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## Direct Support Professional Appreciation Day held at Community Learning Center

By Marty Bachman  
Daily Express

Adair County SB40 hosted a Direct Support Professional Appreciation Day at the Community Learning Center on Thursday, Sept. 12.

Terry Combs, chief business development officer for the Chariton Valley Association Center for Human Services in Missouri, opened the event by praising the work ethic of Adair County SB40 Director, Crystal Amini-Rad.

"Anybody that ever does a project with Crystal knows that she does 95 percent of work and never takes any of the credit," he said. "So I want to offer my appreciation to her because I really didn't do much other than a little bit of speaking here today."

Combs said he was "honored" to speak about direct support professionals, which he called "a critical workforce" with a focus on supporting people with in-

tellectual and/or physical disabilities.

"Caregivers are an important part of our society and typically go unrecognized and their work is certainly undervalued in our society," Combs said. "This critical workforce is assisting people with differing abilities to be fully participating citizens in the Kirksville community and beyond."

Combs said the support ranges from high level



Kirkville Mayor Zac Burden hands a city proclamation to Adair County SB40 Director Crystal Amini-Rad.

personal and behavioral care to independent living and even plumbing services.

"The service they provide is critical to the people

they support and is geared to help people achieve their highest level of independence," he said, noting that Direct Support Professionals Week is designed to

recognize outstanding people across the country that provide such important services direct support.

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## Area veterans honored at Sue Ross Arts Center

Staff Reports

For the third year the Kirksville Arts Association honored veterans with a photography exhibit titled "Thank You for Your Service" in the Ellebracht Gallery at the Sue Ross Arts Center. The show recognized 20 former military members including many Vietnam veterans and one World War II veteran from Adair, Schuyler, Sullivan, Macon and Cole counties in Missouri.

A closing reception was held on Thursday Aug. 29, that included presentation of patriotic quilts to five of the honored veterans by the Hands of Friendship Quilt Guild.

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.



Virgil Rusk, Jack Magruder and Michael Elmore. NEMO PHOTOGRAPHY

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## McKinney Bark Park in Kirksville holds birthday party celebrating 10 years

By Marty Bachman  
Daily Express

The McKinney Bark Park in Kirksville celebrated its 10th birthday with a party on Friday, Sept. 6. A few dozen people and their dogs attended the event that included cake, ice cream, dog treats and toys.

Kirkville Mayor Zac Burden opened the party by encouraging the guests to howl like dogs. He congratulated the attendees and users of the park saying that while a lot of cities provide a place where you can bring your dogs out to, Kirksville's Bark Park was

unique in the community it had built among the people that use the park.

"If I've heard it from one person, I've heard it from 100 folks who've been out here, it is the true sense of connection that creates a sense of community that builds important, lifelong, sustaining connections that make this community a really great entrance for so many people to our greater community," Burden said. "I just want to thank you for being strong ambassadors to Kirksville through this dog park. This is a real celebration and testament to the work that you all do together

and I'm so proud to have this as a part of Kirksville."

Park volunteer Bob Giovannini said he has been coming to the park since 2020 and "just fell in love with it" while helping out any way he could.

"What Zac said about the community — I've made so many great friends here, thank you very much," Giovannini said.

Giovannini offered food and snacks to the visitors that had been donated by Dairy Queen, while dog treats and toys were donated by PetSmart.

Go to [kirksvilledailyexpress.com](http://kirksvilledailyexpress.com) to see a video of the party.



## KC Wolf, Kansas City Chiefs mascot, visits Kirksville

By Marty Bachman  
Daily Express

KC Wolf, mascot to the Super Bowl Champion Kansas City Chiefs, entertained patients, employees and visitors to Northeast Regional Medical

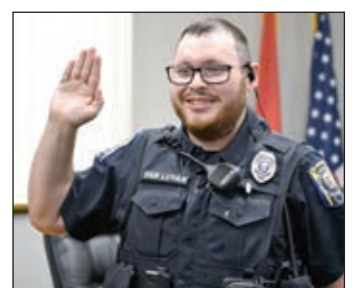
Center on Thursday, Sept. 5 at Denslow Park, situated outside Northeast Regional Hospital. Wolf signed autographs for kids and posed for pictures with them. The Chiefs hosted the Baltimore Ravens in their season opener on Sept. 5.



## Kirkville Police Dept. welcomes Steven Van Luvan as new officer

By Kirksville Police Department

The Kirksville Police Department announced the hiring of a new officer, Steven Van Luvan, who was sworn in and began his duties on Aug. 30. Van Luvan is a Kirksville native and graduate of Novinger High School. He graduated from the Law Enforcement Training Institute in 2023 and served with the Truman State University Department of Public Safety for one year.



Steven Van Luvan

Van Luvan also spent seven years in the National Guard as a military police officer.

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## United Way of Northeast Missouri will hold its 2025 Campaign Kickoff on Sept. 12

By United Way of Northeast Missouri



The United Way of Northeast Missouri (UWNEMO) will hold its 2025 Campaign Kickoff on Sept. 12 between 5:30 p-7:30 p.m. at White Oaks Wedding Barn near Troy Mills in Kirksville.

"This year's drive is the lead up to our 70th Anniversary," said Keaton Wagner, UWNEMO president. "Our fundraising goal for this campaign is \$190,000," he added.

The public is encouraged to attend the event. The theme for this year's Kick-off is "An Evening with the Stars". Hors d'oeuvres will be served along with vegetable trays and desserts. Music will be provided by Tim Cason, K-6th grade music teacher at Milan School District. A wine cork pull will be conducted during the event.

UWNEMO agencies that are funded through the United Way of Northeast Missouri include the Adair County 4-H, Adair County Family YMCA, Boy Scouts of America Great River Council, Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri, Hospice of Northeast Missouri, Macon Diversified Industries, NEMO Senior Services, Inc., RSVP/Senior Adult Services, Inc., Salvation Army, and Community Child Development Services.



## Fall brush and limb pick-up happening in October

By City of Kirksville

Save the date for the Kirksville's Fall Brush and Limb Pick-Up next month, scheduled for Oct. 7-11. This is the perfect time to remove dead branches and smaller dead trees from your yard. City crews will begin picking up tree limbs and large brush on Monday, Oct. 7.

Although the work is expected to take the entire week, your brush must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on Monday, or it may not get picked up. This includes limbs that are no longer than 10 feet in length, and/or no wider than 18 inches in diameter. For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 660-627-1291.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Kirksville Area Calendar of Events

#### Kirksville Planning & Zoning Commission meeting

The city of Kirksville's Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 11, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Franklin Street.

#### 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.woodsKCOM@atsu.edu

#### The Ville Celebrity Golf Classic

Hannibal Regional Foundation and Complete Family Medicine are excited to announce the inaugural The Ville Celebrity Golf Classic taking place on Wednesday, Sept. 11. The Ville Celebrity Golf Classic is an event similar to Hannibal Regional's Shoeless Joe's Celebrity Golf Classic which has raised over \$1,000,000 for local health care initiatives. Hannibal Regional Foundation is partnering with the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame to put on the event, providing participants with the chance to golf alongside a Missouri Sports Hall of Fame member and/or other sports celebrities. 100% of proceeds from The Ville Celebrity Golf Classic benefits the Inspire Hope Campaign which offers care kits and assistance to cancer patients who are required to travel for radiation treatment.

#### Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony for Enchanted Babies and Gifts, LLC, at 214 N. Franklin Street in Kirksville on Sept. 12 at 4 p.m.

#### Curtain Call Film Festival to show 'The Sting'

Curtain Call Film Festival will be showing the classic 1973 film The Sting on Friday, Sept. 13th, at 7 p.m. Paul Newman and Robert Redford give memorable performances as Depression-era grifters determined to pull off an elaborate "sting" on a big-time crime boss. Free admission, donations appreciated. Refreshments available. The theatre is located at 512 West Elizabeth Street, Kirksville.

#### Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting

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

#### 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.

#### NEMO Country Dance Club Fall Dance

On Friday, Sept. 13, the NEMO Country Dance Club, Kirksville Parks and Recreation, and the Kirksville Loyal Order of Moose will sponsor a FALL DANCE to be held from 8-11 p.m. at the Kirksville Moose Lodge, 2405 E. Illinois Street, featuring the band Silverado. \$5 per person at the door. Everyone is welcome.

#### 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.

#### Thousand Hills State Park Lingo Bingo and Hike

Thousand Hills State Park Lingo Bingo and Hike will take place on Sept. 14 at 10 a.m. Join park staff to learn nature words and what they mean. Walk the trail to search for plants, critters, and more as you complete your bingo card. Meet at the Redbud trailhead by the playground on Big Loop Road. This program is weather permitting.

#### Highland Crest Drive-Thru Breakfast Fundraiser

A Drive-Thru Breakfast Fundraiser will be held at the Highland Crest parking lot, 2204 S. Halliburton Street in Kirksville, on Sept. 18 from 6:30 to 10 a.m. Biscuits & Gravy with coffee, \$6 per plate, coffee \$1. Proceeds go towards the Alzheimer's Association. For more information, and to pre-order, call 660-627-8004 or kirksville.act@americareusa.net.

#### Thousand Hills State Park Archeology Day

Thousand Hills State Park Archeology Day will be held on Sept. 15, from 1-4 p.m., Join park staff, archeologists, and volunteers for a fun day of archaeology. Check out a variety of fun and interactive archaeology activities. Meet at the beach parking lot. This event is weather permitting.

#### Missouri High School and Junior High Rodeo

The Missouri High School and Junior High Rodeo will be held Sept. 20-22 at the NEMO Fairgrounds. Gate fees per day are \$10 for adults, Kids 12 and under not competing, \$5. Cash only. Concessions: Breakfast and lunch on site at NEMO concessions on the west side of the grandstands. Stall fee is \$25 for the weekend. Sept. 20 start time is 7 p.m., with the barrel race fundraiser. Sept 21 start time is 10 a.m. when high school contestants start. After a 30 minute break, junior high contestants start. Sept. 22 start time is 9 a.m. when junior high contestants start. After a 30 minute break, high school contestants start. Camping is \$20 a night, tie out only, \$10 a night. Questions, call Dwayne Davis at 660-216-3767 or Missouri High School and Junior High Rodeo at 573-230-6259.

## Grazing school in Brashear will help producers increase available forage

By Adair County Extension Office

A Management Intensive Grazing (MIG) School is scheduled for Sept. 25-27, in Brashear. The three-day school will provide opportunities for in-depth discussions and field exercises covering both agronomic and livestock topics related to grazing and livestock production on pastures.

Topics include pasture species selection and management, fencing and watering systems, animal health on pasture, animal nutrition, pasture improvement techniques, and economics of pasturing systems. All participants will receive reference materials on grazing management specific to the Midwest. In addition, participants will have the opportunity to network with others using MIG as well as University of Missouri and USDA-NRCS experts in grazing.

"Producers implementing a MIG system have reported large increases in available forage as well as increased stocking rates for their pastures," said MU Extension livestock specialist Zac Erwin.

NRCS provides money through the EQIP program that allows producers to efficiently implement MIG systems. Money can be used for fencing, water development, planting of desired forages and fertility.

The event will be held at the Keller Building in Brashear.

The cost of the three-day grazing school is \$150 for the first person and \$75 for the second person per farming operation. The fee includes the cost of the meals and reference materials. Those interested must register at the Adair County Extension Office at 660-665-9866 no later than Sept. 18. A flyer with more information and a registration form can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/yunnynyn>, or contact Zac Erwin (660) 665-9866 or Valerie Tate (660) 895-5123.

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## OBITUARIES

### Hollis Dean Crawford

Oct 1, 1939 – Sep 2, 2024

Hollis Dean Crawford, 84 was born on October 1, 1939, and gained his final promotion into heaven on September 2, 2024.



Hollis was the son of John Barton Crawford and Ethel May (Kirkpatrick) Crawford. Hollis was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, Deleta (Slover) Crawford in 1960. Hollis and Deleta had four children.

He is survived by his wife Deleta and their children; Hollis Dale Crawford (Malinda), Felicia Crawford Scott (Tim), Dave Crawford (Abbie) and Bobby Crawford (Jodi). Hollis is also survived by his older brother John Crawford and wife Connie, younger brother Richard Crawford and sister-in-law Connie Crawford (wife of his best friend and younger brother Gerald). He's also survived by his grandchildren; Jeremy Crawford, Cassie Peck, Pearce Crawford, Whitley Crawford, Dillan Crawford, and Coltyn Crawford and step-grandchildren: Lurah Handspiker, Karsyn Elliott, Sidnee-Jo Elliott, Lathyn Aucutt, and great grandchildren; Madisynn, Morgan, and Dakota Crawford, Candence and Jayce Handspiker. Hollis is also survived by 2 nephews; Steve Crawford and John David Crawford (Diane) and 4 nieces; Carole Wharton (Chad), Melanie Greene (David), Elisabeth Biehl (Kevin), Rachel Crawford and their families.

Hollis is preceded in death by his parents, his younger brother and best friend Gerald Crawford and a sister-in-law Glinda Crawford.

Hollis lived most of his life in Adair County. He grew up on his family farm just outside of Millard, MO. Hollis made a lifetime career working for the Missouri Department of Conservation. Hollis was a conservation educator, not only for MDC but for the Truman State University and for many years at the same time. He taught conservation education for a total of 51 years (to thousands of students).

Hollis was a hero to his family and many others. No matter how busy things got, he always made time for his family and the people he cared about. His favorite nickname was... Granddad. Hollis was a very talented man. He was a master carpenter, making many things including grandfather clocks with his dad. Hollis loved to hunt and fish and share those skills with good friends and family members. Hollis came from a generation that made molasses from the sorghum cane planted on their farm. He always took pride in his apple trees and gathering the family for cider making.

