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Kirksville Police Department not connected to donation mailer

By The Kirksville Police Department

The Kirksville Police Department would like to let residents know it is not connected to nor a beneficiary of a donation mailer that has been sent to people in town.

The department was recently contacted by a citizen that received a

donation request from a "police" organization from Virginia. The mailer made multiple mentions of "supporting your Kirksville area police." It also mentioned movements to "defund and defame the police" and encouraged supporting "local area police" through a donation to their organization.

"The Kirksville Police Department would like to ensure that citizens know we have no affiliation with organizations that solicit monetary support for 'local police,'" officials said in a press release. "The Kirksville Police Department is proud to be supported by the citizens of our community, both in spirit and in funding."

Police officials said that as with any other organization soliciting your support, they encourages citizens to research where the money goes.

"If you cannot locate any information, contact your local law enforcement and ask questions," officials said. "Your initial instinct is usually right."



South Baltimore Street late Monday night after an initial snow storm covered the ground. PHOTOS BY NEMO PHOTOGRAPHY

State Troopers urge drivers to be extra vigilant when driving in inclement weather

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

Missouri's weather forecast indicates snow and snow showers are expected. For part of the state, this could be the first snow of the season. Whether it's a dusting or several inches, it can affect travel. Be sure to increase your following distance as you drive; stopping quickly on wet, snowy, or icy roads can be hazardous or impossible. Be aware that elevated roadways such as bridges and ramps may freeze faster, and a roadway that appears wet could be icy. Leaving at least five seconds between your vehicle and the one in front of you is always a smart idea, especially in inclement weather. During 2022 there were 51 people killed and 1,969 people injured in more than 7,500 crashes with weather conditions of snow, sleet/hail, or freezing.

Troopers with the Missouri State Highway Patrol urge everyone to pay attention to weather conditions and make smart decisions regarding travel. If conditions dictate, avoid driving on Missouri's roadways. When you travel, make sure your vehicle is completely clean of snow, use your headlights to increase visibility, and reduce your speed when the roadway appears wet or snow is present. Lower overnight temperatures may cause wet roadways to freeze and become slick. Remember: Missouri law states if you're using your windshield wipers, your headlights must be turned on. During inclement weather, driving the speed limit is not "ex-

ercising the highest degree of care." Missouri law (Section 304.012 RSMo) states the responsibility of exercising the highest degree of care while driving rests on the driver's shoulders. Adjust your speed to the weather. Do not use cruise control and increase your following distance. Allow extra driving time for you to reach your destination at a slow, safe speed.

Troopers suggest keeping your fuel tank at least half full. In preparation for winter weather, place an ice scraper, battery booster cables, blankets, extra coats, gloves, water, non-perishable food, first aid kit, flashlight, small shovel, and a bag of sand or cat litter in your trunk now, before an emergency occurs.

Before you travel, make sure your cell phone is fully charged and keep it with you. Do not use your cell phone when you are driving; park your vehicle well off the roadway or in a parking lot before placing a call. The Missouri State Highway Patrol emergency number is *55 on a cellular phone. This number rings at the nearest troop headquarters. Troopers are available to assist you.

Motorists are encouraged to check road conditions before driving to help determine if the trip can be completed safely. MoDOT's Road Condition Map can be viewed at <http://traveler.modot.org/map/>. The MoDOT Traveler Information Map app can be downloaded free of charge to your smart devices. The

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Major snowstorm blows into Kirksville

Staff Reports

A major snowstorm blew into town Monday evening and was expected to continue as of press time early Tuesday.

The National Weather Service in Kansas City began issuing Winter Storm Watch warnings for Adair and surrounding counties beginning Saturday afternoon, originally predicting four to eight inches, then changing its predictions on Sunday to from five to 11 inches, then to over a foot by Monday morning. Wind gusts up to 45 mph were also predicted for the area. The storm warning continued into Tuesday evening.

Snow began to fall around

3:30 p.m. on Monday in Kirksville and continued into the early evening leaving city streets blanketed and slippery. Snowplows worked throughout the night and early morning to clear the roads. Electric utility Ameren reported some outages in the Kirksville area during the night Monday.

On Sunday prior to the snowfall, the city of Kirksville declared a Snow Emergency that took effect at noon that day, stating that all vehicles parked on designated Snow Emergency Routes, including city streets in the downtown, had to be moved by 10 a.m. that morning.

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Street signs covered by the snow on East LaHarpe Street.

Kirksville Kiwanis Club donates warm children's clothing to the Kirksville R-III School District

By Kirksville Kiwanis Club

The Kiwanis Club of Kirksville recently donated over 440 pieces of warm clothing to the Kirksville R-III School District to be distributed to local children in need this winter. This record-setting amount of warm children's clothing was raised through the club's annual Kirksville Kiwanis #Christmas Parade, which was held Saturday, Nov. 25, in historic downtown Kirksville, as part of Kirksville's Hometown Holiday.

"The Kirksville Kiwanis Club believes every local child should have the warm clothing they need to be healthy and safe this winter," said Kiwanis Club of Kirksville President Dan McGurk. "We are grateful to the community's support of

our annual Christmas Parade which allows us to collect this warm children's clothing and donate those items to our local school district."

Specifically, the Kirksville Kiwanis Christmas Parade collected 44 coats; 15 sweaters, hoodies, and jackets; one snowsuit; five leggings; 109 hats; 16 mittens; 164 gloves; 11 scarves and neck warmers; three headbands; 73 pair of socks; and one backpack, for a total of 442 items.

Kirksville Kiwanis Club officials also wished to thank the Kirksville community for their support of the club's numerous service and fundraising projects.

"Together, the club and the community can help realize the Kiwanis motto of "serving the children of the world," officials said in a press release.



Pictured, from left, are and Kirksville Kiwanis Club Past President and Past Lieutenant Governor Ashley Young; Kirksville Kiwanis Club member Michael Ross; Kirksville Kiwanis Club Vice President Chris Koch; Kirksville R-III School District Assistant Superintendent Tricia Reger; and Kirksville Kiwanis Club member Bill King.

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Kirkville Area Calendar of Events

Adair County E-911 Joint Services Board meeting

The Adair County E-911 Joint Services Board will hold a meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 10, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Franklin Street.

Kirkville Planning & Zoning Commission meeting

The city of Kirkville's Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday Jan.10, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Franklin Street.

Kids Cardboard Boat Races

Join the Kirkville Parks and Recreation Department on Sunday, Jan. 21, from 2-4 p.m., and take part in the Kids Cardboard Boat Races. Children ages 5 to 16 can sign up as an individual or as a team of up to four people and put their building skills to the test. Participants must construct a boat structure using cardboard, duct tape and water-based paint, and attempt to make it across the pool in the fastest time. Teams will compete in age divisions based on the mean age of the team and can win in multiple categories, including Fastest Time and Best Design. This event is completely free for all participants and spectators. Register today at parks.kirkvillecity.com. For more information, contact Luke Callaghan with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

2024 NEMO Bridal Expo

The 2024 NEMO Bridal Expo will be held on Jan. 28 from 1-4 p.m. at the NEMO Fairgrounds

Multi-purpose building. Cost is \$2 at the door. Fashion, vendors, food and prizes. Hire your venue and wedding professionals at this event. Brides: Go to NEMO Bridal Expo Facebook page and message to pre-register for early prizes. Contact Donna Brown by email: nemobridalexpo@gmail.com or call/text: 660-341-9992. Check the NEMO Bridal Expo Facebook page for updates.

Lecture by Rock and Roll Hall of Fame recording artist

In partnership with the Black History 101 Mobile Museum, the Kohlenberg Lyceum event series will host a lecture by Rock and Roll Hall of Fame recording artist Professor Griff on Feb. 1 at the Baldwin Auditorium on the Truman State campus (Call for details: (660) 785-4133). As a co-founding member of the revolutionary hip hop group Public Enemy, Griff draws on his exemplary life of service and an impressive 20-plus-year musical career to captivate audiences with his universal call for social responsibility within both the hip hop community and larger culture. Tickets are required and are free for all Kohlenberg Lyceum Series events thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Lyceum program and the Truman State University Foundation. Tickets are available approximately two weeks before the performance at the locations listed below.

- Truman State University Campus
- Advancement Office (McClain Hall 205)
- Admissions Office (Ruth W. Towne Museum and Visitors Center)
- Union and Involvement Office Main Desk (Student Union Building)
- Kirkville Arts Association/Sue Ross Arts Center (215 S. Franklin St.) and Kirkville Chamber of Commerce (315 S. Franklin St.)

If available, any remaining tickets will be available at the event starting 30 minutes before the show. Downtown Kirkville

Mary Immaculate's Night of Merriment: Denim & Diamonds

Formerly known as the Sweetheart Dinner, Mary Immaculate's Night of Merriment: Denim & Diamonds will be held at the White Oaks Barn on Saturday, Feb. 10 beginning at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$75 per person, \$600 for a table of eight. Price includes dinner, an auction and a live band. New this year, a special VIP table for \$1,000, which brings you special treatment all evening including preferred seating, special recognition, your own personal server and two bottles of wine + beer. You also get the pleasure of being served dinner before other patrons!

Thousand Hills State Park Star Party

The Thousand Hills Star Party will be held on Friday, March 22, for 8-10 p.m. at Thousand Hills State Park. Come out for a celebration of the night sky! Join others in the exploration of the stars and sky above you. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars. Meet at the Point Shelter.

Stars Up, Lights Down at Thousand Hills State Park

Stars Up, Lights Down will be held on Friday, April 5, 8-10 p.m. Come out for a celebration of International Dark Sky week! Join others in learning about light pollution and exploring the sky above. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars. Meet at the Point Shelter.

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES AT THE COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER:

Coffee & Cards — Each Tuesday at 10 a.m. join them for coffee and cards or board games. They also have tea and hot chocolate if you would prefer. You can also bring your own drink to enjoy and a game to share.

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

Game Time — If you love getting together with friends and playing games, this activity is for you! Join them for lots of fun! You may even learn to play a new game.

Fun with Music — Join Angela for fun activities that incorporate music.

Exercise Your Mind — The students from TSU's Health & Exercise Science Department will be back beginning Tuesday, Jan. 23! Join them for this favored class with fun and engaging activities that will keep your mind sharp with interesting theme based activities.

Crafts — Each Wednesday you are invited to join them 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.

Guided Painting — Come paint a fun winter picture through a guided painting class on Jan. 3.

CIRCLES® Relationships & Intimacy — This class will focus on learning appropriate social and relationship boundaries, interpersonal skills and relationship-specific social skills for the different people you encounter in your life. *Registration required – this is the FINAL class!

STIR Peers — This class is for Project STIR Graduates who want to become Peer-Teachers. You will learn the skills and information you need to help lead others through the class and become their own best self-advocate. — *Registration Required and attendees must have taken Project STIR within the last 12 months.

Science Time — Science can be a ton of fun! Join them to do some fun hands-on experiments on Thursdays at 10 a.m.

BINGO — Join then each Friday at 10 a.m. to play BINGO and win BINGO Bucks to spend in the BINGO Store while having fun with your friends.

Other Activities and Information to Know:

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. January's meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 18t 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Community Learning Center. Contact the CLC by Friday, Jan. 12 if you will need childcare during the meeting.

People First of Northeast Missouri Meeting — CALLING ALL SELF-ADVOCATES! Kick off 2024 by becoming a member of People First where you will learn how to advocate for yourself and others, build self-determination skills, and stronger relationships with other self-advocates. They will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 23, 6-7 p.m. at the Community Learning Center.

2024 Missouri Youth Leadership Forum — The 2024 Missouri Youth Leadership Forum is now accepting applications for this summer. The forum is held each year at University of Missouri-Columbia (MIZZOU) for youth between the ages of 16-20 who are enrolled in a high school education program or plan to graduate in December 2023 or May 2024. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/2024yif> for more information.

SAVE THE DATE!
The 15th Annual Community Engagement Conference will be Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Kirkville William Matthew Middle School. Registration is now open! You can find more details about the conference by visiting <https://communityengagementconference.org>.

Scotland County Hospital announces first baby of 2024

By Scotland County Hospital

Scotland County Hospital in Memphis announced the first baby born in 2024 at the Women's Center. Carter Zane, the son of Jamie and Janet Fox of Memphis, was born on Jan. 2, at 5:02 a.m. and weighed 6 pounds 15 ounces and is 20 inches long. Dr. Jeff Davis delivered Zane.

Carter Zane and his parents received a shower of gifts from the following businesses, and organizations:

- Community Bank of Memphis
- Cook's Men's Store
- Exchange Bank of NEMO
- Gene's Surplus
- Harrison Insurance Agency



Left to right: Jeff Davis, DO, Janet, Carter and Jamie Fox, Sonya See, WHNP, Women's Center Supervisor

- NEMR Telcom
 - Kay Eggleston Book-keeping
 - RPM Signs & Shirts
 - Scotland County Lanes
 - Sew & Go Quilt Guild
 - US Bank
- Carter Zane and his parents will also take home a supply of diapers in sizes 0-6 that will last nearly a year and a case of wipes.

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT Vladymyr Warren Dean Lunsford

Baby boy Vladymyr Warren Dean Lunsford, born at Scotland County Hospital in Memphis, Mo. on Dec. 16, 2023 at 7:40 p.m. The baby weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21 inches long. The mother is Kallie Wiltbank of Hurdland and Jeffrey Lunsford of Hurdland. Grandparents are Samuel and Janelle Capel of Greentop, and Barbara Lunsford of Florence, Ariz.



