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## Lene wins Republican Primary sheriff race after court case and recount

By Marty Bachman  
Daily Express

By two votes, Jason Lene won the Adair County Republican Primary sheriff's race, after a final count by the county clerk's office that was approved by Judge Frederick Paul Tucker, had him up with 1,823 votes to candidate Jason Underwood's 1,821 votes.

"The Court finds that the ballot tabulators at the individual precincts worked exactly as they were designed, giving the actual voter the opportunity to correct any apparent irregularity," the judge wrote in his order. "The Court also finds that only one ballot was counted by the voting judges as to voter intent, and that ballot was counted correctly."

Tucker commended the original voting judges, the recount judges and County Clerk Sandy Collop.

"Republican candidate for sheriff Jason Lene shall be placed on the general election ballot for November 5, 2024," the order states.

Adair County was ordered to pay all costs of the recount.

Candidate Jason Underwood, who ran against Lene, congratulated him, saying it a "hard-fought campaign." He said that the final numbers close the books on a historic election in Adair County, one decided by two votes.

Underwood had found himself ahead of the race by three votes at the close of primary night, Tuesday, Aug. 6. On Friday, Aug. 9, a bipartisan Adair County election committee met to certify the election and after provisional, curbside and military ballots were counted, a count that included a hand recount that lasted well into Saturday afternoon, Lene was declared the winner by five votes, garnering 1,826 votes (50.03 percent) to Jason Underwood's 1,821 votes (49.97 percent).

On Aug. 13, a petition was filed with the court by attorney Patrick Nolan of the Nolan Law Firm representing Underwood, that named candidate Jason Lene and Adair County Clerk Sandy Collop as contestees. The petition asked for a recount of the ballots but in an amended petition filed prior to the Aug. 15 hearing, Nolan asked the judge to look into security concern in the storage of ballots in the county clerk's office, and at one point during the hearing, suggested a new election as remedy, a cure rejected by Tucker.



Jason Lene

Tucker ordered a recount to be held on Wednesday, Aug. 21 and on Friday, Aug. 23, Tucker's order was posted online declaring Lene the winner.

"The voting machines work," Underwood wrote in a statement. "The hand count verified that."

He said that he did not expect the election to be this close.

"Every vote counts," he wrote. "A hand recount of such a close race verifies that the machines work."

Lene, who ran for sheriff once 12 years ago, said in earlier comments that this was a "long, long" campaign.

"That's the process, everyone goes through it and we hope for the best," he said at the time.

Underwood offered thanks to his supporters, family, friends, and all the voters of Adair County.

"Now that we know the result, it is time to come together and move the county forward," Underwood stated. "When he takes office, Sheriff Lene faces a full plate. I wish him the best fortune in that task. I hope that our next county election will see broader turnout as this shows just how important it is to stand and be counted."

Lene in earlier statements, said that, as sheriff, he hopes to bring in more officers.

"That's my whole goal," he said. "We need some more help out here, more patrols — and we just want to serve the citizens of the county the best we can."



MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL

## Labor Day weekend safety

Missouri State Highway Patrol asks that you include safety in your plans for Labor Day weekend

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

Col. Eric T. Olson, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, encourages everyone to plan for a safe 2024 Labor Day weekend. Whether you are on the water or on the road, it's everyone's responsibility to travel safely and observe all Missouri laws.

Never operate a vehicle or vessel while you are impaired. Alcohol affects your judgement, reaction time, vision, coordination, and comprehension. The movement of the boat, vibration and noise from the boat's motor, sun, and wind are all boating stressors and enhance the effect of alcohol on your body. If alcohol is part of your water activities, drink responsibly, and never operate a vessel if you've consumed alcohol.

The 2024 counting period for the Labor Day holiday will be from 6 p.m., Friday, Aug. 30, through 11:59 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2.

The Labor Day holiday is a busy boating weekend. Before you take your boat on the water, inspect fuel lines and hose connections for leaks, and test the battery to confirm it is charged. When refueling, turn off any electrical devices which could create a spark. After refueling, open the engine compartment to visually inspect and smell for fuel leaks. Activate the blower system for at least four minutes before restarting the vessel.

In 2023, there were 12 boating crashes which included zero fatalities and three injuries. No one drowned over last year's Labor Day holiday. Troopers arrested 10 people for boating while intoxicated during last year's counting period.

Marine enforcement troopers will be working to make our waterways safer during the holiday weekend. Missouri

's boaters are asked to do their part by remaining alert for other boats and swimmers and being courteous on the water. Smaller vessels should yield right-of-way to larger vessels. Boaters should avoid overloading their boat with too many passengers and always pay close attention to the boats around them.

Causing harm to another person or their property with an excessive boat wake may subject you to enforcement action or civil liability. Treat other boaters and property owners as you want to be treated. Be courteous and follow all of Missouri's boating laws. Remember: Life jackets save lives. Wear one when you are on or around water.

If you'll be on the road this Labor Day holiday, make sure your vehicle is in good working condition before you depart. Drive courteously and obey all of Missouri's traffic laws. Remember to buckle up and pay attention as you travel.

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## U.S. Route 63 bridge rehabilitation project complete

By MoDOT

HANNIBAL – U.S. Route 63 at Kirksville is now open following the completion of a bridge rehabilitation project at the following locations:

- Over Business U.S. Route 63
- Over Steer Creek
- Over Patterson Street
- Over Bear Creek



Motorists are reminded to pay attention at intersections along U.S. Route 63 and obey

all traffic signs.

Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc., was awarded the contract earlier this year in the amount of \$856,288.

For more information on this and other projects in your area, contact MoDOT's Customer Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK MODOT (275-6636).

## PSC begins local public hearings in Liberty Natural Gas rate case

By Missouri Public Service Commission

JEFFERSON CITY — The Missouri Public Service Commission will begin public hearings starting on Monday, August 26, and be in Kirksville on Aug. 28 to receive customer comment in a natural gas rate case filed by Liberty Utilities. There will be in-person and virtual local public hearings conducted by the Public Service Commission. The local public hearing schedule appears below:

Aug. 28—Kirksville. Adair County Courthouse-Courtroom, 106 W. Washington Street.

The hearing starts at noon, beginning with a public information/question and answer session conducted by the PSC Staff, followed by the Commission receiving testimony from the public.

Other meetings are as follows:  
Aug. 26—Butler. Old High School Gym, 200 W. Pine Street (Gym entrance is at the corner of Pine and Havanah).

The hearing starts at Noon, beginning with a public information/question and answer session conducted by the PSC Staff, followed by the Commission receiving testimony from the public.

Aug. 27—Hannibal. Hannibal High School-Cafeteria, 4500 Mc-

Masters Avenue.

The hearing starts at 6 p.m., beginning with a public information/question and answer session conducted by the PSC Staff, followed by the Commission receiving testimony from the public.

Aug. 29—Virtual Local Public Hearing starts at Noon. See further details below\*

Aug. 29—Virtual Local Public Hearing starts at 6:00 p.m. See further details below\*

Sept. 10—Kennett. Kennett City Hall-City Council Room, 200 Cedar Street.

The hearing starts at 6 p.m., beginning with a public information/question and answer session

conducted by the PSC Staff, followed by the Commission receiving testimony from the public.

Sept. 11—Sikeston. Sikeston City Hall-City Council Chambers, 105 E. Center.

The hearing starts at Noon, beginning with a public information/question and answer session conducted by the PSC Staff, followed by the Commission receiving testimony from the public.

Sept. 11—Cape Girardeau. Cape Girardeau Public Library-Oscar Christian Hirsch Community Room, 711 N. Clark Street.

The hearing starts at 6 p.m., beginning with a public informa-



tion/question and answer session conducted by the PSC Staff, followed by the Commission receiving testimony from the public.

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## KIRKSVILLE KIWANIS CLUB WELCOMES HOSPICE CHAPLAIN



The Kirksville Kiwanis Club welcomed Rev. Carrol Davenport to speak at their Aug. 15 meeting. Davenport is the coordinator for Spiritual Care and Bereavement at Hospice of Northeast Missouri. She presented on the programs Hospice offers the local community. Pictured are Kirksville Kiwanis Club President-Elect Ted Frushour (left) and Davenport. KIRKSVILLE KIWANIS CLUB

## ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (RYLA) PARTICIPANTS SHARE EXPERIENCES



At the Aug. 14 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting, Quinten Dorrell (right) of Kirksville and Heidi Lay (left) of Brashear spoke about their experiences this June at Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) in Warrensburg. ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (RYLA)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Kirksville Area Calendar of Events

#### Area veterans honored at Sue Ross Arts Center

For the third year the Kirksville Arts Association is honoring veterans with a photography exhibit titled "Thank You for Your Service" in the Ellebracht Gallery at the Sue Ross Arts Center. The show recognizes 20 former military members including many Vietnam veterans and one World War II veteran. The veterans are from Adair, Schuyler, Sullivan, Macon and Cole counties in Missouri. The exhibit will run through Thursday Aug. 29. A closing reception will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Thursday Aug. 29, which will include presentation of patriotic quilts to five of the honored veterans by the Hands of Friendship Quilt Guild. The quilts are currently on display with the exhibit. The Sue Ross Arts Center is located at 215 S. Franklin Street in downtown Kirksville and is open Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is no cost to visit the arts center and the reception is open to the public. The exhibit was funded by the Missouri Arts Council.

#### 'Pumptown' to perform at courthouse square

"Pumptown" will perform at courthouse square on Aug. 30, as part of the Kirksville Arts Association's Summer on the Square concert series. The show begins at 7 p.m. and is free. This is the final concert of the summer.

#### Thousand Hills State Park Eyes on the Sky

Thousand Hills State Park Eyes on the Sky will be held on Friday, Aug. 30, from 8:30-10:30 p.m. Come out to Thousand Hills State Park to take a look at the night sky. Learn about the importance of night sky to us and wildlife. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars. Meet at the Point Shelter.

#### 1000 Hills Bass Club Labor Day Bass Tournament

The 1000 Hills Bass Club Labor Day Bass Tournament will be held on Saturday, August 31 at Thousand Hills State Park's Forest Lake. Registration begins at 5:30 a.m. with fishing from 6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. \$90 entry fee, 75 percent payout. 1st place, 50

percent; 2nd place, 30 percent; third place, 20 percent. \$10 Big Bass, Big Bass 100 percent payout. Call 660-341-3675 for more information.

#### Thousand Hills State Park Guided Hike of the Redbud Trail

Thousand Hills State Park Guided Hike of the Redbud Trail will be held on Saturday, Aug. 31 at 10 a.m. The forest of Thousand Hills is a never-ending story where every plant, animal, and even person has a part to play. Join park staff to uncover more of this story. Please wear closed-toed shoes and bring water and bug spray. Meet at the Redbud Trailhead on Big Loop Trail Rd., across from the playground.

#### Thousand Hills State Park Petroglyph Tour

Thousand Hills State Park Petroglyph Tour will be held on Sunday, Sept. 1 at 10 a.m. Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today's American Indians. Explore the petroglyphs with park staff to learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter.

#### City offices to close for Labor Day

Kirksville city offices will be closed on Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of Labor Day. The Kirksville Aquatic Center will be open for regular hours. Offices will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

#### Ribbon cutting for Fun Factory Learning Center

A ribbon cutting will be held at the Fun Factory Learning Center (100 West Potter Street), on Thursday, Sept. 5 at 4 p.m., followed by a Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours from 5-7 p.m. The Fun Factory Learning Center is having its long awaited reopening. They will have tours of the facility and snacks.

#### Celebrate McKinney Bark Park's 10th anniversary

It's time to pawty! Everyone is invited to celebrate McKinney Bark Park's 10th anniversary at 6 p.m. on Sept. 6, at the park. This is a joyful occasion where furry friends and their owners can come together to commemorate a space that fosters play, exercise, and community bonding, and where many wagging tails and happy memories have been made. Light refreshments and

dog goodies will be available. Residents can also get t-shirts with their pets on them from noon to 8 p.m. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

#### Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting on Friday, Sept. 6 at 4 p.m. for Truman Energy Spot, located at 110 N. Franklin Street in Kirksville.

#### Thousand Hills State Park History of the Park

Thousand Hills State Park History of the Park will be held on Saturday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. Thousand Hills State Park has a unique history. Join park staff to learn more about how the park was created and how it has grown over time. Location TBD.