At least if he could get everyone together, they could take turns twisting the hand crank on the old cider press.

Hollis loved hunting and fishing but, above all, Hollis loved a good duck hunt; with a blind filled with his favorite people such as his younger brother Gerald, his sons, possibly a nephew, a grandchild or two and a good Labrador retriever. And we can't forget his bag of snacks and a piping-hot thermos of coffee.

With Hollis' love for hunting, he always taught "safety first." Hollis held hunter safety classes and workshops across the entire state of MO. Hollis wrote the very first hunter safety education curriculum for the MO Department of Conservation.

Hollis also enjoyed watching the family's pulling truck run down the track. There are a few photos of him running down the track beside the True Grit truck waving his arms as if to push Bobby through the finish line. And a grin on his face a mile wide.

Hollis also took pride in his little church at Millard. He told stories of helping his dad lay the wood floor in the church when he was a little boy. Hollis helped revive that church now named New Hope MRC where he attended with his family until he was no longer able.

Hollis had a great sense of humor, he loved to laugh and loved to sing.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Sunday, September 8, 2024 at Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, with Pastor John Davison officiating. Burial will follow in the Highland Park Cemetery in Kirksville.

Public visitation will be held from noon until the start of the funeral services.

Memorial donations in memorial of Hollis may be made to Kirksville Ducks Unlimited or to the New Hope Church MRC. Donations may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.

### Verna Marie Buck

Nov 29, 1933 – Aug 30, 2024

Verna Marie Buck, 90, of La Plata, Missouri, passed away Friday, August 30, 2024, at The Pines in Kirksville, Missouri.



Born November 29, 1933, in Mendon, Missouri, the daughter of Robert E. and Eva M. (Billups) Pippin. On June 16, 1951, in La Plata, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Bobby Buck who preceded her in death on January 26, 2013.

Also preceding her in death were her parents; one daughter, Patricia Lynn Kirkpatrick; four sisters, Stella Tuggle, Peggy Thomas, Judy Brown, and Cora Voyles; two brothers Jimmy and Virgil Pippin; one son-in-law, Leonard Hamlin; and one daughter-in-law, Joyce Buck.

Surviving are three sons, Michael Buck of La Plata, Missouri, Eddie (Sharon) Buck of Kirksville, Missouri, and W.R. "Dub" (Barbara) Buck of Kirksville, Missouri; one daughter, Bobbi Lou Hamlin of Kirksville, Missouri; two brothers, Glen (Sherry) Pippin and Loren (Patsy) Pippin, both of La Plata, Missouri; twelve grandchildren, Lynnette and Jimmy Kirkpatrick, Emily (Josh) Hettinger, Adrienne (Eli) Black, Holly Funk, Carmen (Mike) Hopkins, Paul Aaron (Natalie) Wiseman, Wesley Robert (Alisha) Buck, Bradley Cain (Katie) Buck, Dakota McKenzie, Nancy McKenzie-Adams, and Eva "Bucky" Buck; eleven great grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Verna lived most of her life at Cardy, Missouri. She was a 1951 graduate of La Plata High School. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of La Plata, American Legion Auxiliary of La Plata, Loyal order of Moose Lodge in Kirksville, and Order of the Eastern Star. Verna was also a proud member of the Gifford Women's Softball Team. She loved playing softball with the kids.

Verna was known as the "Farmer's Wife", writing news articles for the local newspapers about the happenings of the surrounding area. She enjoyed fixing food for church dinners and for families who had lost a loved one, and entertaining friends and family. Most of all, Verna loved going dancing with her husband, Bobby.

Funeral services will be 11:00 am Saturday, September 7, 2024, at First Baptist Church in La Plata, Missouri. Burial will be in the La Plata Cemetery.

Visitation will be Friday, September 6, 2024, with family receiving friends from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Travis Funeral Chapel in La Plata, Missouri.

Memorials in memory of Verna may be made to First Baptist Church of La Plata or to Adair County Humane Shelter. They may be sent or left at Travis Funeral Chapel, 125 S. Church St., La Plata, MO 63549.

### Myrtle Jane 'Janie' Potter

Jun 3, 1940 – Aug 31, 2024

Myrtle Jane Potter, "Janie" age 84 of Kirksville and formerly of Green City, MO passed away on August 31, 2024, surrounded by her family at the University of Missouri Hospital in Columbia, MO.



Janie was born on June 3, 1940, in Adair County, MO the daughter of Harold and Ada Mae (Ditmars) Christman. She was raised in the Mt. Vernon and Greentop, MO area where she attended the local schools. Janie was united in marriage to James Henry Potter, he preceded her in death.

Janie had lived in Green City, MO for 40 years before moving to Kirksville, MO 3 years ago. Janie loved to collect nearly everything from statues, dolls, Avon, salt and pepper shakers, oil lamps and wash basins to name a few. She was known for decorating for every holiday with Christmas being her favorite. Janie was an avid gardener and especially raising beautiful flowers. She was always up for fishing trips and tending to her loved ones. She was a grandma to many and gave her love without thought to all that came into her life and her love knew no limits.

Janie is survived by her daughters, Carmon Potter and Michele Potter both of Kirksville, MO, her grandchildren; Jessie Meininger (Jessica) of Lee Summit, MO, Quentin Meininger (Cassie) of Wilburton, OK, Thaxis Neigh-

bors (Dixie) of Kirksville, MO, Whitney Neighbors of Kirksville, MO, Brooke Green of Lancaster, MO, Lindsey Fallon (Bobby) of San Diego, CA, Dalton Potter (Taylor) of Calodonia, MO, Ashley Van Ostran (Patrick) of Port Charlotte, FL, and Jackie Bringman of Kirksville, MO, 17 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren and her "grandchildren of the heart," Kristal Wertz, Alissa Eddy and Vanessa Minor along with many nieces and nephews that she loved dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her daughter Kathy Potter Neighbors, and her son David Potter along with her siblings; Rosalie Christman, Eugene Christman and Loree Loveland and her special friend Diana "Dee" Eddy.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, September 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm at Casady-Luscan Funeral Solutions in Green Castle, MO with Pastor Ralph Wheeler officiating. The family will receive friends from 4:00 – 6:00 pm at the funeral home. Cremation will follow the services. A memorial has been established to the Adair County Humane Society and contributions can be sent to the funeral home.

Casady-Luscan Funeral Solutions of Green Castle, MO is honored to care for and minister to the Potter family during this time.

### Karen June (Bolton) Shriver

Aug 18, 1941 – July 13, 2024

Karen June (Bolton) Shriver, 82, of Kirksville, Missouri, passed away July 13, 2024 in Union Care Center in Union, Missouri.



Karen born August 18, 1941 in Kirksville, Missouri, was the beloved daughter of John and Lola Bolton. A proud member of the Kirksville High School Class of 1959, Karen pursued higher education and earned a degree in Physiology from Truman State University in 1981.

Karen married the love of her life, Ronald Shriver, and they spent the last 40 years together in a marriage filled with adventure, love, and mutual respect. An adventurous spirit, Karen cherished traveling with her husband, Ronald, and her dear friend DeNita, living life to the fullest. Her tender, kind heart touched the lives of everyone she met. A devoted Christian, Karen's unwavering faith was central to her life, and she was deeply loved by her family and friends.

Karen is survived by her husband, Ronald Shriver of Loned-

ell, MO; her stepson, Lloyd Shriver of Millard, MO; her sister, Janice Meneely of Kirksville, MO; her niece, Leslie Meneely of Kirksville, MO; her nephew, Dr. Timothy Meneely and his wife, Dr. Valerie, of Danville, IL; her nephew, Chris Meneely of Council Bluffs, IA; her nephew, Nathan Meneely, and his wife Cathy, of Kirksville, MO; two cousins, Judith Wright of Kansas City, MO, and Jeanette Lucero and family of Alamosa, CO; and many great-nieces and great nephews.

Karen will be remembered for her adventurous soul, her kind heart, and her unwavering faith.

Karen has been cremated and a Celebration of Life will be held 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 14, 2024 at Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, with Pastor Larry Gibson officiating. Family will receive friends for one hour before the service.

Inurnment will take place at a later date at Highland Park Cemetery in Kirksville, Missouri.

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## OBITUARIES

## Constance Lee 'Connie' (Swann) Riley

Mar 13, 1950 – Sep 3, 2024

Constance Lee "Connie" (Swann) Riley, 74, of Macon, Missouri, passed away Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at Boone Hospital in Columbia, Missouri.

Connie was born March 13, 1950 in Kirksville, Missouri, the daughter of Kenneth and Lois (Cain) Swann. She was reared in the Kirksville area and was a graduate from Kirksville High School with the Class of 1968.

In 1968 she was married to Leonard Clark and to this union one son Corey Clark was born who survives Connie, as well as one granddaughter, Alana of O'Fallon, MO. In 1994 Connie married Mike Riley and acquired two stepsons, Jason Chris Riley of Bluffton, IN and Josh Riley of Columbia, MO. Connie is survived by her husband Mike; her stepsons; one sister, Ginger Wrolstad of Kansas City, MO; four grandchildren, Makayla, Katlyn, Kaleb, and Karadyn; and two nieces and two nephews.

Connie was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Allen Swann and one sister Judy Covenington.

Connie spent most of her working life in the furniture business, where she owned and operated Tarkim Furniture of Macon, Missouri from 1985 to 1990. She then worked on the road for a furniture consulting firm "Goeken & Assoc". In 1993 Connie went to work for Heilig-Meyers Furniture and served as a manager of their Fairfield, Iowa store until her retirement in 2001.

Connie was a member of Morning Star Church in O'Fallon, Missouri.

It was Connie's wish to be cremated and Celebration of Life will be held 1:00 p.m. Monday, September 9, 2024 at Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers memorial donation may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation and may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.



## Elizabeth Piper

Jan 18, 1926 – Sep 2, 2024

Elizabeth Piper, of Kirksville, MO passed away Monday September 2, 2024 at the Kirksville Manor Care Center.

Elizabeth Marie Howard was born January 18, 1926 in Pollock, MO to Beulah and Gilbert Howard. She graduated from Kirksville High School in 1944. While still in high school, she began a five-decade-long career as an X-ray technician with Grim-Smith Hospital in Kirksville, MO.

She married Glen Richard (G.R.) Piper, deceased, in 1946 and had two children, a son, Jeffrey, and a daughter, Jennifer.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Doris Daines and Marcella Obermeier. Elizabeth now joins, in heaven, her long-time friend V. Wayne Lehr.

Elizabeth is survived by her children Jeffrey Scott Piper of Albuquerque, NM and Jennifer Williams [B.T.] of Blue Springs, MO; granddaughter Brooke Szabo [Kyle] of Ft. Meyers, FL; granddaughter Beth Jansen [Joseph] of Albuquerque, NM; granddaughter Alaska (Laura) Piper [Casey O'Keefe] of Albuquerque, NM; grandson Michael Piper of Brooklyn, NY; great granddaughters Nylah and Evie Szabo of Ft. Meyers, FL; sisters Betty Hammond and Claudia Davis of Grinnell, IA; brother Larry Howard of Newton, IA along with many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of her life will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers please make a memorial contribution to a charity of your choice.

Funeral Arrangements in the care of Playle-Rimer-Millard Family Funeral Chapel; www.davisplaylehudson-rimer.com



## Janice Lynne Webb

Aug 17, 1955 – Sep 5, 2024

Janice Lynne Webb, age 69, of Kirksville, Missouri passed away Thursday, September 5, 2024 at Kirksville Manor Care Nursing Home.

Born August 17, 1955 in Kirksville the daughter of Alvie and Minnie Bell (Allen) Webb.

Surviving are one daughter, Sandra "Crick-et" Dunkin; one son Briane Tuttle; three brothers, David Allen Webb of Kirksville, Robert Smith of La Plata and Ralph Smith of La Plata; three sisters, Lenetta "Nettie" Celian of Kirksville, Patricia Webb of Chicago, and Gayla Grubaugh of Michigan; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death are sisters, Robin Dromey and Vickie (Webb) Burkhart; and one brother, Wayne Webb.

Lynne got her GED and went two years of community college, and loved writing poetry. She worked her whole life in housekeeping and loved her family more than anything.

There will be a friend and family gathering to remember Lynne at 2 pm, Saturday, September 14, 2024 at Robert and Lori Smiths' house, 120 West Sanders St., La Plata, MO 63549.

The family is requesting donations in lieu of flowers to be given to Nettie Celian.



## Regional College Fair to welcome prospective students from Northeast Missouri

By Truman State University

Truman State University will host the Missouri Association for College Admission Counseling (MOACAC) Regional College Fair from 9-11:30 a.m. Sept. 16 in the Student Union Building.

All northeast Missouri area students in grades 9-12 are invited to campus to attend this regional college fair. Prospective students can explore post-high school opportunities, and meet representatives from various colleges, universities, technical schools and military branches. Representatives from MOACAC reached out earlier this year to partner with Truman on the regional college fair.

"This is an exciting opportunity for high school students in the region, and we are thrilled to have them on the Truman campus," said Allison Schweizer, director of admissions. "We hope to meet a lot of future bulldogs at the event, but the primary goal is to be a resource for all of the students in the area and help them figure out what is the best option for them after high school."

There is no cost for students to attend. Those who would like to register for the event can do so through their high school counselor or by visiting [connect.truman.edu/register/Truman-StateRCF](https://connect.truman.edu/register/Truman-StateRCF).

