21 a.m., Check the Well Being, 1306 S. Porter Street
11:45 a.m., Runaway, 1705 Cottage Grove Place
12:35 p.m., Suspicious/Activity, Suspicious-Person, Activity, Vehicle, 1006 E. Jefferson Street

1:38 p.m., Animal/Abuse-Care, 802 S. Baltimore Street
2:10 p.m., Check the Well Being, 1015 N. Luther Street
3:03 p.m., Check the Well Being, 913 S. Sixth Street
4:05 p.m., MVA/Injury, North Lincoln Street
4:50 p.m., Animal/Bite-Attack, 1215 E. Jefferson Street
4:58 p.m., Property/Damage Vandalism, 2nd Degree, 1318 E. Normal Avenue

5:25 p.m., Property/Damage Vandalism, 1309 Kings Road
7:43 p.m., Domestic Disturbance, 1005 N. Olive Street
8:36 p.m., Peace Disturbance 1009 N. Osteopathy Street, Arrestee: 34
8:44 p.m., MVA/Minor, 2204 N. Baltimore Street
10:42 p.m., Property/Lost-Recovered, 119 E. McPherson Street
11:13 p.m., Juvenile Problem, Runaway, 1904 Teal Drive, Arrestee: Juvenile

MAY 24
12:17 a.m., Domestic Disturbance/Verbal, 1608 S. Porter Street
4:10 a.m., Traffic Stop, 1000 Block of East Harrison Street
7:26 a.m., 315 S. Osteopathy Street, Nicholas Pierson, 31
8:04 a.m., Traffic Stop, North Elson Street, Beau Blankenship, 31
8:19 a.m., Theft/Bike, Stealing, 411 S. High Street
9:49 a.m., Animal/Bite-Attack, 1600 N. Green Street
11:32 a.m., Theft/Not in Progress, Stealing, 311 S. Baltimore Street
11:42 a.m., Theft/Bike, Stealing From All Other (M), 907 E. Washington Street
12:22 p.m., Traffic Stop, Hamilton Street, Jessica Melgar, 28
2:07 p.m., MVA/Hit and Run, Minor, Info Exchange, 315 S. Osteopathy Street
2:41 p.m., Domestic Disturbance, 1501 N. Green Street
3:35 p.m., Warrant, 516 S. Main Street, Arrestee: Ginger Baker, 46
3:55 p.m., Traffic Stop, West McPherson Street
4:04 p.m., MVA/Road Blocked, Franklin Street



7:03 p.m., Domestic Disturbance, East Washington Street
8:03 p.m., Traffic Stop, Owner Operating Motor Vehicle Without Maintaining Financial Responsibility (Motor Vehicle Required to be Registered)_1st Offense (M), Ruth Doyle, 60
8:13 p.m., Property/Damage Vandalism (M) 2nd Degree, 1116 E. Jefferson Street
8:52 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1412 N. Osteopathy Street, Michael Cocchiaro, 30
9:37 p.m., Traffic Stop, East Jefferson Street
9:38 p.m., Domestic Disturbance, Assault/Domestic 3rd Degree (F E), 1501 N. Green Street
10:37 p.m., Field Contact, Driving While Revoked/Suspended 1st Offense (M), North Elson Street, Arrestee: Roy Clark, 53
10:45 p.m., Traffic Stop, North Main Street, Dylan Speiser, 33
11:39 p.m., Traffic Stop, No Valid License-3rd and Subsequent Offense (F), Arrestee: Radonna Pickett, 56

MAY 25
1:30 a.m., Parking Complaint, Parked Against the Flow of Traffic, 700 Block of South Sixth Street
2:43 a.m., Traffic Stop, Warrant-Adair County, North Lincoln Street, Arrestee: Handy Mesidor, 39
7:17 a.m., Traffic Stop, 1000 Block of East Cottonwood Street
7:30 a.m., Property/Damage Vehicle, 2nd Degree; Stealing From Motor Vehicle, Shoplifting, From Building, Coin Machine, 1000 N. Luther Street
7:57 a.m., Traffic Stop, Northtown Road, Matthew Calcara, 23
8:54 a.m., Suspicious/Activity, Suspicious-Person, Activity, Vehicle, 2111 S. Marion Street
9:09 a.m., Traffic Stop, Operating a Motor Vehicle Which is Not Validly Licensed, East Washington Street, Lacey Tarpein, 38
9:22 a.m., Traffic Stop, Boundary Street
9:28 a.m., Trespass/Refuse to Leave, Civil Dispute, 309 S. Main Street
9:40 a.m., Field Contact, Driving While Revoked/Suspended 1st Offense (M D), 309 S. Main Street, Arrestee: Sooner Vincent, 42
1:37 p.m., Traffic Stop, Cottonwood Street, Blake Gashwiler, 29
1:45 p.m., Traffic Stop, 500 S. Osteopathy Street, Catherine Dean, 22
2:05 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1000 N. Elson Street, Randolph Rindom, 38
2:10 p.m., Traffic Stop, Osteopathy Street
2:20 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1100 Block of North Elson Street, David Borjas Guevara, 27
2:33 p.m., Traffic Stop, 910 N. Elson Street, Kriten Saepphanh, 34
2:49 p.m., Traffic Stop, Warrant, North Elson Street, Arrestee: Jennifer Bratton, 49
2:53 p.m., Peace Disturbance, 714 E. McPherson Street
4 p.m., Trespass, 503 S. Franklin Street
4:14 p.m., MVA/Minor 315 S. Osteopathy Street
5:43 p.m., Animal/Bite-Attack, 1605 S. Baltimore Street
6:08 p.m., Traffic Stop, Franklin Street, Ashley Johnson, 26
6:38 p.m., Traffic Stop, Stacy Street, Zachariah VanSickle, 21
6:48 p.m., Traffic Stop, 1610 N. Baltimore Street
7:14 p.m., Traffic Stop, South Elson Street, Frankie Shoop, 33
9:04 p.m., Burglary/In Progress, Suspicious-Person, Activity, Vehicle, 2200 E. Normal Avenue

MAY 26
12:42 a.m., Traffic Stop, Osteopathy Street, Judith Flynt, 59
2:55 a.m., Parking Complaint, Parked Where Signs Prohibit, 400 Block of South Florence Street
6:32 a.m., Suspicious/Activity, 2100 E. Shepherd Avenue

Truman State University announces President's Academic Honor Roll

By Truman State University

Truman State University has released the President's Academic Honor Roll for the spring 2023 semester. To qualify for this list, an undergraduate student must attain a semester grade point average of 4.0 and must complete 12 semester hours of credit.

A list of honorees, organized by state and hometown, can be accessed at truman.edu/honors/spring-2023-presidents-list. Hometowns are based upon the permanent address given to the University by the student. Students who have requested a directory hold on their information are not included on the list.



Area honorees include:

Green City: Ty Bushnell
Greentop: Olivia Harding; Sylvia Harding
Kirksville: Belthelhem Abebe; Mar Agelet de Saracibar Ariet; Maryanne Ajilore; Chloe Armentrout; Hermella Asssefa; Evan AuBuchon; Evan Bartlett; Jayden Bell; Hattie Berke; Navin Bhattarai; Shalin Bhattarai; Adam Bishop; Roy Bonney; Abby Boyer; Jacob Brown; Peyton Carr; Rosemarie Carter; Krishna Chebolu; Kayla Cook; Mimansa Dahal; Mariam Elkadi; Katie

Ford; Nicole Galarza Guilarte; Helen Gari; Leo-Paul Garlenc-Ricci; Bryan Garth; Fred Garvey; Pujan Gauli; Aagya Gautam Upadhyay; Saron Gebremichael; Prabeen Giri; Cortney Goodman; Jake Hartzell; Diana Heckert; Wes Henshaw; Zoe Holt; Mason Huddleston; Emily Johnson; Hinako Kobashi; Duy Le; Nguyen Le; Hyeonseo Lee; Swoichhya Maharjan; Elias Mains; Juan Mejia Beltran; Khadija Mohammed Kalli; Mohammadhossein Momeni; Anna

Moore; Elizabeth Musco; Kaeden Noland; Samuel Park; Madison Payne; Quin Quintana; Ana Ragouzis-Roman; Ankit Regmi; Anna Rhein; Greenlee Rigby; Ashik Dey Rupak; Mutiara Schlanker; Luciana Scuderi; Catherine Seymour; Skylar Shin; Quinn Sloan; Ian Snider; Tayte Standifird; Jimmy Sylvara; Sunpairre Tamene; Murtuza Taqi; Danya Tayeh; Hannah Thacker; Alexandra Thornhill; Angel Vico Moreno; Klein Wang; Sidney Wickwire; Kate Wilson; Matthew Winkler; Shannon Wortmann; Zirui Xie; Huido Yang; Xuanqian Ye
La Plata: Maria Pareja Avalos
Macon: Fiona Chao
Novinger: Emaleigh Kennedy

Truman State University announces Vice President's Academic Honor Roll

By Truman State University

Truman State University has released the Vice President's Academic Honor Roll for the spring 2023 semester. To qualify for this list, an undergraduate student must attain a semester grade point average of 3.5 or better and must complete 12 semester hours of credit.

A list of honorees, organized by state and hometown, can be accessed at truman.edu/honors/spring-2023-vice-president-for-academic-affairs-list. Hometowns are based upon the permanent address given to the University by the student. Students who have requested a directory hold on their information are not included on the list.

Area honorees include:

Brashear: Laura Hudson
Green City: Jessica Phillips
Greentop: Tanner Lain
Kirksville: Mohammed Abdikebir; Ruhama Adnew; Hildana Assefa; Sujata Basnet; Nissim Benabou; Yoseph Beyene;



Brianne Carr; Sirui Cheng; Yun Chung; Blaine DeVold; Prashansa Dhakal; Doran Durbin; Mel Eaton; Helina Engdayehu; Jadyen Ensign; Zoey Featherston; Kensleigh Griego; Aubrie Grubbs; Ella Hamlin; Vincent Harris; Parker Hart; Nicole Havel; Andrew Heise; Nhi Huynh; Nahom Jember; Zixian Jiang; Josie Johnson; Raesha K C; Hinako Kaneda; Sara Kangaroo; Yuho Kasuga; Rihana Kemal; EoJin Kim; Callyn Kinney; Ritika Lama; Jenny Lamp; Jeffrey Laubscher; Khoa Le; Victoria (Tori) Lin; Madeline MacDonough; Rejina Mahat;

Yuanhao Mao; Stefani Maricic; Haley McCarty; Madi McCarty; Madelyn Meyer; Bezawit Mulatu; Gabriella Nagy; Maira Nasir; Maryam Nasir; Lily-Rose Neveux; Thao Nguyen; Ethan Nicoli; Tatenda Nyoni; Shane O'Donnell; Gerald Obuseh; Ive Peek; Skylar Petersen; Hank Phan; Leo Phan; Anunya Phatisawad; Holden Potter; Sara Rausa; Libby Reinsch; Stephanie Renasco Guzmann; Anup Rijal; Allison Roberts; Whitney Rowland; Jose Saenz Gutierrez; Taylor Schoonover; Ozzie Secoy; Seun Shin; Alisha Shrestha; Isiah Slater; Austin Sopko; Aidan Spurgeon; Octavian Stickann; Nebyat Tamerat; Nina Thomas; Asif Shahriar Tuhin; Lauren Uchida; Elssy Urena; Audrey Vazzana; Kristin Ward; Thomas Weber; Cynthia Willcox; Sam Willoughby; Xian Wu; Sadik Yamin; Linqi Yuan; Chuqin Zeng; Chenyang Zhang; Yinuo Zhang
La Plata: Olivia Combs; Zoie Harden; Taylor Henness; Nikki Yowell
Macon: Madie Ewing

Adair County R-II (Brashear) 4th Quarter Honor Roll

By Adair County R-II

4th Quarter A Honor Roll

12th
MacKenize Baker, Landon Fisher, Alex Houghton, Lucas Keller, Wesley McGinnis, Haley McNamar, Aiden Withrow, Avery Zentz
11th
Alexa Borgmeyer, Aubrey Borgmeyer, Carson Erwin, Lacey Fisher, Jacob Holcomb, Clancy Noe, Ashton Ray, Jack Reeves, Nate Triplett, Deyton White, Rhett Whitlow
10th
Cassidy Althide, Tayla Garlock, Bevyn

March, Andi Shaw, Jacob Snyder, Paige Stutsmann, Lana Vansickle
9th
Adyn Carpenter, Bailee Crandall, Ryelee Holt, Taylor Houghton, Heidi Lay, Maddie Moots, Caden Taylor
7th
Kaden Hettinger

4th Quarter B Honor Roll

12th
Kolbi Mason, Anthony Shaw
11th
Alexis Sanchez
10th
John Higgins, Cory Holcomb, Serenity Holt, Riley Whitlow



9th
Cole Erwin, Brayton Henrichs, Jayden Kugler, Jacob Love, Marissa McMann, Noah Shannon, Avery Smith, Kaylee Troyer, Shelbi Weaver
8th
Emmett Lee
7th
Cade Erwin, Kennedy Gray, Kaden McMann, Gus Noe, Elyese Salter, Drew Steele, Emily Youngman

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ROBIN WRITES

We will have to clean the kitchen when she comes

God gives a special gift to every woman who becomes a Mother-in-Law.

She is endowed by her Creator with the ability to send her Daughter-in-law into frenzied, Tasmanian-devil-like housecleaning with a simple phone call.

I love my Mother-in-law. She has never spoken a cruel word. Has never criticized my cooking, housekeeping or the way I dress her son.

She is short; her ear covers my heartbeat when she hugs me goodbye. Her frame is as unimposing as a child's favorite teddy bear; she has been loved into silky softness through years of gentle wear. She is priceless to me; a treasure of smiles and kisses.

We are chatting on the phone: she, sitting properly in her favorite chair above a freshly vacuumed carpet. And me, sprawled on my couch atop newspapers, clothes that wait folding, and bits of last night's popcorn-eating marathon.

My holey t-shirt is not an issue to either of us. The hair I pressed into place with my pillow is perfectly fine. I don't have to shut every hinged door to hide my slothlike lifestyle.

I plop down on the nearest surface that can support me, ready to chew the fat. My stomach relaxes its few remaining muscles, and I practice spelling my name with my bare toes in the dust on the kitchen floor.

Then, those three little words erupt from her loving mouth:

"I'm coming over."

Whether she knows it or not, her voice sets into motion a series of escapades more inane than a Three Stooges film fest.

"I thought I'd drop by this morning. ..." Her sweet voice cracks delicately, like an over-boiled eggshell.

AHHOOOOOGAAAAHHH! The sound of a submarine in dire straits echoes through my body. M-A-Y-D-A-Y bounces along the walls of my hovel.

In an instant, I feel my blood pressure soar to geyser heights. Throbbing in systolic anticipation, I ask the question: "When?"

I ask innocently. Lovingly. My voice does not quiver or screech. It has taken years of marriage to perfect this. ... I am proud.

I wait for the feathery intake of oxygen that precedes her answer, ready to catapult into action.

"Oh, I don't know ... in a little bit. Pop and I have to drop off some cans at the recycling center ... (I run over, push the Coke cans deeper into the trash). "Not long, I think."

GIVE ME TIME! I want to scream. Will I have vacuum time? Makeup time? Can I finish this bowl of potato chips and wipe the crumbs from my face before you get here?

"Okay!" Happy voice. "I'll see you then." I hang up and take a deep breath—

OPERATION COVERUP begins.