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OBITUARIES

Jerry Eugene Wayman

Jun 18, 1937 – Dec 30, 2023

Jerry Eugene Wayman, aged 86, peacefully departed this world on December 30 after bravely facing respiratory and circulatory medical challenges. He was born on June 18, 1937, to Donovan and Maurine Wayman in Greentop, Missouri.



On September 6, 1958, Jerry joined hands in marriage with Carolyn 'Joyce' Wills, and together they shared 37 happy years until her passing in 1996. Jerry is survived by his children: Mikel (Cathie) of St. Joseph MO, Julie Riggs (Kenneth) St. Joseph MO, Joe (Margie) of O'Fallon MO, and Mary Janell 'Jan' (Paul) of Rogersville MO. His legacy extends further through his 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Jerry attended Kirksville Teaching College, where he met Joyce. Their married life took them from Kirksville to St. Joseph, where Jerry would make a lasting impact on the community. Serving with dedication, Jerry contributed 22 years of his life to the Army National Guard Reserves.

Services were held at Heaton-Bowman-Smith and Sidenfaden Chapel in Saint Joseph, Missouri.

Margaret Jaunita 'Tommy' (Pipes) Daniels

Jul 7, 1935 – Jan 6, 2024

Margaret Jaunita "Tommy" (Pipes) Daniels, 88, of Kirksville, Missouri, passed away Saturday, January 6, 2024, at Loch Haven Nursing Home in Macon, Missouri.



The daughter of Glen and Nellie Gilbert (Sousley) Pipes, Margaret was born on July 7, 1935, in Morgan County. On November 9, 1957, in Morgan County, she married Ervin Dee Daniels who preceded her in death on November 17, 1989. Survivors include one son, Mike (Lana) Daniels, La Plata; three daughters, Lori Daniels, Kirksville, Robin (Randy) Hunziker, Centertown, Karen True, Phoenix, Arizona; two brothers, Earl Wayne Pipes and Glen Pipes, Jr. both of Versailles; one sister, Wanda Kay Merriot of Harrisburg, 7 grandchildren, Chris (Rachel) Daniels, Pat (Jackie) Daniels, Ashley (Coley) Bruns, Ethan (Alexa) Hunziker, Erik (Bri) Daniels, Wyatt Hunziker, Katie Hunziker, 6 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Bill Pipes; one sister, Wilma Monteer; one son, James Dee Daniels; one daughter, Terri Lynn Daniels; and one grandson, Ryan True.

Mrs. Daniels resided in Morgan and Adair Counties. She was educated through the eighth grade in Morgan and Adair Counties. She was a member of the Novinger Baptist Church. She loved going to church, watching sporting events, sewing, her grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12, 2024, at Travis-Noe Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 13, 2024, at Travis-Noe Funeral Home, in Kirksville, with Reverend Danny Daniels conducting the service. Burial will follow in the Pratt Cemetery in Adair County, west of Kirksville.

Pallbearers are: Darrell Daniels, Charlie Davison, John Davison, James Daniels, Brad Daniels, and Roy Merriot. Honorary pallbearers are Steve Merriot, Earl Pipes, Jr., Coleman Monteer, Jr., Glen Pipes, Larry Pipes, Scott Pipes, and Gary Pipes.

The family has requested that those who wish to express their sympathy in the form of contributions do so to the Loch Haven Nursing Home of Macon, and they may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.

Beate Maria 'Bebe' Kugler Ellsworth

Oct 30, 1949 – Dec 18, 2023

Beate Maria "Bebe" Kugler Ellsworth was born in Hannover, Germany on October 30, 1949, to Wolfgang Kugler and Charlotte Bruenig Kugler. She passed away on December 18, 2023.



Bebe, along with her family, came to the United States in 1957 where she became a naturalized citizen and proud Texan.

She grew up in San Antonio and Beaumont and spent summers in Crystal Beach until her father moved them to Jackson, Mississippi. She graduated from Callaway High School in Jackson and enjoyed attending her reunions and keeping up with her lifelong friends who described her as a true friend to everyone she loved.

Bebe was kind, caring, considerate and fun loving. She was also driven and task oriented. As a young mother to her beloved daughter, Tiffany, she worked in McAllen at an auto dealership. There, she met the love of her life, Dean Ellsworth. When they kissed for the first time, Bebe said that she tingled down to her toes. She knew he was "the one." Bebe and Dean married in 1994 and built a life together with their respective daughters that took them to many places.

They lived for many years on Dean's ranch in Missouri. Bebe, with her sales background and eye for fashion, in 1996 opened a successful antique and consignment store, named Hidden Treasures. In later years, they enjoyed living at their house on the lake in Trinity where she loved being a part of the community. She was a consummate bargain hunter, venturing far and wide to garage and estate sales, consignment, and resale shops. Her home was decorated with the best of her finds. With matter of fact pride she would tell you where she got each one and how much she paid for it. "It's all about the hunt," she would say.

Bebe always looked stylish and put together. She was very involved in her church and community. She was an active member of the Women's Republican Party of Trinity, Texas and participated in their annual event even while ill. Only a few days thereafter, she organized and ran a successful community garage sale.

Bebe loved traveling and spending time with family and friends. She had fond memories of her childhood summers at the beach on the Bolivar Peninsula, and in 2021 she fulfilled a lifelong dream of buying a beachfront house there. But Bebe, being practical and sales minded, sold it recently for a good deal. She knew it was good timing.

Her most cherished role was loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She always said she was blessed, but she was the blessing to everyone who knew her.

Bebe was preceded in death by her parents, beautiful daughter Tiffany Nicole Hutchinson (12/5/2009), and beloved cousin Heinz Kugler.

Her legacy continues through her loving husband Dean Ellsworth; daughter Sherry Maddox and husband Jerry Maddox; Grandchildren Jakob and Jaxon Maddox; step-daughter Deanna Trevino and husband Oscar, Grandchildren Stephanie Kiser (Chantly), Jennifer Trevino (Ivan), Jean Juli (Florian), Vanessa Trevino (Travis), Andres Salazar (Erica), Desiree Montelongo (Sam) and 6 great-grandchildren; Sisters Marga Helford and husband JB, and Dawn Burge and husband Farley Burge; special cousin Dagmar Kurth and husband Klaus Kurth. Special nieces, Noelle and Caroline Burge Simms, Emily, Elizabeth and Lily Kugler; and best friend Ruthie Mitchell.

James E. 'Doc' Gardner

Oct. 18, 1933 – Dec. 21, 2023

At 90 years old this Northeast Missouri farm boy, veteran, doctor, exotic animal trader and rare coin collector, known as "Doc" by those who knew him from his medical career, and "Animal Papa" by those who loved him and are his legacy, passed away in his hometown of Kirksville, Missouri from a heart so big it couldn't be contained. He passed away at home under the care of Hospice of Northeast Missouri while surrounded by loving family on Thursday December 21, 2023.



That legacy includes his wife of nearly a half century, Wilma (Wells) Gardner, six children: Lynn Ann (Gardner) Roberts and husband Larry of Weatherby Lake, MO., James Michael Gardner and wife Joy of Lee's Summit, MO., Kelly Wayne Gardner and wife Pam of Cottleville, MO., Cynthia Marie (Gardner) Lewellen and husband Chuck of Kirksville, MO., and stepson Greg Murphy and wife Kim of Kirksville, MO., along with eighteen grandchildren, and fifteen great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Earnest and Maxie (Smith) Gardner, his sister Mary (Gardner) Emdia, stillborn granddaughter Tanya Gardner, and grandson Matthew Lewellen, a Green Beret killed in action in Jordan.

His larger-than-life persona drew comparisons to John Wayne, but his smooth moves on the dance floor brought Fred Astaire to mind. On any given Saturday night, you could find Jim and Wilma dancing at the VFW, where he rarely sat out a dance, especially if the great-grandchildren were there. He was not one to sit out much in life.

James Edgar Gardner was born October 18, 1933, in Hurdland, Missouri, to Earnest and Maxie Gardner. His father was a farmer and his mother a teacher in Knox County. In fact, she taught in a one-room schoolhouse near their farm and Jim was one of her students. He said he never gave his mother credit for her intelligence; she earned a Masters degree in the 1950's when few women were pursuing a college education.

He graduated in 1952 from Knox County High School in Edina, Missouri, and left Missouri to seek his fortune in factories out of state, then enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he served two years on the USS Randolph aircraft carrier in the Mediterranean. When he returned to Kirksville he married his high school sweetheart, Sue Bishop, in 1954. Together they had five children in seven years: Lynn, Mike, David, Kelly and Cindy. After their divorce he married Wilma Murphy in 1977 and gained a stepson, Greg Murphy.

As a young father in his senior year at Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, Jim was elected student body president. While still in medical school he began working at the downtown clinic of Mildred Gelbach, D.O., and he took over her practice in 1964 after she was struck by a car while in California. He recently told a reporter for the Adair Historian that he didn't leave the county for seven years after taking over the clinic. He trained himself to function on just four hours of sleep a night.

He was known as Kirksville's baby doctor and estimated he delivered more than 4,600 babies in his career. If there was a complicated birth, his colleagues called on him for the special delivery. He also pioneered the use of the laparoscope in Missouri. His clinic partners over the years included the late Mary Boller, D.O., and Joseph Marino, D.O., now of South Carolina.

Along with Dr. Marino and several other doctors he owned and operated Grim-Smith Hospital until they sold it. He continued owning farms and became one of the first to raise French Charolais cattle in the state. He and fellow investors built a thriving night club, the Golden Spike, that hosted nationally known musicians and comedians in downtown Kirksville; they opened a second one in Quincy, Illinois. Among the other local businesses, he developed the Crown Drive Professional Building on Hwy. 63, two medical research businesses, Sunbrite Laundry, Aladdin Glass and home decor store, Colonial Manor Motel, and Pancake City on Hwy. 63 in partnership with daughter Cindy and her husband Chuck Lewellen, and Gardner Miniatures with wife Wilma.

When Dr. Gardner retired from medicine at the age of 53, he and Wilma moved to wooded acreage adjoining Thousand Hills State Park and began their exotic animal business. Over the following decades they raised llamas, zebras, red deer, buffalo, elk, camels, fainting goats, exotic birds like emus and peacocks, and finally, miniature donkeys and miniature horses. Their first llama was house-trained and slept with them in the bunkhouse while their home was being built.

Every Fourth of July, the Gardners and the Waddles invited hundreds of family members and friends to gather in a clearing at the place he called "The Brush" to create memories riding mules, playing horseshoes, eating turkey fries, and telling tall tales, culminating in the largest fireworks display in Northeast Missouri. The other holiday he made famous for the family became known as "Walmart Christmas" when he and Wilma hosted a big meal and distributed envelopes filled with cash to take the whole family shopping together at Walmart the weekend before the holiday.

An athlete in high school, he recalls playing basketball against Norm Stewart, whom he remembered as "a tough SOB". As an adult he coached the American Legion Kirksville Royals and other KBA baseball teams to many a victory and all of his sons played the game. The baseball field in Kirksville is named "Doc Gardner Field" in his honor. In recent years he was elected to the KBSA Hall of Fame. He traveled the region in support of his grandkids and great grandkids, whether it be basketball, football, softball, baseball, track, dance, poker, or even soccer (not his favorite sport). He loved to cheer them on.

Before moving to Missouri to farm, Jim's father Earnest built roads in Illinois with wagons pulled by mules. In his forties, Jim Gardner took up Mule Jumping and trained his favorite mule to jump over a wall as tall as 67 inches. With his jumping mule Ikey, they won three state fair competitions in Missouri, Iowa and Illinois. Doc asked that his ashes be spread on the ridge where his best mule Ikey and his best dog Phideaux (pronounced Fido) are buried. A farm boy at heart, as his medical career in Kirksville flourished, he bought a series of farms in Adair County and kept them until he could double his money, using the proceeds to buy the next farm. Land was important to him. Striking a good deal was too.

Well known for his generosity, Doc Gardner was asked to help put together a Wagon Train for Boys Town of Missouri in St. James. For eight years he and Wilma, along with friends from the Waddle family, provided riding animals for a trail ride for 100 abused and neglected boys. The 170-mile ride started in St. James and went all the way to the Gateway Arch in St. Louis. Over those eight days, Doc recalled that the boys learned to ride and gained a sense of pride and connection to their animals. Missouri's governor presented Jim and Wilma with the Child Advocate of the Year award for their work.

Jim Gardner had a love of adventure, hunting, fishing, and pulling legendary pranks; he was adept at telling a good joke, especially the off-color ones. His tenderness when caring for the sick or small children and animals, along with his legendary zest for life, benefited multiple generations. His resiliency in surviving more than two decades with a brain tumor gave him countless opportunities to experience the joy and fullness of a life well lived with family and friends. At the end of his life, despite the pain, he was the first to say his nine decades went by in a flash and that he was "a lucky man who had a great run!"

Animal Papa, Doc, Jim...you will be missed, but the movie of your legendary life plays on in our hearts. All the stars of your life are dancing tonight.

A memorial service with military honors will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 20, 2024, at Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, with family receiving friends from 9:00 a.m. to service time.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you remember Doc with a walk in the woods, a trip around the bases on Doc Gardner Field, breakfast at Pancake City, a spin around the dance floor at the VFW on Saturday night, or a donation to Missouri Boys Town in St. James, Missouri.