## Kirksville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club service project aids Aquatic Center cleanup

By Kirksville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club

Members of the Kirksville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club spent their August in-meeting service project to assist staff from the Kirksville Aquatic Center in end-of-season chores. Club members hauled and stored furniture from the pool deck, and also weeded and beautified several flower beds. The club members devote one meeting each month to a service project that benefits the Kirksville community. The Kirksville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club meets on Thursday mornings at 7 a.m. at the



Kirksville Aquatic Center, 801 E. Mill Street. Anyone who would like to learn more about the club or Rotary International is welcome to attend. Club information is also available at [thousandhillsrotary.com](https://thousandhillsrotary.com).



## CENTER

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"I'm very pleased that the city of Kirksville, represented by Mayor Zac Burden, has chosen to join in celebration with a proclamation," Combs said.

Combs then introduced Burden, stating that his

most consummate title is "outstanding volunteer" for all the time and dedication he puts into making the city of Kirksville better.

Burden told the audience gathered that he appreciated the opportunity of being able to celebrate this week with them.

"Today, I was really honored when we were asked to

put together a proclamation on behalf of Direct Support Professionals Week," Burden said. "For me, when I look at the role that direct support professionals play in Kirksville, I can look back over the past recent decades and recognize that DSPs have transformed Kirksville in an incredibly positive way — in ways that help to make sure that people with disabilities in our community are full participants of this community, that they are valued and welcome and participatory, and it couldn't be a

greater honor to recognize our DSPs today."

Burden then read the city's proclamation he had signed earlier.

"Whereas the Supreme Court of the United States and Olmstead VLC held that under the American with Disabilities act of 1990, a state must provide person centered, community based service options to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

"Direct care workers, including direct support professionals, personal as-

sistants, personal attendants in home support workers and paraprofessionals are key to providing publicly funded long term support and services for millions of individuals with disabilities.

"The majority of direct support professionals are employed in home and community based settings, and that trend is expected to increase over the next decade. By offering connections between individuals with disabilities and their families, friends and communities, direct sup-

port professionals ensure that individuals with disabilities thrive at home and avoid more costly and challenging institutional care.

"There is a documented critical and increasing shortage of direct support professionals throughout the United States, bringing uncertainty and risk to individuals with disabilities. Many direct support professionals continue to earn low wages, receive inadequate benefits and have limited opportunities for advancement, resulting in high turnover and vacancy rates that adversely affect the quality of support safety and health of individuals with disabilities, important, important group of people in our community.

"Therefore, be it resolved that I, Zac Burden, mayor of Kirksville, Missouri, do hereby proclaim September 8 through the 14th, 2024, in the city of Kirksville, as Direct Support Professionals Week. Be it further resolved that all citizens of Kirksville are encouraged to recognize the value, kindness and dignity that these cherished professionals make possible for individuals with disabilities in our community."

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## ROBIN WRITES

### My style is bang on

I terrorize my stylist with pleas and threats when she leans in to cut my bangs. She knows that my happiness in life is tied to what happens in the next few minutes.

In one sloppy snip, he or she can ruin my day, my week, and—possibly—the next two months of my life.

Having bangs is a security blanket of hair that comforts my face. It is a serious part of the overall vision of who I've seen in the mirror all my life.

Mom gave me my first bangs. With one screech of her all-purpose, black handled, household scissors, my head would never be seen without them again.

Kindergarten was a week away when Mom made that first fated triangle-part along the front of my hair and hacked the section off. Piggy tails hung from either side my 5-year-old noggin, and my forehead was framed with fringe.

I had no say in how long or short Mom sheared them; she owned all of me. And if she decided I looked pretty, I must look pretty.

I have school pictures that testify to my mother's view of what bangs should look like. In some, I look like Buster Brown, with a tiny fringe of bangs like the teeth of an old man's pocket comb.

On other photos, I am convinced Mom must have been swigging Gin Rickeys when cutting my bangs; squinting through a boozy haze and bobbing the scissor blades up and down with untimely hiccups.



When it was trim time, Mom called me to the kitchen in her sing-song voice. I galloped toward the sound and screeched to a stop in the doorway. A chair. A towel. Mom...with scissor blades held aloft like a Bible in the hands of a revival preacher.

It was bangs time. My hand crept toward my forehead, caressing the hair that had grown back, finally, to the absolute perfect length. Mom always chose that moment to chop them off.

I can still see her, standing in front of me on sturdy bare feet that bracketed the kitchen chair legs. She stared at my tiny, damp mop of front hair, leaning in as if looking for evidence of life within the follicles.

She'd plop a chubby finger sideways along the top of my wispy eyebrow, gauging the length considered appropriate.

After a couple slightly savage strokes from a toothy comb that left pink furrows in my skin, her trusty scissors would come toward my trusting face.



ROBIN GARRISON LEACH  
ROBIN WRITES

Closing my eyes (I trusted her not to gouge them out, but I didn't want to give her targets), I sat as still as a stump and held my breath.

I would hear a series of critchy cuts and feel spidery strands falling along my nose. My cheeks. Down to my clamped lips.

I wanted to shake like a wet dog, wriggling the hair off my face, but I was frozen in place. I knew what would happen next, and I shivered at the words:

"Let me just even these up..." And that was where it always went wrong.

By the time Mom finished cutting my bangs, they were either non-existent or a see-sawed graph of regretful chunkiness.

But I never complained. As far as I knew, this was what I was meant to look like.

This ever-changing border of what has become my hair identity needed constant taming. And no one could do that but Mom.

Now, I pay someone to cut my bangs, and she earns every cent. I worry over their length, their breadth, and their even ends. I ask for textured or wispy or 'just a tiny trim.'

But I always say: "Just don't cut them like Mom did."

## HOME COUNTRY

### Weather discussions

Mavis, dear, is that coffee HOT this morning?"

"Sure is, Windy." "Well then, slaver a bunch of it in a cup and flop it down here in front of a freezin' guy, would you? Thanks, Hon."

"Freezing, Windy?" "Ain't the first time, Doc, but they never seem any easier as I get older."

"You want to come in for a checkup later?"

"Naw, just need to get warm, you know. Used to it at my age."

Steve set his cup down and looked at his old pard, Windy Wilson, camp cook and mule packer extraordinaire. "Don't know how you can get cold on a summer morning like this."

"It's the air tempa-choor, Steve. You recomlect that time you 'n me was up in the high country and got caught in a snowstorm ..."

"And our slickers and jackets were back in camp? Sure I remember that. I thought about how to get that horse into my bedroll that night, 'cuz he was cold, too."

"And you 'member how good that Dutch oven cobbler tasted once we got the circle-lationaries goin' again?"



SLIM RANDLES  
HOME COUNTRY

"You betcha, Windy." "Okay ... okay ... I'll do it," mumbled Doc. "Somebody has to. Windy, we've known each other a long time, right?"

"Sure have." "And do you really think a temperature of 90 degrees outside will make a guy cold? Cause it's going to be 90 later on. Even the fish in Lewis Creek are sweating."

"No Doc. I don't look at it that way. Sure, it's already hot and it's a-gonna get hotter, you bet. But that's where friends come in."

We all turned to stare at Windy.

"See, a friend is a guy who tells you it's the oppor-sit so's you can start your day cooled off a bit. You know ... think SNOW!"

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## THE ROCKWOOD FILES

### Looking for a fight

The house is rife with interspecies strife

I thought empty nesting would be more peaceful. But as soon as the kids moved to college last month, a war broke out on the home front.

The only "kid" left in the house is an opinionated Corgi with short legs and an ear-splitting bark. Lately, Cooper has decided that—in addition to the Amazon delivery guy—our frail, elderly cat is his mortal enemy, even though the two of them rarely come nose to nose.

Percy the Cat prefers to spend her golden years in the sunroom at the back of the house, where she sprawls across shafts of light flooding through the windows. When she's done sunbathing, she curls up in her bed for a marathon session of catnapping.

A French door separates the sunroom from the rest of the house, but it's mostly glass. Each morning, the cat shuffles to the glass door and meows, which is how she requests that I serve her breakfast promptly.

Cooper interprets this innocent request as an overt act of aggression. His dog food bowl is about five feet from the glass door, which places it within the ever-widening security perimeter he maintains at all times. When he sees the cat, he presses his nose against the glass door and unleashes a barrage of vicious barks, complete with snarls and teeth-baring.

This loud, ugly scene is not what I wanted for my empty nest mornings. I was promised peace and tranquility. The phase of sibling squabbles is supposed to be over.

So, I moved the dog's food bowl to the other side of the kitchen, completely out of sight of the glass door and the cat behind it. But what should have been a simple solution turned into a two-day hunger strike.

Most herding dogs don't deal well with change. They need routine like they need oxygen. For Cooper, moving his food bowl across the room was



GWEN ROCKWOOD  
THE ROCKWOOD FILES

equivalent to flipping the universe upside down.

Finally, I gave up and moved the bowl back to its usual spot. Then I tried sitting near Cooper while he ate, assuring him I'd protect his food if, by some chance, our elderly cat busted through the glass door like the Kool-Aid Man. It helped a little, but he paused throughout breakfast to cast nervous glances at the glass and the enemy behind it.

After a week of this nonsense, I dug through a cabinet until I found a roll of tape and a dusty stack of colored construction paper leftover from previous back-to-school supplies. Cooper paced back and forth as I taped several dark blue sheets of paper over the glass door, creating a makeshift privacy shield taller than the short dog and the old cat.

So far, my construction paper barricade is working. The barking fits have ended, and I'm finally enjoying my breakfast toast in peace. I've noticed that Cooper often cruises by the glass door and tries to peer around the edges of the paper wall—the very definition of "looking for a fight."

He senses that his adversary lurks somewhere behind that blue ocean of paper. He squints as he tries to see a shadow moving there. He leans his oversized ears toward the glass, ready to launch an attack at any incriminating meows.

Tom and I have begged him to mind his own business—to let ancient, sleeping cats lie. But he's a paranoid dog trapped in a body the size of a bread loaf, so he's convinced that the entire world is his business.

We love this dog, but this ridiculous feud is making a mess of our empty nest.

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## PUBLIC HEALTH CORNER

### Suicide Prevention Awareness Week

By Kirstyn Dietle, CHES<sup>®</sup>  
Health Educator  
Adair County Health Department

Welcome to the Public Health Corner: Suicide Prevention Awareness Week

As we approach Suicide Prevention Awareness Week, which runs from September 8-14, it is essential to take time to reflect on the importance of mental health and the resources available to those in need. This week is a significant time to raise awareness, promote understanding, and reduce the stigma associated with mental health challenges.

In Missouri, suicide rates have increased by 27 percent from 2012 to 2021, with the highest rate occurring in 2018, when 19.5 deaths per 100,000 people were recorded, resulting in a tragic total of 1,230 suicides that year. More recently, in 2022, Adair County experienced 9 deaths by suicide, highlighting that this issue affects communities of all sizes across the state.

One of the key dates within this week is 988 Day on September 8. The 988 Lifeline was established to improve access to immediate support to meet the nation's growing mental health, suicide, and substance use distress needs.



Unlike 911, which focuses on dispatching emergency medical services, fire, and police, the 988 Lifeline provides easy access to emotional distress care. Whether you or someone you know is struggling, the 988 hotline offers immediate help and guidance. Veterans can also access specialized support by pressing 1 when calling 988, connecting them directly with the Veterans Crisis Line.

Another important day to highlight is World Suicide Prevention Day on September 10. This global initiative encour-

ages people from all walks of life to come together to raise awareness about suicide and how we can all play a role in preventing it. It's a day to share stories, spread hope, and encourage open conversations about mental health.

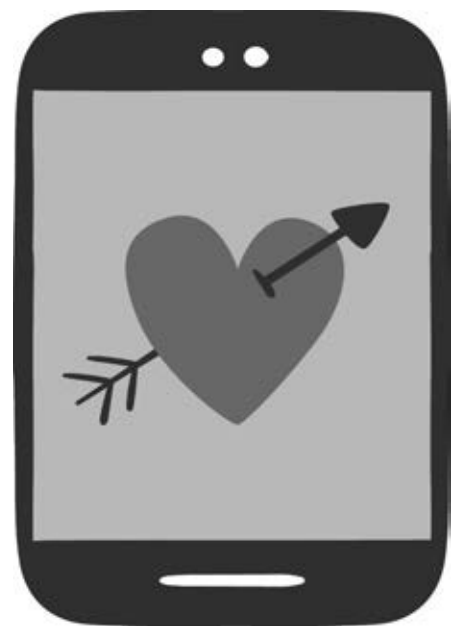
As we observe Suicide Prevention Awareness Week, let's commit to checking in on our loved ones, educating ourselves about the warning signs of suicide, and sharing information about the resources available. Together, we can make a difference and help save lives.

## POETRY CORNER

### This Gadget in My Hand

Years ago... when writing a poem... I'd have paper and a pencil in my hand,  
I'd sit and think... verses would form... and on the paper, they would soon land.  
Now things are different... technology's prevailed... it's changed everything I do,  
You know it's changed... how I get the news and weather... get my emails, and play games too.  
I get on Face Book... I check out financials... all this technology I can't leave alone,  
And now I write poems... with this gadget in my hand... and I bought it because I needed a phone.

— Daniel D. Donovan



## TURNING THE PAGE

## This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

## 115 Years Ago, September 11, 1909

According to Kirksville's superintendent of schools, E. O. Jones, the enrollment at the Lincoln School, Kirksville's only Black school, was larger than it had been for several years. The enrollment was already above forty pupils and several more were expected to enter.