#### Downtown Kirksville Whiskey & Turkey Festival

The Downtown Kirksville Whiskey & Turkey Festival will be held on Saturday, Sept. 7, from 5-10 p.m. at the Downtown Kirksville Square. The event features exhibits, activities, whiskey, axe throwing, beer, great food and great music. There are exhibitor booths honoring area contributors to local turkey hunting, a turkey calling contest, a Cornhole Tournament and a concert to pay homage to Kirksville legend, Jesse Kirk.

#### Thousand Hills State Park Learn 2 Aim

Thousand Hills State Park Learn 2 Aim will be held on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Begin your archer journey by attending a hands-on workshop this summer! Prior Registration is required. REGISTER AT: [mostateparks.com/learn2](http://mostateparks.com/learn2)

#### Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce 'Student Welcome'

Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce's annual "Student Welcome" will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Sept. 8 on the Downtown Square. Food provided by Hy-Vee and others. Show the students you are glad to have them back. Introduce your business to over 500 students. Registration for businesses is available at the chamber website, [kirksvillechamber.com](http://kirksvillechamber.com).

#### 9/11 Day of Remembrance Ceremony

9/11 Day of Remembrance Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, Sept 11, from 12:15-12:45 p.m. at Kirksville's Rieger Armory, 500 S. Elson Street. The event, which is open to the public, will take place inside Kirksville's Rieger Armory with guest seating available. Speakers will include Commander Corey L. Pritchard, U.S. Navy (Retired), former Kirksville resident and son of the late Charles L. Pritchard, DO, '70, and 2nd Lt. Megan Woods, OMS II, KCOM. ATSU's student a cappella group, the MEDleys, will perform the national anthem. For additional information or questions, contact:

ATSU SAMOPS 2nd Lt. Megan Woods, OMS II, KCOM, at [megan.woods@atstu.edu](mailto:megan.woods@atstu.edu)

#### Shoeless Joe's Celebrity Golf Classic

Each year Hannibal Regional Foundation hosts the Shoeless Joe's Celebrity Golf Classic to benefit the current annual campaign. Since its inception in the summer of 2010, the Shoeless Joe's Celebrity Golf Classic has raised nearly \$1 million to help support the delivery of exceptional healthcare at Hannibal Regional Healthcare System. The Golf Classic provides participants the opportunity to play with a member of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame and/or other sports celebrities. The fall event is in Kirksville at Kirksville Country Club. To sponsor the event or register a team, contact the Foundation at 573-629-3577. Team spots are limited so reserve yours early. This year's Shoeless Joe's Golf Classic is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 11. Tee times are set for 9 a.m. with check-in beginning one hour ahead. Lunch will be provided.

#### Kick off event for the United Way of Northeast Missouri's 2025 Campaign

Join the United Way of Northeast Missouri for a Night Among the Stars kickoff event for the United Way of Northeast Missouri's 2025 Campaign. The evening is dedicated to celebrating the stars of the Kirksville/Adair County community. Discover the incredible work of the 10 agencies supported by United Way. The event will be held on Thursday, Sept. 12, at the White Oak Barn at 23255 State Hwy. 11 in Kirksville. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., the event begins at 6 p.m. RSVP: [missourihomeandfarm.com/nightamongstars](http://missourihomeandfarm.com/nightamongstars). Sponsored by Elizabeth Gregory of EXP Realty.

#### Thousand Hills State Park Snake Survival

Thousand Hills State Park Snake Survival will be held on Friday, Sept. 13 at 7 p.m. Snakes have a variety of different ways that they defend themselves. Join park staff to discover these survival techniques. There may be a chance to meet a live animal. Meet at the Campground 1 amphitheater.

#### Ribbon cutting for Adair County Health Department

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Adair County Health Department, 1001 S. Jamison Street in Kirksville. The event will be held on Sept. 13 at 11 a.m.

#### Mrs. Amy's Cancer Benefit

Mrs. Amy's Cancer Benefit will be held on Sept. 14 at the La Plata High School gym beginning with a free taco dinner at 4 p.m. There will be a silent-live auction that starts at 6 p.m. and a 50/50 raffle, a triple gun raffle drawing and a pie auction. Colon Cancer Awareness T-shirts and wristbands will be available for purchase. For more information, contact Tami O'Haver, KD Huttenstine or Niki Howe.

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## OBITUARIES

### David Clare Palmer

Feb 4, 1958 – Aug 19, 2024

David Clare Palmer, age 66, passed away peacefully at Boone County Hospital, surrounded by his family, after a two-year battle with cancer on Monday, August 19, 2024. David was best known to many as a drop-anything-to-help neighbor, gifted mechanic/welder, world traveler, loving son, husband, father, and papa.



Born on February 4th, 1958 to Bill and Kathleen Palmer, he was the second son in their growing family. Growing up in Novelty Missouri with his siblings Noel, Doug, and Julie.

In the summer of 1981, he met the love of his life, Nena Early. On a fence post at sunset on what is now their farm in Novelty, he asked her to marry him. They wed on February 20, 1982. They shared a wonderful marriage. It was full of unconditional love, laughter, growth, and happiness.

To this union, they welcomed two daughters, Clarissa Ann and Cathleen Early. Growing up, the girls would race to get their feet rubbed. David would always agree as this meant he could watch a western. In 2011, he gained a new name — PAPA. His four boys (Carson, Jaxon, Bennet, and Payton) were his pride and joy.

Outside of an amazing family legacy, David was an entrepreneur known the world over. His first job was in 1974 at Moubry Farms. He would continue to farm and raise cattle with his father Bill and with his wife Nena until his passing. He also enjoyed working on equipment with his dear friend, Mike Carpenter. David was known to many of his close friends as Texx. Texx was a fierce friend and enjoyed driving his orange #65 race car.

His passion for farm equipment would be the ticket to see the world. He started in the 1980s as a sales manager with Early's Inc. in Kirksville. In 1987, David and Nena moved to Ulysses, Kansas, where they managed and grew the Case IH dealership. Kansas would bring life-long friends, one tornado, and the confidence to do more. Launched in 1990, Palmer Marketing was created. David started traveling the Midwest, making sales, and, more importantly, building relationships. These relationships would be lasting.

In addition to his growing sales business, David joined the Office of the President of the United States. Working under the Clinton administration from 1992-1998, he served as Senior Staff Press Lead. His primary role was to move the national press core. He often reminded us of the young reporters he would work with by their faces on TV.

David then joined The Kverneland Group in 1999. This company specializes in farm machinery across Europe. In 2009, David was asked to lead their North America, South America, Australia, and New Zealand efforts. His daughters would get a text, "crossing an ocean, you're in charge of mom."

In 2012, Kverneland became a subsidiary of Kubota tractors. During this time, David would become a Senior Product Manager in hay for Kubota, transforming the company's market and impact across the United States.

Over his tenure with Kubota and Keveland, he would see the world through farmers. His love of his job always remained pure. He loved being with a group of farmers in a field somewhere in the world, working on balers. In July 2024, the Executive Board of Kverneland Group presented him with a Special Performance Award.

David was baptized in the Fabius River as a child growing up in Mt. Salem Baptist Church. As a young man, he joined the Catholic church and raised his family Catholic. A proud member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Edina, he would often help with church services as an usher and communion minister. He was a 4th Degree Knight with the Knights of Columbus.

His other community service included serving on the Kirksville City Council (1985) and Kirksville Jaycees (Past President/Chairman). He was a member of the Baring Country Club.

David was preceded in death by his father, William S (Bill) Palmer, Father-in-law, William L (Bill) Early, and niece, Linda Sue Ewing.

Surviving David is his wife, Nena of the home. Daughters Clarissa Ann (Jarod) Lovell of Grain Valley, Missouri, and Cathleen Early "Cat" (Mandy) Phelps of Georgetown, Texas. Four amazing grandsons, Carson Lee (Lovell), Jaxon Palmer (Phelps), Bennett William (Lovell), and Payton Palmer (Phelps). His mother, Kathleen Palmer of Novelty, Missouri. His siblings Noel (Kathy) Palmer of Novelty, Doug Palmer of Edina, and Julie (Robert) Palmer of Greenville, South Carolina. He was a brother-in-law to Jeanie (Larry) Ewing of Kirksville Missouri, Billy (Connie) Early of Edina, Mac Early of Edina, and Susie Early (Matt Thornberg) of Columbia, Missouri. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Services for David will be on Saturday, August 31, 2024. A mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Edina, Missouri, at 10 a.m., with Father Greg Mystrek officiating—music provided by Jim and Kyle Clark. The family will receive friends and guests before mass starting at 9 a.m. Interment will follow at St Aloysius Catholic Cemetery in Baring Missouri. A funeral dinner will conclude services at the Knights of Columbus Hall immediately following.

Expressions of sympathy can be mailed to or left at Hudson Rimer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1, Edina, MO 63537.

## KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

### University of Missouri Extension in Kirksville feedlot school

University of Missouri Extension in Kirksville is hosting a feedlot school this summer to teach producers how to feed out their cattle instead of shipping them out of state. They will cover health, nutrition, economics; tour local feedlots; give producers opportunities to interact with representatives from local packing plants; and engage with MU Extension faculty. The feedlot school is Aug. 29-30 in Kirksville, and will be led by MU Extension livestock field specialist Zac Erwin. The Aug. 29-30 feedlot school in Kirksville will be held at White Oaks Barn, 23255 State Highway 11. Cost is \$75 per person. Find more information at <https://tinyurl.com/3ddwdzsf> or by contacting the MU Extension Center in Adair County at 660-665-9866.

### Cross Connections International Design Exhibit 2024

Cross Connections International Design Exhibit 2024 in the Main Gallery. New Work by Lindsey Dunnagan in the Charly Gallery at the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts Center. 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. The Art Gallery is located on the first floor of the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts Center, entrance on the west side of the building.

### Free Walk With Ease Class + Walking Book

Free Walk With Ease Class + Walking Book at the YMCA, 1708 S. Jamison Street. For Y members and non-members (Non-members please bring an ID for check-in). Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays starting Wednesday, Sept 4 through Wednesday, Oct. 9, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

### Scholarships available for city recreational programs and lessons

The Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce the launch of its new Scholarship Program, an initiative to reduce financial barriers for participation in the department's wide array of activities and programs.

To be eligible for a scholarship, you must reside within the city limits of Kirksville and meet the household size/yearly income requirements, which can be found on the application. Applicants meeting the eligibility guidelines are awarded a 50 percent scholarship on programs and events, including the Kirksville Baseball and Softball Leagues, Little Sluggers Tee Ball, Kids Mini Mud Mile,

Group Swim Lessons and more. Guidelines and the scholarship application can be found online at [kirksvillecity.com/p/parks-recreation](http://kirksvillecity.com/p/parks-recreation), or picked up in person at the Kirksville Aquatic Center. For more information, contact the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department at 660.627.1485.

### Kirksville Kiwanis Farmers' Market

The Kirksville Kiwanis Farmers' Market opened for the season on Saturday, May 4 and will be open every Saturday from 7 a.m. until noon on the Elson Street side of the Kirksville Downtown Square, through October and is open to the public. Items available include fruits, vegetables, plants, baked products, eggs, meats, crafts, and much more.

### Food Bank Adopt a Buddy Pack program

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

allows them to provide a Buddy Pack to a child in Adair County for an entire school year. Donate at [sharefoodbringhope.org/give-help](http://sharefoodbringhope.org/give-help) or in-person at Alliant Bank, 201 S. Baltimore Street in Kirksville. Check by Mail: Make payable to "The Food Bank" with "Adair County Buddy Pack" in the memo to: The Food Bank, 2101 Vandiver Drive, Columbia, Mo. 65202. All funds stay in the county. Participating schools include Kirksville Primary, Ray Miller, Brashear and Novinger. Sponsored by Alliant Bank and Kirksville Daily Express.

### Join the Kirksville Young Professionals Committee

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

## KIRKSVILLE POLICE ARRESTS, AUG. 16-20, 2024

**Lindsey Marie Curley**, 26, of Kirksville, was arrested at 2:40 p.m. on Aug. 20 at 516 S. Main Street on a probation violation warrant issued by Judge Matt Wilson of the 2nd Judicial Circuit, Adair County on Aug. 19. Curley was initially charged with felony first degree tampering with a motor vehicle on Nov. 9, 2023. No bond was set. In that original case, Wilson had sentenced her to seven years incarceration in the Department of Corrections beginning on Aug. 13, and five years probation to follow. The sentence was suspended and she was under supervised probation at the time of her arrest.