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ROBIN WRITES

Country Twang

When I hear country music, my sneaker taps in a duet with the heartbeat of the tempo...and I know it'd feel better if that foot wore a cowboy boot.

We didn't listen to country music when I was growing up—my mother hated it, and she ruled the roost. The music we heard at home was mostly church songs, but we had a tiny collection of scratchy of Bobby Vinton, Vikki Carr, and Johnny Mathis 45s that spun on bedroom record players.

When I hit my early teens, I discovered Tammy Wynette. She sang about the pain of betrayal and passion, perfect for a girl just learning about love. Her voice seeped through a clenched, tortured jaw that serrated each phrase.

Every song told a story. Beginning to end. I learned how to spell 'D-I-V-O-R-C-E' with a twang in my larynx. She told me about poor little Bobby (his parents were splittin' up!) and my throat ached for the little tyke.

Johnny Cash took my interest in this 'tell-all music' to a new, octave-lower level. After 'A Boy Named Sue' hit the pop charts, I started listening to his other songs. This was no

crooner. The smooth trills of Johnny Mathis seemed operatic compared to the voice I heard on 'I Walk the Line'.

Cash's range was limited to just a few, raspy notes. But his rough voice filed away at the bars that held me captive in my 'Casey Kasem's Top 20 Countdown' world. I was mesmerized by the sound and the fury of his songs. They convinced me I had some livin' and lovin' and hurtin' to do.

I snuck into my brother's room when he left for a date or for work and taught myself four chords on his guitar. That was all I needed: In the blink of a teardrop, I was able to play and sing Loretta Lynn's spunky tale of catfight chaos, 'You Ain't Woman Enough to Take My Man'.

My fingers were sore at first, then callused. I knew about pain now. I could wail about love and loss and cheatin' and forgivin' with a wizened grimace.

I grew up and became a mom and a grandma. For the last four decades, lullabies, pop songs and hymns have filled my household. The 'Eency, Weency Spider' has climbed that waterspout a million times, and pop music wafted from records to cassettes to 8-tracks to CDs and digital files.



ROBIN GARRISON LEACH
ROBIN WRITES

Church songs that I remember singing with Mom keep a constant rhythm in my heart; I've tried to cling to the 'Old Rugged Cross' with a tenacity even Tammy Wynette would have envied.

But my love of a good ol' country song will never fade. The music is simple; the beat as predictable as a pulse. When I hear Lee Ann Womack or Trisha Yearwood sing her stories, I smile at the common roads we've all boot-scooted down. No other music can hold a candle to those experiences and feelings.

And though I'm not the young filly I once was, I still feel like a 'Good-Hearted Woman' when my car radio lands on a country station. My foot may be tapping with less energy now, but I'm still that same twangy, four-chord, guitar-playin' country girl inside.

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HOME COUNTRY

Winter isn't complete without a hoax

It was half-past second coffee and darn near to French toast time and it had been very quiet at the round table, that general headquarters of the World Dilemma Think Tank.

"Heard something interesting yesterday," said Herb. "Kids were talking on the sidewalk and I couldn't help but hear parts of it. I had to stop and ask them about it, even if it seemed rude to them."

"Seems somebody tipped them off that there was a thousand dollars in gold coins buried beneath the stepping stone going into Jenkin's cabin."

Dud looked up, "But nobody knows where Jenkin's cabin is, and he's gone now and we may never know."

"That's true enough. But there's more. The other thing I heard from them," Herb said, "was that it was you who told them about the gold."

Dud looked up sheepishly. "Well ..."

"You did, didn't you, Dud," said Doc. "I can tell by the look on your face."

"Your fault, Doc. You remember you said a winter around here isn't complete without a



SLIM RANGLES
HOME COUNTRY

hoax? Remember your fictional pet squirrel?"

"Yeah," said Steve. "Chipper." "So, since I decided to train a few local dogs into a dog team, I thought this would be a good way to get started."

"You lost me there," said Steve.

"Well, with a couple dozen teenagers snowshoeing around looking for Jenkins's cabin, that ought to pack some nice trails for anyone with a team of dogs."

No one laughed until Doc started, and by then it was too late. Even sides of bacon couldn't quell the noise.

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THE ROCKWOOD FILES

A year for healing

My mother is radioactive. You wouldn't know it by looking at her. She's dozing in a recliner, and the only hint that something is wrong is the sign on the door which reads "Caution: Radioactive materials."

In about half an hour, a nurse will escort her down the hall and put her on a table that slides into a donut-shaped machine. Today is my mom's first PET scan.

I wish a PET scan was as pleasant as its name implies. I wish it was for cute pictures of beagles and basset hounds. But this kind of PET scan happens weeks after a doctor walks into a room and says something completely unexpected: "We found a mass."

Generally speaking, you never want a doctor to find anything in your body that shouldn't be there. But the word "mass" lands differently than medical terms like "growth" or "polyp." Mass means something big has happened, and life is about to change in massive ways. Mom and I both felt the word reverberate through us as the doctor went on to say that, based on its size and appearance, he was almost sure the mass was colon cancer. And five days later, the pathology report proved him right.

Let me back up here so you'll have the whole picture. My mom is 79 and still works full-time as a bank teller. She tried retirement years ago, but the slower pace didn't interest her. So, she retired from retirement and got a job at the bank. Still sharp with numbers and great with people, she quickly became that smiling white-haired lady behind the bank counter who reminds you of your mom or grandma and always asks if you'd like your cash in large bills or tens and twenties.

She's good at taking care of people, and that's what she did for 10 years after dementia began to shroud my dad in a thick fog of confusion. When he died a year ago, it broke our hearts, but it also set him free from a disease that can often make the toughest guy you've ever known feel lost and afraid.

Because Mom was still working, cooking, baking, and grocery shopping like a woman half her age, this cancer diagnosis came as a shock to all of us. She had zero symptoms. She was only there for a routine



GWEN ROCKWOOD
THE ROCKWOOD FILES

colonoscopy — a test she'd had done at least three times over the years.

But cancer has a way of blowing up assumptions. A few days later, we met with a surgeon who explained how he would cut out the mass and then rearrange and reconnect the healthy parts of Mom's colon in what sounded like a game of Legos (only he used intestines instead of plastic bricks). We think he's a genius.

Surgery and recovery went well in November, and we're beyond grateful. But because cancer is a nasty little weasel known for hiding in lymph nodes, Mom will also need chemo. That's why we were at the cancer clinic today getting that injection of radioactive material used during PET scans. The test results will serve as a baseline that guides this next phase of treatment.

Although she's new to cancer, this is not the first time Mom has faced something scary and hard. Thankfully, she has a spirit that is as remarkable as her lemon apricot cake. So, I'm trying not to worry (excessively) because I think this particular case of cancer is in for a real butt-kicking. I'm praying for that outcome, and we'd certainly welcome your prayers, too. Her doctor said her chemo drug is available in pill form, so she's planning to keep on working during treatment.

Millions of us have either experienced cancer personally or love someone who has. (Sometimes both.) And even though each person's struggle is different, there's something comforting about "strength in numbers." We don't feel alone. We have family, friends, coworkers, neighbors, and even some favorite bank customers helping us through it. I bet there are a few angels involved, too.

The chemo starts in two days. Are we nervous? Yes. There's still so much we don't know. But we are also hopeful, determined, and stubborn enough to do the next right thing, even when it sucks. From my family to yours, may 2024 be the year of healing, blessings, and good news. I'll keep you posted.

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PUBLIC HEALTH CORNER

Winter Safety Month

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Welcome to this edition of Public Health Corner, where we dedicate our focus to essential health topics, community resources, and issues that profoundly impact the well-being of our community. As we embrace Winter Safety Month, it's paramount to explore strategies and tips that ensure our community stays safe and healthy during the colder months.

Winter Safety: A Community Priority

Winter brings its own set of challenges, from plummeting temperatures to potential hazards associated with winter activities. Prioritizing safety during this season is crucial for preventing accidents and maintaining overall well-being.

Key Winter Safety Tips:

- Cold Weather Preparedness: Ensure you're adequately dressed for the cold weather. Layering is key, and don't forget to protect extremities with gloves, hats and sturdy footwear. Stay informed about weather forecasts, especially when planning outdoor activities.

- Home Heating Safety: If using space heaters or other heating sources, follow safety guidelines to prevent fires and carbon monoxide exposure. Ensure proper ventilation and keep flammable materials away from heating appliances.

- Preventing Slips and Falls: Icy sidewalks and driveways pose a significant risk. Use ice melt or sand to improve traction, wear appropriate footwear, and take cautious steps when navigating slippery surfaces.

- Safe Winter Driving: Winter road conditions require extra caution. Maintain your vehicle, check tire tread, and carry an emergency kit. Stay informed about road conditions and, if possible, avoid unnecessary travel during severe weather.

- Winter Sports Safety: Whether skiing, snowboarding, or engaging in other winter sports, use appropriate safety gear. Follow recommended guidelines and take lessons if you're new to a particular activity.

- Preventing Seasonal Illness: Cold and flu season peaks during winter. Practice good hygiene by washing hands frequently, staying up-to-date on vaccinations, and avoiding close contact with sick individuals.

- Mental Health Awareness: Winter months can bring challenges to mental health. Combat seasonal affective disorder (SAD) by maximizing exposure to natural light, staying socially connected, and seeking support if needed.

Community Collaboration for Winter Safety: Winter Safety Month provides an excellent opportunity for our community to collaborate and promote a culture of safety. Share winter safety tips with neighbors, check on vulnerable community members, and be proactive in addressing potential hazards.

For more information/resources on winter safety go to <https://www.mo.gov/winter-weather-safety/> or reach out to your local health department. Let's make Winter Safety Month a time of increased awareness and collective effort to keep our community safe and thriving.

Thank you for your commitment to the health and safety of our community.

POETRY CORNER

The 100% Shooter

This is going back... many a year... the Comets were playing that night, It was Junior High basketball... another big game... and I was ready with all of my might.

In the locker room... Coach Miller said... "Come on boys, let's hit the floor," We went through warm-ups... the first string was ready... ready for everything and more.

The coach yelled out... "Circle up now and remember the plays... all hands touching, one, two, three, break, Now the rest of you boys... sit there on the bench... and you gotta be ready for Pete's sake."

Just because... my butt was on the bench... didn't mean my mind was not in the game,

You never know... when your big chance might come... who knows, somebody might come up lame.

Well this game... it really went well...



we must have been 30 points ahead, It was last of the 4th quarter... looking down the bench... the coach yelled "Merritt, get out there, now head".

A minute was left... my big chance... my chance to finally play,

I was on the court... I had the ball... when I shot, a miracle occurred that day.

It went down in history... Merritt shot once and he made it... a record that still might stand,

For the Kirksville Comets... the only 100% shooter... when he shot, in the basket, the ball would land.

— Daniel D. Donovan

EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY

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Ownbey Lake's most memorable event

By Blytha Ellis, President
Adair County Historical
Society and Museum



As mentioned in our previous episode, one of the largest and most notable of events ever held at Ownbey Lake occurred on July 4, 1924. Not only was Ownbey Lake deceived into believing they were holding a good event, but the City of Kirksville was also deceived. And, we dare say, most of the USA was also tricked in the 1920s by the resurgence of the organization known as the Ku Klux Klan into believing they had changed from their old ways of the post-Civil War era.

The KKK first started during the reconstruction period after the Civil War. A group of young Confederate officers from Pulaski, Tennessee, got together and formed a group who opposed the freedoms given to former slaves. The group chose the name *Kyklos*, meaning circle in Greek, and added the word clan with a "k." They were radical and violent, committing many atrocities, lynchings, arson, beatings, etc., mainly in the South. Reportedly, this early group was squelched for several years.

The 1920s saw a resurgence of the Ku Klux Klan as the new group tried to present itself to the public as fraternal and social. They identified themselves as "Christian" to draw people in and hide their underlying hatred for certain groups.

The Kirksville chapter of the KKK was named "The Flaming Circle." Publicly, they stood for good morals and supported the prohibition of alcohol which many people agreed with at that time in history. They were against anything which they thought threatened the stability of society or the changing of American culture. In this, they also had the support of many citizens. At one time during this era, there were 2,000 KKK members in Adair County.

But, in their secret meetings, the leaders talked of intimidation to achieve their goals. They conducted rituals where they spoke of their views against Jews, Catholics, Negroes, immigrants and bootleggers. They opposed labor unions, immigration, foreign involvement such as the League of Nations, disliked Wall Street, big business, chain stores, and industrialism. They were against immigrants coming to this country and competing for jobs which they claimed drove wages down. They called these newcomers un-American because of their languages, food and customs. Their objection to Catholics dealt with the hierarchical control from Rome.

Locally, the Klan wormed its way into socially accepted circles. Many prominent people in Adair County became members. For example, Judge Richard W. Hart (1859-1926) was fooled by their "respectable" nature. When he died, the following was written in his obituary, "The burial service was conducted by the local Ku Klux Klan organization, and was very impressive. This was the first Klan funeral in Adair County. A crowd of over 1,000 people attended the funeral."

The Adair County Historical Society Museum also has on display a 1922 KKK membership "coin" which belonged to

another local member of the Klan, Joseph B. Noble (1873-1956). It was donated to us by family members.