## 105 Years Ago, September 8, 1919

The Kirksville Board of Health took official action on the spread of whooping cough in Kirksville by issuing an order that children suffering from whooping cough must be kept at home and out of public places. The order read in part: "We wish to notify that owing to the prevalence of whooping cough in our city we must insist that all children having whooping cough be kept at home and away from the public. The teachers will send all suspicious cases home and will require a certificate from the health physician before returning to school." Pertussis or whooping cough vaccine was first developed before 1920 but did not come into use in the United States until the 1940s. By the 1960s states began to enact laws that required school children to be vaccinated for pertussis before attending public schools.

## 105 Years Ago, September 13, 1919

The estate of the late Emily McGuire was expected to be filed in the probate court of Adair County in the next few days, and based on reports, the estate was indicated to be larger than first expected. Miss Maida Cole, Mrs. McGuire's granddaughter, who in the absence of a will was the sole heir of the estate, was appointed administratrix and was in the process of preparing the inventory of the McGuire property. When McGuire's house was searched following her death, it was reported that \$11,000 in currency and \$2,000 in gold was found hidden in various out of the way places in the residence. The estate was originally expected to be in the amount of \$50,000, but with the additional findings in her home, the estate was expected to be larger.

## 100 Years Ago, September 10, 1924

Dr. F. L. Bigsby, who was the current coroner of Adair County, could not seek reelection to the position because state law permitted the coroner and sheriff to serve only one term of four years. Bigsby's term was to expire at the end of the year. No one wanted the position as no one had filed for the office and neither the county Republican nor Democratic parties had filled the place on the ticket. At that time the office was not a paying one and the only revenue derived was on a fee basis. There were not many cases where the coroner's services were required. Later in the month Foster R. Easley, Brashear undertaker, was named by the Republican party to fill the ticket. He was elected Adair County Coroner in the November 1924 general election.

## 85 Years Ago, September 11, 1939

For a week, two professional cameramen had been in Kirksville shooting scenes of the town. The film was back from the laboratory, had been edited, and was ready for preview. Scenes in the film included a wide range of activities, as well as street scenes, and public buildings. There were shots of the experimental oil drilling that was taking place in the Adair County and Bonnie Belle, the trained horse. Other scenes were of service clubs, athletic teams, campus groups, county and city officials, fire and police departments, shoe



factory, boy and girl scouts, and various stores and their staffs. Local commentators described the various scenes in the movie. Kiwanis Club president E. M. Jayne and other club members had been busy promoting the project, which was to get half of the proceeds for its underprivileged children's fun. The movie was to be preserved by the Kiwanis Club as a historic record of the city in 1939. "Film Footage of Kirksville, 1939," is available on DVD at the Adair County Historical Society Museum for \$25. The museum at 211 S. Elson Street is open Wednesday through Friday afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m.

## 80 Years Ago, September 8, 1944

A crowd estimated at between 5,000 to 10,000 people attended the Fall Festival at Softball Park. On the first day of the Fall Festival many of the spectators stayed until 12:30 in the early morning when the program ended. The program included a parade of livestock and was then followed by the judging of draft horses and mules. Also on the evening's agenda was a new event—the coon race. A large tree, which had been set out in the middle of the arena, was used by the coon after he had been trailed around over the grounds. After being placed in the tree, the dogs were turned loose and "treed" the coon. George Quinn's dog won the event. The mule race was another favorite event and was won by Forrest Eitel.

## 75 Years Ago, September 14, 1949

After 18 months of preparation, the H. L. & L. Development Company of Kansas City started their oil drilling operations on the Lackey farm, west of Millard. A large star cable rig that was recently purchased by the company was moved to the drill site and drilling for oil began. Drillers working on the project said the bore was going down swiftly and they expected to reach the 450-foot mark soon. The work was done on a 24-hour-day basis and was expected to continue for some time.

## 65 Years Ago, September 10, 1959

The cornerstone of the new Kirksville High School on South Cottage Grove Street was to be laid in official ceremonies on Sunday afternoon, September 13. The program featured Dr. Walter H. Ryle president of the Teachers College (Truman State University) who was the principal speaker. The Kirksville High School band was to provide the music, and prayer would be offered by the Rev. Ralph M. G. Smith. Also participating in the program was Dr. Norton Bohon, president of the board of education who was to lay the stone and introduce the speaker. A copper box that would be sealed in the cornerstone contained various documents and memorabilia items. Included in the collection of items to be placed in the box were 1958 coins, a copy of the Tiger, high school newspaper from 1958 and 1959, a copy of the Daily Express carrying the story of the bond issue passage that made the new school possible, official papers and resolutions relating to the bond issue and the construction of the building. Also included would be copies of Dr. Ryle's speech and Rev. Smith's prayer. After the ceremony, receptions were to be held at the new additions at the Willard and Benton elementary schools.

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## EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY

Part 119

## The Smith-Kellogg Mansion – Chapter 6 – The Smith Children – A Doctor In The Family

By Blytha Ellis, President  
Adair County Historical Society  
and Museum

John Thompson Smith (1813-1896) was the Kirksville merchant who built what became known as the Kellogg Mansion in Kirksville. He and his wife, Sarah (Goode) had seven children who lived to adulthood, and John was very concerned that they each receive an exceptional education.

About the time that his children were reaching college age, the Kirksville Normal School came into existence, and it was John's aim that they all attend this institution. Most of them did.

Last week, we learned about John's first four sons, three of whom became attorneys and one who became a rancher. John's next two children were daughters, and his youngest child was another son.

The eldest daughter was Marthena Winifred Smith (1852-1926) who obtained her higher education at the Kirksville Normal School, much to her father's delight. Later, she would achieve even more.

Marthena first married Lewis Patterson Cowan in Adair County in February 1875. A native of Kentucky, Lewis Cowan had served with the Confederacy during the Civil War and spent time as a prisoner of war. By 1870, he and his brother, Andrew, were ranchers and stock raisers in the Gallatin Valley of Montana Territory. It is assumed that this is where Lewis met John T. Smith and learned about his eligible daughter back in Missouri.

In early 1875, Lewis went to Missouri, probably at the suggestion of John T. Smith, and married Marthena Smith. A few months later, in May, 1875, Lewis took his new bride to visit relatives in Kentucky and Utah. Lewis fell ill with consumption and had to stop when they reached Corinne, Box Elder County, Utah. He was taken to the home of someone he knew, and there he died on June 1, 1875. He was buried in the Corinne Cemetery in that area.

Within the next year, Marthena's father had found another successful Montana rancher for his daughter. He was Vardaman Allen Cockrell (1844-1901) who was born in Platte County, Mo., and at age 19 went to Montana to pursue gold mining in the Alder Gulch. In 1864, he moved to the Gallatin Valley and engaged in farming and stock raising. He became a representative from Gallatin County to the 6th Montana Territorial Legislature.

Marthena and Vardaman Cockrell married in 1877 in Adair County, Mo., and became parents of five children: Irvin Cockrell, Vardaman Allen Cockrell Jr., John Thompson Cockrell, Vardie Cockrell, and Ralph Goode Cockrell.

Vardaman's given name was taken from the maiden name of his paternal grandmother, Mary Magdalene (Vardaman) Cockrell. Thus, Marthena and Vardaman also named two of their children with the given name of Vardaman. Their second son who became his father's "junior," died at the age of 2 ½ in Nebraska while his mother and maternal grandmother were traveling



Dr. Marthena Winifred (Smith) Cowan Cockrell in 1875 at age 23. She was a graduate of Kirksville Normal School and of Dr. A. T. Still's American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville.

from Montana to Kirksville, Mo. This child is buried in Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery in Kirksville. The second child named Vardaman was a daughter whom they called Vardie.

The Cockrells' third child, John Thompson Cockrell, was obviously named after his maternal grandfather, and their fifth child, Ralph Goode Cockrell, was given the middle name of Goode which was his maternal grandmother's maiden name.

Vardaman Allen Cockrell Sr. died in 1901 at the age of 56 in a resort called Hunter's Hot Springs near Springdale, Montana. This was a medicinal hot springs with a hotel and bathing pools, which became "a premiere destination in the West." There is even a legendary photo which reportedly shows Wyatt Earp, Teddy Roosevelt, Doc Holiday, Butch Cassidy, the Sundance Kid, and others all posing on the steps of the hotel at Hunter's Hot Springs. Many, of course, deny the authenticity of this photo.

These hot springs were named for Dr. A. J. Hunter who discovered the hot springs when he was camping on his way to Virginia City to mine gold. He filed a claim for the springs land, and after he struck out in his gold mining attempt, he came back and developed a resort. He dammed a flowing hot creek and created several natural hot springs pools. Over the years, this spot was further developed and grew into a huge tourist destination.

Vardaman Cockrell Sr.'s obituary states that he was bathing in one of the medicinal pools with other men when he suddenly threw up his hands and fell into the water dead. An attendant dove into the water and pulled his body out before it descended into deep water. He is buried in Sunset Hills Cemetery in Bozeman, Mont.

After this, Marthena (Smith) Cockrell returned to Kirksville and entered Dr. A. T. Still's American School of Osteopathy. She graduated as a D.O. in the early 1900s. She practiced Osteopathy in San Juan, Puerto Rico, for several years, also in Dover, Delaware, and then in Daytona Beach, Florida. She died in

1926 in Florida but is buried in Montana beside her husband.

Two of the Cockrell sons, Irvin and Ralph, became physicians like their mother. Both graduated from the American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville. The Cockrell daughter, Vardie, married a judge. How proud their grandfather, John Thompson Smith, would have been of them and their mother had he lived to see their accomplishments.

The second daughter of John Thompson Smith and Sarah Ann (Goode) was Wilmoth Elizabeth Smith (1858-1941), nicknamed Dolly. In 1879, she married David D. Richards of Macon County, Mo., originally from Wales. David served in the Missouri Legislature, and the couple lived in Bevier, Mo. They had two children, Marthena (named for her aunt) and Howell. David Richards met an early death in 1889 and is buried in Bevier, Mo.

After her husband's death, Dolly moved with her children to Montana to be near her parents. In 1900, she was operating a boarding house in Bozeman. She later moved to Chicago to live with her daughter after her daughter married.

When Dolly's daughter, Marthena, died in 1922, Dolly spent the last 16 years of her life in Salt Lake City, Utah, where her son, Howell, was a Civil Engineer for the Road Commission. Dolly died in Salt Lake City in 1946 at the age of 88 and is buried there. At the time of her death, she was the last remaining child of her parents. Her five brothers and one sister had preceded her in death.

The youngest of the Smith children was Tilden Henry Smith (1859-1894) who became an attorney like his older brothers. For a time, he was in practice with his brother, John T. Smith Jr. Tilden married Annie Elizabeth Walker (1863-1949) of Butler, Bates County, Missouri, and they had one son.

Tilden died in 1894 at the age of 35 when his son was just 6 years old. The following was written about him by his colleagues at the Bates County Bar Association: "Nature had furnished him with a frail body, and for many years, he had been compelled to seek, by travel and frequent change of climate, to regain his impaired health. He had a tender heart, a good disposition, and was an honest and conscientious man, and his many virtues endeared him to all who knew him."

His obituary states: "He was afflicted with consumption and for several years spent the most of his time traveling from place to place in quest of health, and only a few days before his demise returned from California where he had been spending the summer. He was a bright young man and only for his failing health would, in all probability, have made his mark in his profession. No young man stood higher in this community, and none had more friends."

Next, we will explore the life of the McGuire family after they left the mansion in Kirksville.

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## VETERANS

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Following are brief biographies of this year's quilt recipients:

### MARVIN FLYNN

Marvin Flynn joined the Marine Corp in 1966 and was deployed to Vietnam before being discharged in 1968. He then spent 27 years with the Missouri and Iowa National Guard, before retiring in 2005. The last five years were at Camp Dodge in Des Moines, Iowa, training troops being deployed to Afghanistan and Iraq. He is commander of VFW Post 2508 in Kirksville and VFW District 17 which covers 11 posts in north Missouri. He also works with the Disabled American Veterans furnishing handicap equipment and other needs for local veterans. Flynn also is the point of contact for military funeral honors.

### VIRGIL RUSK

Virgil Rusk, from Brashear, served in the United States Army from 1966-68. He went through basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood and advanced



Virgile Rusk next to the quilt that was given to him.

training in electronics radio operations at Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey. He served in Vietnam and was discharged on Sept. 8, 1968. On Sept. 29, 1968, Rusk married Elberta and they have been married for 55 years. They had two sons, Christopher who they lost in 2021 and Shawn who resides in Kirksville. After leaving the military, Rusk worked at the Virginia Telephone Company for six months and then returned to Adair County where he worked at Donaldson until it closed.

### CLYDE BURCH

Clyde Burch just turned 99 and is from Macon. Burch joined the United States Navy in 1944 and served until 1948. He was an Aviation Machinist Mate 3rd Class. He was stationed at Memphis Tenn., Norman Okla., Daytona Beach Fla., and Jacksonville Fla. After leaving the military, Burch went to college on the GI Bill and became a teacher. After teaching for a few years, he entered law school. He served as the lawyer for Northeast Missouri State University until 1972 when he returned to practicing law. He later served as a judge in Shelby County. He is the father of three children, Karen, Mona and John.

### JACK MAGRUDER

Jack Magruder, from Kirksville, served in the United States Naval Reserves from May 1953 to May 1961. He and his two best friends, Don Noble and H. A. Lindberg, joined the Navy Reserves while they were seniors in high school. They traveled to Hannibal for training and weekly meetings. According to Magruder, they joined the naval reserves thinking they would



Jack Magruder next to his quilt.