Dirty dishes go in the oven. I dust with shirtsleeves and odd socks found near furniture.

Toilets are flushed and brushed



ROBIN GARRISON LEACH
COLUMNIST

more vigorously than a head full of nits.

Clutter is tossed onto beds and those rooms are closed off the way Grandpa did in the winter to save heat. An aromatic fogging of canned "Mountain Freshness" masks any recent family emissions.

A "visiting room" is chosen. We'll steer Ma there with herky-jerky hugs, slap a glass of iced tea into her hands, and tie her to the chair with bungee cords of keen eye contact. Our bright shiny faces will fill her bifocals.

A giant car rolls up the drive. I see her head, bobbing just above dash level. I imagine a pair of white inspection gloves inside the purse she holds securely in her lap, but I know it's just my jittery nerves talking.

We exchange smiles through the streaky glass (Yikes!) on my front door as she minces toward me, and I straighten my shoulders to reflect a worthy Daughter-in-law.

Then I realize I forgot to put on a bra or brush my hair. I can taste the Ruffles hiding between my teeth. But at least I'm wearing shoes, and my sweatpants are fairly clean.

"Hi, Ma!" The hugging/steering begins. "So glad you could pop in!"

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HOME COUNTRY

Squash bug stomping time

Dud was heading home in his pickup truck

when he saw the strange goings-on at the Bahdziewicz place. Abraham Lincoln Bahdziewicz was out in the family's large garden with a full complement of kids who were happily hopping around. Some of the kids came from the neighborhood, but most of them were homegrown Bahdziewicz kids.

The Bahdziewicz family had a great garden, and went at the whole thing scientifically and in great fun, because this is one family that runs short on cash but long on kids.

Dud pulled over and watched for a minute as Abe laughingly directed the family dancers doing the vegetable boogie through the various rows of the huge garden.

"What's going on, Abe?" yelled Dud.

"Squash bug stomping time," Abe said, turning over another board lying next to the vegetables. As soon as the board was flipped over, a plethora of Bahdziewicz kids stomped the bugs flat. "It's the kids' favorite time in the garden."



SLIM RANDES
COLUMNIST

The third-grader, John Kennedy Bahdziewicz, said, "Flip another board, Dad."

"Hold it!" Dud yelled. "Not another move until I get back, okay? I'll be back here in five minutes. Five minutes!"

Abraham Lincoln Bahdziewicz looked at his oldest son, Woodrow Wilson Bahdziewicz and they both shrugged. The rest of the family stopped, too. Dud peeled out in the pickup and was back in less than two minutes.

"Okay," Dud yelled. "Let's do the squash bug stomp the right way!"

And he strapped on his accordion and fired up a grand polka as boards were flipped over and the exposed squash bugs were dispatched in record polka time.

Sometimes just living here can be an awful lot of fun.

Brought to you by the posthumous prance that sent all those squash bugs to insect heaven. Don't eat them. They've been eating squash.

COMMENTARY

Capitol Perspectives: A dysfunctional Missouri Senate

By **Phill Brooks**
Missouri Independent

The closing days of Missouri's legislature were among the most dysfunctional I've covered in more than one half century. Filibusters by Senate Republican conservatives blocked action on a number of issues.

Ironically, the issues killed included conservative issues to allow firearms on public transportation and to increase the vote percentage required for approval of a state constitutional amendment in the face of a proposed initiative to put an abortion-rights constitutional amendment on the ballot.

Although, to be fair, there were some Republican successes that include banning transgender medical procedures for minors, banning males from participating in school sports teams designated for females, the Republican governor's proposal for a massive budget to widen Interstate 70 and a package of tax cuts.

The Senate conservative

gridlock was the opposite of the vision I heard from the two Senate Republican leaders chosen by their caucus after the 2022 November elections. They voiced hopes to bridge the GOP divisions that had gridlocked the Senate in the previous session.

Their statements reminded me of 2017 when Republican Sen. Bob Dixon and Democrat Sen. Kiki Curlls rose during a Senate session to jointly sing "Kumbaya" in an effort to bring peace within the Senate that was as divided as this year. Maybe if a few senators had risen to sing that song of peace during this year's filibusters it might have brought stability to the Senate. Although, Curlls' and Dixon's singing did not bring peace in gridlocked Senate.

A major factor for this year's legislative dysfunction involved how both the House and Senate loaded bills with amendments unrelated to the original single subject as required by the state Constitution. It caused hours of lost time as legislators asked for

explanations about what was in a measure upon which they were to vote.

Sen. Mike Moon, R-Ash Grove, spent hours in the closing days objecting to bloated bills he argued violated constitutional restrictions and sought detailed explanations of the contents. Imagine a legislator getting a substitute for what had been a short bill but returned to the chamber with a pile of unrelated provisions expanding the bill to nearly 200 pages and having to vote on the measure just a few days before the session adjourns.

Maybe legislative leaders should have ruled out of order any amendment that violated the Missouri Constitution's requirement that limits bills to the "original purpose" and restricts non-appropriation bills to "one subject." Maybe it would have helped if Gov. Mike Parson had publicly warned he would veto bills that covered unrelated subjects that went beyond the original purpose. After all, in 2022, of the four

non-budget bills he vetoed, Parson cited violation of the single-topic constitutional requirement for vetoing two of those bills.

One of the most profound vetoes citing the single-topic requirement of the state Constitution was in 2012. Gov. Jay Nixon vetoed a bill that he described had begun as a relatively "simple housekeeping measure...But in the final days of the session, discipline waned as amendment upon unrelated amendment was added, transforming the bill into a seventy-nine page hodgepodge of unrelated matters, and abandoning the constitutional guideposts for legislative transparency in the process."

Nixon concluded his veto letter charging the bill had become "a sanctuary for orphaned ideas in search of safe transport to becoming law." That is almost a perfect description of so many bloated bills in the 2023 legislative session.

The best example this year was a simple bill of 18 pages covering just crimes involving ATM teller ma-



Senate Majority Leader Cindy O'Laughlin, R-Shelbina, speaks at a news conference after the end of the 2023 legislative session with President Pro Tem Caleb Rowden, R-Columbia. RUDI KELLER/MISSOURI INDEPENDENT

chines. But the legislature inflated the bill to 187 pages covering numerous topics unrelated to ATMs or even crime. If you think I am exaggerating, check out <https://mdn.org/forms/billview.htm?sb186> that will give you links to the long staff description and to text of the bill now before the governor.

I fully understand Moon's frustrations with the complexity of understanding what actually is contained in a bill covering a hodgepodge of subjects facing legislators in the final hours of a session. Early in my career as

a statehouse reporter, the late Sen. Clifford Jones, R-St. Louis County, urged me to always read the actual text of a bill and not rely on staff summaries or sponsor descriptions. Following his advice I often found tremendous stories buried in bills.

But this year the size of these bills expanded by unrelated amendments in the hectic final days made it impossible for me to adhere to his advice. I wonder if legislators before taking a final vote these bills experienced the same frustration as I did this session.

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OBITUARIES

Carol Sue Easley

Nov 12, 1946 – May 30, 2023

Carol Sue Easley age 76 of Edina, Missouri passed away Tuesday May 30th 2023 in her home. She was born November 12, 1946 in Pilot Grove, Missouri, the daughter of Frank and Alberta "Bertie" Roth. She was united in marriage to Ray S. Easley on October 9, 1965. To this union 5 children were born. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother John D. Roth. She is survived by five children, Rhonda Easley of Columbia, MO, Warren (Michelle) Easley of Kirksville, MO, Erica (Matt) Turley of Carlinville, IL, Brian (Amy) Easley of Mexico, MO, and Kris (Jennifer) Easley of Edina, MO, siblings Frank (Pat) Roth of Liberty, MO, Ruth Ann Luttrell of Pilot Grove, MO, Sara Baker of Pilot Grove, MO and Cydney (Rick) Head of Liberty, MO, ten grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.



Carol attended St Joseph Elementary School and graduated from Pilot Grove High School. She was a prize-winning cook and enjoyed sewing, reading, gardening, and mastered everything else she put her mind to. She worked thirty-three years at Cardwell Lumber. She attended Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Edina, MO.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held 1 p.m., Saturday, June 3, 2023 at Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home in Edina, MO. Visitation is scheduled for 4pm — 8pm on Friday, June 2, 2023 with Rosary at 7pm at the funeral home in Edina. Burial will be in the Linville Cemetery at Edina.

Memorials in memory of Carol S. Easley may be made to the St. Joseph Catholic Church Restoration Fund. The memorials may be left at or mailed to Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1, Edina, MO 63537.

Naomi Wagner

Jul 14, 1937 – Feb 6, 2023

Naomi Wagner-mother, grandmother, great grandmother, mother-in-law, sister, giver of zero effs, and baker of incredible banana bread-transitioned to Paradise surrounded by love, Monday, Feb. 6 at her residence in Vandalia, Mo. around lunchtime. She was 85.

Born Naomi Ruth Reeves July 14, 1937 to the late Owen and Laura Lillian Hotchkiss Reeves, she is survived by children Ronald (Mary) Pearson, Jr. of St. Louis, Tim Pearson of Brashear, Mo., and Melodie (Brandon) Mudd of Louisiana, Mo., in addition to her loving and beloved grandchildren Shannon (Steven) Delano-Rainey of Seattle, Wash., Jordan (Coran) Spicer of Woodstock, Ga., Zachary (Shelby) Mudd of Louisiana, Mo., Cassidy (Tommy) Lynn of Vandalia, Mo., and Foley (Tisha) of Louisiana, Mo. Naomi was also blessed with eight great-granddaughters whom she loved and inspired: Shaylynn, September (Esther), Karma, Jeanessa, Nyla, Naomi Rose (her namesake), Marlo, and Taylor.

Naomi is also survived by her stepmother Mary and 14 brothers and sisters who will miss her greatly; Harold Reeves, Charles "Pete" Reeves, Thomas Reeves, Gerald "Jerry" Reeves, W. Michael Shirley, David Reeves, W. Mark Reeves, W. Matthew Reeves, Mary Stansberry, Bertha Spencer, Sally Robinson, Nancy Hunolt, Dolly Tonkinson, and Sandra Muir; in addition to many nieces and nephews.

Naomi married Ronald Lee Pearson January 13, 1956, who preceded her in death, as did a daughter, Heather Jo. Also preceding her passing were brothers Owen Reeves, Jr., Danny Shirley, and Stanley Reeves, and sister Doris Hettinger.

A woman who never met a roost in which she couldn't and wouldn't rule, Naomi had a near-superhuman level of stubborn. But her obstinance was tempered by a desire to help, to care for the people around her, regardless of who they were. For more than 30 years at the Missouri Department of Mental Health, she mentored women and men with her unique style of "Well, just do it how I said and it'll be fine" leadership, which typically did in fact work. Naomi was rewarded with their love, loyalty, and devotion.

She leaves behind a family who loved her tremendously. At her core, Naomi believed she was meant to help others, however that looked. Dinners consisted of the family asking Naomi to sit down and let someone else do the prepping, the mixing, the cooking, the serving.

"Oh, I'm fine..."

A meal filled with laughter, old stories, and love, was had by all. And not a single family member could leave without their own cooler, filled with whatever random food Naomi had at the house.

To Naomi: Independent woman, beloved coworker, family member who could always be counted on, preparer of fine potato soups, tolerater of other people's dogs, false accuser of wooden ladle theft, neighborhood Grandma, giver of Igloo coolers, kind provider, follower of Christ, and most importantly, an interesting human who strived to leave the world a little better than she found it, your family humbly says thank you and we love & miss you.

Per her request, there will be no funeral or official service. Naomi was cremated at Heartland Cremation & Burial Society in Columbia, Mo., and a celebration of life is being planned by the family.

In lieu of cards or plants/flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association at www.act.alz.org.

Two high school students receive Top Tech Award from the Kirksville Thousand-Hills Rotary Club

By Kirksville Thousand-Hills Rotary Club

The Thousand Hills Rotary Club awarded two Kirksville High School students the Top Tech Award. Wyatt Pinson and Ally Easdale both received \$1,000 to assist with furthering their education. Pinson is in AG and Auto Tech and is planning on attending Sydenstricker Academy after graduation. Easdale is in Teaching Careers and plans to attend William Jewel after graduation. Pinson and his mother, Jessie Pinson, along with Easdale and her father, Mark Easdale, attended the Thousand-Hills Rotary Club meeting and club President Marilyn Romine presented the awards to the two students. Anyone who would like to learn more about Rotary International and the Kirksville Thousand-Hills Rotary Club is welcome to join members on Thursday mornings at 7 a.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, 801 E. Mill Street.



Wyatt Pinson (center) and his mother, Jessie Pinson (left) with Thousand Hills Rotary Club President Marilyn Romine.



Ally Easdale (center) and her father, Mark Easdale (right) with Thousand Hills Rotary Club President Marilyn Romine.

ADAIR COUNTY SB40 JUNE ACTIVITIES AT THE COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER:

Coffee & Cards – Each Tuesday at 10 a.m. (note the time change!), join us for coffee and card or board games. We also have tea and hot chocolate if you would prefer. You can also bring your own drink to enjoy!

Dance Aerobics – Come dance with Angela and get your workout in at the same time!

Nature Time – Nature is all around us and summer is a perfect time to learn more about the outdoors and nature you can explore in our community. Each class will be different with a visit from Missouri Conservationist, Holly Whitacre, on June 6 and 20.

Music Moves – Join Kaelie for our bi-monthly free music therapy group. This is a fun activity for people of all ages to explore music and movement while having fun and making connections. June 6 will be her final visit with us. Be sure to stop in and thank her for providing us with amazing group music therapy time.

Movie Party – Join us for a fun movie and enjoy light snacks and drinks. Feel free to bring your own! Wednesday, June 21.

Sensory Time – It's back! Come explore our sensory room and the many hands-on activities that we have available.

Crafts – Each Wednesday you are invited to join us for a fun and simple craft at 10 a.m. Come ready to explore your creativity!

Get Fit – Have fun while getting healthy! Angela will help you get moving with fun workout videos, walks in the community, and more.

Project STIR – This class is for self-advocates age 18+ and will help you learn to become your own best self-advocate, how to problem solve and negotiate, and what it means to be self-determined. Registration is required for this class.

Managing Anger – This new

eight-week class will teach you how to effectively manage the four basic emotions: anger, sadness, fear and joy and how to apply the C.A.L.M. System for managing emotions.

BINGO – Join us each Friday at 10 a.m. to play BINGO and win BINGO Bucks to spend in our BINGO Store while having fun with your friends.

Breathe Easy – This new four-week class with Truman State University volunteer, Sarah, will help you learn the dangers of vaping, how to resist social pressure to vape, and find healthy coping skills to deal with stress. Since this class is between BINGO and lunch time for most, we will have light snacks available during class.

Other Activities and Information to Know:

Young Adults 20s/30s Something

Neuro-Divers Social Group – This continuously growing social group for neuro-diverse and autistic adults in their 20s and 30s will meet on Saturday, June 10 at the Community Learning Center from 5-7 p.m. Come meet new people while playing games and listening to music in a relaxed and fun environment. This month, bring your favorite snack food to share. Also, feel free to bring your favorite game to share and teach others how to play. Please contact the Community Learning Center to let us know if you plan to attend or have questions about the group.

Parent-to-Parent Group – This group is for any parent/guardian of a child, birth-through the end of school, with a disability. Your child does not need to be receiving services through Adair County SB40 Developmental Disability Board to participate. June's meeting will be a fun social outing on Thursday, June 15, 5:30-6:30 p.m. to the Kiwanis Inclusive Playground. Meet us there and SB40 will bring a few fun snacks. Please feel free to

bring your own to share.