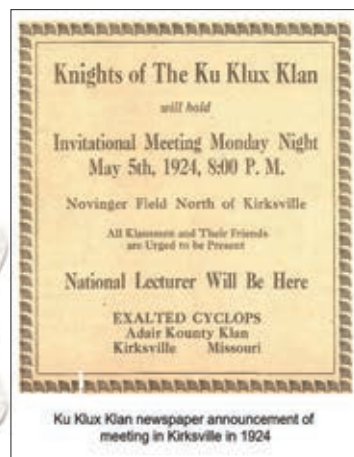
A Kirksville college professor, Dr. Pauline (Dingle) Knobbs recalled in a *Chariton Collector* article that when she was in college in Kirksville in the early 1920s, the landlord where she was boarding had as a guest the Grand Cyclops of the KKK when he came to Kirksville for a gathering and a parade. He told the group at the boarding house that the KKK was going to "take the U.S. back from the Negroes and foreigners." Dr. Knobbs stated she purchased a KKK membership from the Grand Cyclops for \$1 and read their material just so she could learn what the group was all about as she was a Social Studies major. She remembered feeling sorry for the immigrant families in Kirksville and for the immigrant children she had taught in the past and was very fond of. She knew there was no truth in the claims the Klan was making against these people.

Dr. Knobbs and some college friends secretly spied on the group when they gathered for a secret ceremony in the Kellogg Woods. This was a location northeast of Kirksville where the Warren Kellogg family had a mansion on several acres. The family would often allow their land to be used as a recreational area much like Ben Ownbey did. In later years, the Kellogg house and property were sold to developers and became the Kellwood Hills subdivision to Kirksville.

Dr. Knobbs stated that after the gathering in the woods which involved a cross burning, the KKK members paraded that night around the Kirksville square several times while distributing pamphlets. The members wore white robes and hoods which hid their faces. Even the horses were covered in white sheets with red circles around their eye and mouth holes. The group concluded their march at the Heinzman and Swigert building on East Washington Street, where they held a meeting on the third floor. This was also known as the Foster Building, later the Montgomery Ward building and now Beards.

It was in this atmosphere that permission was granted by county officials for the Klan to have a large local celebration in Kirksville on Independence Day, 1924. Newspapers later reported that a group of over 250 Klansmen gathered at the Kirksville High School on McPherson Street and paraded around the square, then down First St. to Ownbey Lake for a seemingly benign picnic and day of fun and games. The general public was invited. Over 20,000 people reportedly attended.

This event brought what was probably the biggest crowd ever to Ownbey Lake. Many people walked to the site, but this was also the early days of cars, and parking became a problem. The *Kirksville Daily Express* reported that they



counted at least 500 cars lining First Street on this day.

A celebrated war hero from England named Lieutenant Tommy Weber was temporarily making his home in Kirksville at this time. He was well known for giving plane rides to local citizens, a novelty in that day. In the evening hours of this Independence Day, he had been hired to fly over Ownbey Lake with a burning cross attached to the bottom of his plane. On the ground, a large cross had been constructed on the north side of Ownbey Lake which was to be "lighted" also. However, this structure broke before the ceremony, and a smaller cross was substituted.

These burning-cross displays were called "cross lightings" to supposedly "symbolize the group's faith in Christ." However, their actions and state of mind usually did not reflect Christian values.

Nationally, the KKK grew to 4 million members in the mid-1920s. In August 1925, 40,000 members paraded down Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, D.C.

Eventually, the organization's true colors could not be hidden, and they fell from grace in the eyes of the general public in all parts of the country. As quickly as it rose in membership, it collapsed. This was attributed partially to poor leadership who claimed to stand for morality but who set poor examples.

In Kirksville, among other things, the group became oppressive. Newspapers reported that the Klan was displaying posters on store windows in Kirksville without permission of the store owners. They used "water glass" to adhere the posters. This is a liquid sodium silicate which forms a hard glassy gel and is very difficult to remove. Most of their posters were directed at law violators as if it was the Klan's duty to take law enforcement into their own hands. They even admonished police officers to "do your duty."

The Klan began to assert themselves into the personal lives of people whom they thought were violating the "moral code." For example, the posters warned, "Married men, watch your step. Do your joy riding with your own family" and "The man that patronizes the bootlegger is as guilty as the bootlegger." The posters also stated, "Those who condemn our free schools are condemning the very principles on which our government was founded. We have no room in the country for the enemies of our free schools."

Dr. Knobbs told one last story about her experience with the KKK. The week after the first Kirksville parade, she was getting her shoes shined from a Black man in front of Hayward's Shoe Store on the south side of the Kirksville square. She asked him what he had thought of the parade. Even though the Klansmen's faces were covered, he said, "Don't you think I recognized those people by their shoes which I shined?"

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TURNING THE PAGE

This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

115 Years Ago, January 12, 1909

Local ice harvesters were in hopes that the cold wave would hold on longer so an abundant supply of ice could be harvested for the following summer's use. The two icemen in Kirksville were waiting for the ice to become thick enough to store in their icehouses. The icemen were in despair of not being able to get any natural ice, but a cold wave, which had been hanging over Montana and the Dakotas took a sweep south and finally reached the Kirksville area. Many of the farmers in the county had already filled their ice houses with 4-to-6-inch ice cut from their ponds. The ice was used in warm weather to cool ice boxes, to chill iced drinks, and to make homemade ice cream. The ice could be stored in an ice house in sawdust for quite some time, and the thicker it was the longer it would last.

115 Years Ago, January 13, 1909

Kirksville townspeople and the rail-traveling public welcomed the opening of the newly constructed Wabash Depot. The 130-foot-long brick structure contained seven rooms. Constructed primarily of brick and concrete, it utilized little combustible material to assure that the new depot would not be destroyed by fire like the previous one. The 22x40 foot waiting room could comfortably seat 42 people. The freight annex on the south end of the depot was 22x50 foot and contained large beam scales in the floor. The newest hot water heating system in the baggage room kept the building comfortable. The building's lights were provided by the Kirksville Electric Light Company. Construction on the new depot began August 12, 1908. It replaced a depot of wood construction that was destroyed by fire on December 17, 1907.

100 Years Ago, January 10, 1924

Kirksville's city fathers ordered that the streets in the downtown business district be washed. So much mud had accumulated on the streets that it was necessary to wear rubber boots to get around town. A lot of the mud was caused by digging the trenches for the new water mains, but part of it was brought in by cars and wagons that traveled on Kirksville's unpaved streets.

100 Years Ago, January 13, 1924

A mad dog scare in the Pure Air and Tipperary communities in western Adair County turned out to be much more than just a scare—it was a serious outbreak of rabies among dogs. Sheriff Waddill reported that information had been coming into his office and complaints were made to him about several dogs with rabies having been shot. Ralph Jones of the Pure Air neighborhood went to his barn and was chased to the house by a large Airedale dog that was mad. He secured a gun, killed the dog, and then had his own dog killed. The dog that he killed was a stray. Leonard Douglas, another farmer of west of Pure Air, reported that his dog had gone mad and at last report was headed toward Nind and had bitten several dogs. The Adair County Court met immediately and issued a court order that placed a quarantine on dogs in Liberty and Walnut Townships in Adair County. The quarantine was to remain in effect until further notice from the court. Dog owners were to kill, keep impounded, or vaccinate all dogs. Mid-winter was an unusual time for rabies to originate and spread, but there were reports of the disease occurring at that time of the year.

90 Years Ago, January 10, 1934

Five tons of food were sent to Kirksville by the federal government under the "New Deal" program which recognized the necessity of filling stomachs of the destitute as well as refilling the pocketbooks of the unemployed. The products included meat, but-



ter, and eggs. They were distributed by Neal's Market through requisition by the Associated Board of Charities. Shipments of salt pork totaling 6,700 pounds had been received and more was expected. Also on hand for distribution were 1,960 pounds of government butter and 750 dozen eggs. Only people on the relief list of the Associated Board of Charities were eligible to acquire food. The board investigated each application and made allotments according to the worthiness of the case. The bulk of the federal food was acquired through the government's program of adjustment for American agriculture, in which millions of dollars were spent to reduce sow and pig production.

80 Years Ago, January 12, 1944

Chester Bagley, Adair County Chairman of the War Finance Committee, stated that that World War II was costing our government \$166,666 a minute or over 7 billion dollars a month. The cost of the war during November 1943 was nearly 8 billion dollars, the highest of any month since the war began in 1941. Adair County's quota for the war bond drive that was scheduled to begin January 18 and conclude February 14 was \$479,000. Bagley noted that this amount would only pay for a few short moments of the war. He said that every patriotic person in Adair County with an income of any substantial amount should invest at least \$75 cash to purchase a \$100 war bond during the upcoming Fourth War Loan Drive. Bagley also pointed out that it "is not what we must invest now to help win the war, but what the cost would be should we lose."

75 Years Ago, January 7, 1949

Kirksville Mayor I. E. Marham reported to the city council that it was possible that the federal government might construct a large lake near Kirksville to aid in the flood control program on the Chariton River. For that to happen it would be necessary for the city to conduct preliminary surveys for a suitable site for the lake. The mayor and councilmen Bert Sees and J. J. Wimp were of the opinion that the city would need an alternative water source in the not-too-distant future. They believed that when the Chariton River valley was properly drained it would reduce the water supply for Kirksville to such an extent that an additional water source would be imperative. Possible sites for the location of a lake were either Big Creek, west of the city, or Rye Creek, northwest of the city. Dams could be constructed on either of these streams to form a lake that would be close to the city's water filtration plant. Another possibility was to put a dam across Sugar Creek southwest of Kirksville, but that was a greater distance to the filtration plant.

50 Years Ago, January 11, 1974

Service stations in the Kirksville area were feeling the pinch of the gas shortage, and station operators had their own ideas on how to handle it. All the gas stations were receiving a cutback in the amount of gas they received from the distributors. Local gas stations were experiencing anywhere from a ten to thirty percent cutback in the amount of gas they received compared to the previous year. Some of the gas stations were limiting gas purchases to ten gallons per visit. Others were not limiting the amount of gas sold, but just selling their gas supply until it ran out. A solution to the nation's gas shortage did not appear imminent.

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ROTARY CLUB OF KIRKSVILLE WELCOMES NORTHEAST REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER



At the Jan. 3 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting, club President Melissa Stuart inducted a new organizational member, Northeast Regional Medical Center. Pictured from left are Stuart; Rotary Sponsor Elizabeth Gregory; Patrick Avila, NRMCCO (primary member); Danny Bartlett, Director of Business Development and Provider Relations; Tami Western, Chief Quality Officer; and Elizabeth Guffey, Chief Nursing Officer. ROTARY CLUB OF KIRKSVILLE

ROTARY CLUB OF KIRKSVILLE LEARNS BACKGROUNDS OF NEW MEMBERS



At the Jan. 3 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting, newer members Jennifer Chrisman (left) and Mason Garbs (right) spoke about themselves and their backgrounds. Chrisman, marketing and sales manager at Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company, lives on a farm she calls "The Big Hill" west of Novinger. Garbs, born and raised in O'Fallon, is an optometrist at Premier Eyecare Associates in Kirksville. They are pictured with club President Melissa Stuart. ROTARY CLUB OF KIRKSVILLE

KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

City reminds residents to protect water lines, meters, pipes in freezing temperatures

With extremely cold temperatures forecasted for later this week, the city of Kirksville would like to remind residents to protect their private water service lines, water meters and pipes in their home from freezing. City crews will only respond to breaks in water mains, as well as conduct emergency shut-offs. City crews will not respond to or work on any private water service lines beyond the curb stop box that are frozen. If you have not already done so, winterize your water meter as soon as possible. You can take the following precautions to prevent your water meter from freezing and breaking.

- Make sure you have a tight-fitting lid on your water meter pit.
 - Fill the water meter pit with fiberglass insulation, especially if the water meter pit lid doesn't fit well.
- Following these simple steps will help protect your water service. As a reminder, if your water meter freezes, the replacement and/or repair is the responsibility of the property owner or tenant. For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 660-627-1291.

Upcoming private utility work

The city of Kirksville would like to make residents aware of upcoming private utility work that may cause travel disruptions. Starting Monday, Jan. 8, Ridenhour Directional Drilling and its subcontractors will begin fiberoptic installation for Socket Telecom. The affected area includes East Jefferson Street and East Normal Avenue, between South Baltimore and South Franklin streets, and the portion of South Franklin Street that connects Jefferson and Normal. This work is estimated to last between 30 and 60 days, depending on weather. Be advised that there may be traffic congestion or restricted travel at times in this area. For more information, contact the Engineering Department at 660-627-1272.

Local Highway maintenance work

The following is a list of general highway maintenance work the Missouri Department of Transportation has planned in the Northern Missouri region for the next few weeks. All road closures and planned roadwork may be viewed on the Traveler Information Map at <http://traveler.modot.org/map/>. Inclement weather may cause schedule changes in some of the planned work. There may also be moving

operations throughout the region, in addition to the work mentioned below. MoDOT asks drivers to work with us by buckling up, putting your phone down, slowing down and moving over in work zones.

Adair County

Missouri Route 6 – Jan. 8-12, Lane restriction for brush cutting from U.S. Route 63 to Route V between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily.