Michael Elmore's quilt. PHOTOS BY NEMO PHOTOGRAPHY

see the world but all they saw was the inside of the gun turret they were cleaning. For 39 years, Magruder was at Truman State University. The last nine years he served as president. He later served as the president of A. T. Still University for four years. He was married to Sue and they had three children: Julie Magruder Lochbaum, Kerry Magruder and Laura Magurder Mann. Laura is married to one of the other honored veterans, Marvin Mann.

### MICHAEL T. ELMORE

Michael T. Elmore has served as Adjutant for the Department of Missouri, Disabled American Veterans since the 2010 State Department Convention. As Department Adjutant, Elmore is "CEO" of the Missouri DAV, responsible for the day-to-day operation of the organization in Missouri and it's 20 chapters and it's over 15,000 members all across the state. He manages and assists with the Department Service Officer Program in helping veterans receive the benefit they have earned as well as overseeing the DAV Volunteer Transportation

Network of over 200 volunteer drivers and 60 vans that transport veterans to their VA appointments.

A native of Kirksville, Elmore enlisted in the U.S. Army Delayed Entry Program his junior year of high school and then left for Basic Training at Fort Sill, Okla., shortly after his high school graduation in 1988. His assignments in Active Duty Army included, 4th Psychological Operations Group Airborne at Fort Bragg, N.C., 97th Signal Battalion in Mannheim, Germany, 1st Squadron-4th Cavalry at Fort Riley, Kan. as a Signal Support Systems Specialist until his transfer in September 1995 to the Missouri Army National Guard as a Cannon Crew member and Bridge Crew member from which he retired in 2008. Before retirement, Staff Sgt. Elmore had earned an Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, Good Conduct Medal (2nd Award), National Defense Medal with Star, Humanitarian Service

Medal, Noncommissioned Officer's Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas, Missouri Meritorious Service Medal, State Emergency Duty and Missouri Commendation Medal.

Staff Sgt. Elmore transferred into the Missouri Army National Guard Battery B, 1-128th Field Artillery in 1995 as well as working for Michael Darling at Service Express. In 1997, he became the Full Time Unit Administrator for Battery B, responsible for the performance of a variety of duties for the commander in accomplishing the overall functions of the unit.

Elmore is currently the chairman of the Adair County Veterans Commission and is former chairman of Missouri Association of Veterans Organizations (MAVO) as well as a sitting director of the National Service Foundation with the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) in Erlanger, Ky.

Elmore resides in Kirksville with his wife of 35 years, Suzanne, and three children, Mason, Maren and Mabry.



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## 71st Annual La Plata Soybean Festival draws large crowds

By La Plata Promotional Committee

The 71st Annual La Plata Soybean Festival was held Aug 31- Sept 2, at La Plata City Park. The weekend event featured

live music, pageants, contests, a cornhole tournament, local food vendors and a parade. To see a video of the 71st Annual La Plata Soybean Festival parade, go to [kirksvilledailyexpress.com](http://kirksvilledailyexpress.com).



Left to right: Claire Belfield, Miss Congeniality, 71st Annual La Plata Soybean Festival Queen Kohyn Wood, and contestant Trista Goodhart.



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## Tigers burn Chilli in first home game of Nesbitt era

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

For the first time since 2020 and only the second time since 2012, Kirksville's football team finds itself 2-0. The Tigers rocked the Chillicothe Hornets on Friday night at Spainhower Field, 42-7.

This avenges a 42-26 lost in last year's matchup, also played in week two.

Gregg Nesbitt has his Tigers outscoring their opponents 77-7 through two games. The only points allowed came with his two-deep reserves on the field and a running clock. Chilli scored with around seven minutes remaining in the game.

"We thought it was a question mark," Nesbitt said. "I thought it was a question mark coming into this game. Our guys just dominated, really in all three phases, and up front is where it started. We made them pick their poison over the top (with personnel and play-calling), and I thought we made them pay. Having a number of guys making big plays makes it challenging for any defense, and we really did that tonight."

Kirksville jumped out early after stopping Chillicothe on the Hornets' opening drive. After the Tigers had a 30-yard touchdown called back due to an uncharacteristic penalty for illegal man



Jace Kent scores the opening touchdown in Friday's blowout victory Chillicothe. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

downfield, they were forced into a fourth-and-15 situation. Senior tight end Cole Kelly caught a pass from fellow senior Ryder Lyons down the right sideline to pick up the first down. The right sideline quickly became a running theme.

Senior running back Jace Kent bounced around from 32 yards out to score the game's opening touchdown with 3:45 remaining in the first quarter.

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Kirksville's Carter Pinkerton reels in his second receiving touchdown of the night on Friday with one second remaining in the first half.



Macy Nunan flashes her scorecard after winning Wednesday's meet in Paris. PHOTO COURTESY OF DANA BOYER

## Tigers win Paris meet

By Daily Express

Kirksville girls' golf won its second meet of the year on back-to-back nights, this time in Paris on Wednesday.

To the best knowledge of the Daily Express, this is the only pre-scheduled Wednesday sporting event sanctioned by MSHSAA this year across all sports.

Macy Nunan remains undefeated in the two meets the Tigers have attended.



HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

## Tigers lose slow-paced home opener to Hannibal

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

The Tigers lost their home opener to a physical Hannibal team on Thursday night, 3-1, although that score is not entirely indicative of how the game went.

Even Hannibal's coach, Eric Hill, thought his win was sloppy. "I didn't feel like either side was able to get into space, that's not a fun game for a spectator," he said.

The Pirates took a 1-0 lead into the halftime break, and that score stood until they took a 2-0 lead with 6:15 remaining in the second half.

Hannibal scored again just over a minute later to take a 3-0 lead.

Just 25 seconds later, Kirksville was awarded a penalty kick on a handball. Junior midfielder Elliot Jennings converted the attempt to give the Tigers a chance.

Kirksville falls to 0-2 with a loss to Southern Boone on Aug. 30. The Tigers play next at Moberly on Thursday.

"This is the most physical team I think we're going to see," Kirksville coach Shawn Meintz said. "Hannibal is always good at playing between the boxes. I think we'll do a better job of controlling that space in the middle the next time we see them."



Junior midfielder Elliot Jennings shimmies past a Hannibal defender as senior teammate Minu Alberts looks impressed with the maneuver. The Tigers lost, 3-1. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS



After winning on Tuesday, the Tigers turn right back around to play in Paris on Wednesday. They're then off for a full week until a Helias meet on Sept. 11. PHOTO COURTESY OF DANA BOYER

## Tiger girls win Moberly Quad

By Daily Express

Kirksville won their opening meet Tuesday in Moberly, finishing with a team score of 199. Addy Davis won individually with a 38, and Macy Nunan finished third with 48. Both are seniors.

Palmyra and Battle were both also in attendance, but at the time of this publication only Kirksville's official score was available.

The Tigers follow right back up on Wednesday with a meet in Paris.

"We can't wait to see what great things these girls accomplish this year," coach Dana Boyer said before the meet.

## Tigers go cold after big first inning

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

Kirksville rattled the bats in the first inning at home against Moberly on Thursday night, then never saw another runner cross the plate.

The Tigers lost to the Spartans, 6-5, in nine innings. With a 5-3 game going into the top of the second inning, Kirksville held Moberly to a scoreless inning before giving up another two runs in the third.

Neither team had many scoring opportunities until a Moberly line drive in the ninth inning pushed across what would be the winning run.

The Tigers fall to 4-1 and host Chillicothe on Monday. This was their third extra inning game of the year.



## Savannah to test Kirksville in week three

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

The Tigers face an opponent familiar opponent on Friday at Spainhower Field. State-ranked Savannah lost its opener against Pleasant Hill before shutting out East Buchanan last week. Savannah has not allowed Kirksville to score the past two years, winning 42-0 last year and 29-0 the year prior.

"They're a little bit deeper and stronger than Chillicothe," Kirksville head coach Gregg Nesbitt said. "They utilize motion a lot more than what we've seen in the first two weeks. They

utilize the jet sweep, but they also use it to take the top off (of the defense)."

Nesbitt said that the numbers to look out for on offense are jersey No. 10, senior quarterback Maddox Shoop, No. 7 running back Jackson Sigrist, and No. 1 senior receiver Jaiden Martinez.

On defense, No. 18 senior linebacker Landon Noland is a force to look out for.

Savannah has a pair of two-way forces the Tigers have to deal with on the inside. Nic O'Neal is 6-3, 240 pounds wearing 77 and Bratton Rhodes-Wiggins wears 79, a few inches shorter but similar in physique.

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## Kirksville volleyball rolls Marshall in straight sets in home opener

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

The Kirksville Tigers' volleyball team took care of business at Tiger Gymnasium on Tuesday night to the tune of three sets to none. The Tigers swept Marshall, 25-23, 25-16, 25-8.

Kirksville advanced to a 3-1 season record having already played a trio of games at Father Tolton's tournament last weekend, and entered the match 2-1. They lost to Tipton after defeating Boonville and Chamois at the Tolton invite in Columbia.

The Tigers have already won three eighths the number of the matches they

won all of last season, finishing 8-12 in 2023.

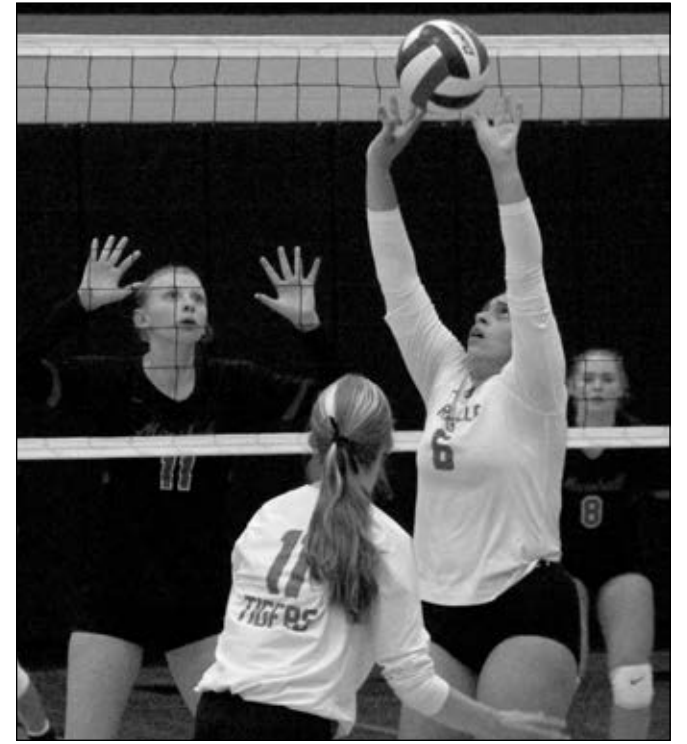
Tiger coach Missy Dempsay said that her girls came out with a little bit of nerves in their home opener, but seemed to be the more composed, mature team she is used to by the middle of the second set.

"We talked about it in the locker room after the first set," Dempsay said. "I know they were excited, but we talked about the sign of a great team is how you handle the second set, third set. They absolutely did that. I'm very proud of them."

"Our serve-and-receive is so much better than it was last year. Ask any of



Kirksville senior middle hitter Kynley Gresham rises up to slam the rock in Tuesday's 3-1 victory over Marshall.



Senior Kirksville setter Lili Donjuan (6) does her job in giving junior middle hitter Olivia Boyer a great opportunity. "We have so much trust for one another, we just have to keep talking," Boyer said. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS



Outside hitter Brooklyn Decker, a junior, sneaks the ball over a pair of Marshall defenders on Tuesday night. Kirksville defeated the Owls three sets to one.

these girls and they would agree. Combine that with our blocking and everything gelled well this evening. These girls know where we fall short and they know how to correct it without me telling them. That's a great sign of maturity."

After taking the first set in back-and-forth fashion, the Tigers found themselves trailing in the second 7-6 before going on a spree.

At one point, Kirksville scored on nine of 11 rallies to jump to a 20-13 lead

before coasting to a nine-point second set win.

By the third set, the Tigers looked like a group that had found its rhythm playing for one another.

"The way our dynamic came together at the end of the game was amazing," senior hitter Lauren Burchett said. "It's just such a fun win. We're yelling and banging on the top of the lockers after that game, we're all just so happy for each other."

Tuesday night was Marshall's second match after losing to Sacred Heart at

home on Labor Day. The Tigers travel to Mexico on Thursday. The Bulldogs won their opener against Fulton, three sets to one.

With the NCMC slate underway so early, the Tigers know that they still have a lot of ground to cover to get to the mid-season form they would like to be in.

Marshall won just one game last year, but its roster brought back a rotation of eight seniors with only one sophomore getting any significant time. The Tigers knew they would be facing an experienced

group.

"Communication and moving our feet more are always things we can get better at," junior hitter Olivia Boyer said. "Like (Dempsay) said, we know what we need to do to get better. Snap our wrists on hits, move our feet with purpose, talk to each other – it's all simple stuff we can fix to be a really good team."

After heading to Mexico on Thursday, the Tigers are back in the Kirksville Primary on Sept. 10 when they host Hallsville.

## Kirksville Parks and Recreation fall swim lesson schedule released

By Kirksville Parks and Recreation

As the seasons change, Kirksville Parks and Recreation officials announced updates to their swim lessons for the fall. They are introducing a new schedule to fit more comfortably into your busy lives.

The fall swim classes will be held once a week over six weeks, a slight adjustment from the eight-week sessions offered during the summer. Registration is \$35 for passholders and \$55 for non-passholders.