**Elijah Dee Baker**, 20, of Kirksville, was arrested at 2:29 p.m. on Aug. 20 at 2202 E. Normal Avenue on a failure to appear warrant issued by Judge Kristie Jean Swaim of the 2nd Judicial Circuit, Adair County on Aug. 6. Baker had originally been charged with misdemeanor operating a motor vehicle on a highway without a valid license on June 23. Bond was set at \$154.

**Kimberly Galicia Toriz** of Kirksville, 42, of Kirksville, was arrested at 10:05 a.m. on Aug. 19 at 516 S. Main Street on a warrant.

**Trevor Lawrence Jaxon**, 34, of Kirksville, was arrested at 9:23 p.m. on Aug. 16 at 1303

N. New Street and held in protective custody after police responded to a verbal domestic disturbance.

**Eric Scott Claybrook**, 36, of Gibbs, was arrested at 9:43 p.m. on Aug. 16 at 404 E. Cottonwood Street on a warrant.

**Courtney Cortez Miller**, 49, of Kirksville, was arrested at 7:08 p.m. on Aug. 18 on West Cottonwood Street, for driving on a revoked or suspended driver's license, a misdemeanor first offense.

**Eugene Wiseman**, of Kirksville, was arrested for driving on a revoked or suspended driver's license, a misdemeanor first offense.

## Putnam County Route U bridge to be rehabilitated

By MoDOT

ST. JOSEPH — The next bridge rehabilitation project included in the Northwest Bridge Bundle project is scheduled to begin next month. The Putnam County Route U bridge over East Locust Creek, located just south of Iowa, will close beginning Monday, Sept. 3. The project to rehabilitate the bridge is expected to continue through December.

During construction, motorists should seek an alternate route

around the closure. The East Locust Creek Bridge was built in 1964 and has a traffic volume of approximately 325 vehicles per day.

"The Northwest Bridge Bundle is a Design-Build project which will replace or rehabilitate 31 poor-condition bridges in north central Missouri, and this bridge is number nine," stated Missouri Department of Transportation Project Director Michael Marriott. The Capital - Horner & Shifrin team was awarded the design-build contract by the Missouri Highways

and Transportation Commission at its meeting in December 2023.

Design-build is a project delivery method in which one contracting team is selected to design and build the highway improvement under one contract. MoDOT provides the project goals, budget and schedule and the contractor team completes the work. This technique has been known to significantly save time and provide cost savings.

All work is weather permitting and schedules are subject to change.

## Hospice of Northeast Missouri to offer online caregiver weekly support group

By Hospice of Northeast Missouri

Caregiving can be incredibly draining! Knowing that, Hospice of Northeast Missouri is offering a new online caregivers weekly support group.

John Bambrick, a chaplain and social worker for Hospice of Northeast Missouri, will facilitate the weekly online caregiver support group that will start Wednesday, Aug. 28. Anyone serving as a caregiver can drop in anytime from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. or stay for the entire session to receive emotional support, reassurance, a listening ear, help with problem solving and education on caregiving. This

free online group is a safe space to get support and discuss challenges without leaving your home or caregiving duties.

There is no charge for the support group, but they do ask that you contact John Bambrick in advance at [JBambrick@hospiceofnortheastmissouri.org](mailto:JBambrick@hospiceofnortheastmissouri.org) or by calling 660-627-9711 to get the required zoom link.

Hospice of Northeast Missouri, a service of Hannibal Regional, is a non-profit hospice that focuses on quality of life for people and their caregivers who are experiencing an advanced, life-limiting illness. Hospice of Northeast is a partner agency of the United Way of

Northeast Missouri serving Adair, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Macon, Putnam, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby and Sullivan counties. To learn more

about the services offered at Hospice of Northeast Missouri, call 660-627-9711 or visit [hospiceofnortheast-missouri.org](http://hospiceofnortheast-missouri.org).

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## HOME COUNTRY

## Ol' Max Evans

Four years ago now. Yep, four years ago we lost Max Evans. I sure did, anyway. That old cowboy, artist, writer, bar brawler and two-fisted philosopher meant a lot to a lot of people and not just his wife, Pat, and their twin daughters.

I met Max one day about 40 years ago. I was working for the Albuquerque Journal as a columnist at the time, and another columnist there, Jim Belshaw, came up to me in the newsroom one morning and said, "We're having lunch with Max Evans today at noon. Don't plan anything else for the rest of the day."

I thought he was kidding. Lunch lasted through closing time in several establishments, and by closing time, I mean ... well, you know.

On my way home that night, I sat remembering some of those stories of his and one thing occurred to me: the hardest thing to do in the world would be to write a boring biography of Max Evans.

So many years later, after countless lunch interviews and little expeditions here and there with Max, I finished his biography, "Ol' Max Evans, the First Thousand Years." It isn't boring.

Max had grown up in a small town in Texas called Ropes. I visited the town once and saw where his grandfather's store had been and saw the house he grew up in and was told his little brother is still buried in the backyard in an unmarked grave.

Nothing evil, just another issue people in those days of covered wagons, cattle drives and wind had to face. They were tough people and it was a tough life.



**SLIM RANGLES**  
HOME COUNTRY

Max fit right in. He went from cowboy to painting pictures to writing some of the best literature about life in the West that's ever been seen. He was tough. Hitler tried to kill him on D Day plus one when Max was "blown up" by one of Adolf's railroad guns. Max survived. It killed everyone else in the outfit.

But survive? Oh yes. He had an inner-ear balance problem because of it for the rest of his life. Right up until two days before his 96th birthday. That was right in the middle of the pandemic, so we couldn't even gather for a farewell lunch or sacred words, or to have one of us bring a bottle of something.

To sum up what this old cowboy curmudgeon with an honorary doctorate in literature meant to me ... he was another member of my family. After three years working on his bio, I was wrapping it up and finally about to write the darn thing.

"So Max," said I, "do you have any advice for beginning writers?" He looked across the table at me without any sign of a smile. "Slim," he said, "never hit a critic."

"Ol' Max Evans: The First Thousand Years" is available from the University of New Mexico Press. [UNMpress.com](http://UNMpress.com).

## ROBIN WRITES

## Cash isn't king anymore

You have money?" My granddaughter's eyes expanded in wonder. "Like. Money?"

The Target store was not busy; it was mid-morning on a hot summer day. We'd decided to buy a Monopoly game, because Bree had never played, and at 10 years old, it was time.

As we approached the checkout, I decided to just pay cash. I had a twenty in the back pocket of my jeans, and it seemed silly to use a debit card for one item.

I pulled the bill out and waved it like a magician's cape. "Here it is!"

It was as if I'd conjured up a dusty, craggy shard of archaeological discovery. I almost expected a spotlight to swing toward my hand, showcasing this unusual method of monetary exchange surfacing in a world of plastic.

You don't see much real money anymore. Unless you work in a bank or a pawn shop, your odds of seeing bills and coins pass hands is uncommon now.

I shoved my twenty toward the cashier, and stuffed the change back in my pocket. What used to be a normal exchange felt somehow wrong. As if I were out of step with today's society.

When we got home, I put the change in the big jar in my bedroom. I gazed at the pile of coins inside and wondered if it should just deposit them all and give up on currency, like most everyone else.



**ROBIN GARRISON LEACH**  
ROBIN WRITES

I grew up with cash. If you wanted to buy something, you needed actual money. We kids found ways to get it; cashing in soda bottles, making "A" s in school, allowance, babysitting. And when we got it, it was as if we were rich.

The pennies were as important as the dollars. Our fists clamped onto it all, and spent it quickly.

We had piggy banks that we received as Christmas presents from our frugal parents. They told us how important it was to save for "a rainy day." To keep some cash in reserve and not "waste it."

A penny saved was a penny earned, and although we couldn't understand the concept, it was expected that our pig would remain corked and unbroken.

Girls had coin purses. Boys celebrated "growing up" with their first billfold. Money was a confirmation of our newfound responsibility in a world driven by nickels and dimes.

We even had shoes that held an all-important coin. Our pen-

ny loafers, updated in my generation to carry dimes, was not only a fashion statement but also a way to ensure we had money to make a phone call in case of emergency.

When we did decide to splurge on something—comic book, candy bar, Coke—we learned quickly how to give just the right money to the cashier. Our change was counted back to us, and we watched carefully.

Adults had checks, and those were meted out with gravitas to utility companies, grocery stores, and rent collectors. Check-writing transactions were slow and serious; the ledger in the checkbook was carefully filled out and religiously balanced each month.

Credit cards and debit cards flipped onto the financial landscape in the last 50 years. Paychecks are automatically deposited into accounts now. Coin purses are only used by older folks, and pockets carry stacks of cards instead of wads of bills.

We who remember how it used to be still cling to the idea that a soda can be paid for without an electronic transaction. That having cash is best for emergencies. That money still talks in dollars and cents.

Will Bree's children consider a \$20 bill an antique? Am I an antique for using one?

Probably so. But I do love my jar of change. And maybe the coins inside will be collector's items someday.

## THE ROCKWOOD FILES

## Lost in the Looking Glass

Do we need more selfie control?

Have you ever been grateful you're not good at something? This year I decided it's probably best that I'm terrible at selfies. Truly, absolutely awful.

But I'm not anti-selfie. I love getting selfies from my college kids because it gives me a glimpse of them in their natural habitats. But when I turn that camera on my own face and then look at the resulting picture, I immediately cringe away, as if I've just seen a festering wound. Delete, delete, delete.

I don't have the smartphone skills of a Gen Z kid, so maybe I'm doing it wrong. Somehow, I always end up with crazy eyes and bad angles. My arm isn't long enough to snap the picture at a more forgiving distance.

But perhaps my selfie-incompetence is actually self-preservation. Earlier this month, Slate magazine published an article about a 2022 study published in the Journal of Travel Medicine. According to the study, "there were 379 selfie-related deaths worldwide between 2008 and 2021. That's more than four times the number of people who died by shark bite in the same period."

Judging by news coverage, you'd never guess that vacation selfies pose a greater risk than sharks, right? But the explosion of social media has put cool selfies in greater demand. Sometimes tourists visiting national parks will waltz right up to a massive bison as if he's Uncle Frank at a family reunion. The problem became so prevalent that the tourism board in Jackson Hole, Wyoming developed a new Instagram filter called "Selfie Control" to help people realize when they've walked too close to a wild animal.

Thankfully, most of us aren't going to die by posing with a panther or saying "cheese" too close to a cliff. But I wonder what else we may be losing. What happens when photographing the moment becomes more important than the moment itself?

I saw this play out in front of me when Tom and I visited London for the first time this summer. Tom wanted to tour a historic fort. I wanted to read on the nearby park bench, glancing up to marvel at the magnificent Tower Bridge less than a half mile away. This ornate bridge covered in granite and stone has two soaring towers connected by a glass walkway, and it has been spanning the River Thames for 130



**GWEN ROCKWOOD**  
THE ROCKWOOD FILES

years. So Tom toured the fort, while I read my book and enjoyed the view.

Because of my ideal spot, I saw many people stop at the river railing to get a photo of themselves with the iconic bridge in the background. Typically, it only took a few minutes, and then they'd wander off to see other landmarks. But there was one couple who stayed and stayed.

Dressed in a crisp white summer skirt and blouse, the beautiful young woman stood by the railing and smiled as her boyfriend took several shots. Then she stepped over to him to evaluate the pictures. Judging them inadequate, they tried again. After the failed second attempt, she gave him tips on how to hold the smartphone just right, and I was sure the third try would be the charm.

It wasn't. I lost count of the number of tries, and this snapshot session took more than 30 minutes. She turned this way and that, tipped her chin down, then back up. Hand on hip. Arm out to the side. Hair over one shoulder. Big smile. Subtle smirk. Meanwhile, the bridge struck the same pose in every shot.

I assume this couple was newly in love because the young man snapping pictures was endlessly patient with the process. After two rounds of this kind of picture palooza, my loving husband of 26 years would've said something like, "This is ridiculous. I'm going to see a fort now."