Adair County SB40 Board Monthly Meeting – SB40's monthly Board of Directors meeting will be held Tuesday, June 27 at 6 p.m. at the Community Learning Center (1107 Country Club Drive). These meetings are open to the public.

People First Callout Meeting – WE NEED YOU! Invite all of you friends and come find out what's in store for a new People First Chapter in Northeast Missouri! During this meeting we will review the newly chosen Mission Statement and begin to build a list of priorities for the new chapter. We will meet on Wednesday, June 28 at 5 p.m.

Be sure to check out the SB40 website and social media pages. The website has some new features for increased accessibility and pages for Individual Oral Histories and Adair County SB40's Policies.

Finally, don't forget that you can make nominations for the Monthly Spotlight Awards throughout the year. One recipient will be chosen and recognized each month through February 2024. Remember, anyone can make a nomination, however, each nominator may only make one nomination per award. Nominations can be made in the four following categories: Kids Inclusion Spotlight Award (children in Kindergarten — 8th grade), Youth Leadership Spotlight Award (youth in grades 9-12), Community Volunteer Spotlight Award (any age) and Entrepreneur or Employee of the Year Award (any age). In March 2024, an overall winner will be selected from the monthly winners. All nominees must live and/or work in Adair, Putnam, Schuyler, Scotland or Sullivan County. Nominations can be made throughout the year by visiting sb40life.org or by contacting a SB40 staff member to assist you. You can also find more information about the four nomination categories by visiting Adair County SB40's website.

REPORTS

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James H. Goers, 62, of Steelville, died when the motorcycle he was operating traveled off the left side of the roadway, struck a ditch, and overturned. Goers was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash. The crash occurred on Hickory Road northeast of Steelville in Crawford County. Dr. White pronounced Goers deceased at Missouri Baptist Hospital in Sullivan.

A 15-year-old male of Unionville, died when the vehicle in which he was a passenger traveled off the right side of the roadway. The driver overcorrected, causing the vehicle to travel off the left side of the roadway and overturn. The juvenile passenger was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The crash oc-

curred on Missouri Highway 5 north of Milan in Sullivan County. Sullivan County Coroner Robert Wyant pronounced the juvenile deceased at the scene. The driver of the vehicle was not wearing a seat belt and sustained minor injuries. The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, Sullivan County Ambulance, and Milan Fire Department assisted at the scene.

Tucker L. Tollerton, 18, of Hannibal, died when the vehicle he was driving traveled off the right side of the roadway. The vehicle returned to the roadway, and Tollerton overcorrected. The vehicle overturned multiple times before traveling off the left side of the roadway and coming to rest. Tollerton was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The crash occurred on Missouri Route M southwest of Hannibal, in Ralls County. A passenger in Tollerton's vehi-

cle was wearing a seat belt and sustained moderate injuries. Dr. Colin Shouster pronounced Tollerton deceased at Hannibal Regional Hospital. Ralls County Sheriff's Office, Center first responders, New London first responders, and Marion County Ambulance assisted at the scene.

Three people died on Sunday, May 28, 2023.

Zachariah A. Hahn, 24, of Farmington, died when the vehicle in which he was a passenger ran off the right side of the roadway. The driver overcorrected and the vehicle struck an embankment and overturned. Hahn was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The crash occurred on Missouri Highway K east of Ellington in Reynolds County. Reynolds County Coroner Jeff McSpadden pronounced Hahn deceased at the scene of the crash. The driver

of the vehicle was not wearing a seat belt and sustained moderate injuries.

Chandra D. Moffet, 42, of St. James, died when the driver of the vehicle in which she was a passenger lost control. The vehicle traveled off the right side of the roadway and overturned. Moffet was not wearing a seat belt and was ejected from the vehicle. The crash occurred on County Road 1140 west of County Road 1090 in Phelps County. Phelps County Coroner Ernie Coverdell pronounced Moffet deceased at the scene. The driver of the vehicle was wearing a seat belt and sustained minor injuries.

Bobbie G. Sullivan, 66, of Springfield, died when the vehicle he was driving traveled off the right side of the roadway. He overcorrected and the vehicle traveled off the left side of the roadway, struck a berm, and overturned. Sul-

livan was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The crash occurred on U.S. Highway 65 north of Branson in Taney County. Taney County Ambulance Paramedic Bobby Berschied pronounced Sullivan deceased at the scene.

One person died on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29, 2023.

Todd K. Nelson, 42, of Amazonia, died when the vehicle he was driving traveled off the right side of the roadway, struck a tree stump, and overturned. Nelson was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The crash occurred on Missouri Route T north of Amazonia in Andrew County. Andrew County Coroner Dr. Doug Johnson pronounced Nelson deceased at the scene. Conservation Agent A. Maupin, the Andrew County Sheriff's Office, and Andrew County first responders assisted at the scene.

EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY, PART 53 –

The Ebey Epilogue

By Blytha Ellis, President
Adair County Historical
Society and Museum

For those who have read the previous Ebey episodes in this history and are vested in the many characters in this story, you may want to know what happened to them, so here is the final chapter.

After Colonel Isaac Ebey's savage beheading at his own home on Whidbey Island, Wash., in 1857, what was the fate of his head? The indigenous people who took it as a trophy, reportedly displayed it in several places, then scalped it, buried the head, and kept only the scalp which consisted of Isaac's long black hair and ears.

Isaac's brother, Winfield, tried numerous times to get Washington territorial officials to send a party north in pursuit of the Indians, or at least try to retrieve his brother's head. Two years after the murder, upset by Washington Territory's failure to act, Winfield gathered petitions for the U.S. Army to take on the task, but to no avail.

Finally, a ship captain named Charles Dodd of the Hudson Bay Co., who knew and respected Colonel Ebey, took on the challenge of trying to trade for the scalp. After several dangerous attempts, Captain Dodd was finally successful. On Oct. 8, 1859, he anchored near the Kake tribal village on Kupreanof Island. The following was noted in the ship's journal: "Shortly after midnight, a canoe with 3 men came to the steamer with the scalp of Col. Ebey to sell to Capt. Dodd. They have succumbed to their characteristic love of property and parted with their highly prized trophy for these articles, 6 blankets, 3 pipes, 1 cotton handkerchief, 6 heads of tobacco, 1 fathom of cotton."

In January 1860, the Washington Territorial Legislature publicly thanked Capt. Dodd by passing a resolution which praised his "bravery, gallantry, and acts of humanity in having hazarded his own life, that of his crew, and the probable destruction of his vessel, in his untiring endeavors to procure the scalp of the lamented Col. Isaac N. Ebey."

On April 5, 1860, Capt. Dodd had the scalp delivered to Winfield Ebey by a friend, A. M. Poe. Winfield wrote in his diary, "Mr. Poe brings my brother's scalp which was recovered from the Northern Indians by Captain Dodd. At last this memento is received. At last a portion of the mutilated remains of my dear brother is returned. The skin of the head is entirely contained, the ears and most of the hair. The hair looks quite natural. It is a sad memento of the past." Two months later, it was learned that Captain Dodd had died. Winfield lamented this death as he wrote that he had wished to thank him in person for what he had done.

Winfield had always wanted to prospect for gold, but he dutifully remained on Whidbey Island to look after his parents. His mother, Sarah (Blue) Ebey, died in 1859. Hetty, the little invalid daughter of Isaac and Rebecca Ebey, who was raised by her grandparents, died of tuberculosis in 1861 at age 7. Winfield's father, Jacob Neff Ebey, died in 1862. Seven months after Jacob died, Winfield's sister, Ruth Ebey, who had been deaf all her life and lacked the ability to speak, fell down a bluff on Whidbey Island and died five weeks later.



After this, Winfield and his brother-in-law, Urban Bozarth, who also came from Adair County, Mo., went to fulfill their dreams of panning for gold in Oregon's John Day River and the Powder River area. They made a small amount of money, and this satisfied their belated gold fever.

After experiencing the physical labor of prospecting for gold, Winfield's latent tuberculosis reactivated. His diary records that he went to California and saw several doctors, seeking a cure, but his illness and pain increased. He wrote his last letter to his sister, Mary (Ebey) Bozarth, on Jan. 20, 1865, stating "I should like to live longer, but death must come upon us sooner or later." He told his family to sell his cattle. He died at the home of a friend in Petaluma, Calif., on Feb. 21, 1865. He was only 33.

Winfield's body was shipped back to his sister, Mary, on Whidbey Island for burial by his parents. It was at this time that Mary created Sunnyside Cemetery on her father's farm for all of her family. She donated the cemetery to Island County, Wash., in 1869. Mary inherited Isaac's scalp from Winfield, then passed it on to her daughter, Almira Wright. It seems that Urban Bozarth became the "fixer" in the family at various times. His step-son, Polk Wright, who had been 9 when the family crossed the plains and 12 when his Uncle was murdered, wrestled with his own demons and was eventually determined to be insane, Urban took him to a mental facility at Chico, Calif., near his estranged father, Thomas S. Wright. Polk died there at age 26 in Nov. 1871 and is buried in the same cemetery as his father.

The end of the story for the Davis brothers was also not pleasant. These were Thomas, James and John Davis, the three brothers of Rebecca (Davis) Ebey, wife of Colonel Isaac Ebey. James suffered from insanity and Thomas from tuberculosis. Both moved to Hawaii where they died in 1862. John Davis inherited James' claim on Whidbey Island, but he was deemed mentally unstable. In 1867, Urban took him to the Washington Territorial Insane Asylum in Monticello and committed him; he died there the following year and was interred in the asylum burying ground.

Urban Bozarth was stricken with a stroke while in church in 1870 at the age of 50. He died the next day and was buried at Sunnyside. Mary (Ebey) Wright Bozarth died in San Francisco in 1879 and is buried at Sunnyside.

At age 15, Almira Wright, daughter of Mary (Ebey) Wright Bozarth, had married her 1st cousin, once removed, George Beam, who had traveled across the plains with them. He was the son of Jacob Ebey's sister and a 1st cousin of her mother. They had three children. George farmed the land claim of Almira's grandfather, Jacob Ebey. He



was assigned as the guardian of Isaac's sons, Eason and Ellison, after their father's death. George also served in the Washington State Legislature but died in 1866 at age 34 and is buried by his cousin, Winfield Ebey. Almira then moved to San Francisco and married a banker named Abraham Enos. Almira died in 1909 and is also buried at Sunnyside. She was the last-known owner of Isaac Ebey's scalp. After this, its location is unknown.

After the murder of Isaac Ebey, his second wife, Emily, took her daughter, Anna, and left Whidbey Island, never to return. The home she had so loved in the beginning was now a nightmare to her. No one ever lived in that home again. Emily remarried to a prominent coroner in The Dalles. She died in 1863 of tuberculosis and was buried in a remote location by her brother.

Soon after Isaac's death, Winfield Ebey had taken the boards from Isaac's house and built an inn a short distance away where travelers could stay after docking at Ebey's Landing. Named the Ferry Inn, it also served as a grocery store for the area. Winfield built this so that the profits of the inn would support his brother's two minor sons, Eason and Ellison, until they were grown. Later, it was operated by Ellison Ebey and his wife. This inn still stands today as an historic landmark, but is not in use. However, it was once used in a film many years later called "Snowflakes Falling on Cedars" (1999).

Both Eason and Ellison Ebey married and had families, but both died in their forties of tuberculosis – Ellison in 1890 and is buried at Sunnyside Cemetery and Eason in 1893 and is buried in a cemetery with his wife's family in Washington.

One might wonder what happened to Samuel Black Crockett who was the first in this story to leave Northeast Mo. and started the Ebey migration to the Pacific Northwest. He married late in life to a young lady 30 years his junior, and they had a son, Herbert, in 1880. The child died a year later which devastated Samuel. He died in 1903 at the age of 83 in King County, Wash. He also kept a diary of his 1844 journey over the Oregon Trail.

The Ebey papers and letters, as well as Winfield's diaries, were donated to the University of Washington by Edith (Beam) Park, daughter of Almira (Wright) Beam Enos, who kept all of these historical items together.

Ebey's Landing is now a State Park in Washington, a tribute to Isaac Ebey, the man who was the first sheriff of Adair County, Mo.

(Next time: William Henry Parcels and the Lincoln Connection)

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TURNING THE PAGE

This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

105 Years Ago, May 30, 1918

William H. Hertle of Kirksville was the only defendant indicted out of the four Kirksville men who were taken to Hannibal, Missouri to appear before a federal grand jury on charges of making disloyal utterances against the United States Government. Hertle was arraigned and placed under \$2,000 bond to await trial in Federal Court. At his trial the following week, Hertle pled guilty to the charges against him. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail and was fined \$200. He served his sentence in the Huntsville, Missouri jail.

105 Years Ago, June 3, 1918

Several men were arrested by Sheriff Shoop and Deputy Sheriff Calvin while engaged in an alleged crap game about one mile northwest of Kirksville. The men arrested were H. E. Struble, Carl Mitchell, John Lewis, Jack Custard, James Burgin, Lem Muir, John Daugherty, Orley Foster, Jim Daugherty, and Anthony Pollard. After receiving a tip that the crap game was in progress, officers located the men and crawled through the brush nearby and watched the men play for an hour and a half. Convinced that a crap game was in progress the officers raised up with their guns and told the men to sit still while they raked in all the money in sight--\$1.25.

90 Years Ago, June 1, 1933

The Kirksville branch of the Wabash Railroad Company announced its plan to immediately discontinue four passenger trains in and out of Kirksville. The Wabash, which fifteen or twenty years previous, enjoyed the business of eight passenger trains daily in and out of Kirksville, was left with only two, and both were night trains. Before the advent of the automobile and the big buses every passenger train coming into Kirksville typically unloaded many passengers, and there would be equally as many get on the train to depart. Big trucks had taken away much of the railway freight business. The remaining passenger trains would not carry mail, as the trucking business had already taken over that previous aspect of rail mail service.

80 Years Ago, June 4, 1943

All available men, women, and high school students in Kirksville who could spare the time were asked to register at the Adair County Extension Office to help Adair County farmers with their farm work. Heavy rains and cold weather damaged the first plantings, and many farmers were unable to get their crops in because of the wet weather. World War II was in its midst and food was desperately needed to ship around the world to feed American servicemen. Town women were asked to help aid farm wives by cooking and doing household chores to free up the farm wives to help their husbands in the fields and tend livestock. Persons who volunteered to do the farm work were paid regular farm labor wages.

75 Years Ago, June 3, 1948

Five men living in the southwest part of Adair County were arrested and charged with using dynamite to catch fish in the Chariton River between Yarrow and Gifford. The men were arrested on warrants issued based on information furnished by a deputy state conservation agent. They were alleged to have used whole sticks of dynamite in the river. The men waived their preliminary hearing when arraigned in Magistrate Court and were released on \$1,000 bond each. A June circuit court appearance date was set.