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## Goals in rapid succession lift 'Dogs over Saginaw

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

The Truman women's soccer team's season record jumped to 1-1 on Sunday after scoring four second-half goals against Saginaw Valley State. The Bulldogs beat the Cardinals, 4-1.

Saginaw scored with eight minutes remaining in the first half in a game that to that point had mostly been played in the middle third of the field.

The 'Dogs did not score until only 34 minutes remained. Sophomore midfielder Aubrey Kaupas scored, mid-field classmate Lia Quintero struck net 99 seconds later, then Kaupas scored again shortly thereafter.

The Bulldogs scored three goals within a span of 3:26 after having struggled to put shots on net in the first half – they had one shot on goal in the first and six in the second half.

Senior midfielder Emma Thompson scored an insurance goal with seven minutes left.

The Bulldogs lost at home, 2-0, against Davenport in their opener on Friday, two days

before this match was played. They play at Missouri Southern on Thursday at 2 o'clock.



Truman's Quinn Nauman rolls down the sideline in Saturday's win.



Sophomore defender Ella McCleary grinds for possession in the first half of Truman's 4-1 win.



Jessica Kozol and the Saginaw keeper race one another to the ball on Sunday afternoon. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

## TIGERS

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Chillicothe went three-and-out on the following possession, and early in the second Lyons rolled out right and found senior receiver Hayden Davis wide open to jump to a 14-0 lead. Sophomore kicker Beckett Lyons hit all six of his point after attempts, and remains perfect on all 11 of his kicks on the season.

Following the ensuing kickoff, Kirksville forced another three-and-out and a poor punt put the Tigers at the positive 45-yard line. Kent reeled in a 39-yard touchdown on fourth down, again down the right sideline. The Tigers went up 21-0.

In what might be the only critique of the Tigers' first half, they failed to take advantage of a series of opportunities gift-wrapped for them. Chillicothe fumbled the following kickoff, and from the Hornet 15-yard line, the Tigers lost yardage to force them out of field goal range and turned the ball over on downs.



Junior running back Logan Martin hits the edge in Friday's win. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

Chillicothe punted again and Lyons threw a bad ball intended for senior Sam Snyder resulting in a pick two plays later.

Kirksville forced yet another three-and-out and senior receiver Carter Pinkerton rumbled

down – you guessed it – the right sideline on the following play with what Nesbitt called a "college-level play."

"I thought I was back at Stokes," Nesbitt joked. "Plays like that, we take a tight ballgame and turn it

into what it was."

With the game at 28-0, Kirksville put the finishing touches on a nearly sterling first half with its clock management. Kirksville managed the clock to force Chillicothe to punt from its own 25-yard line with 32 seconds remaining in the half.

A long Lyons pass to Pinkerton over the middle set up a touchdown reception for the latter two plays later.

Kirksville entered the locker room at the half with a 35-0 lead, knowing the clock would be running to begin the second half. The opportunity for the Tigers to get meaningful snaps for as many of their players as possible is one that they don't take for granted.

Junior back Logan Martin had a short touchdown rush in the second half to take a 42-0 lead. Thus far, the Tigers have been in total cruise control for the last 24 minutes of games.

"We knew that they were going to play a lot of man,

and once we noticed we could beat them on outside routes, we started doing that a lot more," Pinkerton said.

He and the rest of the senior leadership have been overjoyed to give the younger guys opportunities to play meaningful varsity reps.

"Just thinking about when I'm on the sideline watching them, we talk a lot about how it's next man up, and they can be electrifying. Getting a chance to get those guys on the field is obviously huge for the program."

Unfortunately for Chillicothe, its noteworthy running back was injured in the first half. The Hornets' senior running back Silas Midgyett was clearly injured in the first half, although it was tough to tell how or what he hurt. He remained on the sideline throughout the game, and whether he did not re-enter due to the score or due to a more concerning injury is anybody's guess.

Pinkerton finished with

104 yards receiving, and Davis had 45. Kent had 83 yards on the ground on 13 attempts, a light evening for him. Lyons finished with 247 rushing yards.

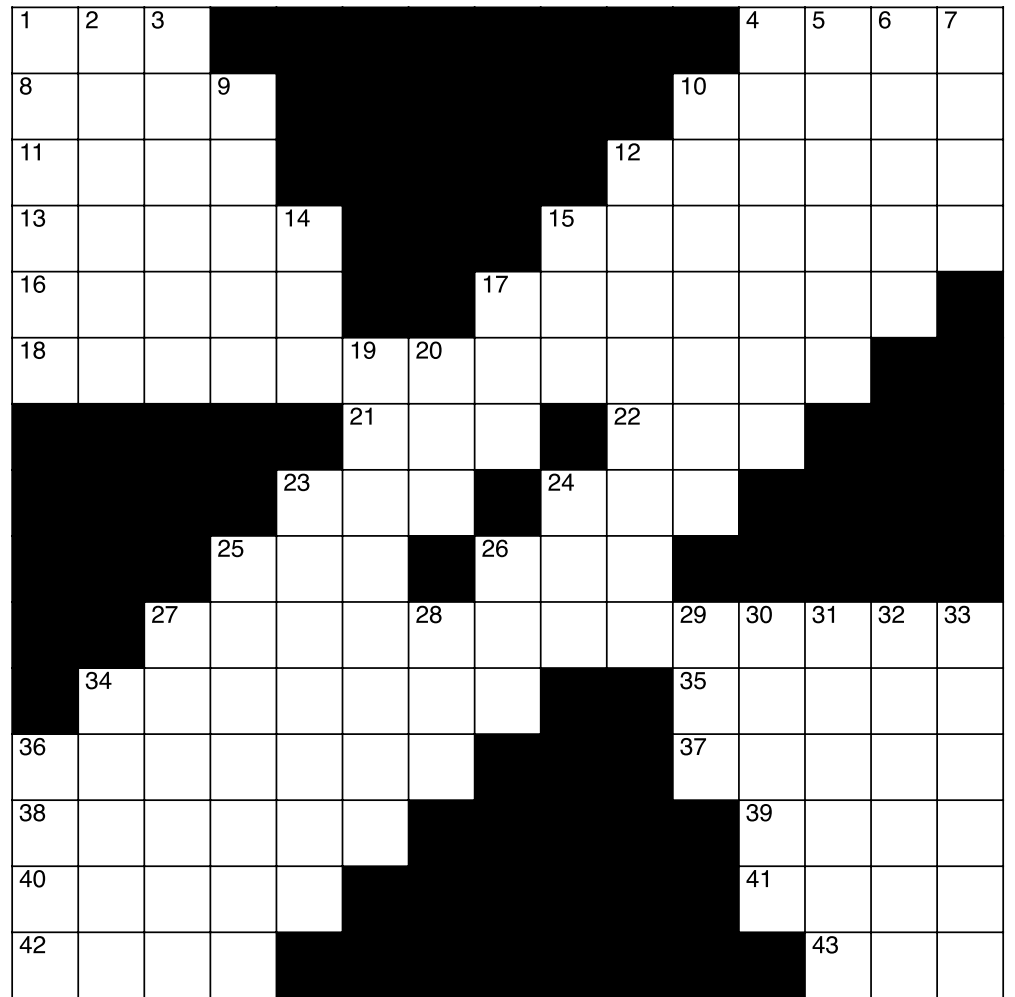
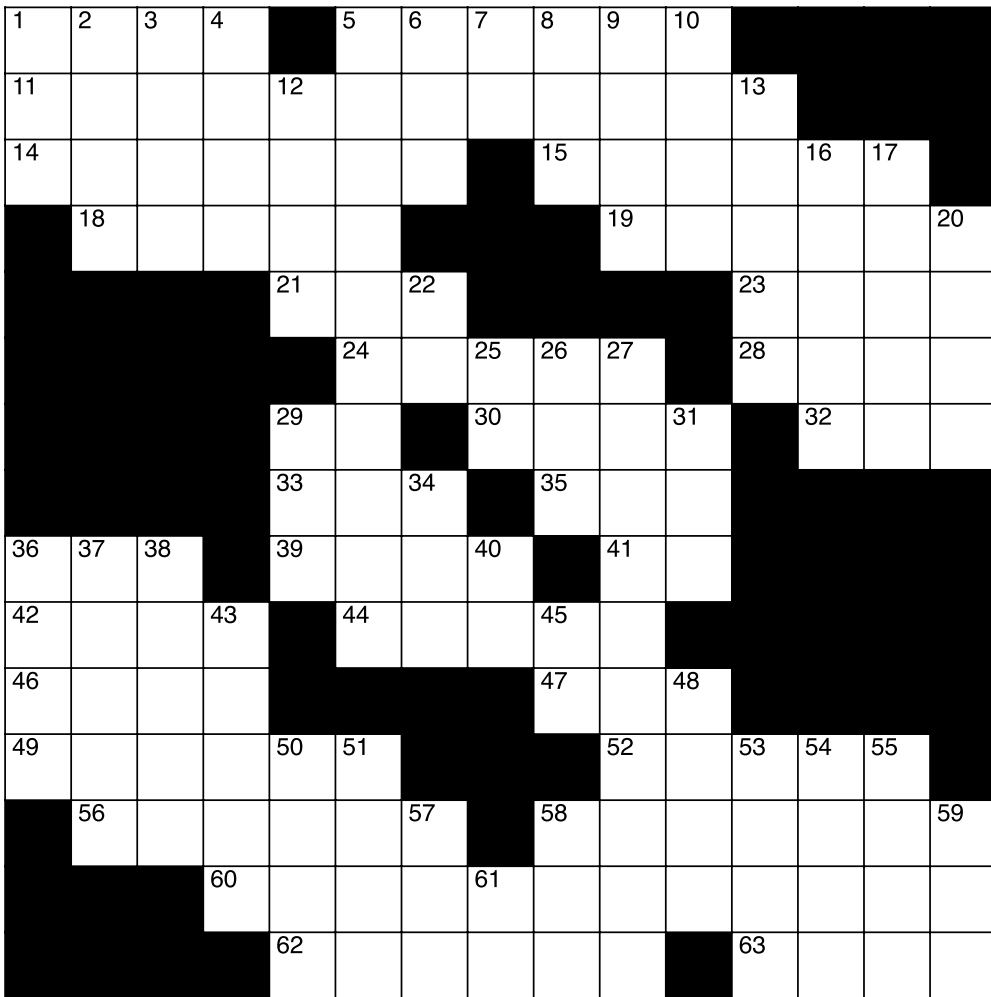
In total, Kirksville finished with 334 yards of offense.

Martin, junior Caleb Grissom, and freshman Blake Nesbitt led the Tigers in solo tackles with four apiece. Senior defensive back Corbin Denslow had three.

The Tigers host Savannah next Friday.

"When you have a bad game, the good news is you've got another game," Nesbitt said. "Same thing the other way, when you have a good game, the bad news is you've got another game. But we'll enjoy it tonight and look at some film. We've got a test against a state-ranked Savannah team next week but tonight is a great team win."

(Editor's note: Daily Express apologizes for mistaking Kirksville's kicker as Ryder Lyons last week's publication.)



**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Defunct social networking service
- 5. Facial expressions
- 11. Forebears
- 14. A portable gun
- 15. Decrees
- 18. Resin obtained from tropical trees
- 19. One who divines the future
- 21. River in Oregon
- 23. Norse god of thunder
- 24. It's on the lawn
- 28. Speaks
- 29. Polish beer
- 30. Ethnic group in Laos
- 32. Insecticide
- 33. Surface of the ground
- 35. Third-party access
- 36. Senior officer
- 39. Makes a living with difficulty
- 41. Expression of sympathy
- 42. Former U.S. president
- 44. Passover feast and ceremony
- 46. Wild sheep of northern Africa
- 47. Pouch
- 49. Public buildings

52. Type of cuisine

- 56. "Hotel California" rockers
- 58. Universal
- 60. Eloquently
- 62. Scantly
- 63. Japanese alcoholic drink

**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Kilogram force (abbr.)
- 2. Lake \_\_\_\_, one of the Great
- 3. Seahawks safety Thomas
- 4. Take a \_\_\_\_
- 5. Gazelles
- 6. One's mother
- 7. Iridium
- 8. Comics writer Stan
- 9. Within
- 10. Excite
- 12. Long-legged gazelle
- 13. Leaves
- 16. African nation
- 17. System of handcraft-based education
- 20. Formerly (archaic)
- 22. Argon

25. Equally

- 26. Standardized test
- 27. Not part of
- 29. Midway between east and southeast
- 31. Native American tribe
- 34. Marlins infielder Gordon
- 36. Places to relax
- 37. Phonology units
- 38. Bastard wing
- 40. South Dakota
- 43. Lake in Uganda
- 45. Spanish be
- 48. Town in Galilee
- 50. Mediation counsel
- 51. Hair-like structure
- 53. Domesticated animals
- 54. Region
- 55. He cured polio
- 57. Title of respect
- 58. Carpet design
- 59. Strongly alkaline solution
- 61. Cerium

**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Engine additive
- 4. A type of test
- 8. Curtail
- 10. Irish surname
- 11. The opposite of good
- 12. Got rid of
- 13. Central parts of a church building
- 15. Stylistically
- 16. Intestinal
- 17. Negative potential outcomes
- 18. Lived up to a standard
- 21. Snag
- 22. Time units (abbr.)
- 23. Ad \_\_\_\_
- 24. "Partridge" actress Susan
- 25. For each
- 26. \_\_ Paulo, city
- 27. League titles
- 34. More intensely black

35. Slang for lovely

- 36. Petrarch is known for them
- 37. Old Eurasian wheat
- 38. Body part
- 39. Swedish rock group
- 40. They're worth avoiding
- 41. Rising and falling of the voice
- 42. Wings
- 43. Enzyme import for respiration