I bet the girl got at least 100 gorgeous pictures that day. But she spent the whole time with her back turned on the beauty. She lost herself in the glassy surface of a smartphone, analyzing photos she'll barely look at a year from now. Will she remember this lovely landmark? Or will it fade into the background like a pretty but pointless prop?

I will always love photography and the thrill of capturing a meaningful shot. But that day on the bench has taught me that the picture is not the point. Life is the point. We can't get so busy documenting it that we forget to truly love it.

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## POETRY CORNER

## The Most Wonderful Times

Pictures from your past... paintings in your mind... something Norman Rockwell could define,

We each are blessed... with special moments... and these moments get better with time.

Just to share one... from a time long ago... one that was special to me,

Up early every morning... time to go to work... what pressures and worries would I see?

As I walked down the hall... still half asleep... I got to the top of the stairs, I'd hear a door open... the patter of small feet... a smiling face looked up at me there. I'd sit on the step... Matt would crawl in my lap... and we'd talk and cuddle and smile, Those were the most wonderful times... of my entire life... I just wish I could go back for a while.

— Daniel D. Donovan

## PUBLIC HEALTH CORNER

## International Overdose Awareness Day

By Kirstyn Dietle, CHES®  
Health Educator, Adair County Health Dept.

Welcome to the Public Health Corner: International Overdose Awareness Day

International Overdose Awareness Day, observed on Aug. 31, is a global event dedicated to raising awareness about overdose, reducing the stigma surrounding drug-related deaths, and acknowledging the grief felt by families and friends who have lost loved ones. This day serves as a powerful reminder of the urgent need to address the overdose crisis, support those struggling with substance use, and advocate for policies and programs that can prevent overdoses and save lives.

## The Overdose Crisis

Overdose remains a significant public health crisis, with millions of lives affected worldwide. It can result from the misuse of prescription medications, illicit drugs, or a combination of substances. Opioids, including prescription painkillers, heroin, and synthetic opioids like fentanyl, are the leading cause of overdose deaths. However, overdoses can also result from other substances such as benzodiazepines, stimulants, and alcohol. Understanding the factors that contribute to overdose, including addiction, mental health issues, and lack of access to treatment, is crucial in addressing this crisis.

## Reducing Stigma and Promoting Compassion

Stigma surrounding drug use and overdose can prevent individuals from seeking help and support. It's essential to approach the topic with compassion and understanding, recognizing that addiction is a complex medical condition rather than a moral failing. Reducing stigma involves educating the public, encouraging open conversations about substance use, and supporting those in recovery. Compassionate responses to overdose can help break down barriers to treatment and create a more supportive environment for individuals and families affected by addiction.

## Recognizing the Signs of Overdose

Knowing how to recognize the signs of an overdose can save lives. Symptoms of an opioid

overdose, for example, include slowed or stopped breathing, unconsciousness, pinpoint pupils, and a weak pulse. In the case of stimulant overdose, symptoms may include rapid heart rate, high body temperature, and agitation. Understanding these signs and responding quickly by calling emergency services and administering naloxone, if available, can be the difference between life and death. Public education on overdose response is a critical component of prevention.

## The Role of Harm Reduction

Harm reduction strategies play a vital role in preventing overdoses and supporting individuals who use drugs. These strategies include the distribution of Narcan, a life-saving medication that can reverse opioid overdoses. Harm reduction approaches prioritize the health and safety of individuals, reduce the risk of overdose, and connect people with treatment and support services. Narcan is currently available for free at the Adair County Health Department Clinic.

## Advocating for Policy Change and Access to Treatment

Addressing the overdose crisis requires comprehensive policy change and increased access to evidence-based treatment for substance use disorders. Advocacy efforts focus on expanding access to medication-assisted treatment (MAT), mental health services, and recovery support. Additionally, there is a need for policies that address the root causes of addiction, such as poverty, trauma, and social inequities. By advocating for change at the local, national, and global levels, we can work towards a future where overdoses are prevented, and lives are saved.

International Overdose Awareness Day is a time to honor the lives lost to overdose, support those who are struggling, and take action to prevent future tragedies. Whether through education, advocacy, or simply sharing the message that recovery is possible, each of us has a role to play in addressing the overdose crisis. Let's use this day to remember those who have passed, support those in need, and commit to creating a world where overdose deaths are no longer a daily reality.

## TURNING THE PAGE

### This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

#### 100 Years Ago, August 25, 1924

Eleven head of livestock were killed during a severe rainstorm that deposited two-and one-half inches of rain on the area. Seven cows, one bull, and three head of sheep belonging to Lon Barnhart and Bert Sees on the Sees farm three miles northeast of Kirksville were killed by a bolt of lightning. The livestock were lying alongside a wire fence and the bolt struck the wire and leaped across to the livestock. The two men owned the livestock in partnership, and they had a herd of nine cattle. The lightning practically wiped out their livestock operation. During the same storm a stack of hay belonging to Jacob Heyd south of Kirksville was also struck by lightning and destroyed.

#### 100 Years Ago, August 26, 1924

Roy Yardley, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Yardley, of Yarrow, died at Grim-Smith Hospital as a result of drinking lye solution. Mrs. Yardley had used the strong lye solution in cleaning the house and the young child managed to get hold of a cup of it and drank it. The child's mouth and throat were so severely burned that death resulted.

#### 95 Years Ago, August 28, 1929

It was circus day in Kirksville. Large crowds formed in the downtown area in the early morning hours in preparation for the arrival of the circus train that arrived on the Wabash railroad mid-morning. When the train arrived from Columbia and started unloading the animals, children and grownups alike thronged the Wabash tracks to watch them unload. City officials had to disband a group which gathered so near the train that the work of unloading was impaired. As noon drew near the crowd lined the downtown area to watch the parade which followed a route south on Elson Street, then east on Jefferson one block and north on Franklin. The parade featured clowns, several caged animals, bands, a clown orchestra, a colorful pageant of nations, and fine horses. The Robbins Brother shows started at 2 and 8 p.m. and featured a special treat—the appearance of Buck Jones, a Hollywood movie star, who participated in the wild west show.

#### 85 Years Ago, August 27, 1939

The Omaha and Kansas City Railroad (O.K.), that ran from Quincy, Illinois, to Kansas City, dropped half of its line. The portion abandoned was the line from Milan to Kansas City. The road would now operate from Milan to Quincy. The railroad played an important part in the development of Northeast Missouri as its major east-west railroad line. It arrived in Kirksville from Chicago, via Quincy, in the early 1870s. Its new name would be Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy (CB&Q). The abandonment of the Milan-Kansas City segment necessitated a change in passenger schedules in and out of Kirksville.

#### August 26, 1949, 75 Years Ago

A corps of volunteer workers was being recruited to begin the task of putting the fairgrounds in shape for the upcoming Third Annual Northeast Missouri Fair, which was scheduled to open the following week for a four-day run. The first two days were "cleanup" days. Final plans for the event were being made, and according to fair board officials was expected to "outdo" the previous two fairs. One of the major attractions of the fair was the horse shows and harness racing, which was under the direction of the horse show superintendent, Day Mangus. Other items on the fair's agenda



were exhibitions and judging of a large variety of livestock and farm and garden produce, a grand opening exposition that included music by the Northeast Missouri Fair Band and a flag drill by the Northeast Missouri Trail Riders, a uniformed troop of sixty expert horsemen of the area. To satisfy area harness racing enthusiasts, one day of the fair featured harness racing that had seen a rapid growth in popularity since the fair opened in 1947. Wednesday was designated as Missouri Day, and Missouri's Governor Forrest Smith was expected to be the guest of honor. The conclusion of the fair was Children's Day, a grand livestock parade and the crowning of the Harvest Queen.

#### 75 Years Ago, August 28, 1949

Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery (KCOS, now A.T. Still University) President Morris Thompson announced that work on a million-dollar expansion of hospital and clinic facilities would begin in a few days. The College's Board of Trustees awarded the contract to the J. E. Dunn Construction Co. of Kansas City for construction of new clinical facilities and the addition of a 64-bed hospital. This would bring the bed capacity to 108. The expansion of facilities at KCOS was provided through a federal grant and gifts and pledges secured in a campaign among students, alumni, and friends of the college. The federal grant was made possible by the Hill-Burton National Hospital Construction Act. The grant was recommended for the Kirksville area by the Missouri Hospital Survey Committee with approval of the Missouri Division of Health and the United States Public Health Service. The new hospital was located on the north side of West Jefferson Street near its intersection with Osteopathy Street.

#### 70 Years Ago, August 27, 1954

Pearl Hatfield, 72, Adair County Collector died from injuries he sustained from a fall down the steps on the south side of the Adair County Courthouse four days earlier. The accident occurred following a sale of some Adair County land which was being sold by Sheriff G. E. Grossnickle for the collection of back taxes. After the last piece of property was auctioned Hatfield, who was standing on the top of the stairs, started to turn to go back into his office in the courthouse. His foot slipped off the top step of the 13-step flight. Starting to fall Hatfield tried to regain his balance but ran down the first few steps. About midway down the steps, he fell head first down the remainder of the flight landing on his right shoulder and hitting his head on the sidewalk in front of the stairway. He was taken by ambulance to Grim Smith Hospital where doctors said he was in serious condition in an unconscious state with a severe brain concussion and extensive lacerations to his face, scalp, and hands. Hatfield was a farmer in the northwest part of Adair County until 1910 and then operated a general merchandise store in Novinger. After that he was a grocery salesman until 1942 when he was elected to the office of county collector. At the time of his death, he was the only person elected to three terms as county collector. Shortly after Hatfield's death, steel pipe hand railings were installed on the north and south exterior stairs at the courthouse, and a hand rail was installed on the staircase from the second to third floors of the interior of the courthouse.

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## EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY

Part 117

### The Smith-Kellogg Mansion – Chapter 5 – The McGuire family moves in . . . then out!

By Blytha Ellis, President  
Adair County Historical Society  
and Museum

Capt. John Thompson Smith had run out of money, something he never thought would happen. He had indulged in all the extravagances of the day when building his Kirksville mansion on his farm northeast of town. But, "The Best" had nearly cost him financial ruin. John was forced to sell his mansion before he and his wife and children ever got to live in it. In fact, he sold his entire farm in Adair County in 1878 to his friend and fellow Kirksville resident, George Marion McGuire (1837-1902).

When John realized that the mansion he was building for himself and his family was breaking him financially, he went to George and asked if he might consider buying him out, lock, stock and barrel. Exactly what John told George is not known. Did he tell George he was going broke? It seems that George probably knew. We do know that George took advantage of whatever deal John offered him. George was impressed with the new mansion and thought it would be great for his young family. So, George McGuire rescued his friend from bankruptcy and purchased the Smith farm and mansion.

George Marion McGuire was born in Virginia on December 10, 1837. He came to Kirksville as a young man in his twenties. He began working as a store clerk in the downtown area where he met the Ivie family who ran the Union Hotel on the northeast corner of the square (now the location of Hidden Treasures). George married one of the Ivie daughters, 20-year-old Stacy N. Ivie, in 1868.

Stacy's parents were Rev. William Shelton Ivie (1811-1858) and Julia Louise Van Dyne (1817-1889), early settlers in Kirksville. They established what is believed to be the first hotel in Kirksville and named it the Union Hotel. However, because of their last name, the hotel was more often referred to as the Ivie Hotel.

Sadly, Rev. Ivie died in 1858. This left his wife, Julia, a 41-year-old widow with a hotel and seven children. Stacy was one of these children. She was 10 years old when her father died, and she married George McGuire 10 years later. She saw her mother become a strong and prosperous woman over the next 30 years after her father died, as she continued to manage the hotel through difficult times. This included during the Civil War Battle of Kirksville in 1862, which occurred across the street from the hotel. At that time, the hotel was used as a bloody emergency hospital for soldiers.

A year after George and Stacy McGuire were married, their son, Hubert Lee McGuire, was born in September 1869. Within the next 10 years, George worked his way up from store clerk to store owner. The 1880 census lists him as a "Dry Goods Merchant." He would later be referred



Tombstone of Hubert Lee McGuire at Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery in Kirksville



to as "a very wealthy man." Where George got his wealth, whether from his store or another source, is not entirely clear. But, we do know that in 1878, he had enough money to buy the farmland and mansion of John Thompson Smith in Kirksville.