50 Years Ago, June 3, 1973

Two rural Kirksville girls and their father became hostages of 26-year-old Carl Allen McClure, an escaped prisoner from the Moberly Training Center for Men. McClure walked away from a baseball game at Robinson Field in Kirksville and headed east along the tracks of the Burlington Northern railroad after eluding guards. At some time in the night, McClure took refuge in the Bullion Methodist Church several miles east of Kirksville. The next morning Jim Young dropped off his daughters, Nancy, 18, and Martha, 16, at the church for their usual weekly cleaning job. When they went downstairs to get brooms, McClure stopped them at knifepoint and ordered Martha to tie her sister up in a chair. He then took Martha upstairs and tied her to a chair. After he had the girls secured, he calmed down and Martha began conversing with the convict. She told him she was taking a Spanish course in school. He asked her to say something in Spanish which she did. This seemed to break the ice between the two. Martha told McClure that her wrists were getting sore from being tied up, and she asked him to untie her, which he did. She then told him she was thirsty, and he followed her downstairs where they each drank punch. McClure began to get worried about the girls' father returning to pick them up. When Jim Young came to pick up his daughters, McClure had Martha bring her father into the room where Nancy was tied up while he held a knife to her throat. He then had Martha tie her father up. He then tied Martha up, took Jim Young's pickup truck, and left the scene. McClure was apprehended near Novelty, Missouri later that day and returned to the detention center in Moberly.

30 Years Ago, June 1, 1993

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, including member George Johnson of Kirksville, placed 922 American and Confederate flags in nineteen Adair County cemeteries in commemoration of Memorial Day. Johnson, whose great-great grandfathers fought on opposite sides during the Civil War are buried on opposite sides of the Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery in Kirksville.

30 Years Ago, June 6, 1993

Rhonda and Darrin Vincent of Queen City were pictured on the front page of the Kirksville Daily Express with Dolly Parton. The Vincents had just recorded an album "Slow Dancing with the Moon," with Dolly, and the recording company predicted that it would be a triple platinum, selling over three million copies. Vincent said that the invitation from Parton to sing came in a message she received on her answering machine: "Hello, my name is Dolly Parton. I want you to come to Nashville to sing with me." Rhonda Vincent's next performance was to be an appearance at the 7th Annual Bluegrass Music Festival at Sally Mountain Park west of Queen City, June 30-July 5, 1993.

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While funding was always scarce, in 2004, after the state enacted Senate Bill 40, which allowed counties to vote on a property tax to support developmentally-disabled individuals, the organization became a primary force behind the passage of the county tax, which is used to help sustain local non-profits that served the local developmentally-disabled community. Once passed, the Adair County SB40 board was created to distribute the funds to deserving non-profits. Community Opportunities benefited greatly from the subsidies provided from the tax and in "normal" years, it accounted for approximately a sixth of their income.

This past year though, with natural gas prices soaring to heights unseen in the past — just in time for winter — and other unexpected expenses slamming the organization in waves, their request for subsidies from the SB40 board became more frequent and in substantially higher amounts until the board had to make the hard decision to say no to its last request of some \$50,000 in emergency funding.

Out of desperation, cuts were made to the hours of their employees and more cuts were made in other areas of the budget as well, temporarily taking a small amount of pressure off but causing a reduction in services that were essential to the group's mission.

Curtis, whose background is in the medical field, joined Community Opportunities two years ago and has endured the unwelcome changes while continually seeking new funding sources. The organization has a contract to assemble straps for masks that are sent to Columbia where the finished product is put together. They have started a detailing business and have been successful in securing cars and boats on a consistent basis to keep employees working. They have begun a janitorial business, contracting with a handful of local businesses and organizations to provide cleaning services and they have accepted other temporary work that helped fill coffers. They have always been and still are open to hearing proposals and contracting with business that are struggling to find workers to fulfill mundane, repetitive tasks that don't require highly-skilled labor. But it is their recycling program that is their biggest moneymaker while also being its most costly endeavor.

From glass, to aluminum, cardboard, paper,



A worker at Community Opportunities details a boat. The company details cars, boats, etc. by appointment.

plastic, electronics, Community Opportunities provides almost every kind of recycling service imaginable, collecting, sorting and baling the leftover products of everyday life, keeping it out of landfills and protecting the local environment. For a nominal fee they provide bins and receptacles to many of the local businesses in Kirksville, Adair County and many surrounding cities and counties, collecting what would otherwise be trash and recycling it into new life. They even collect the grease from local restaurants in the area, recycling it as well.

Local businesses have been generous with the organizations as well, with Kraft-Heniz recently donating a much-needed baler to the group to wrap up the cardboard that fills a large portion of the back warehouse.

"From seven o'clock in the morning until three o'clock in the afternoon, that baler runs cardboard — that's all it runs," Curtis said. "And we're having a hard time keeping up with that."

But falling prices for cardboard and other recyclable material has fallen in recent months, causing even more trouble for the already financially-strapped organization.

"When you're getting \$3,500 a load and then you're getting \$900 a load, that's huge," Curtis said, noting again that the cost of natural gas rose at the same time prices fell. With a warehouse that has trucks continually coming and going at the warehouse docks, the garage doors have to remain open even on the coldest days of winter, forcing the furnace to work overtime.

In addition to their employees, the organization has a small roster of volunteers that donate their time and vehicles to help stretch dollars for the group. They also receive donations from people in the community and some funding from the local United Way.



A baler for cardboard on the left and one for plastic on the right.

"We've been an agency in the United Way for as long as I can remember," Curtis said.

Overseeing 47 employees with developmental disabilities comes with its challenges. Curtis began a "wellness program" because oftentimes the employees would have nothing but cookies or similar fixings for lunch. The kitchen stocks snacks and every couple of weeks they provide a full, balanced meal for the employees. While ramen noodles don't exactly fit her definition of healthy, she keeps them in the kitchen so that the employees have something to eat when they otherwise wouldn't.

"We make sure that they have something to eat," she said.

Employees are paid the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour, almost half of which is subsidized by Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in Jefferson City. Despite all the help and assistance from agencies big and small, the bills keep piling up and the needs never stop growing. While government subsidies ease the pain of some costs, government mandates ne-

gate many benefits. Serving a rural area brings additional difficulties not suffered by the larger locales in the state.

"We don't have big corporate companies that we can pull from like Kansas City, St. Louis, Columbia," Curtis said.

Still, her outlook for Community Opportunities, while given up for dead by some folks of influence, is one of continuing to provide for the community and the employees that they serve.

"I want to say this community has been very supportive — very supportive," Curtis said. "By the time Monday morning gets here, our cages are overflowing. We actually come in on a lot of Sundays and remove all the totes and put fresh totes out there. And we'll have anywhere from 10 to 15 bags of plastic and cans that we need to bring on the inside so they're not left out there."

To the critics of the operation, Curtis says she just wants to work together with them.

"We need to work together, and yes, we do need assistance," she said, noting that all donations are received with "much" appreciation. "The prima-



A worker at Community Opportunities loads cardboard on a conveyor belt.



A worker at Community Opportunities unloads a truck full of cardboard.

ry thing to do is employ these people. That's what we do and we do a service to the community."

Curtis said that while she had hoped to retire a few years ago, she has no regrets for taking on the position at Community Opportunities.

"When you walk in the door, you are met with such positivity... I mean these employees, they're

always happy to be here," she said. "They work hard, they show up, they never complain. I've worked with some good people but I don't know of any group of people I've worked with that do that. There's a sense of family and safety here."

To make a donation to Community Opportunities or to volunteer or help in anyway, contact Arthythe Curtis at 660-665-5768.

Kirksville Real Estate Auction

Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Sam and Barbara Wilson

Directions: 7 Hills Way, Kirksville, Missouri. From US Highway 63 at Kirksville, follow Highway 11 approximately 3.7 miles East, turn right on 7 Hills Way to the property. Watch for signs to the auction location.

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Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

The Estate of Andrew Coy

Directions: 1964 State Highway N, Kirksville, Missouri. South

Green Castle Real Estate & Personal Property Auction

Thur., June 22, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

Carol Blaha and the late Bill Griggs

Directions: 18946 Caribou Trail, Green Castle, Missouri. From Missouri Highway 6, turn South on Highway 149 the turn South on Caribou trail to the property. Watch for signs the day of the auction.

REAL ESTATE: This 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 28' x 65' has a 48' x 5' covered porch and a deck to enjoy the awesome views of the 40 acres +/- plus all of the surrounding properties. It sits on a full unfinished, insulated basement, a 28' x 25' detached garage and a 40' x 40' outbuilding with 3 large sliding doors and walk through door. Included with the home are the refrigerator, gas oven/range, washer and dryer.

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VEHICLES AND TRAILERS: 1999 Ford Ranger XLT 4x4, 152,xxx miles, automatic, extended cab with bedliner, like new tires, 4.0 engine,step side, very little rust, nice pickup; 1999 Chevy Silverado 1500 4x4, shows 126,xxx miles, bed liner, miles unknown, passenger side has dents, truck shows some rust; 2004 Hyundai Santa Fe 3.5L, automatic, shows 129,xxx miles, currently has front end damage-plans to repair prior to auction; 6' x 18' tandem axle car trailer with 16' deck.

TRACTORS & OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT: 3 point bale carrier; Kiowani 3 point 6 foot balde; County Line 3 point 5' blade; County Line 3 point land rake 4'; 2720 John Deere tractor 4WD with front end loader, bucket and pallet forks, 72" belly mower, shows only 123 hours (SN 72720R306596); 5' 3 point brush hog; John Deere D140 riding lawnmower with 48" deck, shows 15.3 hours; Coleman gas powered generator; Sears front tine tiller; Husky yard cart; dried, rough cut lumber; lawn sweeper; pull-type seeder.

TOOLS & EQUIPMENT: Ridgid 8,000 running watts, electric start, gas powered generator; various hand tools; Craftsman 2 tier tool chest; Craftsman roll around tool cabinet; Stihl FS45 weed eater; Ryobi battery operated pole saw; misc long handled tools; large Craftsman 2 tier roll around tool chest; Porter Cable pancake air compressor; wooden work bench with drawers; Lincoln 220 arc welder; aluminum step ladder; various woodworking clamps; adjustable squares; Drimmel tools; chisels; files; Ryobi 18v cordless drill; Ryobi 18V hammer drill; Craftsman radial arm saw; Porter Cable pancake air compressor; Craftsman 12" handsaw; Craftsman 2 tier tool chest; small adjustable roll around cart; Craftsman biscuit joiner; Craftsman grinder; Snap On drill bits; Ridgid floor model drill press; Ryobi router on stand; Mikita router on stand; Craftsman 38" wood lathe; Jet 38" wood lathe; lathe tools; various work tables; Ryobi combination miter saw; aluminum portable scaffold; Freud plunger router; Ryobi plunger router; Ryobi 18 V router; Ryobi 2000 PSI electric power washer; Craftsman wet/dry vac

HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS: pine hall bench with storage; 6 qt Kitchenaid mixer with attachments; various kitchenware items; Food Saver; Mr. Coffee coffee maker; blender; Pyrex baking ware; various pots and pans; marble cutting board and rolling pin; oak dining table with 4 roll around swivel chairs; two roll around microwave carts; microfiber couch; two electric reclining lift chairs; pine coffee table; tv stand; 50" flat screen Vizio TV; two pine end tables with drawers; MPEX 709 recumbent bicycle; misc BBQ utensils; two Cuisinart slow cookers; nutcrackers; wooden desk; metal desk; Brother portable sewing machine; Bissell steamer; Dancing Santa and Mrs. Clause; Bark Bath portable dog bath by Bissell; wooden book shelf; futon; two quilt racks; small TV stand; toaster oven; Vizio 32" flat screen TV; Bissell shampooer; two box fans; 5 drawer chest of drawers; 3 drawer oak chest of drawers; Vizio 32" flat screen TV; TV stand; Serta 2 twin electric adjustable beds on base; lamps; GE refrigerator freezer; Frigidaire upright freezer; Magic Chef dorm refrigerator; Christmas decorations


ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES: Louis L'Amour box set of books; Woodworker's Journal Classic collector's series coins; Terry Redlin 1991 "Autumn Evening" 16232/29500; Terry Redlin "Homeward Bound"; Signed horse and foal print; antique 8' x 24" display cabinet glass top

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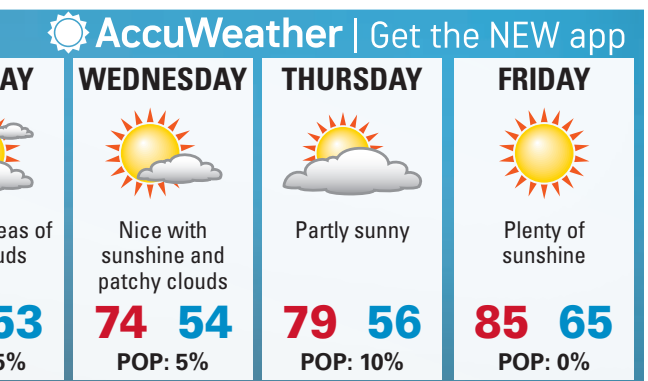
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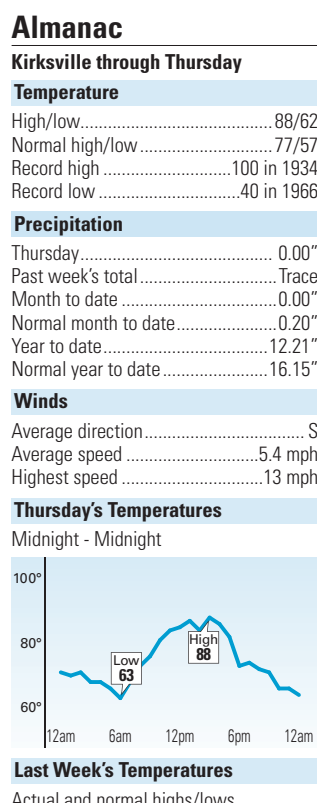
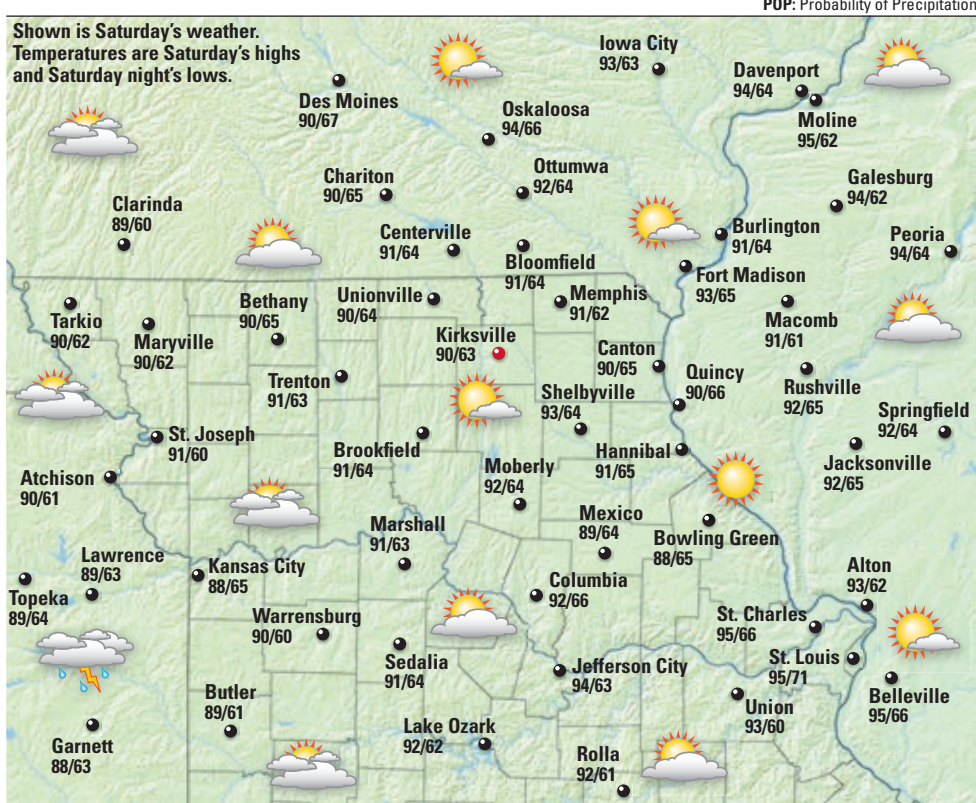
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SATURDAY	SAT. NIGHT	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mostly sunny and hot	A moonlit sky	Partly sunny and very warm	Sunny to partly cloudy	Sun and areas of high clouds	Nice with sunshine and patchy clouds	Partly sunny	Plenty of sunshine
HIGH: 90	LOW: 63	89 65	88 66	83 53	74 54	79 56	85 65
POP: 0%	POP: 0%	POP: 5%	POP: 20%	POP: 25%	POP: 5%	POP: 10%	POP: 0%