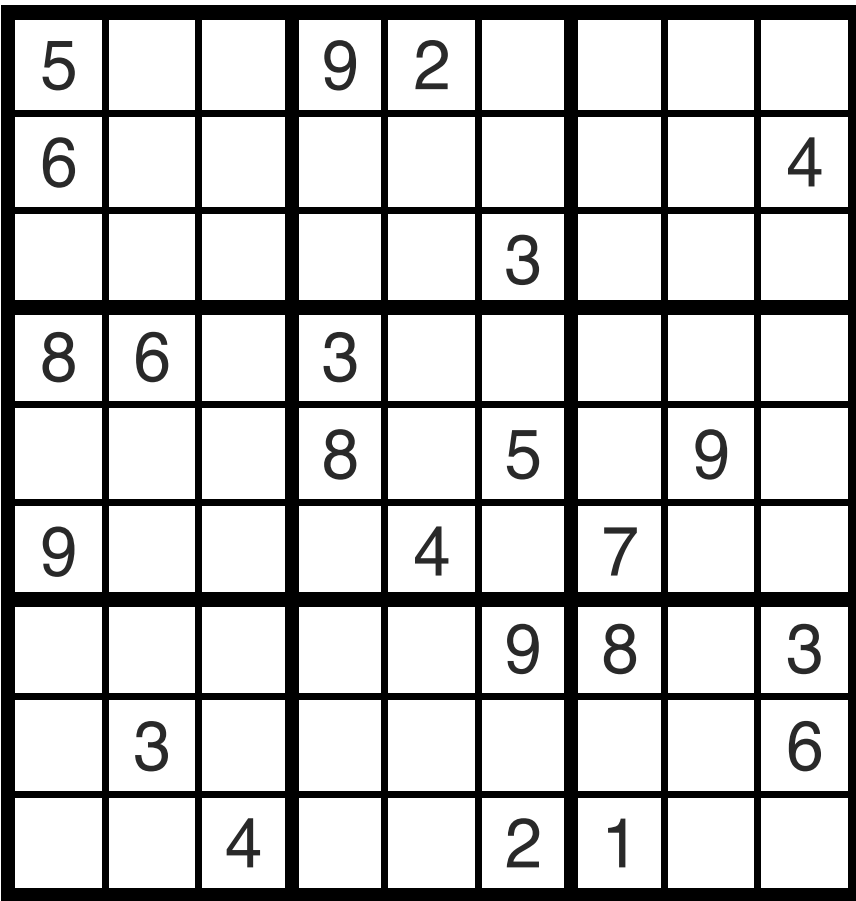
**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Idyllic
- 2. South Pacific island nations
- 3. Shrub of the olive family
- 4. Boundaries
- 5. Encircle
- 6. Weights
- 7. Samberg is one
- 9. Sheep sound
- 10. European country
- 12. Respected group of people

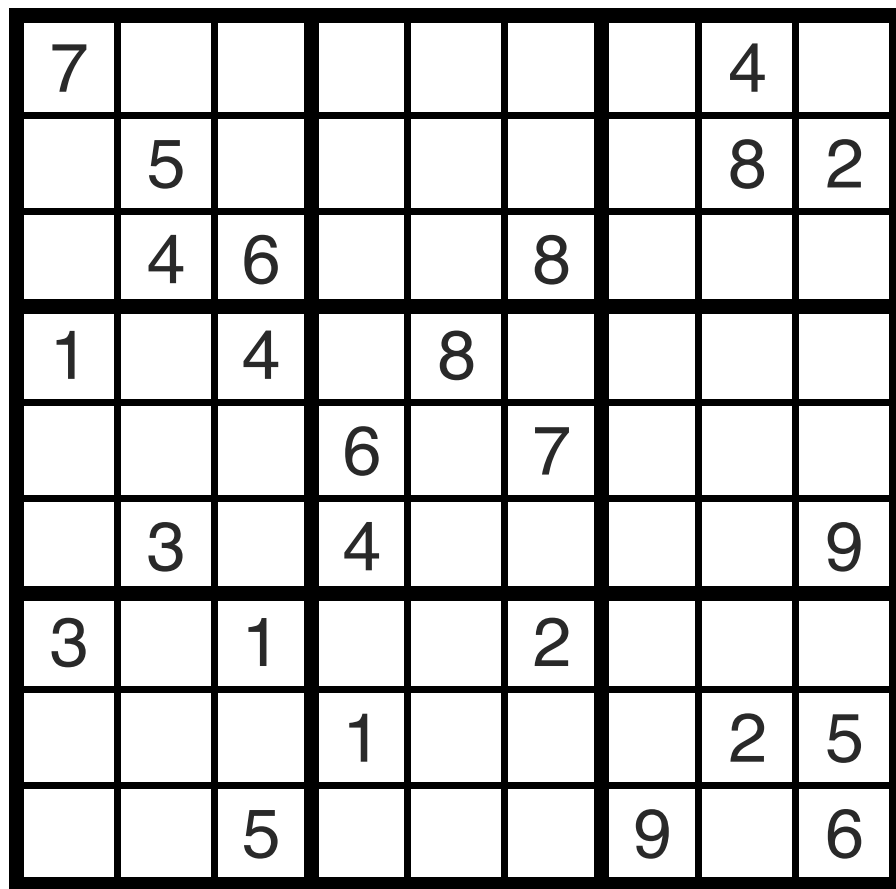
14. Trigraph

- 15. Prosecutors
- 17. Assign a nickname
- 19. Huge size
- 20. Partner to cheese
- 23. Fastballs
- 24. Principle underlying the universe
- 25. Distinct units of sound
- 26. Title of respect
- 27. Against
- 28. Foot (Latin)
- 29. One point east of due south
- 30. Concerning the blood
- 31. Type of pentameter
- 32. North American peoples
- 33. Layers of rock
- 34. Georges \_\_\_\_, French philosopher
- 36. Lengthy tale

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**IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI**

Judge or Division: PROBATE ) Case Number: 24AR-PR00055

In the Estate of KYLE CODY WALLACE, a Deceased Person.

**Notice of Appointment of Conservator**

**To All Persons Interested in the Estate of KYLE CODY WALLACE, a Disabled Person:**

On July 16, 2024 KRISTEN WALLACE was appointed conservator of the estate of KYLE CODY WALLACE, a person adjudicated disabled under the laws of Missouri by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of ADAIR COUNTY, Missouri.

The business address of the conservator is:  
1208 S. BAIRD ST. KIRKSVILLE, MO 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 July 24, 2024.  
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Martha Cole  
Adair County Circuit Clerk

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**IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI** Case Number: 24AR-PR00089

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 Gasperi Street, Kirksville, Missouri 63501

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:  
Mark L. Williams, 1003 East Jefferson Street, Kirksville, Missouri 63501, 660-665-7777.

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: September 30, 2023  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI AT KIRKSVILLE PROBATE DIVISION** (Date File Stamp)

IN THE ESTATE OF MATTIE HORTON ESTATE NUMBER 22AR-PR00078 Deceased.

**AMENDED NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION**  
(Sec. 473.587, RSMo)

You are hereby notified that on or about 10/09/2024, the undersigned personal representative will file in the Probate Division of Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, at Kirksville, the Amended final settlement and petition for distribution of the estate and for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest to the personal and real property of the decedent and of the extent and character of their interests therein. Any objections or exceptions to such Amended Final Settlement and Petition for Distribution or any item thereof must be in writing and filed within twenty days after the filing of such amended settlement.

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Publication Dates: 09/11/2024, 09/18/2024, 09/25/2024 10/02/2024

**IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI** Case Number: 24AR-CV00355 (Date File Stamp)

Judge or Division: MATTHEW WILSON

Plaintiff/Petitioner: FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION

vs.

Defendant/Respondent: ANTHONY K. RAYNON  
BRENNNA D. RAYNON  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
SEARCY & WAYMAN DEVELOPMENT CO., INC.  
JOHN DOE

Nature of Suit: CC Foreclosure

**Notice Upon Order for Service by Publication**

**The State of Missouri to: SEARCY & WAYMAN DEVELOPMENT CO., INC.**

1408 N. GREEN  
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You are notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is CC Foreclosure and which affects the following described property: All of Lot 2, Block 8, Kingsridge Addition to Kirksville, Missouri. Subject to restrictions of record.

The names of all parties in this action are stated in the caption above and the name(s) and address(es) of the attorney(s) for the plaintiff/petitioner(s) are:  
SCOTT DONALD MOSIER, 612 SPIRIT DRIVE, CHESTERFIELD, MO 63005

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or otherwise appear and defend against this action within 45 days after 09/04/24, judgment by default will be entered against you.

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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 SHAVER, 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.

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Description of Property	Value
Real Property (Including Legal Description)	\$24,000

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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

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**IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI**

Judge or Division: MATTHEW WILSON Case Number: 24AR-CV00429

Plaintiff/Petitioner: WILLIAM SCOTT SHAW

Nature of Suit: CC Quiet Title

**Notice Upon Order for Service by Publication**

The State of Missouri to: WILLIAM SCOTT SHAW  
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NICOLE LEE MAIZE, who is interested in the subject matter, address unknown. You are notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is CC Quiet Title and which affects the following described property:  
The names of all parties in this action are stated in the caption above and the name(s) and address(es) of the attorney(s) for the plaintiff/petitioner(s) are: LESLIE JO SILVERNAIL, 803 SOUTH BALTIMORE, KIRKSVILLE, MO 63501 660-956-0997  
You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or otherwise appear and defend against this action within 45 days after 09/04/24, judgment by default will be entered against you.

08/27/24 MARTHN COLE, Adair County Circuit Clerk

**Directions to Clerk**

The name of all parties must be included in the caption. The date to be inserted from which the 45 days begin to run is the date of the first publication. If the plaintiff/petitioner has no attorney, the order of publication of notice must recite the address of the plaintiff/petitioner. Only the object and general nature of the civil action is to be stated, for example "for dissolution of marriage." If the address of any of the parties to be served by publication is given in the verified statement, the clerk shall: (A) within ten days after such order of publication mail a copy of the order of publication of notice and a copy of the petition to each such defendant and (B) file a certificate that such copies have been mailed. An affidavit shall also be filed showing the publication dates and the name of the newspaper in which the notice was published. A copy of the published notice shall be attached to the affidavit. (See Rules 54.12 and 54.20)

PUBLICATION DATES: 09/04/24, 09/11/24, 09/18/24, 09/25/24

# Tiger tennis loses to Marshall in home opener

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

The Tigers were defeated seven matches to two. They fall to 0-2 on the season. Kirkville looks to turn it around against Chillicothe a 4 p.m. on Monday.

Kirkville lost to Marshall at Truman's tennis courts on Thursday night.



PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS



## NEMO Car Club of Missouri gives out scholarships

By NEMO Car Club of Missouri

The NEMO Car Club of Missouri recently gave out two \$1,000 scholarships at this spring's graduation. Two Kirkville Technical School students, Payton Huffman and McKayla Sizemore, each received a \$1,000 scholarship to pursue

their intended schooling to be an auto mechanic and auto body technician. NEMO Car Club President Don Price said that the club wants to support the efforts of local students to obtain these types of jobs, which as we know everyday, become more technical and critical to maintain today's vehicles.

## Cindy Thompson rejoins Kirkville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club

By Kirkville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club

Cindy Thompson is the newest member of the Kirkville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club. Thompson was a member of the club for many years, then took a break due to time constraints. She decided to rejoin the club to take part in the service opportunities, friendships and fellowship that it offers. She is retired and spends much of her time volunteering, including work with the SHIP program, where she helps seniors with Medicare coverage. Pictured are Courtney Bonnell, president of the Kirkville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club, and Cindy Thompson. The Kirkville-Thousand Hills Rotary Club meets on Thursday mornings at 7 a.m. at the Kirkville



Aquatic Center, 801 E. Mill Street. Anyone who would like to learn more about the club or Rotary International is welcome to attend. Club information is also available at thousandhillsrotary.com.

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Case Number: 24AR-PR00088

### 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, Kirkville, 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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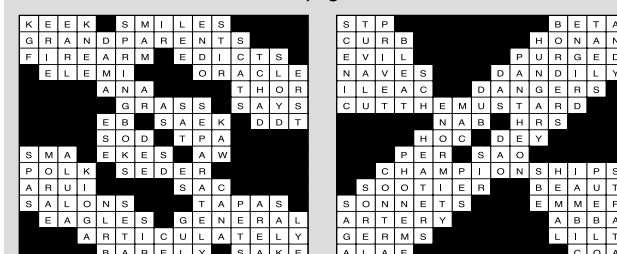
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## Mistakes kill Bulldogs' comeback hopes in opener

By Henry Janssen  
Daily Express

Truman lost its opener to Findlay at Stokes Stadium on Saturday, 37-21. Findlay jumped out to a 21-0 lead in the first half, and the Bulldogs shot themselves in the foot in what was otherwise a realistic comeback effort. The Bulldogs defeated the Oilers at their place in last year's opener, 20-10.

The Oilers broke the goal line on their first three drives to jump out to a 21-0 lead less than three minutes into the second quarter. Findlay missed a field goal late in the first half to give the ball back to the Bulldogs, and Truman finally got on the board with 18 seconds in the half on a pass from Dylan Hair to Jackson Overton. Continuing older brother Nolan's lineage, Blair Oaks product Dylan took the first snaps of his collegiate career on Saturday.

"There were times we acted like a young club, and there were times we acted like a young talented club," first-year Truman head coach Kellen Nesbitt said. "I thought for a first start, I thought (Hair) did a great job of using his legs to move the sticks and threw some good balls.