George and Stacy McGuire and their 9-year old son moved into the beautiful mansion designed and built by Capt. John T. Smith. The McGuires also had a 16-year-old servant girl named Mary Harrison who moved to the house with them. Actually, it seems to have been her who first noticed that something just wasn't quite right about the new residence. Besides managing his dry goods store, George also farmed in a big way. He populated his farm with hundreds of animals such as chickens and hogs which were designed to bring in a large income for the family. Everything seemed to go along fine for a while. Then, the dreaded disease of cholera hit the McGuire livelihood with a vengeance. They lost 300 of their finest hogs to this disease during the first year in their new home. George was greatly discouraged, but he managed to recover from this unfortunate circumstance.

The second year of the family's residence in the mansion, their chickens began to die. They discovered that cholera had spread to them, and the loss was great. Death came to 600 of their fine laying hens, so their egg production was gone. George and Stacy began to wonder why they were experiencing so much devastating loss. The servant girl thought she knew why. She began to declare that the place was "wiggid." That was her word for wicked. What exactly she saw in the place to make her declare this is not known. The family began to wonder if the property was somehow cursed! After all, it had brought financial loss to John T. Smith, and now to them!

Some time in the spring or summer of 1880, Hubert Lee McGuire, age 10, the McGuires' usually healthy son, fell ill. Some of the symptoms he undoubtedly experienced were a sore throat, hoarseness, runny nose and fatigue.

He most likely had fever and chills, swollen neck glands and difficulty breathing. His parents may have initially thought it was just a cold and that he would soon recover. But, Hubert did not — he got worse. These symptoms were known to be signs of a much worse condition. His ailment was confirmed to be diphtheria, a serious bacterial infection.

Of course, this was before a vaccine had been developed for this disease, and before antibiotics were created. Hubert's parents knew that diphtheria was considered a children's plague — a death sentence! Not much could be done for the victim in those days. The patient was doomed to suffer a long and painful illness. Damage to the heart was usually the outcome, and this was true for Hubert.

In the fall of 1880, when local children were returning to school, of course Hubert could not go. His 11th birthday was on September 8, but no one could celebrate with Hubert so sick. Perhaps his parents remembered other birthdays when they were able to entertain Hubert and his friends with a party, games, and refreshments. This year would be quite different.

On September 17, 1880, the McGuires' only child, was blessedly relieved of his suffering. The "Weekly Graphic" reported, "His funeral was attended by a large concourse of his schoolmates from the public schools." He was buried at Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery in Kirksville, only a block west of the city square where his father's store was located.

His parents' overwhelming grief eventually turned to fear, then anger and superstition. Could this be another part of a suspected terrible curse upon this property they had purchased such a short time ago? First their animals, then their farm income, now their cherished son, who had so much hope and promise in life, was gone forever! Of course, it didn't help that the servant girl often reminded them that she thought they were living in a, "wiggid house."

The McGuires quickly decided that they wanted out — out of this property, which had brought them nothing but pain and sorrow! They immediately put the property up for sale and moved out. They moved to a home located near downtown Kirksville at the corner of Marion and Missouri Streets.

Soon after the move, the McGuires learned they were expecting their second child.

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## Kirksville R-III School District staff gathers to prep for upcoming school year

By Marty Bachman  
Daily Express

Kirksville R-III School District staff gathered at William Matthew Middle School on Monday, Aug. 19, to prepare for upcoming school year. School begins on Tuesday, Aug. 20.



Kirksville R-III School District Central Office staff.



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## Understanding grief: The importance of Grief Awareness Day

**By Carol Davenport**  
Coordinator Spiritual Care & Bereavement Services  
Hospice of Northeast Missouri

August 30 is Grief Awareness Day. Why do we need such a day?

One of the purposes of the day is to help raise awareness of the impact grief can have on our lives. Grief is the response we have to any kind of loss, and the greater the loss, the greater the impact we might expect. Grief impacts every part of who we are. There can be physical, emotional, behavioral and cognitive changes in response to grief.

Sometimes it affects our pattern of sleeping. Some people find that they sleep far more than usual, and others find that sleep is disrupted. Food can become unappealing, and for some

food becomes a balm for the pervasive sadness. Heart palpitations are not uncommon, and the tension we hold in our bodies can make pain more intense. Unpleasant emotions can flood us after a loss. Guilt, anger, fear and depression can be a part of the grief process.

Many people find that they have a hard time finding things that interest them after a loss. Hobbies and pastimes that were a part of one's life prior to a loss can hold little appeal. Some people eventually return to these earlier interests, but many people find that they can't go back to those things. Relationships can change after a loss.

Sometimes people are concerned about cognitive changes that occur, but they are typically short-term changes. Concentration and decision making

can be impacted, and the common wisdom is that it is unwise to make major decisions after a loss.

Loss due to death is not the only thing that evokes a grief response. Major life changes can evoke a grief response.

Grief is often felt after a divorce or separation or when a child leaves home. Getting fired from a job or getting a terminal diagnosis can cause us to feel a deep sense of grief. The aging process and the losses that accompany it can cause us to experience grief.

So, what do we do when we find ourselves lost in the throes of grief? One of the best things we can do is to rely on people who can be patient with us as we let ourselves feel the uncomfortable things that grief brings.

Hospice of Northeast Missouri is here to help



and support you through grief. They will be offering their next six-week grief support group on Sept. 9-16-23-30 and Oct. 7 and 14. The group will meet on Mondays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Hospice of Northeast Missouri office in Kirksville. There is no charge for the six-week support group, but advance

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## Food trucks to visit Truman State campus during fall semester

By Truman State University

Five times throughout the fall, a variety of food trucks will be on the Truman State University campus giving students, employees and members of the community another dining option.

The first food truck event will take place from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 22. Visiting trucks include: The Big Cheez, which features gourmet grilled cheese; 2 Odd Dogs, with a unique menu based on hot dogs and burgers; and Roll N Blue BBQ, which offers pulled pork, brisket and chicken.

The parking lot between the Student Union Building and McClain Hall will be blocked off to accommodate the trucks and to set up tables and chairs for diners.

Students and employees who may have received vouchers during move-in and Truman Week activities can



redeem them at any of the food trucks. The \$5 vouchers can be stacked up to \$20 to apply toward the cost of a meal. Cash and card will also be accepted methods of payment. Meal swipes and Bonus Bucks cannot be used at the food trucks.

Dates have been set for the remaining food truck events. The specific vendors are still to be determined.

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## SAFETY

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The Highway Patrol will be participating in Operation C.A.R.E. (Crash Awareness & Reduction Effort) over the Labor Day holiday weekend. Speed, inattention, and impaired driving are leading causes of traffic crashes. All available troopers will be patrolling Missouri's roadways and waterways. Troopers on the roadways will be enforcing Missouri's speed limit, seat belt, and impaired driving laws, in addition to being available to assist motorists.

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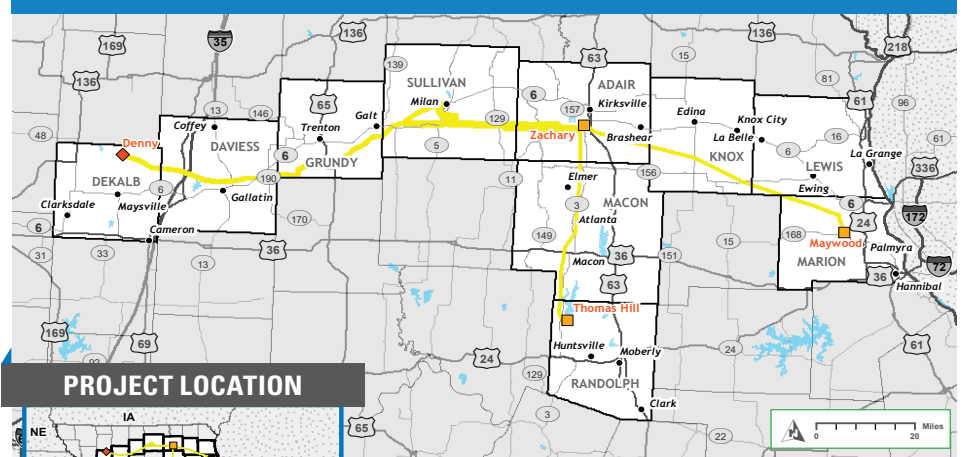
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## Bible Grove School Preservation Committee hosts Civil War re-enactment

Staff Reports

The Bible Grove, Mo. Historical Preservation Committee hosted Civil War re-enactments on Aug. 17-18, in Bible Grove.

Activities began Saturday morning with a flag raising by Civil War re-enactors and the opening of the museum. An artillery unit kicked off the re-enactment with cannon firepower. In addition, spectators were able to visit with Civil War living historians at their tents. A trap shoot was held as was the Indian Creek Muzzle Loaders Black Powder Shoot and Cornhole tournament.

On Saturday afternoon, the Battle of Vassar Hill was re-enacted and another battle took place as well. Sons of Union Veterans Paul Tague and Kris Lancaster invited dismounted cavalry, infantry and artillery units. Lancaster also delivered a seminar about "Finding Your Civil War Veteran" at the campsite. Camps were open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday.

Both Union and Confederate re-enactors demonstrated weapons, tactics and firepower of the Civil War, and shared the role of Northeast Missouri soldiers and their unit winding down after a day's battle. Re-enactors at Bible Grove represent membership in the Missouri Civil War Re-enactors Association, Sons of Union Veterans, and Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Northeast Missouri is rich in Civil War history



Bible Grove Civil War re-enactment held on Aug 17-18. PHOTOS BY MIKE GUNDY.

and many local residents have ancestors who fought in the Civil War. The Hershel Brewer family owns the land where the Battle of Vassar Hill took place in July 1862.

Other activities held during the two-day event included a straw scramble; the Will C. See Memorial Traveling Trophy Shoot; a cake walk, fish fry, raffle and bingo.

The Bible Grove Historical Preservation Board consists of: Tonya Bradley, Bobby Bradley, Joel Kapfer, Lila Spray, Tina Johnson, and Max Hamilton.



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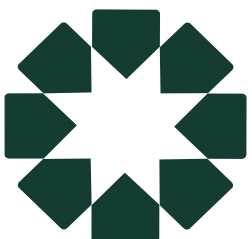
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## Tigers get everyone involved in Nesbitt's first jamboree

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

Football season is unofficially underway for the Kirksville Tigers, as they traveled to Unionville on Friday night for a jamboree hosted by Putnam County. Also in attendance were Brookfield and South Harrison.

The format of the jamboree, as it is traditionally, was each school running 12 plays of offense and 12 plays of defense against one another, then switching in round-robin format.

Although first-year Tiger head coach Gregg Nesbitt

has been coaching the game at nearly every level for 45 years, this is his first-ever jamboree. He said a huge point of emphasis was getting each and every one of his 62 rostered players an opportunity to get on the field.

"I've never tried to win a scrimmage, and most coaches are the same," the long-time Truman State coach joked. "We tried to get everyone just a little taste. We looked ragged at times, but we're excited to look at the video tape."

Nesbitt said he tried to get his anticipated starters four to six snaps before



Kirksville senior Jace Kent leaves a South Harrison defender behind as fellow senior Aiden Dimmitt trails. "I thought (he) ran with a lot of confidence out in space," Nesbitt said. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

switching to players not necessarily locked in or competing for that top spot at his position.

He said that for a lot of his players, just working on confidence is key looking ahead to a week one trip to Macon on Friday.

"Some of our guys are solidified in knowing what they're doing, and doing

it at a high level. We just need, across the board, our guys to all be playing fast. We've just got a few days to keep doing that.

"I like the vibe, I like the kids' attitudes on the sidelines. It was all about us, not about the opponent. They showed a lot of class and had a lot of fun tonight."

Aside from the Tigers'



First-year Kirksville head coach Gregg Nesbitt has some wisdom and instructions for his players in Friday night's jamboree at Putnam County. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

opener next week in Macon, South Harrison opens with a home game versus Milan before traveling to Putnam County for a real game the following week. Putnam opens at Marce-

line. Both teams will play Brookfield later on in the season, and Brookfield opens with Trenton.

Kirksville has none of the three other schools on the season schedule.