The Region

City	Sat. Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Branson	92/62/pc	93/64/pc
Burlington, IA	91/64/s	88/67/s
Cape Girardeau	94/68/s	93/68/s
Carbondale	91/67/s	91/65/s
Cedar Rapids	93/62/s	89/65/pc
Champaign	93/66/pc	93/60/s
Chicago	89/63/pc	83/59/s
Columbia	92/66/pc	92/65/s
Danville	91/65/s	88/57/s
Davenport	94/64/pc	87/66/s
Decatur	92/66/pc	92/62/s
Des Moines	90/67/s	88/67/pc
Evansville	94/69/s	93/68/s
Galesburg	94/62/s	93/64/s
Green Bay	88/59/pc	85/63/s
Indianapolis	92/65/s	87/59/pc
Iowa City	93/63/pc	89/66/pc
Jefferson City	94/63/pc	91/64/s
Joliet	92/62/s	87/59/s
Kansas City	88/65/pc	90/67/pc
Lafayette, IN	92/62/s	87/56/pc
Lincoln	94/65/pc	92/61/s
Madison	93/64/pc	91/63/s
Milwaukee	80/60/pc	79/60/pc
Omaha	90/66/t	91/64/pc
Ottumwa	92/64/s	88/66/c
Peoria	94/64/pc	92/63/s
Rockford	92/61/pc	88/57/s
St. Louis	95/71/s	91/70/s
Springfield, IL	92/64/pc	90/61/s
Springfield, MO	90/65/pc	90/64/pc
Topeka	89/64/t	90/66/c
Wichita	82/65/t	83/63/t

The Nation

City	Sat. Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Albany, NY	71/51/sh	74/48/pc
Albuquerque	81/57/pc	82/59/t
Anchorage	58/47/c	61/46/s
Atlanta	90/68/pc	83/65/t
Baltimore	79/56/t	78/55/pc
Billings	70/55/r	73/57/t
Birmingham	92/66/pc	91/68/pc
Boise	78/60/c	81/56/t
Boston	56/48/r	55/50/sh
Buffalo	78/52/c	75/51/pc
Charleston, SC	84/65/pc	78/60/c
Charleston, WV	89/62/t	84/59/s
Charlotte	90/64/pc	77/59/pc
Cleveland	81/57/s	76/55/pc
Columbia	90/63/pc	82/56/pc
Columbus	91/64/t	85/61/s
Dallas	85/69/t	85/67/t
Denver	58/49/t	68/52/t
Detroit	87/57/pc	79/55/s
Fargo	93/68/pc	93/68/pc
Grand Rapids	89/59/t	86/57/s
Hartford	64/45/sh	70/49/c
Honolulu	85/71/pc	84/73/sh
Houston	93/71/pc	87/69/pc
Jackson, MS	91/66/pc	92/68/pc
Jacksonville	81/69/t	78/65/t
Las Vegas	97/75/s	97/76/pc
Little Rock	94/67/pc	97/70/pc
Los Angeles	73/58/pc	73/59/pc
Louisville	92/69/s	92/65/c
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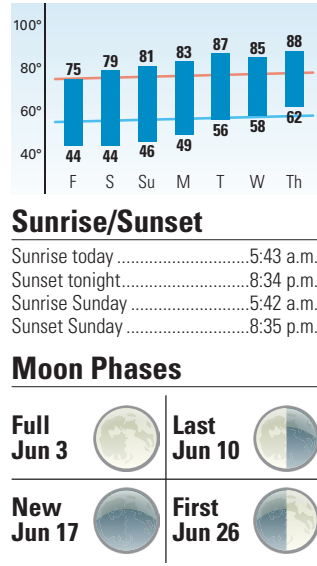
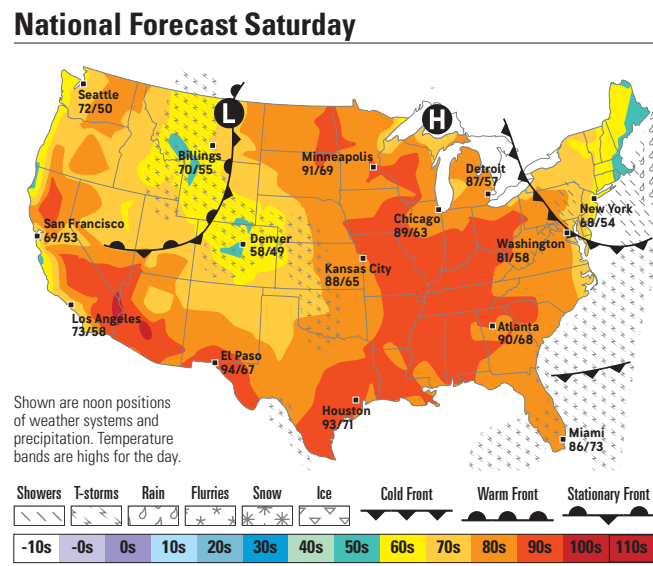
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Promise City	25	3.00	none
Mississippi River			
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Quincy	19	12.50	-0.10
Quincy Lock & Dam	18	11.20	-0.10

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Zonked boyfriend seems content with status quo

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating a man for more than two years, and I thought we had a future together. I'm 57, divorced, no kids. He's 58, divorced and has two grown children. At first, he said he was living with his parents so he could take care of his dad, who had been very ill. But it has been more than three years now!

I put bids on four different houses in his parents' neighborhood, but lost all of them. It seems the universe is not in favor of my owning a home and being closer to his family. Maybe all of this is for the best. He smokes marijuana daily, and I'm sure this is part (if not all) of the problem. His motivation for doing anything is very low.

I'm often frustrated with his unreliability, lateness and lack of communication. I do enjoy being



with him, and we get along great when we are together. But nothing is CHANGING. I want a future (and a home) with someone at this point in my life. Should I keep waiting and hoping, or move on and end it with him completely? I'm struggling with the decision. I have tried to break up with him multiple times, but we always wind up together again. -- ANXIOUS IN ARIZONA

DEAR ANXIOUS: I am struggling with whether to tell you what to do, which is what you are asking, or help you to make up your own

mind and take responsibility for your decision. Start by making a list of what your goals are, in order of importance. Next, write down how many of them you have achieved during the time you have been with this stoner. How many of your goals match his?

He may not be a bad person, but he appears to be comfortable with living with his parents for the foreseeable future. I understand that you like hanging out with him, and if that is all you want from him, then it's fine. However, if it isn't, then tell him you need more than what he has to offer, and move on -- and this time, make it stick.

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You Had One Job

Residents in Haleshorpe, Maryland, are frustrated with the progress of a new bridge on U.S. Route 1, WBAL-TV reported. They've been waiting for months for the bridge to fully open, but a tiny error stands in the way. The bridge crosses over CSX railroad tracks, which require a minimum of 23 feet of vertical clearance, and it was built 1 1/2 inches too short. CSX has halted the remaining construction to complete the bridge, according to a Maryland Department of Transportation engineer. "I understand you get hiccups, but ... this is not a hiccup. This is a mistake. Somebody needs to be held accountable and it needs to be taken care of," said resident Desiree Collins. "You have engineers. This should not have happened." The State Highway Administration now estimates completion in late 2023 or early 2024.

The Passing Parade

High school seniors in Marlin, Texas, are getting a few extra days of school tacked on, KWTX-TV reported on May 23. The reason: Twenty-eight of the 33 seniors -- about 85% -- were not eligible to graduate, according to an audit performed by the Marlin Independent School District, because they had failed or neglected to complete a course or they had too

many absences. The ceremony, originally scheduled for May 25, will take place sometime in June. "They told us that because of the students that didn't meet the requirements, it wouldn't be fair for only five students to walk the stage," said Alondra Alvarado, who is eligible to graduate. Victoria Banda, whose son did not meet the requirements, said they were given very little notice about the change in plans. They had family "traveling in from Mexico" for the original ceremony -- "and if anyone knows, it's not cheap," she said. Administrators hope the extra time will allow the majority of students to meet the state's requirements.

News You Can Use

Beer. Need we say more? OK, there's more. Researchers examining paintings from the Dutch Golden Age have discovered that artists preparing their canvases often used discarded material from local breweries, the Associated Press reported. They found traces of yeast, wheat, rye and barley, which would have been spread as a paste over the canvas to prevent the paint from seeping through. Scientists believe the Danish Academy of Fine Arts bought leftover mash from breweries and used it to ready canvases for artists such as Christoffer Wilhelm Eckersberg and Christen Schiellerup Kobke.

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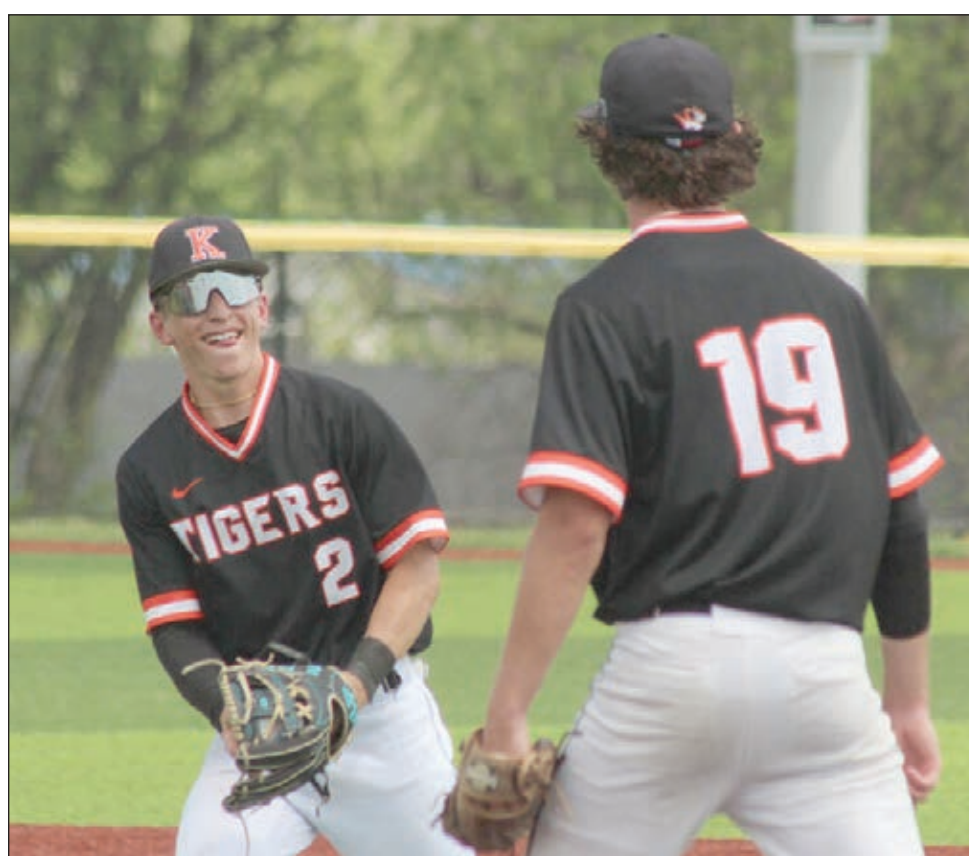
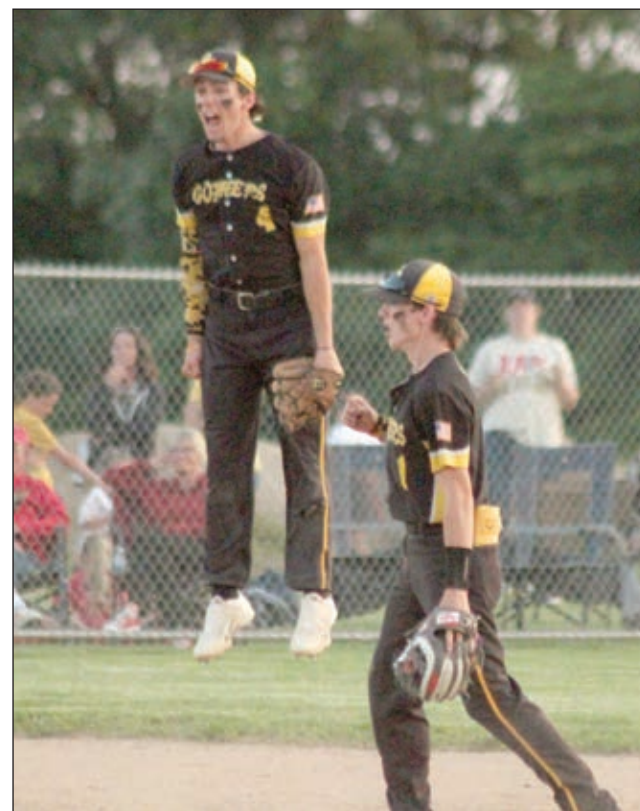
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Ten years later, back golfing at the Country Club

By Sarah Hill

Kirksville native, Curt Hill (son of Cindy and Gaylen Hill) joined his two sons for the annual 3-man Scramble at the Kirksville Country Club May 18. They re-enacted a photo from the tournament 10 years ago, in the exact same spot.