Knox County

Route K – Jan. 8-11, Lane restriction for bridge maintenance 0.5 miles before and after the Bridge Creek bridge between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. A 10-foot width restriction will be in place where crews are actively working daily.

Mobility: African-American Artists Abroad at Truman State University Art Gallery

Mobility: African-American Artists Abroad will be showcased at the Truman State University Art Gallery, Jan. 23 – March 1. Mobility: African-American Artists Abroad, is work from the Petrucci Family Foundation Collection of African-American Art. An opening reception and talk will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 5 p.m. University Art Gallery Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday Noon to 4:30 p.m. Art Gallery exhibits are free and open to the public. Please note, the University Art Gallery is closed between exhibitions and during all Truman State University breaks. Additional information at gallery.arttruman.com. The Art Gallery is located on the first floor of the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts Center, at the corner of Normal and Mulanix Streets – entrance on the west side of the building.

NEMO Gun Show

The NEMO Gun Show will be held on Feb 16-18 at the NEMO Fairgrounds, hosted by BK Promotions. All federal and local firearm laws and ordinances must be obeyed. Friday: 4-8 p.m.; Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: General: \$10; Children 12 & under, free. Admission good all weekend.

Dancing at Lughnasa

Dancing at Lughnasa will be held on Feb. 22, 23, 24 at Truman State University from 7:30-9 p.m. in the James G. Severns Theater in the Ophelia Parrish Building on campus. A show on Sunday, Feb. 25 will be held at 2 p.m. Set in 1936 rural Ireland, this poignant play follows five unmarried sisters trying to make ends meet. Set during the festival of Lughnasa, an ancient Celtic harvest celebration, the

family's struggles are interrupted by brief, colorful bursts of music from the radio, their only link to the larger world. Told from the point of view of the seven-year-old son of one of the sisters, this memory play reveals this family's resilience in the face of change. Widely regarded as Brian Friel's masterpiece, this haunting play is Friel's tribute to the spirit and valor of the past. By Brian Friel and directed by Randall Bame.

Small Business Development Center Idea Lab

Interested in becoming an entrepreneur? Join the city of Kirksville, Missouri Small Business Development Center, Truman State University and Missouri Rural Enterprise & Innovation Center for a session where they will share ideas and explore how to take the leap into entrepreneurship. Whether you have an idea already or just want to learn more, they will help you refine your concept and get ready to take the next steps. Kirksville Aquatic Center, 801 E. Mill Street, Monday, Jan. 22 from 9 a.m. to noon. Register at <https://missouri.ecenterdirect.com/events/24970> or contact Anastasia Tiedemann at 660-665-3348. A light breakfast will be provided.

2024 Indoor Triathlon Challenge

Join Kirksville Parks and Recreation and the Adair County Family YMCA for the 2024 Indoor Triathlon Challenge. The challenge will be held through March 10. During this nine-week challenge, participants will complete either a half triathlon, full triathlon, or ULTRA triathlon. Participants will have full access to the YMCA and the Kirksville Aquatic Center, as well as all classes offered at those facilities.

Biking mileage can be earned through the use of a rowing machine, recumbent or spin bike, outdoor cycling, or participation in group aerobic classes. Swim distance can be accumulated by lap swimming, water walking, or water aerobics classes. Running mileage can be tallied while on the treadmill, elliptical machine, running outside, or participating in group aerobic classes.

Those who complete their goal will receive the 2024 Indoor Triathlon sweatshirt. Registration is \$40 for members of either facility, or \$80 for non-members. If you have an active membership at the YMCA or the Aquatic Center, register at that facility. Non-members may register at either facility or online at parks.kirksvillecity.com. For more information about this program contact the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

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KIWANIS CLUB LEARNS ABOUT A.T. STILL, TRUMAN STATE'S INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTH PARTNERS PROGRAM



The Kirksville Kiwanis Club welcomed Dr. Brenda Higgins and Abby Oberman to speak at their Jan. 4 meeting. Higgins is the assistant director of Interprofessional Education and Collaboration, and Oberman is a clinical education coordinator, both at A.T. Still University in Kirksville. They presented on the Interprofessional Health Partners Program between ATSU and @Truman State University. Pictured, from left, are Dr. Higgins, Oberman, and Kirksville Kiwanis Club President Elect Ted Frushour. KIRKSVILLE KIWANIS CLUB

SNOW

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The forecast for the rest of the week includes clear skies on Wednesday with more snow and an extreme cold front moving in toward the weekend. Expect temperatures to drop well below zero by Saturday night.

The Weather Service warns that travel could be very difficult this week and patchy, blowing snow could significantly reduce visibility. The Weather Service suggests that if you must travel, keep an extra flashlight, food and water in your vehicle in case of an emergency. For the latest road conditions, call 511.

Kirksville officials ask residents to monitor city communication channels for further details as the weather develops. If snowfall reaches excessive amounts, street closures may be needed to clear streets. For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 660-627-1291.

DRIVING

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Traveler Information Map reflects the most current road conditions and is utilized by communication officers to provide road

conditions. Motorists are encouraged to download the Traveler Information Map or view the map online instead of contacting law enforcement to inquire about road conditions. Missouri State Highway Patrol communication officers are very

busy during winter weather events.

Remember to buckle up, pay attention, be courteous, and obey all traffic laws. When weather conditions make driving hazardous, drive only when absolutely necessary.

Green City's Buggs-Tipton signs to D-I track and field program at Wichita State

By Adam Tumino

Green City senior and nine-time track and field state champion Asher Buggs-Tipton will officially be making the jump to the NCAA Division I level in a few short months. During a ceremony held in front of packed bleachers at the Green City High School gym on Friday, Buggs-Tipton signed a letter to attend Wichita State University as a member of the men's track and field team.

A large number of friends, family, classmates, teammates and community members turned out to see Buggs-Tipton take the next step in his athletic and academic life, something he said meant a lot to him on such a special day.

"Today's been really great," he said. "I was nervous at first because it's a really big decision, but after I signed with Wichita State it felt like a relief off my shoulders because I know that I'm going to a college that supports me. I have people around me that support me and people that believe I can ex-

cel as an athlete. Just the support here from family, friends, even people I've raced against, just having people that support you and believe in you is great. I thank them for all coming and popping off for me."

Wichita State ended up being the place that felt like home for Buggs-Tipton, but a lot went into the decision. Many schools expressed interest, but when Wichita State came into the picture later in the process, it immediately stood out to him.

"I had offers and I had interest from Mizzou, Pitt, Wichita, Weber State, Liberty," Buggs-Tipton said. "Interest from South Carolina. Interest from Kentucky and Tennessee, but Wichita reached out to me and they did the most. You can tell they wanted me. You go to some of these powerhouse Division I schools, they get an athlete, they look at him and either don't care about him unless you're the number one ranked athlete in the nation or they just don't even pay any attention to you. Wichita State did not do that. They showed that they wanted me and that I'd make a

difference, and it was a great opportunity from them."

Wichita State's men's track and field program is set to begin its indoor season next week and is coming off an outdoor season which saw them claim their second-straight AAC Outdoor Championship. Buggs-Tipton is no stranger to track and field championships, having nine Class 1 state titles to his name through three seasons.

He won state titles in the 110 meter hurdles, 300-meter hurdles, long jump and triple jump in both his freshman and sophomore seasons and took home another title in the 110 meter hurdles as a junior. He narrowly finished second in the 300 meter hurdles and placed third in the long jump last year as well.

In order to build that impressive resume, Green City track coach Nick Edwards said that Buggs-Tipton has worked hard to get the most out of his natural ability.

"He does have a lot of gifts athletically, but he works hard," Edwards said. "He works harder than any other high school kid I've ever met.



Green City senior Asher Buggs-Tipton signs a letter to join the Wichita State track and field program during a ceremony in the Green City High School gym on Jan. 5. Seated next to Buggs-Tipton are his parents Mandy and Jamie Tipton. PHOTOS BY ADAM TUMINO

He's here early in the morning lifting weights, he stays after to do some conditioning things, and nobody deserves it more than he does."

This work ethic, Edwards believes, sets up Buggs-Tipton to find success at the next level where other athletes might struggle to adjust.

"A lot of kids when they go play college sports or college athletics, they don't understand what work goes into it," he said. "He's already at that level, so I have no worries that he will succeed at the next level no matter who he competes against."

Now that he has become one of the less than 2% of high school athletes that go on to compete at the NCAA D-I level, Buggs-Tipton said that good coaches and ex-

periences with track both before high school and once he was a freshman helped get him to this point.

"Definitely my coaching and doing track when I was younger, that was a big, big part of where I am now, and also having people around me in high school," he said. "I go freshman year, I've got some fast guys on my team. We go and win state, and winning state in track is hard in itself. And I did good as a freshman, so that was huge. Having people around me like that, that was huge for me."

Seated next to Buggs-Tipton as he signed his letter were the biggest parts of his support system: his parents Mandy and Jamie Tipton. They said it was an emotional day for everyone and that it was great to see years of hard work pay off for their son.

"Probably an hour before we came here it kind of hits you," Jamie Tipton said. "It's here, the time that we've been hoping for. All the years that we were hauling Asher to all the meets in the summertime when he was a little kid and everything, it's kind of coming to fruition."

"He had these dreams as a little boy in fifth grade to go to college and go D-I, and his long-term goal is to try to make an Olympic trial, and just seeing everything slowly start to come into place is an amazing feeling," Mandy Tipton added. "We are so blessed and so grateful."

Friday's ceremony was also the end to a lengthy process of choosing where Buggs-Tipton was going to attend. It was a process that the Tiptons did not necessarily always find easy, although it was certainly rewarding.

"Being a parent, just trying to narrow down what's going to be the best fit for your kid, it was fun at times," Mandy Tipton said. "They treat the recruits really great when you go to these universities, but just trying to hone in and find a college that is going to appreciate him and keep growing him as an athlete is what we were looking for."

"First you think that it's going to be an exciting time," Jamie Tipton said. "Part of it is. A lot of it is stressful and it is so overwhelming."

Buggs-Tipton said that having family at his side offering support and guidance through the process was something he tries not to take for granted.

"It's been great, and I know a lot of people don't have that same opportunity as me, so I'm really blessed to have that," he said. "They've been there for me through all the colleges talking to me and they just wanted the best for me. They wanted the place that I would feel at home. They wanted the place where they could see me getting a good future and get an education at. No matter what, they supported me as long as I thought it was okay."



Asher Buggs-Tipton poses with family and Green City track coach Nick Edwards (standing right) after his signing ceremony on Jan. 5.

Truman teams swept in conference road games against Missouri-St. Louis

By Adam Tumino

The Truman State men's and women's basketball teams continued conference play over the weekend with tough matchups on the road against Missouri-St. Louis. Both Truman teams, coming off home losses to Indianapolis, ended up falling to the Tritons as well. The men lost 87-61 to the second-place Tritons while the women fell 61-60, coming up just short of their first conference win of the season.

Women's Basketball

The Bulldogs dropped to 0-6 in conference play with the loss to Missouri-St. Louis on Saturday. The 61-60 loss was the closest they came to that elusive first win since an 88-86 overtime loss to Upper Iowa on Dec. 2. Four of their six conference losses are by five or fewer points.

The game was close from wire-to-wire, except for the opening minutes of the second quarter where the Tritons led by seven or partway through the third quarter when Truman took a nine-point lead, the largest for either team in the game.

After that lead was stretched to nine for Truman, Missouri-St. Louis pulled off a quick 8-0 run to cut the deficit to one point. The Tritons reclaimed the lead at 50-48 four minutes into the fourth quarter before Truman briefly took it back. Missouri-St. Louis took the lead again at 52-51. The score would later be tied



Truman forward Ellie Weltha battles under the basket in the game against Indianapolis on Jan. 3. PHOTOS BY ADAM TUMINO

at 57-57 with 50 seconds left, but Truman never led again.

The Bulldogs were down 60-57 with just 1.3 seconds left when Claire Rake was fouled on a three-point attempt. Rake went 1-of-3 from the line, and after the Tritons made 1-of-2 on the other end, very little time was left for the Bulldogs. A layup at the buzzer from Ellie Weltha cut the deficit to one point as time expired.

The Bulldogs managed to bounce back a bit from a lackluster shooting performance against Indianapolis, shooting 40.9% from the field against the Tritons. They struggled from three as a team, though, making just four of their 20 attempts from deep.

Weltha posted a double-double for the Bulldogs, scoring 11 points to go with 13 rebounds. Ainsley Tolson led the team with 13

points. She shot just 1-of-8 from the field but was 11-of-11 from the free throw line. Truman was 20-of-26 from the line as a team. Rake added 12 points while Maddie Niemeier scored 10 points on 5-of-5 shooting.

Jaylsa Stokes led the way for the Tritons, playing all 40 minutes and tallying a game-high 27 points. She also had five rebounds, four assists and three steals. Morgan Ramthun was the only other Missouri-St. Louis player to score in double figures with 10 points.

Truman will play on the road against Quincy on Jan. 11. The Hawks are 3-5 in conference play and have lost four-straight conference games.

Men's Basketball

The Bulldogs had a tough stretch to open the 2024 season, opening up with first-place and then traveling to play second-place Missouri-St. Louis. After losing 86-48 to Indianapolis, Truman came a bit closer in an 81-67 loss to the Tritons on Saturday.

The Bulldogs dropped to 1-3 in conference play with the loss and have dropped three-straight conference contests after beating Upper Iowa on Dec. 2. They have also allowed an average of 89.3 points per game so far in conference play, which is 8.4 points per game higher than their average in non-conference matchups.