2024 Tiger Offensive Depth Chart			2024 Tiger Defensive Depth Chart		
LT: 67 - Williams	74 Cunningham		DE: 88 White / 66 Fraser		
LG: 64 - Kottwitz	70 Mauzey - 63 Groatthouse		DE: 23 Kelly	55 Sample	
C: 56 - Semple	52 LaBeth-70 Mauzey		DT: 74 Cunningham	75 Dimmitt	
RG: 75 Dimmitt	70 Mauzey - 52 LaBeth		DT: 67 A. Williams	70 Mauzey	
RT: 66 - Fraser	71 Phillips - 72 Jones		S: 32 Nesbitt	52 LaBeth-23 McVay-34 Reinbach	
IE: 23 Kelly / 88 White	32 Nesbitt		W: 54 Kottwitz	28 Wehner	
X: 15 Adams / 11 Pinkerton	4 - A. Martin		SS: 5 Martin - 21 Kent	3 Davis / #6 Snyder	
Y: 3 Davis / 1 Denslow	2 - Clark		FS: 11 Pinkerton	21 Kent - 3 Davis - 12 Lyons	
Z: 2 Clark	14 Houser - #2 Snyder		B: 1 Denslow	11 Pinkerton	
F: 21 Kent	5 - L. Martin		FC: 14 Houser / 2 Clark	4 - A. Martin	
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			P: 11 Pinkerton	28 - Wehner	
			PK: 89 - Lyons		
			H: 3 - Davis	1 - Denslow	

## Kirksville to face young Macon team in opener

By Henry Janssen  
Kirksville Daily Express

The Kirksville Tigers' football team opens its season in Macon on Friday night, and the other Tigers aren't as young as they were a year ago.

Kirksville enters Hugh Dunn Field on Friday coming off of a 41-26 win in last season's debut at home. Macon went on to finish winless last season and was held scoreless four times. This, however, is the same Macon group with a year more growth and experience.

Macon's quarterback was thrust into duty as a freshman last season, and he and his fellow sophomore running back intend to run a lot of screens. Short passes out toward the sideline will be especially

common from what Gregg Nesbitt has seen from their jamboree.

The Macon lineup will be sophomore-heavy with players who got ample experience in 2023.

"Their quarterback inherited their offense about midway as a freshman and got baptized," Nesbitt said. "He's a competitive dude."

He was complementary of the two-way creativity from Van Vanatta, the Macon head coach who enters his third season. Not only did he have big shoes to fill after decades-long coach Pete Claas stepped down, he also had the task of nurturing a noticeably young group of talent that was coming into its first non-pandemic season at the time.

Macon returns essentially its full roster, but at the time of this publication, no one knows exactly what that roster will look like numbers one through 99.

"They switched all the numbers on their practice jerseys," Nesbitt said laughingly. "When we see some things on film, we know who they are."

Nesbitt does know, however, that Macon's no. 64 is a "college-type player" at offensive guard and outside linebacker, around 6-3, 215 pounds and you "couldn't miss the kid."

Kirksville called Tuesday's outdoor practice off due to heat concerns and spent the day watching film.

Unless unexpected circumstances are a factor, all varsity games kick off at 7 p.m.

## Zoda and Nesbitt's reunion as Bulldogs could prove dangerous

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

It would be easy to think that after the end of the 2023 football season, Austin Zoda's decision to coach his alma mater was a rough one to make. The former Truman State and four-time All-GLVC defensive back was coming off of a run of seasons as coordinator for a high-powered offense at Fort Hays State University. He joined the Tigers' staff in 2017 for a team that went on to an undefeated regular season, and lost just one game a year later.

Now, his leaving a school that finished in the top fifth in total offense in Division II just last year to head for a Truman State group that statistically finished in the bottom half might not seem like an obvious upgrade. The Tigers also finished 12th in the nation in passing yards, while the 'Dogs finished 108th.

Meanwhile, his old ball coach Gregg Nesbitt had moved on and son Kellen became the new man in charge. Aside from Kellen's promotion, defensive line coach Jeramey Dockery was the only returning member of the staff.

Coming back to coach for his old defensive coordinator and new head coach Kellen Nesbitt was a perfect storm.

For Zoda, the decision for he and his wife to come back to Kirksville was certainly one he had to put thought into, as uprooting and leaving always is, but it was a "no-brainer," the Frisco, Tx. native said. Zoda had also just had a brand new little baby, and his wife wanted to be back in her hometown.

"That was always a priority as a family, getting back here to the place I played football and met my wife and just had a great time," Zoda said. "It seemed like the perfect fit anyway, but I'd say I trust Kellen more than just about anybody aside from my wife."

Zoda, or "Zodes" as Nesbitt affectionally calls him, has been on his mind as a potential member of his staff for quite some time. They had never lost touch, not least because it brought Zoda to Kirksville often to visit his wife's family.

"We had talked about the potential of this happening for years," Nesbitt said. "It was something I'd been daydreaming about since I'd ever thought of being a head ball coach. He was the first guy we called and the first guy we wanted to start to get the new staff together. The relationship, that trust didn't go away when he stopped playing."

"Not just the fact that we knew each other, but just the fact that he was working with what was regularly a top 25 offense, if not higher than that. Bringing that guy and that personality in goes a long way for us," Nesbitt said.

Nesbitt said that he's been very hands off with what Zoda wants to do.

Nesbitt knew that with seven seasons of coaching offense under his belt, there would be know worry that Zoda could come in day one and make significant creative changes.

"It's been his offense, his installs. He sees things I couldn't see, and he's seen offensive schemes I haven't seen. Coaching together is just mostly working on what our vision is together for this program."

Zoda played offense in high school, and says he spent at least a snap or two at pretty much every skill position. After the better part of a decade in a coaching position, both coordinating and working with quarterbacks, he feels just as comfortable as he did all those years ago.

Although he will always be remembered as a Bulldog legend in the defensive secondary, he says he could not be more excited to make his mark on the other side of the football, too.

"There's nothing I'd change, this is how this was supposed to work out and it just worked out that way," Zoda said. "These connections go a long way. Again, it just feels like home."

The Bulldogs open with Findlay at home on Sept. 7.

(Note: Zoda was second-team All-GLVC defensive back as a redshirt freshman and sophomore, and first-team as junior and senior, 2013-2016.)

## Best individual performances, recap of 2023 Schuyler football

By Shane Gravin

QUEEN CITY, Mo. — The Schuyler County Rams raised their stock consistently throughout 2023. At the end of the season, they were ranked 10th overall in the state according to MaxPreps. The Rams are coming off of a 9-3 year overall in which they went 5-2 in district play. Schuyler went undefeated at home.

8-man Schuyler County Rams football is coming up, so let's go back to 2023 to look at who played the best, and how those players will be expected to contribute in 2024.

**25 Aug. 2023; Schuyler County Rams at Knox County Eagles: 54-26, W, 1-0**

Senior quarterback (now graduated) Connor Smith went crazy and threw for six touchdowns on only 18 throws. One out of every three passes he made resulted in a touchdown.

**01 Sept. 2023; Schuyler County Rams vs. Bishop LeBlond Eagles: 52-28, W, 2-0**

Junior running back (now senior) Elliot Sevits was unstoppable in the backfield; he ran for five touchdowns on 29 carries as his coach kept feeding him the ball.

**08 Sept. 2023; Schuyler County Rams at Plattsburg Tigers: 68-92, L, 2-1**

The wheels came off the bus against a talented opponent who could not stop scoring. Schuyler tried to keep up with Plattsburg's pace but couldn't.

**15 Sept. 2023; Schuyler County Rams vs. North Shelby Raiders: 60-14, W, 3-1**

Senior wide receiver (now graduated) Mayson Humphrey got the offense rolling with six receptions for 126 yards and two touchdowns. He competed in the 8-man all-star game this June.

**22 Sept. 2023; Schuyler County Rams vs. Paris Coyotes: 74-30, W, 4-1**

Senior wide receiver (now graduated) Kale Windy joined in on the fun and caught four passes for 104 yards and two touchdowns.

**29 Sept. 2023; Schuyler County Rams at Braymer Bobcats: 56-74, L, 4-2**

Schuyler suffered their second loss in four weeks, again on the road. Elliot Sevits scored six of the eight Schuyler touchdowns, though.

**06 Oct. 2023; Schuyler County Rams at Southwest Wildcats: 60-32, W, 5-2**

Junior linebacker (now senior) Isaiah Cullers was all over the field on defense, recording 11 solo tackles and assisting on another 8 for a total of 19.

**13 Oct. 2023; Schuyler County Rams at Northland Christian Trailblazers: 62-14, W, 6-2**

Schuyler's defense stayed hot and sophomore Mason Windy (younger brother of Kale Windy) recovered a fumble. This was tied for the second best defensive perfor-

mance of the year for Schuyler in terms of points allowed.

**20 Oct. 2023; Schuyler County Rams vs. Slater Wildcats: 81-42, W, 7-2**

Schuyler scored its most points all season thanks to the explosive combination of Elliot Sevits and Mayson Humphrey, who combined for nearly 600 yards of offense.

**03 Nov. 2023; Schuyler County Rams vs. Knox County Eagles: 72-20, W, 8-2**

In a rematch from September, Schuyler won by even more to get their playoff party started and advance. Freshman running back (now sophomore) Casey Starrett got his first career playoff carry and it was good for a 33 yard gain.

**10 Nov. 2023; Schuyler County Rams vs. North Shelby Raiders: 56-40, W, 9-2**

In a consecutive rematch from another September opponent, Schuyler scraped by. Connor Smith threw for five touchdowns. He finished the year with 46.

**17 Nov. 2023; Schuyler County Rams vs. Worth County/Northeast Nodaway Tigers: 16-70, L, 9-3**

Schuyler was overpowered against WCNN who had a fantastic year. Freshman Danny Priebe (now sophomore) was able to come up with two tackles in this playoff game.

Schuyler opens up the official regular season against Bishop LeBlond in St. Joseph, Mo on Sept. 6 at 6p.



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## Truman State men's soccer 2023 recap

Best individual performances and recap of 2023 Truman State men's soccer

By Shane Gravlin

KIRKSVILLE, Mo. — The 2023 Truman State Bulldogs men's soccer team went 6W-6L-4T overall. There were some bright spots that emerged throughout the year. Here's who stood out last season.

**03 Sept. 2023, 12p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. Columbia College Cougars: 0-2, L, 0W-1L-0T**

Truman State couldn't get it done against a top-15 Columbia College team which got the go-ahead goal in the 13th minute of the game. Truman played catchup from then on and had almost as many shots as their opponent, but the Cougars essentially iced it with a goal before the 60th minute. Jack Knust who has since graduated had the majority of the Bulldogs' shots on goal, with three. Knust finished his Truman career with over 4,000 minutes played and eight goals to his name.

**10 Sept. 2023, 11a; Truman State Bulldogs at St. Cloud State Huskies: 2-1, W, 1W-1L-0T**

The Bulldogs rebounded after dropping their first game of the year by winning a close one on the road. After snatching the lead towards the end of the first half, the Bulldogs allowed an equalizing goal just moments later that sent the game to halftime at a 1-1 tie. The game would become untied with a 58th minute goal off the foot of Luke Payne which was set up nicely by Sam Newton. Both Payne and Newton have graduated.

**17 Sept. 2023, 12p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. Upper Iowa Peacocks: 4-0, W, 2W-1L-0T**

Truman State came back to Stokes Stadium for the GLVC opener and sent a message to the conference that they would be competitive in Great Lakes Valley play. Upper Iowa entered this game undefeated but didn't compete closely in this one, and the Bulldogs opened up a 2-0 lead in the first 30 minutes. Corbin Clay, who's entering his sophomore season in 2024 scored his first career collegiate goal and notched his first career collegiate assist in this game. Clay, who's from Springfield, Mo. will

be pivotal this season.

**22 Sept. 2023, 7p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. Quincy Hawks: 2-1, W, 3W-1L-0T**

The Bulldogs pushed their win streak to three with a consecutive GLVC win over rival Quincy which tipped the all-time record in that head-to-head historical series back in Truman's favor (15W-14L-4T). While the offense had another decent performance by scoring twice, the defense was the story in this one. Quincy didn't get another shot off after scoring their first goal. It's easy to hold onto leads if the other team can't even test the goalie in the final half hour of the game.