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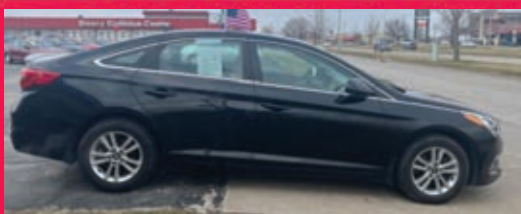
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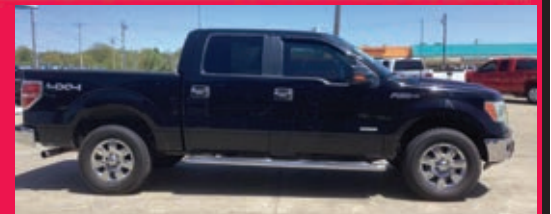
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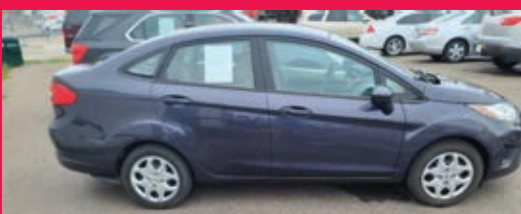
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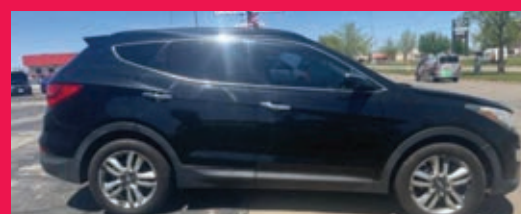
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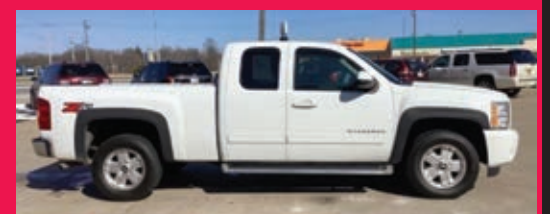
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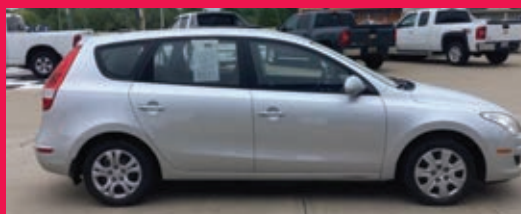
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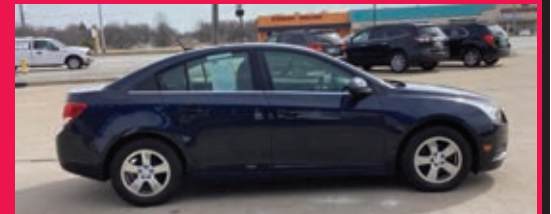
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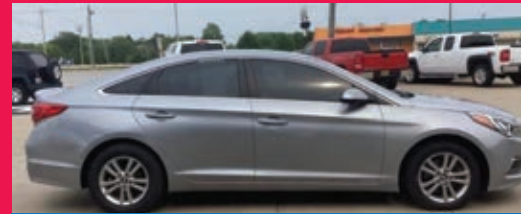
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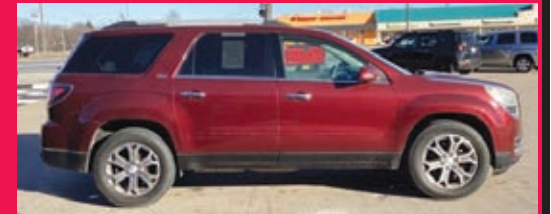
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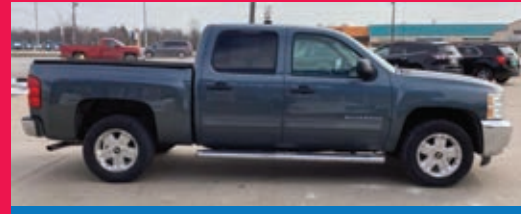
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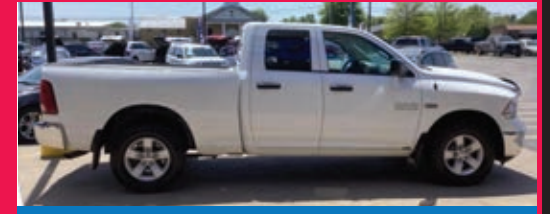
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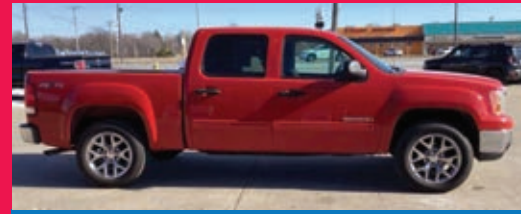
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Oakland A's quickly becoming ugliest story in sports

There is more than one way to be a bad team. There are several bad teams in MLB this season, as there always is, but one stands out above, or rather below, the rest.

The 2023 Oakland Athletics are on pace to be one of the worst teams in the history of organized professional sports. Through 58 games, the A's are 12-46 and have become a deep embarrassment for baseball. If they continue at this pace, they will finish the season with a 34-128. This would make them the worst MLB team in the modern era.

The 1962 Mets have this dubious record with their record of 40-120 in their first season in the league. Should the 2023 A's finish with only 34 wins, there would be only three teams ever to post fewer wins in a full season. None of those teams played a 162-game season, and all of them played in the 19th Century.

The 1897 St. Louis Browns went 29-102. Seven years prior, the Pittsburgh Alleghenys went 23-113. The 1899 Cleveland Spiders went 20-134. The 2023 A's will be able to be better than all of these teams, but would still be the worst team since the William McKinley administration.

This terrible, horrible, no good, very bad team is providing a lot of negative attention to baseball this season. The A's have been pretty bad for a few years, but their failure has been by design.

The A's won 97 games in both 2018 and 2019, obviously making the playoffs in both seasons. They made the playoffs again in the pandemic-shortened 2020 season, going 36-24. They missed the postseason in 2021 while still going a respectable 86-76, but then tore it down. They were 60-102 last season before their historically abysmal start to this season.

The A's have had a great amount of talent recently, but instead of signing those players to extensions or trying to build on their talented cores via trades or free agency, sent every notable player packing.

Their top player by WAR in 2018 was third baseman Matt Chapman, who is now slugging his way toward an MVP caliber season in Toronto. In 2019, their best

player was Marcus Semien. He also went to Toronto and is now helping lead the Rangers to the second-best record in baseball.

Pitcher Chris Bassitt, the team's top player in 2020 is now, unsurprisingly, in Toronto and pitching very well. First baseman Matt Olson was the team's top player in 2021. They signed him to an extension. I'm kidding. He's in Atlanta and has helped place his new team in first place. Olson's Atlanta teammate Sean Murphy was the A's top player as a catcher in 2022.

If the A's had held on to some, not even all, of these players, they could be in a very good position for the next several seasons. Instead, owner John Fisher seems content to make his organization a laughing stock. Why?

Well, Fisher is in the process of moving the A's to Las Vegas, joining former Bay Area neighbors the Raiders of the NFL. Moving a team from the Bay Area, the 10th-largest media market in the country, to Las Vegas, the 40th-largest, sure does sound stupid.

The A's lease in Oakland is up next year, and instead of building a new ballpark to house a winning team that draws big crowds, Fisher has forced fans to avoid the Oakland Coliseum like the plague. It is one of the very worst facilities in the sport, but if the team was winning and playing meaningful baseball late into the season, it would certainly be more full.

Instead the stands are almost empty every game, with a number of the fans in attendance holding signs voicing their displeasure with Fisher and the way the team is being run. Even former A's players, Bassitt among them, have spoken about how unfortunate the situation is.

The A's are simply moving for financial reasons. California is a difficult place to get public money for stadium projects, and god forbid the billionaire owner just pay for the thing himself. No, that won't do at all. But Vegas is willing to foot the bill. Private investment could possibly have been an avenue to remain in Oakland, even with high real estate prices.

Maybe if the A's had retained their core of talented players and had been selling out



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games the last few seasons, investors would have been more likely to chip in. But who wants to fund a new stadium for the most pathetic organization in baseball?

Vegas is probably a terrible market for baseball, but Fisher does not care. Will tourists really show up in droves to attend A's games in Vegas? The correct answer is probably no, especially considering the stain the A's name now carries. The Las Vegas Golden Knights have been a success for the NHL, but their arrival in Vegas as an expansion team is different from the re-locating A's. The Raiders have been near the bottom of the NFL in ticket sales since their move from Oakland, where they were usually near the top.

The A's fans are in a terrible situation. Rooting for their team has become difficult given the fact that they almost never win. And why should these fans continue to root for the A's once they move? Why should they put their money into the pocket of an owner who subjected them to a historically bad product for a couple of years just to make a little more money for himself?

The players are also in a tough spot. Many of them are just not major league talents. Some will be in the future, and some are finding a modicum of success right now, although everyone is focused on the team's terrible record.

These players are not stupid. They know they are there to lose, and are in the impossible position of trying to win and maintain their pride when they are at a talent disadvantage every game. This is their livelihood, and they are being forced to be a part of a team that will go down in history as a black eye on the sport.

There are no winners in this story. Fisher might be a winner in some ways, but also everyone hates his guts and will forever. He should be ashamed of himself, but something tells me that he will sleep just fine with his estimated \$2.2 billion net worth. If I were him, I'd sleep better knowing that I did the right thing by the fans of my team.

Athletics hosts multiple camps during the summer

By Truman State University Athletics



Men's basketball will host Elite camp for boys entering ninth-12th grade will take place 1-5 p.m. Aug. 6 in Pershing Arena.

Women's basketball will host five different camps throughout the summer. High school team camp will take place June 9-10. Elite camp for girls entering grades ninth-12th will take place 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. June 11. Youth camp for residential and commuter girls entering third-eighth will take place 9 a.m.-4 p.m. June 12-15. There is also an option for half day from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Guard and post camp for girls entering ninth-12th will take place from 2:30-5 p.m. Aug. 19. Elite camp for girls entering ninth-12th will take place from 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 20. Each camp will take place in Pershing Arena.

Volleyball will host three camps. Pup camp for boys and girls ages five-12 will take place 9-11 a.m. July 10-12. High school team camp will take place July 17-19. Overnight Elite camp for girls ages 13-18 will take place July 19-21. Each camp will take place in Pershing Arena.

Men's soccer will host an overnight camp for boys entering grades nine-12th and above from July 14-16.

Women's soccer will host an overnight camp for girls entering ninth-12th July 21-23. Check-in for both soccer camps will take place at 1 p.m. July 14 in Missouri Hall.

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SEC to play 8-game conference football schedule in 2024; long-term model still TBD

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DESTIN, Fla. — The Southeastern Conference will play eight league games in 2024 when it expands to 16 teams with the additions of Oklahoma and Texas, but beyond that the schedule model is still to be determined.

Commissioner Greg Sankey said Thursday, the second-to-last day of the SEC's spring meetings, that the conference's university presidents unanimously voted to implement a short-term solution to a scheduling conundrum that has been debated within the league for more than a year.

SEC leaders have been trying to decide between a nine-game conference schedule that would include three annual rivalry games and an eight-game model with one annual rivalry game.

"Our long-term options are fully open," Sankey said.

He also said, confidently, a long-term scheduling model would be hashed before the conference returns to the Florida Panhandle this time next year.

"Nobody wants to go through this every year," Sankey said.

Football matchups for the 2024 season will be released on June 14 on the SEC Network, without exact dates. Sankey said traditional rivalries such as Alabama-Auburn

and Mississippi-Mississippi State would be honored.

"Are you asking me: Are we not going to play the Iron bowl and Egg Bowl? I won't be the commissioner if that happens," Sankey said.

Sankey would not commit to a renewal of the Texas-Texas A&M rivalry, which has not been played since the Aggies left the Big 12 for the SEC in 2012.

"I'm pretty confident they'll play before (2026) though," Sankey said.

Other yearly rivalries such as Alabama-Tennessee, Georgia-Auburn and Ole Miss-LSU could be worked into the 2024 schedule as well, but are not as likely as they would have been with a nine-game slate.

SEC leaders had already said they were planning to abandon the two-division structure the conference has had since 1991 when Texas and Oklahoma relocate from the Big 12. The top two teams in the standings will meet in the league championship in 2024 for the first time.

The Texas and OU move comes a year earlier than the SEC originally expected. Texas and Oklahoma were contractually bound to the Big 12 through the 2024-25 school year.

The advanced timetable left some athletic directors apprehensive about rushing into an expanded conference slate.

Some schools such as LSU and Texas A&M have been clear in their support for playing more conference games, and a few such as Kentucky have been steadfast in their desire to stay at eight. It remains unclear exactly where each school stands.

Texas and Oklahoma athletic directors participated in this week's meetings at a resort hotel on the Florida Gulf Coast, but do not have voting rights until July 2024.

Some SEC athletic directors cited College Football Playoff expansion from four to 12 teams in 2024 and the need to re-arrange already-booked nonconference games as reasons to stick with an eight-game schedule — at least for another year.

"You can put a lot of people in a tough position if you go to nine and you discontinue certain (nonconference) games en masse," Sankey said.

There was also the question of whether ESPN, which becomes the exclusive home of the SEC next season, would pay for more an increased number of conference games.

"A lot of change," Sankey said. "A list of reasons probably could make six or eight more if I had my notebook with me. Or 12 more. I think this was a really healthy one-year opportunity."