Much like the game between Truman and Indianapolis, both teams were battling for the first chunk of the first half. They went back and forth on Saturday, with Truman holding a 15-14 lead with just over 10 minutes to go in the half.



Truman forward Matt Haefner drives to the basket in the game against Indianapolis on Jan. 3.

Missouri-St. Louis would then outscore the Bulldogs 28-10 for the rest of the half to bring a 42-25 lead into the break. That closing stretch of the first half was really the major difference in the game, as Truman then responded by outscoring the Tritons 42-39 in the second half. It took Truman just over two minutes to cut the halftime deficit of 17 points down to single digits and nine, but Missouri-St. Louis went back up by double figures and stayed there until Truman cut it back to eight points with 1:35 left in the game. The Tritons then closed the game on an 8-2 run to win by 14 points.

The Tritons were consistent shooting the ball throughout the game, shooting 15-of-30 from the field in the first half and 14-of-30 in the second. Truman 10-of-17 in the first half but then

outshot Missouri-St. Louis in the second, going 15-of-29. Truman also shot 9-of-20 from three in the second half and 12-of-31 on the game while the Tritons were 8-of-24 from deep. Missouri-St. Louis made up for that by claiming a 10-point advantage in free throw shooting.

Landon Eiland led the Bulldogs in scoring with 13 points. Casen Lawrence and Matt Haefner added 12 apiece off the bench. The pair helped Truman record 40 bench points in a game where the four starters other than Eiland, who was 4-of-8 shooting, struggled from the field. They shot a combined 6-of-23.

The Bulldogs will look to bounce back on the road against Quincy on Jan. 11. The Hawks are 3-3 in conference play and are coming off a win over Southwest Baptist.

Taking a look at each local high school basketball team as season rolls on

By Adam Tumino

The local high school boys and girls basketball teams are heading into the 2024 segment of their seasons and starting the final stretch leading up to the postseason at the end of next month. Let's take a look at where each team finds itself at this stage of the season.

Atlanta

The Atlanta boys basketball team got off to a hot start this season, looking to back up a 2022-23 season that saw them reach the state quarterfinals. They went 7-3 in their first 10 games of the season.

They are averaging 68.9 points per game, 3.3 points per game above last season's average, and allowing 43.9 points per game, one point per game better than last year. They have scored more than 80 points three times with a season high of 98.

The girls team went 4-5 to start the season. They have not played in very many close games so far, with the average margin being 16.3 points in their victories and 31 in their losses. All of their losses have come against teams with records at or above .500 and those teams have a combined record of 40-11.

They are averaging 42.6 points per game and allowing 52.8. Last season they averaged 48.3 points per game and allowed 42.3, helping them go 19-10. They came up just short of a district title last season.

Brashear

The boys team is off to a strong start to the season with a record of 7-5. The Tigers also received votes in the Class 1 MBCA boys basketball rankings released on Jan. 8.

They are averaging 54 points per game, which is down slightly from last season, but have seen a big jump defensively. After allowing 58.6 points per game last season, they have cut it down to 50.7 so far this season.

The girls team got off to a 4-1 start but have since gone 2-5. Only one of their losses this season, to 4-5 Atlanta, was against a team with a record below .500, and that was a six-point loss.

They have scored 476 points and allowed 477, which puts their scoring average at 39.7 points per game and their average of points allowed at 39.8. If you take out the 87 points allowed to a 13-0 Meadville team on Dec. 8, they are allowing an average of 35.5 points per game in the other 11, allowing more than 40 points just four times in those contests.

Green City

The boys team held the fifth spot in the Class 1 rankings released by the MBCA on Jan. 8, with their 10-1 start making them a stand-out team so far. They start-



Atlanta junior Bailey Watson drives to the basket against Brashear's Heidi Lay in the game on Dec. 15.

ed 12-1 last season, a season which ended with a loss in the state quarterfinals.

In search of a fourth-straight district title, the Gophers are averaging 63.9 points per game and allowing 41.2. The scoring average is a bit lower than in recent seasons, but their defense is allowing even fewer points per game than they did last season.

The girls team's 9-2 start gives Green City the best combined record of any school so far this season. They also look to be back on the right track after finishing with a losing record last season for the first time since 2016. It is their best start since they went 17-0 to open the 2019-20 season, a season in which they claimed their fourth-straight district title.

The Gophers are averaging 58 points per game, their best since the 2019-20 season, and allowing 43.9 points per game.

Kirksville

The boys team started the season 6-1 before dropping two of their next three games to drop a bit to 7-3. The Tigers have now won at least seven of their first 10 games in each of the last five seasons. Two of their three losses this season have come by just one point.

The Tigers are looking to post their sixth-straight winning season and claim back-to-back district titles, and their defense certainly seems up to the task. They are allowing just 37.5 points per game while their scoring average of 59.8 points per game is in line with where it has been over the last six years.

The girls team is looking for a fourth-straight winning season, and at 6-5 have a chance to do just that. They have been a streaky team, starting the season 2-1 and then losing two of the next three. After that they broke off three wins in a row before taking consecutive losses.

They have been nearly even in scoring margin, scoring one fewer point than they have allowed this season. They are scoring 36 points per game and allowing 36.1. They have al-

lowed more than 40 points just three times and have held their opponent below 30 points three times.

Knox County

The boys team is off to a tough start to the season, dropping each of their first nine games. They seem to be trending upward with their two highest-scoring games of the season coming in their last two games played.

The defense has allowed 75 points per game in the last three games, but in the five games before that had held opponents to just 46 points per game. The Eagles are averaging 35.4 points per game and allowing 60.6.

The girls team dropped their first three games as well, but then picked up a 20-16 win over Scotland County to snap that streak. They then lost three more games before beating a 10-3 Westran team 34-29. They dropped the game after that and went 2-7 to start the season.

They have plenty of chances to get more than two wins for the first time since 2021. This season, they are averaging 27.1 points per game, with a high of 40, and allowing 39.7, with a low of 16.

La Plata

The boys team has already matched last season's win total with a 5-7 start to the season. They went 5-19 last year and 2-22 the season before. They alternated wins and losses in their first four games and their four most-recent games with a 1-3 stretch in between.

They are averaging 43 points per game, which is almost identical to their scoring average in 2021-22 when they went 2-22. However, they are allowing 50.3 points per game, which is 11.6 points lower than the 2021-22 season and 4.6 lower than last season.

The girls team looks to have bounced back from last season's 12-16 record and are off to an 11-1 start this season. They won their first two games before a loss to a strong Green City team. The Bulldogs responded to that loss by winning the next two games 47-11 and 59-11, starting a nine-game winning streak in style.



Brashear's Cole Erwin (right) looks to drive past Atlanta's JJ White in the game on Dec. 15, 2023. PHOTOS BY ADAM TUMINO

Their scoring averages have seen massive improvement over last season. After averaging 42.9 points per game and allowing 45.3 last season, they are averaging 56.5 points per game and allowing 32.1 this season. They set a season high in points scored and season low in points allowed in the season opener, which was a 74-11 win over Madison.

Macon

The boys team is mixing in a lot of new faces this season, and are off to a 2-10 start. The Tigers are looking to get back on track for the rest of the season coming off back-to-back 20-win seasons. They won the season opener before dropping nine games in a row before beating Highland and falling to Clark County.

They are averaging 40.4 points per game, the lowest since 2017, while allowing 58.8 points per game. Their high-scoring game was the season opener, where they scored 60. Their two best defensive games came in the last two games, where they allowed 48 and 47 points.

The girls team won their last two games after a 2-9 start. Those wins snapped a five-game losing streak for the Tigers, all five of which were against teams with winning records. They won the opener, followed by four-straight losses and a win over Hallsville.

They have also played a strong schedule so far, not having faced an opponent with a current record worse than one game below .500. Macon is averaging 41.1 points per game and allowing 49.2 points per game.

Milan

The boys team got off to a 2-1 start to the season and then lost their next seven games in a row to drop to 2-8 on the season. In danger of posting a losing record for the first time since 2016, the Wildcats will look to get back on track as hosts of the 63rd Annual Milan Invitational Tournament.

They are averaging 40.6 points per game, which is 10 points per game lower than their average last season when they won their

second-straight district title and fifth in six years. This season they are allowing 53 points per game, which is 9.9 points more than last season's average.

The girls team started the season with a four-game winning streak, followed by a five game stretch in which they went 3-2 and then a three-game losing streak to teams with a combined record of 31-6. Two of their wins have also come against teams with records well above .500, including a 63-61 overtime win over Mercer that was Mercer's only loss so far this season.

They are averaging 48.8 points per game and are allowing 43.2 as they look to bounce back from last season's 12-15 record and claim their third district title in four years.

Novinger

The boys team has gone 2-3 over their last five games after going 1-5 to start the season. At 3-8 on the season, they are looking to avoid a second-straight losing season. The most recent win was a 66-46 win over Seymour, which was their highest-scoring game of the season and one of their better defensive efforts as well.

They are averaging 40.2 points per game and allowing 55.5 points per game. They averaged 33.3 points per game over their first six games and have upped that to 50.8 over the last five games.

The girls team recently had a four-game winning streak, which put them a game over .500 before a loss on Jan. 2 dropped them back to 6-6 on the season. The winning streak saw them average 63 points per game, with a high of 82, and allow just 24 points per game.

Overall, they are averaging 49.9 points per game and allowing 43.3 points per game. They are looking to pull off back-to-back winning seasons after having a losing record in the previous 12 seasons.

Putnam County

The boys team started the season 11-1, putting them in great position to post a winning record for the fifth-straight season. Their only loss so far came in the sixth game of the season, which they lost 61-58 to Scotland County in overtime. This start has the team receiving votes in the Class 2 rankings released by the MBCA on Jan. 8.

Something that bodes well for the Midgets is their scoring average, which at 70.5 points per game is 4.6 points per game higher than their average in the 2021-22 season, in which they finished

third at state. They are allowing just 45.8 points per game, which is 3.3 points per game better than their average in 2021-22.

The girls team got off to a 2-10 start to the season, with both wins coming in the first five games. They beat Brookfield 41-39 in the second game of the season, avenging a season-opening loss to the Bulldogs, and then took down Novinger 58-33 in the fifth.

They are averaging 39.8 points per game and allowing 52.5. Their season high in points was the 58 they scored against Novinger while the season low in points allowed was the 33 they allowed in that same game.

Scotland County

The boys team is off to a solid start at 5-4, which included a three-game winning streak featuring an overtime win against a tough Putnam County team. In addition to that close win, two of the Tigers' losses have been by just one point. The average margin in their first four losses is just 6.3 points per game where the margin in their wins has been 14.2 points per game.

They are averaging 56.3 points per game, the highest since 2017, and allowing 51.2 points per game, the lowest since 2018.

The girls team started 2-7 in their first nine games, starting on a four-game losing streak and then winning two of three. The wins came by four points over Putnam County and three points over Marion County. They have also had a pair of close losses, by four points to Knox County and five to Harrisburg.

They are averaging 32.6 points per game and allowing 46.8. Their highest-scoring game was in the 53-48 loss to Harrisburg while their strongest defensive game came in the 20-16 loss to Knox County.

Schuyler County

The boys team got off to a 9-2 start to the season, with both losses being close and coming against an 11-1 Putnam County team. The first loss was in the third game of the season and was by a score of 59-54 in overtime. The Rams then won seven in a row before falling to Putnam County again 57-55.

They are averaging 68.2 points per game and allowing 42.5. These numbers are helped by a dominant three-game stretch from Dec. 7 through Dec. 14 where they posted wins of 90-23, 89-31 and 80-23.

The girls team is also off to a good start at 8-4. They lost the first two games of the season and responded by winning six games in a row, averaging 53 points per game and allowing 37 in that span.

Overall this season they are averaging 49.1 points per game and allowing 41.5. They are looking to finish off their fifth-straight winning season and win a district title for the second-straight year. They have only had one season over the last 12 without a winning record.



Kirksville head coach Nick Totta addresses the team during a timeout in the game against Mexico on Dec. 12.



Kirksville head coach Tyler Martin watches from the sideline during the game against Mexico on Dec. 12, 2023.

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Weekly Horoscopes

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Creativity may prove elusive this week, Aries. You want to get into a crafty project but you simply can't find traction just yet. Don't give up too soon.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, a distracted friend or loved one may not be good company over the next few days. Reach out and offer to be a sounding board to help this person re-center their focus.