**24 Sept. 2023, 12p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. Illinois-Springfield Prairie Stars: 0-1, L, 3W-2L-0T**

Truman couldn't pick up the final game of the home-stand or continue their win streak against a ranked UIS team. This was the first time that Truman was shut-out by an opponent in 2023. It was a rough afternoon for the Truman offense, which fired off just a single shot. TSU goalkeeper Justin Olweg saved five of six shots on goal.

**29 Sept. 2023, 12p; Truman State Bulldogs at Southwest Baptist Bearcats: 3-0, W, 4W-2L-0T**

The Bulldogs worked on some things over a week of practice and film sessions and their alterations were successful away from home against SBU. This was a game the Bulldogs expected to win, and score easily in, since SBU had allowed 20 goals in their eight games leading up to this one. Landon Keisker, who's coming into his sophomore year, assisted on the goal that made it 2-0. He went to high school with Corbin Clay, and their chemistry could be important in 2024.

**01 Oct. 2023, 2:30p; Truman State Bulldogs at Drury Panthers: 1-2, L, 4W-3L-0T**

Truman couldn't sustain their momentum when they stayed in southern Missouri for another in-state matchup and fell to Drury. This loss stung extra since Truman was up 1-0 at halftime. Caden Hoehns put a penalty kick in the back of the net, but that would

be the only goal of the day for Truman. Hoehns is entering his sophomore year in 2024. He went to Blue Springs High School in Blue Springs, Mo and played at Johnson County Community College before coming to Kirksville.

**06 Oct. 2023, 2:30p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. Rockhurst Hawks: 1-1, T, 4W-3L-1T**

The Bulldogs rallied and came from behind for the first tie of the season came in a hard-fought game against RU. After being down a goal at the break and getting robbed of a would-be goal that hit the crossbar, senior Jack Knust made a defender look silly by accelerating past him for the game-tying goal. He'll be difficult to replace in 2024.

**08 Oct. 2023, 12p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. William Jewell Cardinals: 2-0, W, 5W-3L-1T**

Truman netted one in each half and the defense and goaltending were superb once again. They also made the most of their chances and scored on both of their two shots on goal. Offensive efficiency and converting are paramount. This was a really complete, all-around performance from Truman with the whole team playing in sync with not many weaknesses to be found anywhere. Justin Olweg made three saves to preserve the shut-out. Olweg will be a senior this year and the starting goalie.

**13 Oct. 2023, 7:30p; Truman State Bulldogs at McKendree Bearcats: 0-0, T, 5W-3L-2T**

The Bulldogs extended their shutout streak to two games with this matchup and escaped with a valuable

point against an elite McKendree team which went 12W-2L-7T in 2023. Not all ties are created equal, and this proves that. Entering as underdogs and preventing McKendree from scoring was thoroughly impressive and another testament to the ability of Justin Olweg in net.

**15 Oct. 2023, 2:30p; Truman State Bulldogs at Missouri-St. Louis Tritons: 1-0, W, 6W-3L-2T**

Truman pushed their point streak to four games with another narrow win over UMSL. It was looking as though Truman would be forced to settle for just one point with a tie, but a goal near the 70th minute set up by a corner kick made the difference in this game that was critical to Truman's push for the post-season. Holden Potter, now graduated, set up that goal. Truman will have multiple senior starting positions to fill in 2024.

**20 Oct. 2023, 7p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. Lewis Flyers: 1-1, T, 6W-3L-3T**

The Bulldogs point streak kept going and reached five games with this contest against the Flyers. Both teams scored before the 20th minute, but then both defenses tightened up and neither scored again. The Bulldogs struck early with a goal from Nathan Grewe who will be a junior in 2024. This was his first career goal and only goal of 2023 but it was a major one.

**22 Oct. 2023, 12p; Truman State Bulldogs vs. Indianapolis Greyhounds: 0-5, L, 6W-4L-3T**

Truman came back down to earth with a humbling defeat at home against Indy who had a worse record than Truman coming into the game. There wasn't much to highlight from this blowout.

**27 Oct. 2023, 12p; Truman State Bulldogs at Maryville Saints: 0-0, T, 6W-4L-4T**

The Bulldogs offense remained cool but they were able to run away with a point still by tying against the top-25 Saints as their regular season approached its end. The Bulldogs had a few chances and shots on goal but couldn't cash in.

**29 Oct. 2023, 2:30p; Truman State Bulldogs at Missouri S&T Miners: 0-1, L, 6W-5L-4T**

Truman's issues ballooned as their regular season wrapped up, when they couldn't score for the third straight game. From Oct. 13-29, Truman scored just two goals in six games, and surprisingly won one of them, but their offensive drought caught up to them in Rolla and they fell to S&T. Truman had already locked up a spot in the GLVC postseason tournament, but stumbling into it isn't how they wanted to enter it.

**02 Nov. 2023, 1:30p; Truman State Bulldogs at Indianapolis Greyhounds: 1-2, L, 6W-6L-4T**

The Bulldogs season ending in truly heartbreaking fashion. As a #6 seed, they earned a rematch with #3 seed Indianapolis who clobbered the Bulldogs in October. In this win-or-go-home matchup, the Bulldogs played exceptionally through 78 minutes. Clinging to a 1-0 lead late in the game, Indy knotted it up at the 78 minute mark and then took the lead right at 90th minute at the end of the game. The gut-wrenching loss put the Greyhounds back in the GLVC tournament semifinals for the fourth straight year, and they went on to win the whole competition. If the Bulldogs held on 15 more minutes or so, it would've been a different story.

How the returning players respond to that adversity faced at the twilight of the 2023 season will say a lot about how far Truman State Bulldogs men's soccer can go in 2024.







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10:00 am	Church in the Park La Plata Ministerial Alliance
11:00 am	Presbyterian Church Open House until 2 pm 150th Celebration Worship Service @ 6 pm
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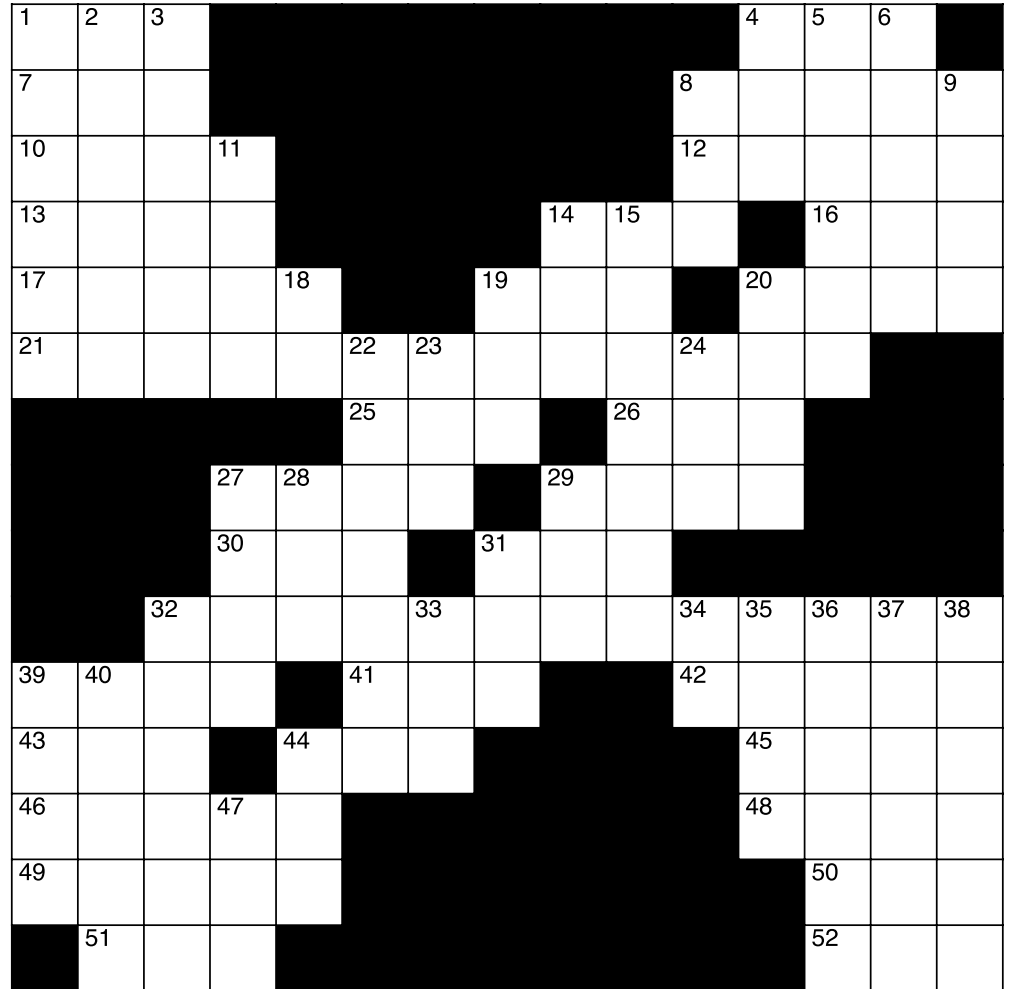
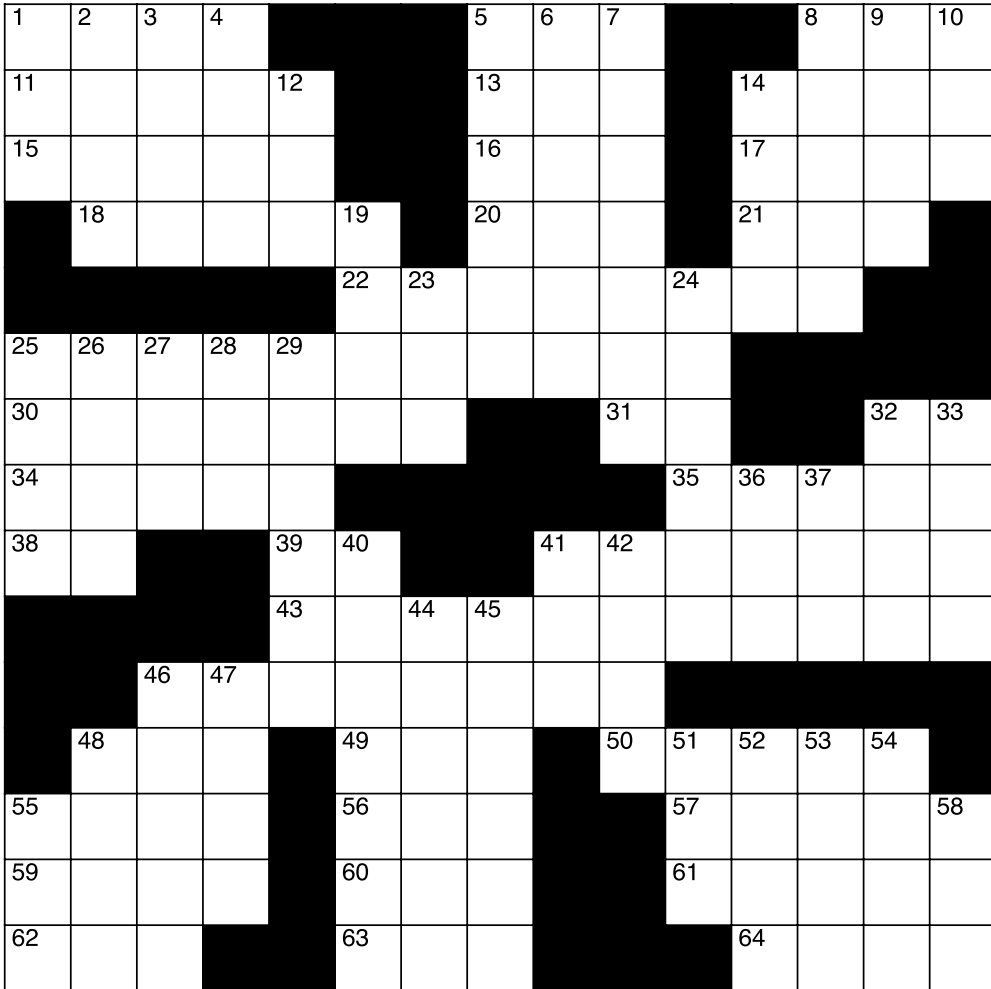
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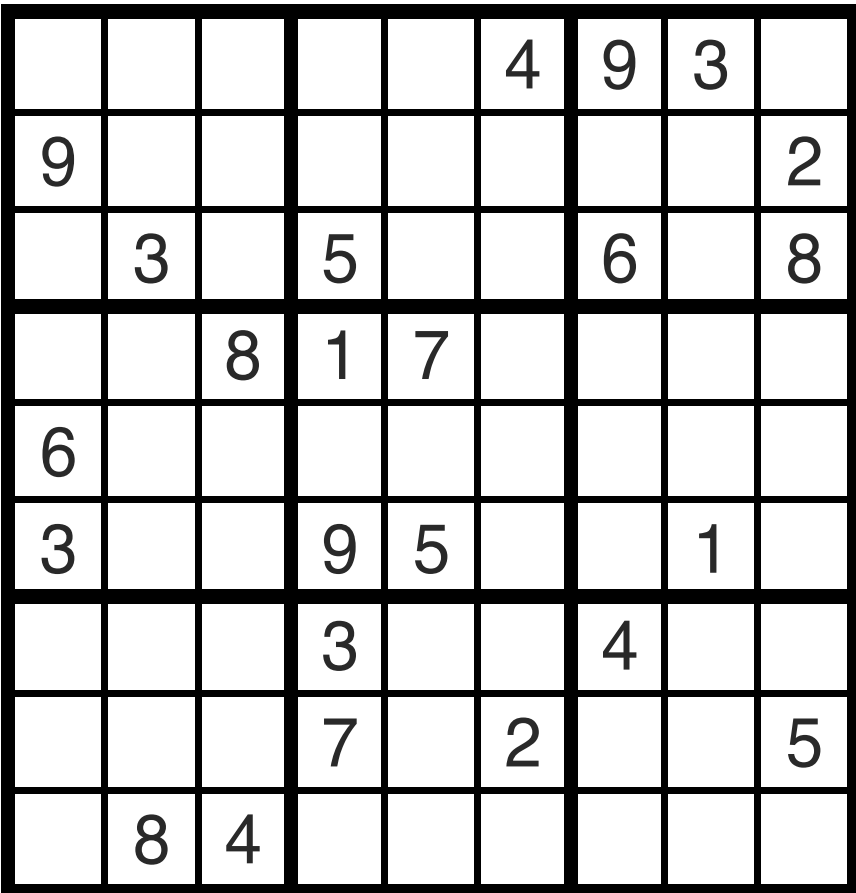
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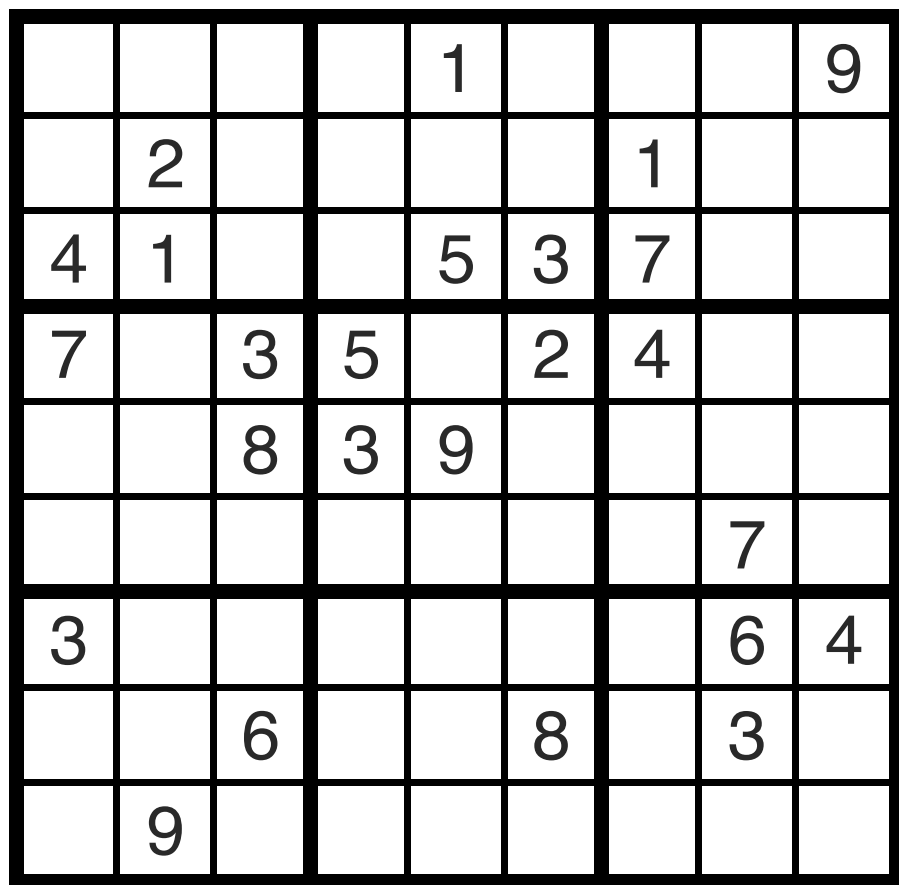
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- 11. Low-pitched, resonant sound
- 14. Northeastern US university (abbr.)
- 15. Home of the Bulldogs