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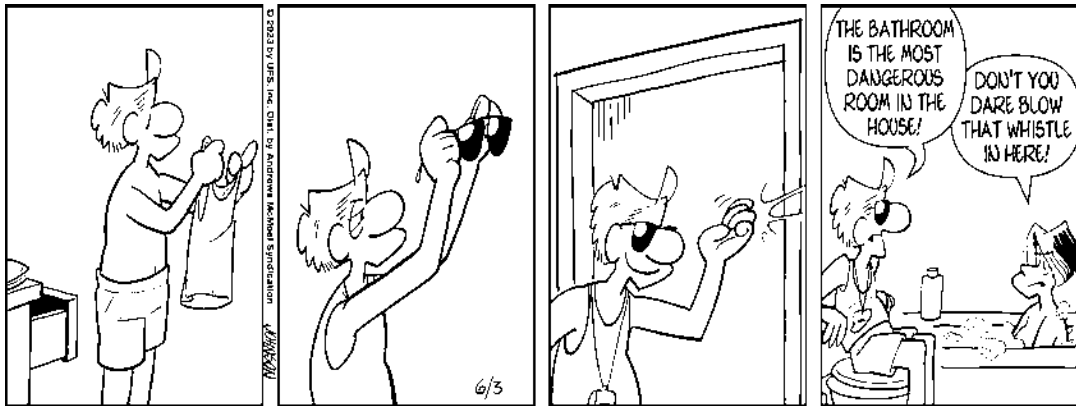
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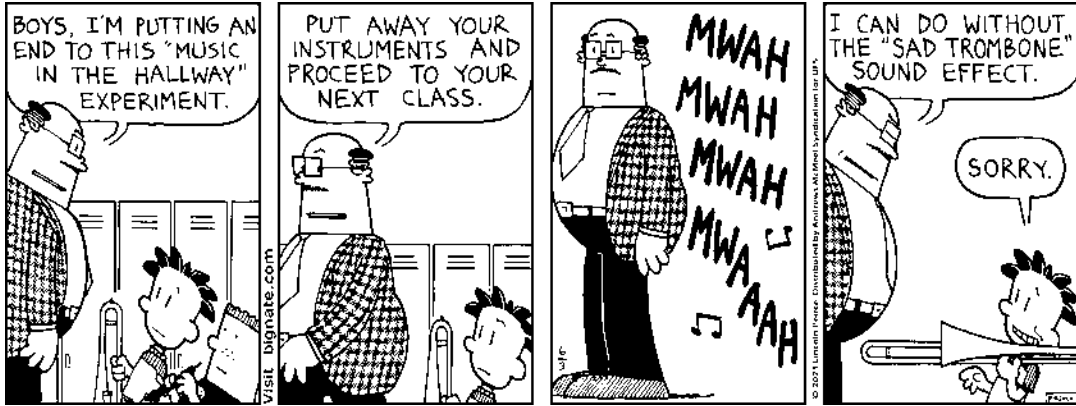
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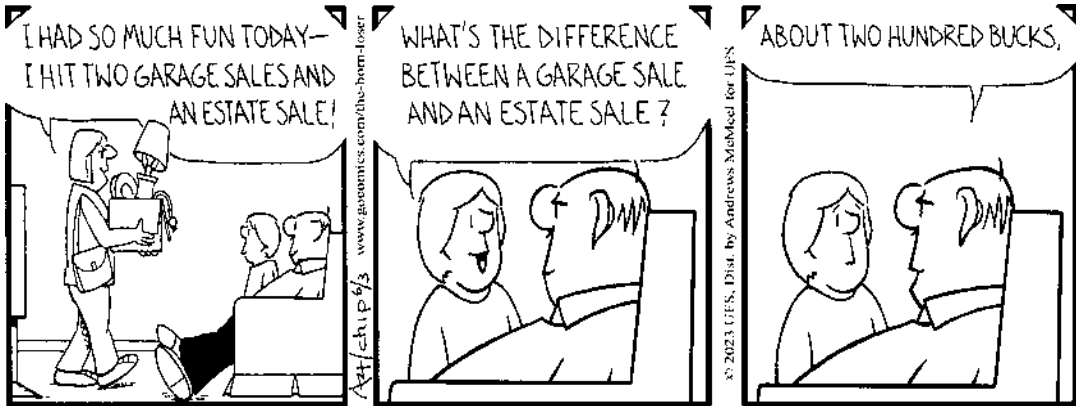
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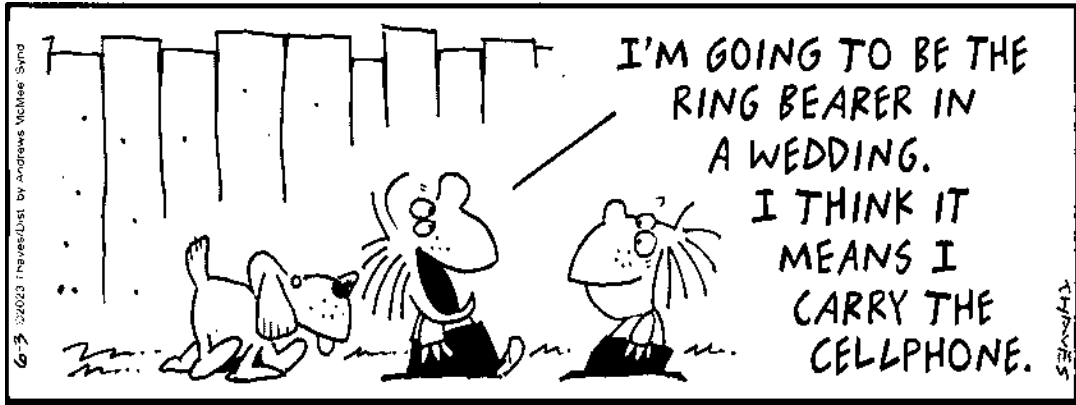
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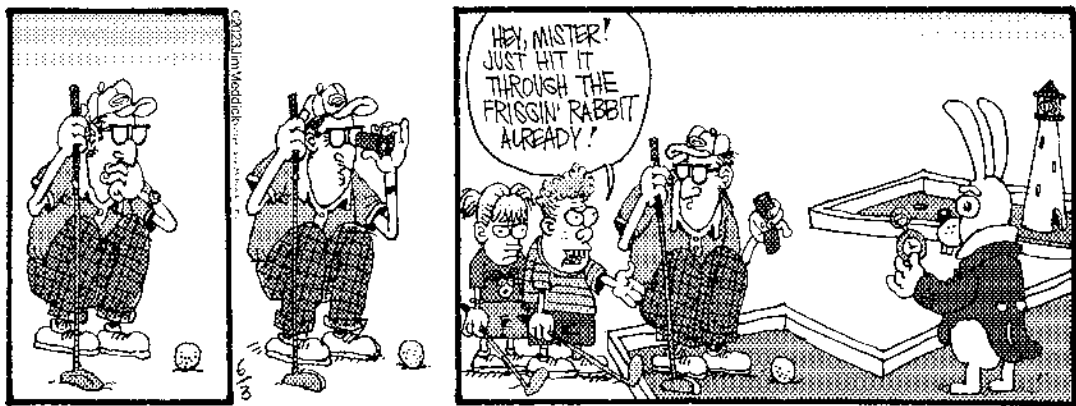
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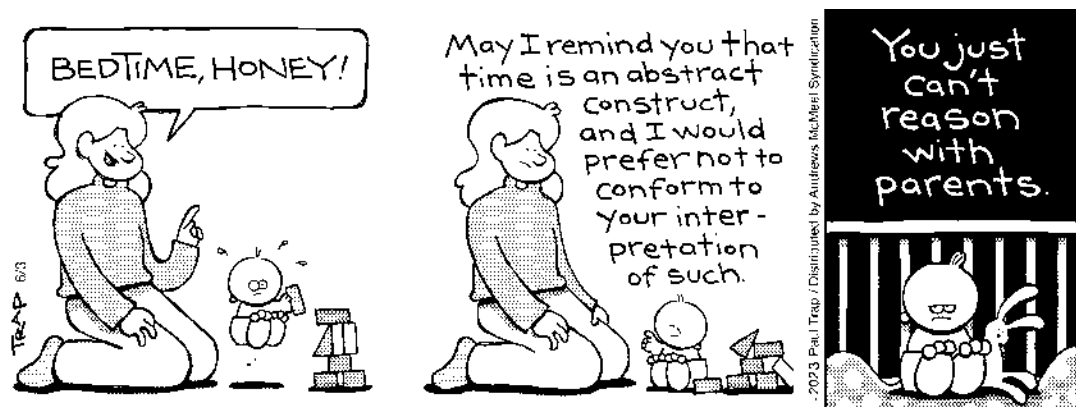
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PREVIOUS ANSWER

4	6	9	8	1	3	2	5	7
7	5	3	6	4	2	9	1	8
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9	3	7	5	2	8	1	6	4
1	8	6	9	7	4	5	2	3
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6	2	1	4	3	9	8	7	5
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CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Escorted
 - 4 Doll's cry
 - 8 Translucent gem
 - 12 Frothy brew
 - 13 Computer graphic
 - 14 Vatican head
 - 15 Cooking spray brand
 - 16 Debt securer
 - 17 If not
 - 18 Unintelligent
 - 20 Cliffside nests
 - 22 Like a wolf's howl
 - 23 Kangaroo pouch
 - 24 Ontario neighbor
 - 28 "— had it!"
 - 31 Hindu teacher
 - 34 Orbit path
 - 35 Learn
 - 36 Ess molding
 - 37 Bleachers cry
 - 38 Stare at
- DOWN**
- 1 Fall into disuse
 - 2 Bring cheer
 - 3 Protest
 - 4 Setting
 - 5 Amino —
 - 6 Colleague of Curly
- 39 Resistance unit**
- 40 Still on the market**
- 42 Siesta**
- 44 Roof overhangs**
- 48 Meager**
- 51 Like instantly (2 wds.)**
- 52 Put up curtains**
- 53 D.C. biggie**
- 55 Crux**
- 56 Deep-voiced lady**
- 57 Fictional governess**
- 58 Poem by Keats**
- 59 Into the sunset**
- 60 Scan**
- 61 Cousteau's domain**

Answer to Previous Puzzle

T	S	P	R	E	N	E	S	T			
H	O	E	L	I	E	S	E	L	I	A	
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C	E	E	K	E	G						
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A	R	I	A	U	E	L	I	M	P	S	
E	G	O	I	S	M	S	C	O	O	P	
D	E	D	T	S	T	E					
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U	S	E	S	N	O	T	E	S	A	O	
M	E	A	T	P	E	R	O	I	L		

7 — May Wong

8 Met production

9 Walking the beat

10 Domed recess

11 Majors and Remick

19 Irritate

21 Computer key

25 Accrue interest

26 Bikini tops

27 Repeat

29 TV knob

30 Pasture grazer

31 Sticky substance

32 Word of disgust

33 Carpet store buys

35 Early camera

40 FedEx rival

41 Vaulted

43 Thieves' jargon

45 Snake juice

46 Piano composition

47 Prudent

48 Henry Higgins' creator

49 Wan

50 At all times

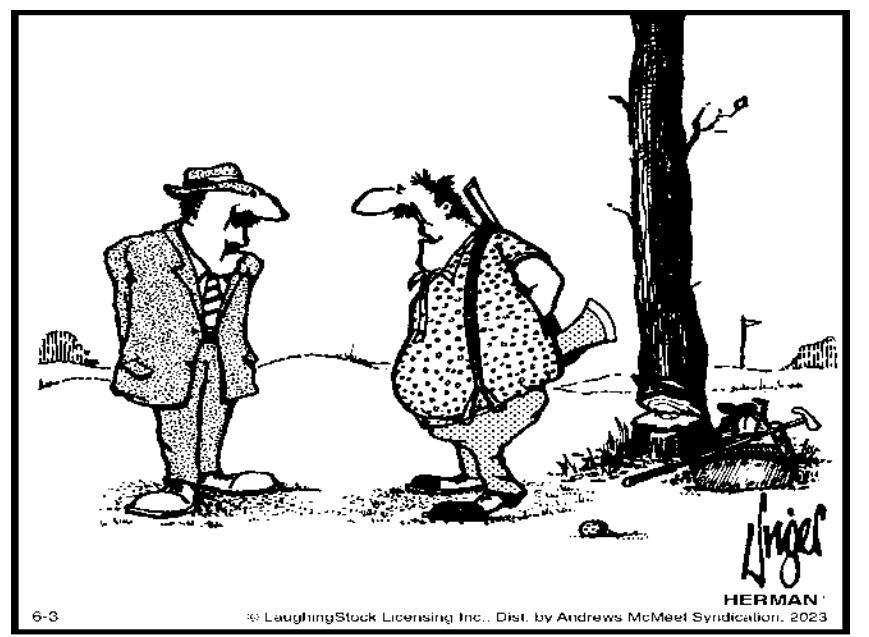
51 Prefix for "trillion"

54 Vision organ

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HERMAN



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ASTROGRAPH BY EUGENIA LAST

Hold yourself accountable this year. Take control, make decisions and don't put up with anyone trying to push you in a direction that doesn't interest you. Map out your plan and pay attention to what's happening around you, and you will overcome controversial situations. Choose to be proactive and positively impact those you encounter.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Dig in and get things done. Put your energy where it counts, and make a lasting impression. Your determination will attract someone eager to exploit what you have to offer. Be cautious!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Do things that are calming and reflect the lifestyle you want to live. Prioritize physical improvements and love. Give yourself a chance to plan, and enjoy what life has to offer.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Consider your options and ease into your next move. If you overreact or take on too much, you'll lose momentum and fall short of your target. Do what's right and best for everyone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Initiate change, expand your interests and learn something new. Participating in events or challenges that require know-how and physical exertion will lead to exciting opportunities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Use your experience and skills to tackle your challenges. Don't let trends consume you when old-fashioned methods will work. Put your energy where it's appreciated, and work to make a difference.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Get into the groove and enjoy what life offers. Use your imagination to develop a trendy new look that fetches

attention and compliments. An affectionate gesture will spark your interest.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Focus on what's important to you, and make your dreams come true. Don't trust someone to do things for you. Stay on top of what's required until you are satisfied with the results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Look around, and you'll devise a plan to add to your comfort and make your life easier. Discuss your plans with a loved one, and you'll find the best way to turn your dreams into reality.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Avoid people who bring you down or treat you inappropriately. Put your effort into building confidence, honing your skills and heading in a direction that makes you feel good about yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Pay attention to what things cost. Unnecessary purchases will be a waste. Focus on free entertainment, like taking a hike in the forest or kicking back with friends. Romance is favored.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Make decisions based on cost. Don't go into debt; use your ingenuity to develop a plan to meet your demands. Take on a challenge that helps you master something important to you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Control your emotions until you understand the dynamics of what you're up against. Partnerships will require patience and intuitive maneuvers to avoid discord. Choose peace over chaos.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLES

ACROSS

- 1 Dweeb
- 5 Drop — line
- 8 Comic book heroes (hyph.)
- 12 Suggestion
- 13 Check fig.
- 14 Unseen emanation
- 15 Youths
- 16 Centurion's 14
- 17 Diamond number
- 18 Cashmere kin
- 20 Weight rebate
- 21 "Big Blue"
- 22 Join together
- 23 Circus roarers
- 26 Pauses
- 29 Rugged cliff
- 30 Stratagem
- 31 Detective's cry
- 33 Dit partner
- 34 Vote
- 35 Told a whopper
- 36 Eccentric
- 38 Relaxes, as rules
- 39 Undergrad degs.

- 40 Notable time
- 41 Not resist
- 43 Every January
- 46 Water, in Tijuana
- 47 Canning item
- 48 Carol
- 50 Salon treatment
- 51 O.T. judge
- 52 Singer Fitzgerald
- 53 Lampreys
- 54 Item for a golfer
- 55 "The Voice" host

DOWN

- 1 Nothing
- 2 Mild cheese
- 3 Start over
- 4 Gallant
- 5 Saying
- 6 Arab prince
- 7 Off-road vehicle
- 8 Olivia Newton-John hit
- 9 Naturalist John —
- 10 Fish-eating bird

Answer to Previous Puzzle

L	E	D		M	A	M	A		O	P	A	L
A	L	E		I	C	O	N		P	O	P	E
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A	L	T	O		E	Y	R	E		O	D	E
W	E	S	T		R	E	A	D		M	E	R

- 11 Dundee refusal
- 19 Tummy muscles, in the gym
- 20 Marie Antoinette lost hers
- 22 Oasis feature
- 23 Digital watch readout
- 24 Syria neighbor
- 25 Surfing mecca
- 26 Sweet-scented flower
- 27 Twinge
- 28 Lose leaves
- 30 Food steamers
- 32 Yellow Pages
- 34 Beseech
- 35 Committed to memory
- 37 Girders (hyph.)
- 38 Swimsuit half
- 40 Like a seance
- 41 Pointed arch
- 42 Wool knot
- 43 Ivy League member
- 44 "Damn Yankees" vamp
- 45 Loud cry
- 46 Tarzan companion
- 47 Airplane
- 49 Reclined

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ACROSS

- 1 Watch chain
- 4 Micro-waves
- 8 Assessment
- 12 Military addr.
- 13 Russian czar
- 14 Pay attention
- 15 Archie's friend
- 17 Fine and liberal
- 18 Roughly
- 19 Vapor
- 21 Con
- 22 Breakfast strip
- 26 Cotton or linen
- 30 Kimono tie
- 31 Golden rule word
- 34 Asian language
- 35 Chess piece
- 36 Persuade
- 37 World Series mo.
- 38 Not into the wind
- 39 — Abner of comics
- 40 Unwavering

- 42 Bullring
- 44 Got threadbare
- 47 Capitalize on
- 49 Least wacky
- 51 Single entity
- 54 "Taxi Driver" director
- 56 — Vonnegut Jr.
- 57 Gust of wind
- 58 Vast expanse
- 59 Online auction site
- 60 Takes home
- 61 Annapolis grad

DOWN

- 1 Broad bean
- 2 Met production
- 3 Element no. 5
- 4 Bright flower
- 5 More than willing
- 6 "— -Man Fever"

Answer to Previous Puzzle

N	E	R	D		M	E	A		X	M	E	N			
I	D	E	A		A	M	T		A	U	R	A			
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L	I	O	N	S		L	E	T	U	P	S				
C	R	A	G		W	I	L	E		A	H	A			
D	A	H		P	O	L	L		L	I	E	D			
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				O	B	E	Y		Y	E	A	R	L	Y	
A	G	U	A		J	A	R		N	O	E	L			
P	E	R	M		E	L	I		E	L	L	A			
E	E	L	S		T	E	E		D	A	L	Y			

- 7 Unforeseen difficulty
- 8 Dalai Lama's city
- 9 Constantly, to Poe
- 10 Dog doc
- 11 NFL gains
- 16 Be cleverer
- 20 Alphabet starter
- 23 Aloof
- 24 Plaintive reed
- 25 Reebok rival
- 27 Soak up moisture
- 28 Track event
- 29 Teeny bit
- 31 Home of the Bruins
- 32 Roulette color
- 33 Unlikely story
- 35 Synthetic materials
- 40 Stockholm carrier
- 41 Overshadows
- 43 Eccentric
- 45 Ms. Witherspoon
- 46 German industrial center
- 48 Athletics channel
- 49 Too lenient
- 50 Mild brews
- 51 Luau music
- 52 Core
- 53 Tax shelter
- 55 Prompter's hint