GEMINI – May 22/June 21

Are you feeling preoccupied, Gemini? You can't seem to focus on one thing or another and friends will start to notice when you are in their company.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

Romantic matters are going very well right now, Cancer, even if you may not feel entirely confident. The person who cares for you will not notice your insecurities.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

The more challenging path may prove the best one to take as your work on a certain task, Leo. Dig in and start figuring a way out to the other side.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, there is so much to do around the house that you may not know where to start. Spring cleaning



CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Information coming to you could have you feeling nervous about your financial security, Capricorn. If this is outside your area of expertise, you may want to sit down with a planner.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Confusing messages from work may find you reconsidering plans that you already put into motion, Aquarius. Get more information before modifying your plans.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, your mind is all over the place right now, so it could be difficult to focus on mundane things like chores or other activities right now. However, don't push them off.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

- FEBRUARY 11**
Jennifer Aniston, Actress (55)
- FEBRUARY 12**
Gucci Mane, Rapper (44)
- FEBRUARY 13**
Robbie Williams, Singer (50)
- FEBRUARY 14**
Freddie Highmore, Actor (32)
- FEBRUARY 15**
Amber Riley, Actress (38)
- FEBRUARY 16**
Elizabeth Olsen, Actress (35)
- FEBRUARY 17**
Ed Sheeran, Singer (33)

comes a month or two early. Ask for help if you're feeling frazzled.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

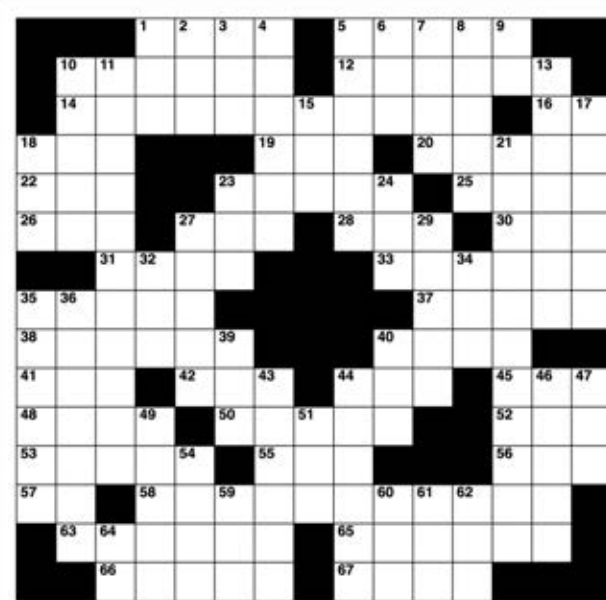
You may be in the mood to expand your knowledge on one or more subjects, Libra. Visit the library or a bookstore and pick up something that piques your interest.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you may pick up on some vibes when hanging out with others that just don't fit in with your line of thinking. Give it some time before you cut any ties. You may be misinterpreting.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

There has been a lot going on in your life, Sagittarius. You may be experiencing some apprehension about the future. Take every concern individually and give it thought.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Gene type
5. Persian male given name
10. Type of protection
12. Cloud
14. One who returns to life
16. Gym class
18. General's assistant (abbr.)
19. Baby's dining accessory
20. Enchantress
22. Prefix denoting "in a"
23. Spiritual leader
25. Cavities
26. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
27. Foot (Latin)
28. Sweet potato
30. Pharaoh of Lower Egypt
31. Land
33. More inquisitive
35. Dog breed: ___ Apso
37. Stood up
38. Direct and uninhibited
40. Authorless
41. Blocking type of drug (abbr.)
42. Retrospective analysis (abbr.)
44. Root mean square (abbr.)
45. Macaws
48. Actress Remini
50. Polynesian wrapped skirt
52. City of Angels hoops team (abbr.)
53. Fitzgerald and Baker are two
55. Bowling alley must-have
56. A way to cool down
57. Ethnic group in Asia
58. A way to alter
63. Set of five
65. Removes from the record
66. Dummies
67. Set period in office

CLUES DOWN

1. DC Comics superhero
2. Brew
3. Play
4. Single-celled animals
5. Rough to the touch
6. Small island (British)
7. Often noted alongside cons
8. Preparation of rootstock
9. Atomic #44
10. Egyptian unit of capacity
11. About secretary
13. Particular groups
15. Poke fun at
17. Make certain that something occurs
18. Financial term
21. Justify
23. Arbitrator
24. 007's creato
27. Czech name for Prague
29. Groans
32. American time
34. No seats available
35. ___ Stahl, journalist
36. Cleft lip
39. Talk incessantly
40. Expresses atomic and molecular weights (abbr.)
43. A part of a river where the current is very fast
44. Curdled milk
46. Running competitions
47. A team's best pitcher
49. Carthaginian explorer
51. World-renowned city
54. Most common Japanese surname
59. The bill in a restaurant
60. They ___
61. City of Angels football team (abbr.)
62. Distinctive practice
64. One quintillion bytes

HOT BREAKFAST WORD SEARCH

B H P M S S S F T E A L L L S Y Y F C G
 N C B E N T E R L B K S N E T C E T U P
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 R P D K N V E T R K R H F G O O G A W E
 U A C B F C O R B C T V C L T R N R G E
 V L Y Y L P H O B B A N K P E C D G R D
 S F W B U B I G D R E T T U B S S B I K

WORDS

- BAGEL
- BISCUITS
- BREAKFAST
- BRUNCH
- BUTTER
- CEREAL
- CREPES
- CROISSANT
- EGGS
- ENGLISH MUFFIN
- FRENCH TOAST
- FRIED
- GRAVY
- GRITS
- HASH
- MORNING
- MUFFINS
- OATMEAL
- PANCAKES
- POACHED
- POTATOES
- SCRAMBLED
- TOAST
- WAFFLES

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to holiday baking.

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Answer: Ginger

Guess Who?

I am an actor born in California on February 9, 1987. I made my first TV appearance in an episode of "The Sopranos." I rose to prominence on "Friday Night Lights" and I was propelled to fame after a string of high-profile roles, including the antagonist in Marvel's "Black Panther."

Answer: Michael B. Jordan

Outstanding berry grilled cheese

Grilled cheese is a beloved comfort food that can be enjoyed any time of the day. Although there isn't much that needs to be added to cheese to make it delicious, the inclusion of tart strawberries and blackberries in this recipe pushes this sandwich over the edge of deliciousness. An additional cookie butter spread and chocolate chips makes this grilled cheese much more dessert than lunch, and can be an indulgent treat anyone can enjoy.

- 10 slices soft brioche sandwich bread
- 3/4 cup blackberry jam
- 1 cup hulled and diced strawberries
- 1 cup diced peaches
- 1/2 cup cleaned blackberries, cut into quarters
- 3/4 cup miniature semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup speculoos cookie butter (see note)
- 1/2 cup softened unsalted butter



to use a piping bag) until all the mixture is used. Evenly divide strawberries, peaches, blackberries and chocolate chips among each slice. Spread the speculoos cookie butter on the remaining five slices of brioche and place on top of the first slices. Spread the softened butter in a thin layer on the outer parts of the brioche. Grill in either a panini press or in a hot pan. Slice and serve hot.

The Sweet Sheep Grilled Cheese

Makes 5 servings

- 2 cups Valley Shepherd whipped sheep milk ricotta
- 1 cup mascarpone cheese

In a bowl, mix together ricotta and mascarpone. On a clean, dry surface, lay out five slices of the brioche. Spread equal parts blackberry jam on each slice. Place a large spoonful of the mascarpone ricotta mix on top of jam (it may be helpful

SUDOKU

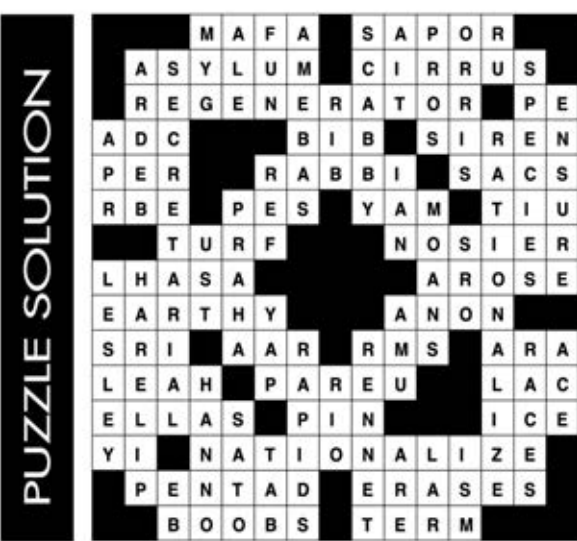


Fun By The Numbers

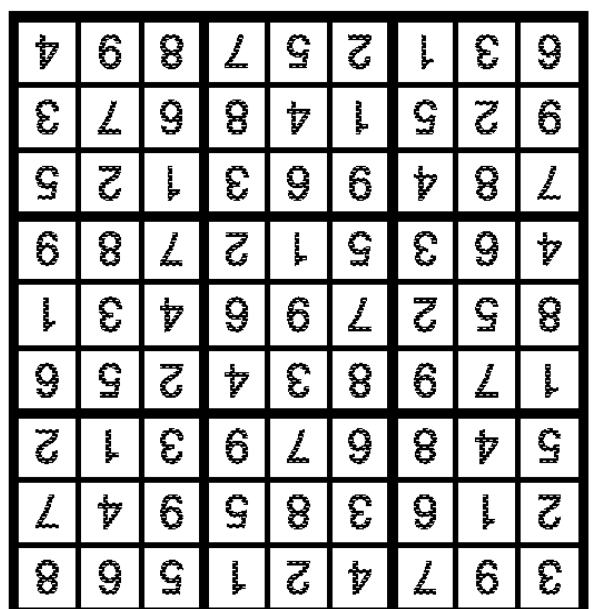
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Estate No. 23AR-PR00104

Notice of Appointment of Conservator

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of BARBARA E. HILL, a Disabled Person:
On December 18, 2023, TERESA J. BANKI was appointed conservator of the estate of BARBARA E. HILL, 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 respectively:
511 W. Illinois, Kirksville, Missouri, 63501
All creditors of said disabled person are notified to file their claims in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court.
Publication Dates: 12-27-2023, 1-3-2024, 1-10-2024, 1-17-2024

Martha Cole
Adair County Circuit Clerk

Notice of Offices for Which Candidates are to be Nominated at the August 6, 2024 Primary Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to persons wishing to file a declaration of candidacy to appear as a candidate for nomination at the primary election that filing will open on Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. and will continue until Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Filing for the following offices will take place in the office of the Honorable John R. Ashcroft, Missouri Secretary of State, in the James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center at 600 West Main Street in Jefferson City, Missouri:

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District 04 _____
Circuit Judge No. 2 _____

FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN that filing for the following offices will take place in the office of Sandra Collop, County Clerk, Adair County, on the Second floor of the Adair County Courthouse, 106 W Washington Street, Kirksville, Missouri.

County Commissioners District 1 and District 2 _____
Sheriff _____
Assessor _____
Public Administrator _____
Coroner _____
Surveyor _____

Declarations of candidacy may be filed for the following political officers who are to be elected at the Primary Election:
Township Committeeman _____
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For more information on the qualifications and requirements of the locally filed offices please contact the Adair County Clerk's office at 660-665-3350 or by mail at 106 W. Washington St., Kirksville, MO 635011

Notice of Voter Registration Accessibility

FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN that at least one-half of the sites provided for voter registration shall be accessible to handicapped persons (RSMo., 115.140). In addition, a disabled or elderly citizen may register to vote by alternative means including registration by mail, and curbside registration.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON REGISTRATION AND VOTING:
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The Missouri Secretary of State's office provides a toll free number for persons with hearing impairments who have access to a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD). TDD users may call 800-669-8683 to obtain information on voter registration, polling place location and accessibility, absentee balloting, and other election-related services available in their local jurisdictions and from the State of Missouri.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION OFFICIALS

Given under my hand and official seal at the Capitol in the City of Jefferson, State of Missouri, this 18th day of December, A.D., 2023.
John R. Ashcroft
Secretary of State

I, Sandra Collop, County Clerk within and for the county of Adair do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct list as certified to me by John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State, State of Missouri, of the offices for which candidates are to be nominated or elected at the PRIMARY ELECTION to be held August 6, 2024.
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Missouri State Highway Patrol reports five traffic fatalities

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

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

Five people died and 59 were injured in 115 traffic crashes during the 2024 New Year's holiday counting period, which began at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, and ended at 11:59 p.m. Monday, Jan. 1. There were zero boating crashes and zero drownings over the 2024 New Year's holiday counting period.

2024 New Year's Holiday Traffic Statistics

Troopers investigated the following:

- Traffic Crashes — 115
- Traffic Crash Injuries — 59
- Traffic Crash Fatalities — 3
- DWI — 139

[Note: During the 2023 New Year's holiday counting period, six people were killed and 345 injured in 925 traffic crashes statewide. During last year's New Year's holiday, troopers worked 236 of those crashes which included 81 injuries and two fatalities. Troopers arrested 105 people for driving while intoxicated last year.]

One traffic fatality occurred in each of the following areas: Troop C, Weldon Spring Area, Troop D, Springfield area, and Troop G, Willow Spring area. The Columbia Missouri Police Department and the Kansas City Missouri Police

Department each worked one fatality crash.

One fatality occurred on Dec. 29. Jeremy L. Moore, 40, of Springfield, died when the vehicle he was driving traveled off the right side of the roadway and struck a concrete bridge support. The crash occurred on Farm Road 102, west of Farm Road 151, north of Springfield. Moore was pronounced dead by Dr. Wycoff and Dr. Beard at Mercy Hospital in Springfield. Moore was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash.

Three fatalities occurred on Dec. 30. Joseph L. Kish, 42, of Lakeview, Ark., died when the vehicle he was driving crossed the center of the road and struck another vehicle. The crash occurred on Highway 5, five miles south of Wasola. Kish was pronounced dead at the scene by Ozark County Coroner Gene Britt. Kish was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The driver of the second vehicle was wearing a seat belt and sustained moderate injuries in the crash. The crash is being investigated by the Patrol's Major Crash Investigation Unit.