"He maybe missed a few too many receivers, but to be fair to him, it's tough to have your first start playing from behind."

The Bulldogs had golden opportunities to put themselves back into the game down 21-7 despite a rough start in which Findlay just put three extended drives together. Truman took the second-half kickoff and put a solid drive together, down to the Findlay 22-yard line, but after Hair was the victim of a couple dropped passes that should have been touchdowns, Findlay's Joel Kpassou stripped a receiver and took off 78 yards to score. The play was officially ruled as a fumble recovery, but could have just as well been called an interception.

That 14-point swing was still not where the chances ended for the 'Dogs.

At 28-7 early in the third, Truman forced a punt and led a prolonged drive that ended with a 32-yard touchdown on the legs of Denim Cook with nearly six minutes remaining in the third quarter.

Findlay then went on an 11 play, 76-yard drive that was keyed by a taunting call after sixth-year senior Ben Miller chirped at Oiler quarterback and Boston College transfer Matthew Rueve after a second-down sack for about 12 yards. Rueve threw a big pass on the following play.

"You've got to give credit to their offense," Nesbitt said. "We had a hard time breaking his rhythm, especially early. They have good receivers and everything was on time. It's hard to beat good teams with those kind of mistakes."

Truman scored for the last time on a four-yard rush by Hair.

The Bulldogs had a field goal blocked and missed a chip shot, and dropped too many clean passes from Hair throughout. He finished with 191 yards on 19-of-42 passing.

Truman finished with 394 yards to 412 for Findlay. Rueve threw for 318 yards, including 150 on seven receptions by Cam Childers.

The 'Dogs nearly doubled up Findlay's rushing total, 218-110. Cook had 82 yards on 16 attempts, and Hair finished with 84 yards on 13 carries.

Nesbitt's group travels to Indianapolis for the conference opener on Saturday. Since Truman's joining the GLVC, the match-up has traditionally been an end-of-

season affair. Indianapolis was selected to win the conference, and Truman was chosen as pre-season runner up in each significant poll.

Indy defeated Hillsdale 42-16 on the road in its opener.

"There's no silver lining, but I will say I thought the club fought very hard with a three-touchdown deficit," Nesbitt said. "We were gaining momentum and gaining momentum for a long stretch in that game, you've got to be proud of them for fighting. Of course you want to walk out of here 1-0 and we need to play better, for sure."

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Truman running back Denim Cook breaks free and scores his team's second touchdown of the season on a 32-yard rush. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS



Senior linebacker Ulysses Ross (4) and senior defensive lineman Zach Rouland (56) get after Findlay quarterback Matthew Rueve in Saturday's loss.

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Sophomore Bulldog receiver Joseph Spaulding gets past several Findlay defenders on Saturday afternoon.



In his first career start at quarterback, sophomore Dylan Hair rolls right and looks for an option. Hair finished with 191 passing yards and added 84 yards on the ground.



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## Rotary Club of Kirksville hears from city officials

By Rotary Club of Kirksville

The speakers at the Aug. 21 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting were City Manager Mari Macomber and Adam Dorrell, public works director and engineer. They spoke about completed and proposed city of Kirksville projects and Macomber sought comments to MoDOT on Highway 63 with respect to possible overpasses for Highways 6 and 11. Pictured from left are Dorrell, Club President Ruth Bowers and Macomber.



## TRUMAN'S DAWN HOWD SPEAKS TO ROTARY CLUB OF KIRKSVILLE



At the Aug. 28 Rotary Club of Kirksville meeting, Truman Director of Stewardship, Office of Advancement Dawn Howd (left) spoke about the upcoming 2024-25 Kohlenberg Lyceum Series which begins on Sept. 24 with Third Coast Percussion. Howd is pictured with club President Ruth Bowers. ROTARY CLUB OF KIRKSVILLE

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David Lukefahr, Pastor  
7:30 a.m. The Lutheran Hour KLTE  
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9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Faith  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School Faith  
10:15 a.m. Worship Service Faith  
10:00 p.m. Issues, Etc. 107.9 KLTE  
[www.faihtkirksville.org](http://www.faihtkirksville.org)
- Hamilton Street Baptist Church**  
802 W. Hamilton  
Pastor Tim Ingle  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups  
10:15 a.m. Worship Service  
[www.hamiltonstreet.org](http://www.hamiltonstreet.org)
- Rehoboth Baptist Church**  
100 Pfeiffer Rd.  
Curtis Ferguson, Pastor  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
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- First Presbyterian Church (USA)**  
201 S. High at McPherson  
Communion 1st Sunday  
9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time.  
11:00 a.m. Church School/all ages  
5:30 p.m. College Fellowship
- Kirksville Church of Christ**  
110 Pfeiffer Ave.  
Elders/Pastors: Dan Green, Dean Hansen  
10:00 a.m. Bible Study  
11 a.m. Worship  
Weds 6:30p.m. Bible Study  
[www.kvcc.org](http://www.kvcc.org)
- First Baptist Church**  
207 E. Washington  
Jason Marlin, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Bible Study for all ages  
10:45 a.m. Worship & Kidz Worship  
[firstbaptistkirksville.com](http://firstbaptistkirksville.com)
- Faith United Methodist Church**  
1602 E. Illinois  
Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship  
**Southside Baptist Church**  
1010 W. Burton  
Pastor: Aaron Rodgerson  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Preaching  
6:30 p.m. Evening Service
- First Church of God**  
2900 S. Halliburton  
Tiffany and Michael Vincent  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
[www.firstchurchoflove.com](http://www.firstchurchoflove.com)
- Central Church of Christ**  
2010 S. Halliburton  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 am. Worship Service
- Faith Baptist Church**  
502 N. Florence  
Pastor: Brandon Rhea  
10:00 a.m. Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
12:30 p.m. Noon Lunch
- The Crossing Church**  
810 E. Shepherd Ave.  
9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service  
[www.thecrossing.net](http://www.thecrossing.net)
- Grace Community Bible Church**  
1501 E. Northtown Rd.  
Benjamin Jordan, Pastor  
Affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of America  
9:30 a.m. Worship  
11:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages  
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300 E. Washington  
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9:30 a.m. Worship In Person & Online  
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- Pure Air Baptist Church**  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
TBA Bible Study
- Church of God of Prophecy**  
807 Benton Way  
Pastor: Rob Linhart  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
6:30 p.m. Evening Service
- Fellowship Baptist Church**  
1701 S. Jamison St., Kirksville  
Larry Gibson, Pastor  
9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Study  
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Highway N., Yarrow  
Pastor David Stuckey  
10:00 a.m. Sunday Services
- Mary Immaculate Catholic Church**  
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- Union Temple Church Southwest of Kirksville**  
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5:30-6:30 p.m. Church Service
- Sugar Creek Baptist Church**  
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Pastor, Virgil K. Jones  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist Church**  
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Elder Dillion Thurman, minister  
Services on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays  
10:30 a.m. Song Service  
11:00 a.m. Preaching
- Meadow Brook Christian Church**  
602 E. Washington  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 Morning Worship
- St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church**  
Novinger, Mo.  
7:30 a.m. Sunday
- Life Church of Kirksville**  
112 W. Potter  
Jeremy Pingle, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Service
- Community Presbyterian Church**  
210 N. Owensby, LaPlata, Mo  
Pastor Rev Jeff Carter  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:40 a.m. Worship Service
- Cornerstone Church**  
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Sunday 10 am - Morning Worship  
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[www.cornerstonechurch.faiht](http://www.cornerstonechurch.faiht)
- Countryside Christian Church**  
S. Boundary St. Rt. H, Troy Mills  
Preacher, Harold R. Engel  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:15 a.m. Bible Study  
[www.countrysidekv.com](http://www.countrysidekv.com)
- Gifford Christian Church**  
Minister: Darren Potter  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
- Lake Road Chapel**  
22963 Potter Trail  
Pastors: Andrew Turner, Andy Thompson, David Kelly  
10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service  
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- Church of God (Holiness)**  
1601 N. Elson  
Pastor Ralph E. Wheeler, Jr.  
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10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- New Hope Evangelical Church**  
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Rev. Fred Baker, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- Novinger Baptist Church**  
Highway 6 & 149  
Rev. Darrell Crooks, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- First Christian Church**  
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- Trinity Episcopal Church**  
124 N. Mulanix  
Rev. Amy L. Fallon, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
1301 N. Elson  
Kent Dunwoody, Pastor  
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- Willow Bend Association East Center Community Church**  
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10:45 a.m. Worship
- Illinois Bend Community Church**  
Highway 3  
Pastor Terry Hunsaker  
8:30 a.m. Worship  
9:30 a.m. Bible Study  
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- Baring Community Church**  
11:00 a.m. Worship.
- Downing Christian Church**  
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Pastor: Lynae McFarland  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- Trinity United Fellowship Church**  
Pastor: Josh Botello  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
660-626-4446
- Lancaster United Methodist Church**  
Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
- Shekinah Mennonite Church**  
15981 Blueberry Way, Kirksville  
John Mark Miller, Pastor Roger Berry  
9:30 a.m. Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
6:00 p.m. 2nd Sunday - hymn sing  
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7:00 p.m. Evening Worship.
- Lancaster Baptist Church**  
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Lonnie Johnson, Pastor  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- Grace Bible Baptist Church**  
Greencastle, Mo.  
Rev. Earl Baker, Pastor  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
5:00 p.m. Evening Service
- Winigan Christian Church**  
Ryan Crist, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- First Baptist Church**  
Winigan, Winigan, Mo.  
Sam Burkholder, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- Fairview Baptist Church**  
53610 Knob Hill Road, Pollock  
Sam Burkholder, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening
- Bible Missionary Church**  
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10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
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- LaPlata Christian Church**  
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9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Queen City Christian Church**  
Queen City, Mo.  
Justin Briney, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Bible School  
10:30 a.m. Communion/worship Hour
- United Pentecostal Church**  
1502 E. Northtown Road  
David E. Brown, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
6:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship
- Brashear Community Bible Church**  
Donny Powell, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
660-323-5305
- First Baptist Church of LaPlata**  
B. J. McAlpin, Pastor  
9:00 am "Donut Hole" Fellowship  
9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship Service  
6:00 pm Evening Worship  
<http://laplatabfc.org>  
Email: [laplatabfc@gmail.com](mailto:laplatabfc@gmail.com)
- Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist Church**  
8 mi. N.W. of Kirksville on Rt. B.  
Tim Hodges, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning worship  
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- Worthington Baptist Church**  
Worthington, Mo.  
Roger Busnell, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
6:00 pm Evening Service  
660-379-2329
- Willow Bend Church**  
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- New Hope Methodist Reformed Church - Millard**  
9:15 a.m. Bible Stud  
10:00 a.m. Worship
- Greentop Community Church**  
Highway K, Greentop, Mo.  
Pastor: Lynae McFarland  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- Trinity United Fellowship Church**  
Pastor: Josh Botello  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
660-626-4446
- Lancaster United Methodist Church**  
Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
- Shekinah Mennonite Church**  
15981 Blueberry Way, Kirksville  
John Mark Miller, Pastor Roger Berry  
9:30 a.m. Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
6:00 p.m. 2nd Sunday - hymn sing  
6:00 p.m. 4th Sunday of month Topic
- Bethel Community Church**  
12 miles NE of Kirksville on Rt. T  
Marvin Cross, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Kid's Klub/Youth Fellowship  
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship.
- Lancaster Baptist Church**  
Southeast Side of Square, Lancaster  
Lonnie Johnson, Pastor  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- Grace Bible Baptist Church**  
Greencastle, Mo.  
Rev. Earl Baker, Pastor  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
5:00 p.m. Evening Service
- Winigan Christian Church**  
Ryan Crist, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- First Baptist Church**  
Winigan, Winigan, Mo.  
Sam Burkholder, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- Fairview Baptist Church**  
53610 Knob Hill Road, Pollock  
Sam Burkholder, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening
- Bible Missionary Church**  
508 S. Main St.  
Bro. Glenn Kiger, Pastor  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- St. John's Lutheran Church ELCA**  
North of Queen City go East on Rt. O  
Pastor, Bill Iammatteo-Code  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Hurland First Baptist Church**  
Robert Shobe, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
7:30 p.m. Sun. & Weds. Worship and/or Bible Study
- Colony Baptist Church**  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. 4th Sunday worship
- Cornerstone Community Church**  
Meeting at the Fohn Family Center  
404N. Elson  
9:30 a.m. Sunday Small Group Bible Study designed for adults
- Locust Hill Community Church**  
Rt. I, Novelty, Mo  
William Gaines, Pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
- New Harmony Free Will Baptist**  
3 miles West of Greentop on Rt. K  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
- Word Alive! Family Church**  
Hwy 63, Greentop  
Pastors: Robert Gange  
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, Adult service, Childrens Church
- Schuyler County Church of Faith**  
Highway 136 East, Lancaster  
Sonny Smyser, Pastor  
8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Sunday Services  
11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday Class  
3rd Sunday Fellowship dinner 12 noon
- Gospel Outreach Church**  
209 W. Washington  
Norman Keller, Pastor  
Gonda Manning, Co pastor  
7:00 p.m. Thursday Services  
7:00 p.m. Sunday Services
- Victory Baptist Church of Greentop**  
-Meets at the Willmathsville Community Church on Hwy A.  
Pastor Joshua Wesley  
10:30 a.m. Worship
- Union Temple**  
Pastor Alan Coonfield  
Sunday evening worship  
5:00 pm Bible Study  
5:30 pm Worship