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	4	1	2	8				
7			5	4	3		2	
8		9		7		2	1	6
	1			5			7	
4	6	7		9		5		8
	3		8	2	5			7
				3	6	1	4	
6	9			1				3

PREVIOUS ANSWER

3	6	9	2	4	8	7	1	5
2	7	4	9	5	1	3	6	8
5	8	1	3	6	7	2	4	9
9	4	8	1	3	5	6	2	7
6	5	7	8	2	4	9	3	1
1	2	3	7	9	6	5	8	4
7	1	6	5	8	2	4	9	3
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PREVIOUS ANSWER

9	2	5	7	6	1	3	8	4
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8	5	9	3	7	4	2	1	6
2	1	3	6	5	8	4	7	9
4	6	7	1	9	2	5	3	8
1	3	4	8	2	5	6	9	7
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6	9	2	4	1	7	8	5	3

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IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI Case Number: 22AR-PR00089 (Date File Stamp)
Judge or Division: PROBATE
IN THE ESTATE OF TODD C. HAYS
NOTICE OF LETTERS GRANTED

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF TODD C. HAYS, A DISABLED PERSON.
On May 22, 2023, Rhonda Noe, Adair County Public Administrator was appointed conservator of the estate of Todd C. Hays, 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 300 North Franklin, Kirksville, Missouri 63501.
All creditors of said disabled person are notified to file their claims in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court.
Date of first publication May 27, 2023.
Clerk of the Probate Division
Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri
Martha Cole
Adair County Circuit Clerk
PUBLICATION DATES: 5-27-2023, 6-3-2023, 6-10-2023, 6-17-2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO SUBMIT CLAIMS R.S.MO. § 456.5-505
Joseph David March, Deceased
Re: Joseph David March Trust dated December 16, 2020, as amended and restated
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Joseph David March, Decedent:
You are hereby notified that Joseph David March (the "Decedent") died on September 24, 2022. Edward Jones Trust Company is the acting Trustee (the "Trustee") of the Joseph David March Trust dated December 16, 2020, as amended and restated, executed by Joseph David March, as Settlor and initial Trustee, the terms of which provide that the debts of the Decedent may be paid by the Trustee upon receipt of proper proof thereof. The mailing address for the Trustee is Edward Jones Trust Company, c/o Kirkland Woods & Martinsen, LLP, 231 S. Bemiston Ave., Suite 750, St. Louis, Missouri 63105.
All creditors of the Decedent are notified to present their claims to the undersigned Trustee within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred against the Trustee and the trust property.
Edward Jones Trust Company
c/o Kirkland Woods Martinsen LLP
231 S. Bemiston Ave., Ste. 750
St. Louis, MO 63105
Published on May 20, 27, June 3 and 10, 2023

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IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI
Judge or Division: PROBATE Case Number: 23AR-PR00009
In the Estate of ROBERT J. SCHULTE, Deceased.
Notice of Letters of Administration Granted (Supervised Administration)
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of ROBERT J. SCHULTE, Decedent:
On May 25, 2023, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of Robert J. Schulte, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri.
The personal representative's business address and phone number is:
Brian Noe, 1008 W. Potter Avenue, Kirksville, Missouri 63501, 660-665-1300
The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:
Brent Mayberry, 401 N. Elson, Kirksville, Missouri 63501, 660-665-8356
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 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: March 19, 2022

Martha Cole
Adair County Circuit Clerk
Date of first publication: June 3, 2023
Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court.
PUBLICATION DATES: 6-3-2023, 6-10-2023, 6-17-2023, 6-24-2023

NEMR ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE
66th Annual Membership Meeting of Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company
Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 6:30 pm
Live on NEMR's Facebook page
Every Member who votes will receive a \$10 Bill Credit AND will be entered into a Drawing for Cash Prizes
To vote go to: <https://www.directvote.net/NEMR>
(Voting deadline is Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.)
OR
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Blanket your flower beds with colorful gaillardias

By University of Missouri Extension

COLUMBIA — “While not a leading star on the herbaceous ornamental stage, Gaillardia can comfortably fill the supporting actor role in your garden,” said David Trinklein, state horticulture specialist for University of Missouri Extension.

Commonly called “blanket flower,” this colorful perennial produces daisy-like flowers that come in shades of yellow, orange, red, purplish, brown, white or bicolored.

Its flower is actually a compound inflorescence botanically known as a pseudanthium, or head, Trinklein added. What appear to be petals are really florets. The petal-like ray florets of this member of the sunflower plant family surround a tuft of disc florets in the center.

“Very characteristic of Gaillardia is that the ray florets are banded in color. The same color shows up on each floret in the same spot,” Trinklein said. “This produces very beautiful symmetry of color surrounding the center tuft of disc florets.”

Gaillardia is one of the few perennials that will bloom the first year when started from seed. “It will bloom most prolifically in early summer but then continues to produce a few flowers all the way to first frost,” he said.

Growing and caring for gaillardias is easy as long as you remember one im-



portant thing: no wet feet. “Gaillardia needs full sun and, most importantly, well-drained soil,” Trinklein said. “The need for well-drained soil is so great that if planted in heavy soils Gaillardia likely will not survive the winter.”

If you’re into xerophytic landscaping, using plants that get by on little water, Gaillardia would be a very colorful choice. “It’s relatively pest-free, heat-tolerant and doesn’t require a lot of added water,” Trinklein said.

You have plenty of options if you want to add gaillardias to your garden. There are some colorful older cultivars like “Goblin” that have been around for decades. “Newer cultivars tend to bear a few more flowers and come in a wide array of colors,” he said. “The ‘Mesa’ series of Gaillardia is a good example and is very free-flowering.”

“Fanfare,” a colorful new Gaillardia cultivar, has tubular ray florets that end with a trumpet-like flare, giving it a unique appearance. “Punch Bowl” and “Arizona Apricot” are recent cultivars that provide shades of red and apricot in a genus predominated by yellow and orange.

Magnolia flowers tantalize the senses

By University of Missouri Extension

COLUMBIA — Several species of ornamental magnolias grace the Missouri landscape with colorful flowers from March through mid-June.

“In addition to showy, prolific blooms, magnolias’ sweet, citrusy floral fragrance permeates the air and beguiles the senses,” says University of Missouri Extension horticulturist Michele Warmund.

Magnolia flowers have a fascinating history, says Warmund. They evolved to attract flightless beetles for pollination millions of years before other common insects, such as bees, butterflies and moths even existed. Their leathery leaves and thick carpels (structures that bear ovules) work to thwart chewing insects. The tough carpels also prolong the time that beetles must spend on flower parts, promoting pollination.

Many magnolias in Missouri are grown as large shrubs or pruned to a single trunk to develop a small tree. Most species tolerate clay soil and grow best in full sun to partial shade. Freezing temperatures can damage the early spring blooms of deciduous magnolias.

To delay blooming and encourage flowering, avoid sites with southern exposure. If needed, prune deciduous magnolias after flowering. Water during periods of drought. Serious insect pests and diseases on magnolias are uncommon.

- Star magnolia (*Magnolia stellata*) is the first species to bloom in Missouri. Usually grown as a large shrub, it reaches 15-20 feet at maturity. Its fragrant flowers with white, strap-like tepals appear in March to early April. To prolong blooming and minimize tepal browning, plant star magnolias in a site protected from high winds.

- Lobner magnolia (*Magnolia x loebneri*) is a hybrid that grows to 10-20 feet at maturity. Cultivars of this hybrid develop perfumy flowers with 10-15 tepals that vary from white, blush pink to purplish pink. They usually bloom in mid-March in central Missouri.

- The Little Girl series of slow-growing, deciduous plants reach 20-25 feet at maturity. The cultivars “Ann,” “Betty,”



“Jane” and “Judy” have flowers with light to dark pink tepals. These cultivars generally bloom one to two weeks later than star magnolia cultivars and are less likely to be nipped by spring frosts.

- “Butterflies” magnolia is a cultivar of the deciduous hybrid *M. acuminata* x *M. denudata*. When trained to a pyramidal tree form, it can reach 18-20 feet at maturity. A showy display of bright yellow flowers usually appears about one to two weeks later than most star magnolia blossoms.

- “Ivory Chalice” is another *M. acuminata* x *M. denudata* cultivar. However, this cultivar develops large (6-inch diameter) creamy white flowers that bloom about two weeks later than “Butterflies” magnolia flowers in central Missouri.

- Saucer magnolia (*Magnolia x soulangeana*) is a widely grown species that blooms a bit later and grows taller (20 to 25 feet) than star magnolia. There are several cultivars of saucer magnolia with cup-shaped flowers of white, pink, magenta and burgundy. The first bloom is the most spectacular, says Warmund. After this, a few flowers continue to appear on new growth but are less striking.

- Cucumber tree (*Mag-*

nolia acuminata), the only magnolia native to Missouri, grows in southeastern counties near the Mississippi River. It is a large deciduous tree that typically grows to 40-70 feet but can reach 100 feet. The greenish-white tepals of its flowers are considered less spectacular than those of other magnolias. This species may be better known for its green, cucumber-shaped, cone-like fruit that develops after flowering and its foliage, which turns golden in fall.

- Southern magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*) is a large broadleaf evergreen native to the southeastern United States. Leaves are dark glossy green on top and brownish on the underside. Fragrant white flowers begin to appear in central Missouri from May to June. Following bloom, cone-like fruit with beautiful red seeds develops on trees. Southern magnolia trees often suffer from winter injury in Missouri, displaying symptoms of foliar browning. However, the cultivar “Bracken’s Brown Beauty” is more reliably cold-hardy in central and southern regions of the state. The dense, fuzzy hairs on the underside of its foliage retard moisture loss, which results in leaf discoloration during the winter.

Get more hydrangea with these simple steps

By University of Missouri Extension

HILLSBORO — One of summer’s most showstopping bloomers is easy to transplant and propagate, says University of Missouri Extension horticulturist Debi Kelly.

Hydrangeas burst with blooms summer and fall in colors ranging from blues and white to lavender and pinks.

Bloom size varies on this low-maintenance perennial shrub, which tolerates almost any type of soil, sun or shade, although it prefers partial sun.

It is best to transplant in early spring or late in the fall when the plant is not actively growing. Transplanting puts the plant under stress and makes it harder for it to adjust to its new surroundings.

Instead of transplanting, consider propagation, a way to create new plants from existing ones, says Kelly. There are two ways to do this: layering and division.

To layer, dig a trench and bend a limb section down into the trench. Remove a 1 inch small ring of the bark all the way around the limb. This is where the plant will develop new roots. Cover with soil, leaving 6-12 inches of tip growth.

After it has developed enough roots, cut the branch from the mother plant and move to a new location. Allow plenty of room between plants.

To propagate by division, choose a well-established plant. In spring before plants leaf out, use a shovel to divide the clump and move to a new location, says Kelly.

Another option is to take softwood cuttings. In early summer, select terminal cuttings from nonflowering shoots. The terminal bud grows at the end of a branch or stem.

Cuttings should be 3-5 inches long and have at least three leaves. Cut at a slight angle at a node. Dip the cut end in a root hormone and place in a moist growing medium.



Hydrangeas burst with blooms summer and fall in colors ranging from blues and white to lavender and pinks. You can increase the number of plants by using simple propagation methods. COURTESY OF KATIE KAMMLER.

Remove half of each leaf to reduce water loss and wilting. Keep the cuttings in a shaded area while rooting.

For more information “Hydrangeas, the bold chameleon of plants” (MU Extension news release), www.extension.missouri.edu/n/3358.

Kirkville Real Estate Auction

Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

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VEHICLES AND TRAILERS: 1999 Ford Ranger XLT 4x4, 152,xxx miles, automatic, extended cab with bedliner, like new tires, 4.0 engine, step side, very little rust, nice pickup; 1999 Chevy Silverado 1500 4x4, shows 126,xxx miles, bed liner, miles unknown, passenger side has dents, truck shows some rust; 2004 Hyundai Santa Fe 3.5L, automatic, shows 129,xxx miles, currently has front end damage-plans to repair prior to auction; 6' x 18' tandem axle car trailer with 16' deck.

TRACTORS & OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT: 3 point bale carrier; Kiowani 3 point 6 foot balde; County Line 3 point 5' blade; County Line 3 point land rake 4'; 2720 John Deere tractor 4WD with front end loader, bucket and pallet forks, 72" belly mower, shows only 123 hours (SN 72720R306596); 5' 3 point brush hog; John Deere D140 riding lawnmower with 48" deck, shows 15.3 hours; Coleman gas powered generator; Sears front tine tiller; Husky yard cart; dried, rough cut lumber; lawn sweep; pull-type seeder.

TOOLS & EQUIPMENT: Ridgid 8,000 running watts, electric start, gas powered generator; various hand tools; Craftsman 2 tier tool chest; Craftsman roll around tool cabinet; Stihl FS45 weed eater; Ryobi battery operated pole saw; misc long handled tools; large Craftsman 2 tier roll around tool chest; Porter Cable pancake air compressor; wooden work bench with drawers; Lincoln 220 arc welder; aluminum step ladder; various woodworking clamps; adjustable squares; Drimmel tools; chisels; files; Ryobi 18v cordless drill; Ryobi 18V hammer drill; Craftsman radial arm saw; Porter Cable pancake air compressor; Craftsman 12" handsaw; Craftsman 2 tier tool chest; small adjustable roll around cart; Craftsman biscuit joiner; Craftsman grinder; Snap On drill bits; Ridgid floor model drill press; Ryobi router on stand; Mikita router on stand; Craftsman 38" wood lathe; Jet 38" wood lathe; lathe tools; various work tables; Ryobi combination miter saw; aluminum portable scaffold; Freud plunger router; Ryobi plunger router; Ryobi 18 V router; Ryobi 2000 PSI electric power washer; Craftsman wet/dry vac

HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS: pine hall bench with storage; 6 qt Kitchenaid mixer with attachments; various kitchenware items; Food Saver; Mr. Coffee coffee maker; blender; Pyrex baking ware; various pots and pans; marble cutting board and rolling pen; oak dining table with 4 roll around swivel chairs; two roll around microwave carts; microfiber couch; two electric reclining lift chairs; pine coffee table; tv stand; 50" flat screen Vizio TV; two pine end tables with drawers; MPEX 709 recumbent bicycle; misc BBQ utensils; two Cuisinart slow cookers; nutcrackers; wooden desk; metal desk; Brother portable sewing machine; Bissell steamer; Dancing Santa and Mrs. Clause; Bark Bath portable dog bath by Bissell; wooden book shelf; futon; two quilt racks; small TV stand; toaster oven; Vizio 32" flat screen TV; Bissell shampooer; two box fans; 5 drawer chest of drawers; 3 drawer oak chest of drawers; Vizio 32" flat screen TV; TV stand; Serta 2 twin electric adjustable beds on base; lamps; GE refrigerator freezer; Frigidaire upright freezer; Magic Chef dorm refrigerator; Christmas decorations

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES: Louis L'Amour box set of books; Woodworker's Journal Classic collector's series coins; Terry Redlin 1991 "Autumn Evening" 16232/29500; Terry Redlin "Homeward Bound"; Signed horse and foal print; antique 8' x 24" display cabinet glass top

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