The Ozark County Sheriff's Office and the Gainesville Fire Department assisted at the scene. Brady L. Ewing, 55, of Columbia, died after being stuck by a vehicle. Ewing was a pedestrian. The crash occurred on East Broadway, west of North Fifth Street, in Columbia. The driver of the vehicle was not injured. The crash is being investigated by the Columbia Missouri Police Department. Jeffrey M. Stoppelmann, 52, of Fenton, died when the vehicle he was driving traveled off the right side of the road, returned to the road, traveled off the left side of the road and struck a fence. Stoppelmann's vehicle then struck a large rock, overturned, and struck a tree. The crash occurred on Mapaville-Hematite Road, north of Debbie Drive, in Jefferson County. Stoppelmann was pronounced dead at the scene by

emergency medical personnel. Stoppelmann was not wearing a seat belt.

One fatality occurred on Dec. 31. Hmdovzoo Vue, 19, of Kansas City, died when the vehicle he was driving traveled off the road, struck the center guard-rail impact attenuator, and overturned. The crash occurred on 71 Highway near Truman Road. Vue was pronounced dead at the scene. He was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The crash is being investigated by the Kansas City Missouri Police Department.

There were no fatalities on Jan. 1. The fatality statistics in this news release could change if late deaths occur, or if other departments report fatal traffic crashes after this news release is sent to the media.



Rotary Club of Kirksville members receive Paul Harris Fellowship pins

By Rotary Club of Kirksville

At the Jan. 3 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting, Melissa Stuart, Annette Sweet and Claire Lloyd received Paul Harris Fellowship pins from Foundation Chair Jeff Romine for their significant financial contributions to the Rotary International Founda-

tion. They are pictured from left with Romine. Stuart and Sweet are four-time recipients and Lloyd, a six-time recipient. Rotary uses the money to improve living conditions and health around the world and for various grants, exchanges and scholarships designed to promote peace and better world understanding between cultures.

Garlock speaks to Rotary Club of Scotland County



By Rotary Club of Scotland County

John Garlock, anchor and producer at KTVO-TV News, presented a program to the members of the Rotary Club of Scotland County last week. Garlock is a Truman State University graduate and began his career with KTVO in 1990. He went over the KTVO website's most popular stories in 2023. He talked about some of his most interesting moments in his 33-plus years in this job. Garlock is pictured with local Rotarian, Dr. Harlo Donelson.

Joel Sevits Farms joins membership of American Angus Association

By American Angus Association

Joel Sevits Farms, Kirksville, is a new member of the American Angus Association®, reports Mark McCully, CEO of the national breed organization headquartered in Saint Joseph.

The American Angus Association, with more than 22,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef breed association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on over 20 million registered Angus.

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For more information about Angus cattle and the

American Angus Association, visit www.angus.org.



UScellular to build cell towers to service Adair and neighboring counties

By UScellular

JEFFERSON CITY — UScellular has been awarded \$2.1 million to build four cell sites in the second round of grants from the Missouri Cell Towers Grant Program. With the \$5.8 million awarded in the first round, the company has received \$7.9 million overall to enhance mobile and in-home connectivity in several counties across the state.

The Missouri Cell Towers Grant Program is managed by the Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) and funded through the American Rescue Plan Act. It is focused on investing in the expansion of cellular service statewide.

With this new round of funding, UScellular will build four cell sites that will provide additional wireless coverage in Marion, Ralls, Adair, Knox, Macon, Shelby, Pulaski and Texas counties.

In total, UScellular will build 15 new towers across Missouri through this program. Information on the previous \$5.8 million grant UScellular received is available at <https://newsroom.uscellular.com/uscellular-awarded-58-million-from-the-missouri-cell-towers-grant-program/>.

About UScellular UScellular is the fourth-largest full-service wireless carrier in the United States, providing national network coverage and industry-leading innovations

designed to help customers stay connected to the things that matter most. The Chicago-based carrier provides a strong, reliable network supported by the latest technology and offers a wide range of communication services that enhance consumers' lives, increase the competitiveness of local businesses and improve the efficiency of government operations. Through its After School Access Project, the company has pledged to provide hotspots and service to help up to 50,000 youth connect to reliable internet. Additionally, UScellular has price protected all of its plans, promising not to increase prices through at least the end of 2024. To learn more about UScellular, visit one of its retail stores or www.uscellular.com.

To get the latest news, visit newsroom.uscellular.com.

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25 new troopers graduate From Missouri State Highway Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

Col. Eric T. Olson, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, announced that 25 troopers graduated from the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy on Friday, Dec. 22. The ceremony took place at 10 a.m. in the Academy gymnasium, 1510 East Elm Street, Jefferson City. The graduation ceremony was live streamed on the Patrol's Facebook page. The 118th Recruit Class reported to the Academy on July 3, 2023. The new troopers will report to duty in their assigned troops on Jan. 8, 2024.

The Honorable Mike Kehoe, lieutenant governor of Missouri, provided the keynote address. Mr. John Whetsel, retired Sheriff of Oklahoma County, Okla. and retired Chief of Police of Choctaw, Okla. and Col. Eric T. Olson addressed the class during the graduation. The Honorable Robin Ransom, Supreme Court of Missouri, administered the Oath

of Office to the new troopers. The Troop F Color Guard presented the colors, and the 135th Army Band, Missouri Army National Guard, performed the national anthem. Pastor Delbert Hampton, Unity Baptist Church, Fulton, provided the invocation and benediction.

The recruits accumulated points toward graduation throughout their 25 weeks at the academy. The person with the highest number of points in the categories of academics, firearms, and physical fitness earned the respective award.

The following awards were presented during the graduation ceremony:

- Academics Award — Trooper Dustin Willhite
- Firearms Award — Trooper Jackson Collier
- Physical Fitness Award — Trooper Hunter Hampton
- Superintendent's Award — Trooper Hunter Hampton

The names (hometowns) and first assignments of members of the 118th Recruit Class are listed below:

- TROOP A**
 - Trooper Klayton R. Kennedy, Plattsburg, Platte County
 - Trooper Corey W. Klotz, Nevada, Bates County
 - Trooper Connor W. Norris, Kearney, Clay County
- TROOP B**
 - Trooper Kristopher B. Geren, Fowler, Ill., Marion/Ralls Counties
 - Trooper Tristen C. Miller, Shelby, Linn/Chariton Counties
- TROOP C**
 - Trooper Dalon J. Brown, Hazelwood, North St. Louis County
 - Trooper Jackson S. Collier, Farmington, Ste. Genevieve/Perry Counties
 - Trooper Brian J. Fessenden, Palmyra, South St. Louis County

Trooper Justin D. Hedrick, St. Charles, South St. Louis County

Trooper Dallas R. McKenzie, Quincy, Ill., St. Charles County

Trooper Roan Oosthuizen, Grapevine, Tex, St. Charles County

Trooper Edgar J. Raya, St. Louis, South St. Louis County

Trooper Ethan G. Talleur, St. Clair, Franklin County

Trooper Mason K. Wilson, Seneca, St. Charles County

TROOP E

- Trooper Brady T. Hart, Puxico, Butler/Ripley Counties
- Trooper Gunner L.R. Meloy, Marble Hill, Butler/Ripley Counties

TROOP F

- Trooper Ryan C. Byers, Joplin, Morgan/Moniteau Counties
- Trooper Hunter W. Hampton, Fulton, Cole County
- Trooper Jonathan E. Pinker, Overland Park, Kan., Camden/



Miller Counties

Trooper Bailey D. Whetsel, Jones, Okla., Cole County

TROOP G

- Trooper Chad K. Johnson, Seymour, Texas/Wright Counties

TROOP H

- Trooper Robert K. Mott, Mt. Pulaski, Ill., Holt/Atchison Counties

TROOP I

- Trooper Aaron M. Cunningham, Rolla, Crawford County
- Trooper Kolby J. Estes, Warsaw, Phelps/Maries Counties
- Trooper Dustin R. Willhite, Hartville, Laclede County

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Faith Lutheran Church
1820 S. Baltimore, Baltimore & LaHarpe
David Lukefahr, Pastor
7:30 a.m. The Lutheran Hour KLTE
8:15 a.m. Worship Service Peace, Milan
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Faith
9:00 a.m. Sunday School Faith
10:15 a.m. Worship Service Faith
10:00 p.m. Issues, Etc. 107.9 KLTE
www.faithkirkville.org

Hamilton Street Baptist Church
802 W. Hamilton
9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
www.hamiltonstreet.org
10:15 a.m. Worship Service
www.hamiltonstreet.org

Rehoboth Baptist Church
100 Pfeiffer Rd.
Curtis Ferguson, Pastor
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
rbchurch.net • 660-665-7577

First Presbyterian Church (USA)
201 S. High at McPherson
Communion 1st Sunday
9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.
10:30 a.m. Church School/all ages
11:00 a.m. College Fellowship
Kirkville Church of Christ
110 Pfeiffer Ave.
Elders/Pastors: Dan Green, Dean Hansen

10:00 a.m. Bible Study
11 a.m. Worship
Weds 6:30p.m. Bible Study
www.kvccoc.org

First Baptist Church
207 E. Washington
Jason Marlin, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Bible Study for all ages
10:45 a.m. Worship & Kidz Worship
firstbaptistkirkville.com

Faith United Methodist Church
1602 E. Illinois
Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship

Southside Baptist Church
1010 W. Burton
Pastor: Aaron Rodgerson
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Preaching
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

First Church of God
2900 S. Halliburton
Chad Earhart
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
www.kirkvillechurchofgod.com

Central Church of Christ
2010 S. Halliburton
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Faith Baptist Church
502 N. Florence
Pastor: Brandon Rhea
10:00 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
12:30 p.m. Noon Lunch

The Crossing Church
810 E. Shepherd Ave.
9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service
www.thecrossing.net

Grace Community Bible Church
1501 E. Northtown Rd.
Benjamin Jorden, Pastor
Affiliated with the Evangelical Free

Church of America
9:30 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
12 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m. Small groups
KirkvilleGCBC@gmail.com
www.KirkvilleGCBC.com • 660.665.1615

First United Methodist Church
300 E. Washington
Pastors - Rev. Scott Beard & Rev. Jennifer Finley
9:30 a.m. Worship In Person & Online
kvumc.org

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

Church of God of Prophecy
807 Benton Way
Pastor: Rob Linhart
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Fellowship Baptist Church
1701 S. Jamison St., Kirkville
Larry Gibson, Pastor
9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Study
fbck@sbcglobal.net
www.fellowshipbc.org • 660-665-0633

Yarrow Methodist Church
Highway N., Yarrow
Guest Pastors
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Mary Immaculate Catholic Church
Weekday Masses: Tuesday: 5:30 p.m.
Wed. & Friday: 7 a.m. Thursday: 8 a.m.
Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Catholic Newman Center
11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Sunday
7:00 a.m. Monday
9:00 p.m. Wednesday

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist Church
2 mi. W. Greentop on Rt. K then 1/2 mi. S.
Elder Dillion Thurman, minister
Services on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
10:30 a.m. Song Service
11:00 a.m. Preaching

Meadow Brook Christian Church
602 E. Washington
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 Morning Worship
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church
Novinger, Mo.
7:30 a.m. Sunday

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Jim Maxey, Calling Pastor
660-665-6949 or 660-216-4183

First Assembly of God
2401 S. High St., Kirkville
Shawn Meintz, Pastor
Sundays:
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:40 a.m. Worship Wednesdays:
6:30 p.m. Family Night
www.kirkvillefirst.org
info@kirkvillefirst.org

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

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

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

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
2000 E. Normal

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

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

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

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

Willow Bend Association East Center Community Church
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship

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

Baring Community Church
11:00 a.m. Worship.
Downing Christian Church
430 E. Prime Street
Minister Walker Franke
Associate Minister Larry Smith
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Service
660-379-2329

Willow Bend Church
Find Us on Facebook for Event Schedule
New Hope Methodist Reformed Church - Millard
9:15 a.m. Bible Stud
10:00 a.m. Worship

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

Trinity United Fellowship Church
Pastor: Josh Botello
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School

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

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

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

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

Grace Bible Baptist Church
Greencastle, Mo.
Rev. Earl Baker, Pastor
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
5:00 p.m. Evening Service
Winigan Christian Church

Ryan Crist, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

First Baptist Church
Winigan, Winigan, Mo.
Sam Burkholder, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Fairview Baptist Church
53610 Knob Hill Road, Pollock
Sam Burkholder, Pastor
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Service
6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening

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

LaPlata Christian Church
Scott McNay, Pastor
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

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

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

Brashear Community Bible Church
Donny Powell, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
660-323-5305

First Baptist Church of LaPlata
B. J. McAlpin, Pastor
9:00 am "Donut Hole" Fellowship
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Worship
6:00 pm Monday - AWANA
http://laplatafbcc.org/
Email: laplatafbcc@gmail.com

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

Worthington Baptist Church
Worthington, Mo.
Roger Busnell, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning worship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

The Salvation Army
1004 W. Gardner
Brian and Michelle Bump, Pastors
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Queen City First Baptist Church
6th at Washington St.
Sam Burkholder, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Victory Baptist Church Of Greentop
-Meets at the Willmathsville Community Church on Hwy A.
Pastor Joshua Wesley
10:30 a.m. Worship

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Pastor Alan Coonfield
Sunday evening worship
5:00 pm Bible Study
5:30 pm Worship

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