- 18. Exclamation of surprise
- 19. Make a mistake
- 20. Advantage
- 22. Monkeys love them
- 23. Wood
- 24. Paddle
- 27. Past participle of be
- 28. Tall, rounded vase
- 29. Device manufacturers
- 31. Financial institution (abbr.)
- 32. Paper product
- 33. A type
- 34. Atomic #43
- 35. Red Hot Chili Peppers' drummer
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**CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
Judge or Division:  
PROBATE

In the Estate of LARRY GLASPIE, a Disabled Person.

**Notice of Appointment of Conservator**  
**To All Persons Interested in the Estate of LARRY GLASPIE, a Disabled Person:**  
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The business address of the conservator is:  
300 North Franklin, Kirksville, Missouri 63501  
All creditors of said disabled person are notified to file their claims in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court.

Date of first publication August 7, 2024.  
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/s/Martha Cole  
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**ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
Judge or Division: PROBATE  
In the Estate of HARRY BURTON YOUNG JR, Deceased.

**Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted**  
(Supervised Administration)  
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of HARRY BURTON YOUNG JR, Decedent:  
On August 15, 2024, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed personal representative of the estate of HARRY BURTON YOUNG JR, decedent by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of ADAIR COUNTY, Missouri.  
The name, business address, and phone number of the personal representative is:  
Garrett Young, 2708 Gasper Street, Kirksville, Missouri 63501  
The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:  
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All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after Decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo.  
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PUBLICATION DATES: 8-21-2024, 8-28-2024, 9-4-2024, 9-11-2024

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**IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL** Case Number: 24AR-PR00081  
**CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI** (Date File Stamp)  
Judge or Division:  
PROBATE

In the Estate of SHERRI DIANNE RAY, Deceased.  
**Notice of Letters of Administration Granted**  
(Supervised Administration - Non-Resident Fiduciary)  
**To All Persons Interested in the Estate of SHERRI DIANNE RAY, Decedent:** On August 2, 2024, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of SHERRI DIANNE RAY, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri. The personal representative's name and business address is: Gary D Ray, 310 West 5TH Street, Moulton, Iowa 52572  
The personal representative's attorney's name, business address, and phone number is:  
Jessica Rooks, 2211 East Normal, Kirksville, Missouri 63501, 660-627-3369  
The non-resident personal representative's designated agent's name, business address, and phone number is:  
Jessica Rooks, 2211 East Normal, Kirksville, Missouri 63501, 660-627-3369  
All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after Decedent's death, as provided in section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to section 537.021, RSMo.  
Date of the decedent's death: July 11, 2024  
Date of first publication: August 7, 2024  
Martha Cole  
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IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI Judge or Division: PROBATE Case Number: 24AR-PR00090 In the Estate of DAVID PAUL SHAWER, Decedent. Notice of Hearing-Determination of Heirship To: All unknown heirs of the decedent and all persons known or believed to claim any interest in the property outlined below as an heir or through an heir of the decedent. You are hereby notified that you are entitled to appear and be heard at a hearing to be held on October 8, 2024, at 10:00 AM in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, 106 W WASHINGTON, PO BOX 690, KIRKSVILLE, MO 63501, on a petition to determine the heirs of the above-named decedent, who died on March 9, 2018, and their respective interests as heirs in the following described property. Should you fail to appear, judgment and decree may be entered in due course upon said Petition. Description of Property Value Real Property (Including Legal Description) \$24,000 A tract of land being the center part of the North part of the North half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 63, Range 16, commencing at a point 1040 feet West of the Northeast corner of Section 7, Township 63, Range 16, thence West 610 feet, thence South 750 feet to the center of the public road, thence North 64 degrees East, 180 feet, thence South 78 degrees East, 280 feet, thence South 39 1/2 degrees East, 260 feet, thence North 910 feet of the point of beginning, EXCEPT a 2 acre tract on the Southeast corner of the above described tract, said 2 acre tract to have a frontage of 260 feet along the public road on the South side thereof. \*\* Also known as: 16660 Bethel Ridge Road, Novinger, MO 63559 Petitioner's attorney is Wallace W. Trosen, Jr., whose business address is PO Box 267, Kirksville, Missouri 63501. First Date of Publication: August 21, 2024. (Publication to run 4 consecutive weeks) Martha Cole Adair County Circuit Clerk PUBLICATION DATES: 8-21-2024, 8-28-2024, 9-4-2024, 9-11-2024

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IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI Case Number: 24AR-PR00088 Judge or Division: PROBATE In the Estate of STEVEN E HOWERTON, Deceased. Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted (Supervised Administration) To All Persons Interested in the Estate of STEVEN E HOWERTON, Decedent: On August 15, 2024, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed personal representative of the estate of STEVEN E HOWERTON, decedent by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of ADAIR COUNTY, Missouri. The name, business address, and phone number of the personal representative is: Jason Howerton, 1505 Knight Drive, Kirksville, Missouri 63501 The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is: C. David Rouner, 400 N. Franklin, Kirksville, Missouri 63501, 660-665-7515 All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after Decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo. Date of the decedent's death: June 28, 2024 Publication Dates: August 21, 28, September 4 and 11, 2024

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## Miss Claire Walker crowned 2024 Missouri State Fair Queen

Runner-up Miss Scotland County receives \$500 scholarship; Miss NEMO Fair receives \$350 scholarship

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Miss Claire Walker, of Chillicothe, was named the 2024 Missouri State Fair Queen in a ceremony held Thursday, Aug. 8. Walker received the highest score of 31 contestants vying for the title in the two-day competition, held in the Mathewson Exhibition Center. Walker reigned over the remaining State Fair events and became an ambassador for the State Fair and Missouri agriculture throughout the coming year.

Walker, 19, is attending the University of Missouri majoring in Agri-

business Management. As Queen, she received a \$2,000 scholarship to continue her education. Walker entered as Miss Livingston County and is the daughter of Brice and Tiffany Walker.

Walker said she is most looking forward to "appreciating the finer moments of the Fair like handing out ribbons at shows and meeting young exhibitors." Her favorite stories come from hanging out in the cattle barns getting her cattle ready to show with family and friends.

Walker has participated in the fair in numerous activities including showing Simmental cattle, exhibiting in the both 4-H and FFA Buildings. She has also volunteered her time at the Missouri Cattlemen's Beef House.

Participants in the queen pageant were judged in multiple areas including interview, speech, talent and evening gown.

Rachel Ancell, Missouri Sheep Producers Representative, was named first runner-up and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Second runner-up went to Miss Scotland County, Emma Harvey, who will receive a \$500 scholarship. The third runner-up honor went to Miss NEMO Fair, Allison Pollard, who will receive a \$350 scholarship, and the fourth runner-up honor went to Miss Platte County, Trinity Wrightfield, who will receive a \$250 scholarship.

Recognition plaques went to contestants ranking highest in each of the four competitive categories: Abby Loesing, Miss Washington Town and Country Fair, received top ranking in Interview; Miss Ancell received top ranking in Speech; Miss Pollard received top ranking in Evening Gown; and Miss Johnson County, Taylor Skelton, received top ranking in Talent.



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