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Kirksville City Council candidate bios

Staff Reports

Four candidates are running for two Kirksville City Council seats this spring. The municipal election for city council will be held on Tuesday, April 8, and there are two full, three-year terms available in the election. Candidates for 2025 April Municipal Election are current mayor Zac Burden, Council member Kabir Bansal, and perennial council candidates Kevin A. Alm and Danny McDowell. Following are their bios.

Zac Burden

When I first ran for the Kirksville City Council, I pledged to serve our community with a positive tone focused on growing all aspects of this historic, cherished city. Over these past two terms, I have endeavored to work together with you to strengthen our commitment to one another, further build out vital ser-



Zac Burden

vices, and adapt our shared environment into one that welcomes innovation and positive development for all. I hope you know how much I enjoy being your city council member as I run for one final term in your service.

I enjoy serving. This includes attending, participating in, and leading meetings of the City Coun-



Kabir Bansal

cil, but it's much more than just meetings. Serving involves working with others to formulate solutions as we examine the challenges and opportunities before us. It's also about dynamically representing our town in all forums.

I enjoy learning. Being prepared for meetings is critical to me, so I arrive each week having fully



Danny McDowell

read through briefing materials. I investigate matters further and listen to various perspectives of those reaching out. This readies me to work effectively with my colleagues on all matters before the City Council.

I enjoy connecting. One of the great joys of serving in this role has been getting to know the people



Kevin Alm

of our city better. I rarely turn down an invitation to represent the City Council and try to meet new people whenever possible. Events like attending a church's chili cookoff, for example, are treasured occasions to better connect with individuals and the greater Kirksville community.

I enjoy listening. It is essential that anyone tak-

ing up this work be eager to hear from the people they serve. I've dubbed the gazebo in Brashear Park as my "office." When folks reach out and want to talk, I like to meet with them there. But I've also sat down in people's living rooms, discussed matters in the grocery store aisle, and talked with people outside City Hall before meetings. Including the aspirations, concerns, and ideas of Kirksville residents is critical in decision making and planning.

My experience, reflection, and growth as a leader during my six years on the City Council prepare me well to continue in your service. Working for the people of Kirksville has been the honor of a lifetime. Thank you for your continued support. I would appreciate your vote for reelection, one last time, on April 8.

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Kirksville, Novinger and La Plata voters are all being asked for tax increases

Staff Reports

The city of Kirksville and the school districts in La Plata and Novinger are seeking funds to make improvements to facilities that have struggled to keep up on maintenance and improvements to their various facilities. Following are reviews of the ballot measures voters are being asked to approve on April 8.

Kirksville Prop B: Purpose Built ballot measure

The city of Kirksville is proposing a 3/8-cent (\$0.0038) sales tax on the April 8 Municipal Election ballot. If supported by local voters, these funds would go toward constructing a new police station, a new fire station on the north side of town, a community center and an extension of City Hall. It would cost consumers about one cent for every \$3 they spend.

According to city officials, city buildings were built decades ago to serve other purposes. City Hall was built in 1905 as a post office. The current police station was built in the 1960s as a bank. The current fire station is a former auto dealership.

"The city has been a good steward of public funds by using these buildings, but they have reached a point where they no longer provide adequate service for the people of Kirksville," city officials said on their website. "This project will allow for new purpose-built buildings designed to function as they should, ensuring residents get the service they should."

Adair County R-I School District – Novinger

The Adair County R-I School District Board of Education in Novinger, is asking voters on April 8, to approve a no-tax-rate-increase bond



The Kirksville Police Station originally housed a bank and, according to city officials, has maxed out its capacity.

issue that they say will fund "critical improvements" to the district's facilities while "maintaining fiscal responsibility."

According to board members, the proposed upgrades will directly impact the safety, functionality, and sustainability of Adair County R-I schools. Project plans include a renovation to the gym ceiling covering, which is currently in a condition of disintegration that allows pieces of material to fall onto the gym floor. Project plans also include replacement of the aged stage curtains and sound system.

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Shahan delivers annual State of the County address

By Marty Bachman
Daily Express

Adair County Presiding Commissioner Mark Shahan and other county leaders gave a "State of the County" address on Thursday, March 27, at the Kirksville Economic Development Alliance building on South Franklin Street.

Shahan said that the county's 2025 budget includes all the necessary funding for the county departments to provide quality customer service, as well as federal and state grants funds for multiple services.

He said the county commission has budgeted to spend the remainder of the American Rescue Plan funds and that all employees and elected officials will receive a 3% pay increase to comply with salary commission guidelines. The county continues to fully fund retirement plans as well as provide health insurance to full-time employees. Shahan said that the county continues to collect sales taxes, which financed the courthouse restoration scheduled to be paid in full on or before Sept. 1, 2032.

"We're seeing more revenue than what we anticipated, so if we can pay this off on an earlier date, we'll sure make that," Shahan said.

He said that the budget follows "overly complex law", and that the county's goal is to create a fiscal document to provide services to the citizens as well as visitors to the county. He thanked fellow county



Adair County Presiding Commissioner Mark Shahan.

commissioners, elected officials and county staff for their efforts compiling the 2025 budget.

Positive accomplishments of the county commission, he said, include the closeout of a FEMA project, which came about due to heavy storms that dropped 12 inches of rain in July and August of 2023; and the completion of three bridges on county roads. Other improvements were to county roads — and he noted that all the improvements are in line with the commissioners' goals to provide better services to the systems.

Other speakers at the event included Adair County Health Department Administrator Lori Guffey; Adair County Library Director Susan Knox; and Adair County SB40 Director Sean Jacobs. Click here to see a video of the event.

Kirksville city officials recognize citizen advisory commission members

Staff Reports

Kirksville city officials thanked and recognized members of their citizen advisory commissions with a dinner held on Monday, March 24 at Truman State University.

"The work done by the boards and commissions is of great service to the community," city officials said in a Facebook post.

Three members who were recognized following their retirement after at least three terms were Randy Smith, who served on the Airport and Transportation Commission since March

2015; Dan Green, who served on the Lakes, Parks and Recreation Commission since December 2010; and David Jacobs, who served on the Affordable Housing Board since September 1997.

Board members recognized for 15 years of service included Jim Novinger and Marty Jayne, both of whom have served on the Watershed Management Commission since March 2009; and Bill Castles, who has served on the Tax Increment Financing Commission since November 2009 and also the Kirksville Historic Preservation Commission since April 2015.



Bill Castles, Jim Novinger and Mayor Zac Burden. PHOTOS COURTESY OF CITY OF KIRKSVILLE



Randy Smith, Dan Green and Mayor Zac Burden.

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KIRKSVILLE AREA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Missouri Hunter Education skills session

Missouri Hunter Education skills session will be held on April 3 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Northeast Regional Office, 3500 S. Baltimore Street, Kirksville. Participants must be 11 years old and have first completed the knowledge portion of the course prior to attending this skills session. This is done either by completing the online version and showing a screenshot or copy of the certificate (for a fee) or filling out the student manual chapter review questions and bringing the booklet to class for instructor review (no charge). Free student manuals are available at the Northeast Regional Office or from the MDC website at Hunter Ed Study Guide Order Form | Missouri Department of Conservation. At the end of the skills session, participants will take a 35 question test over the information covered in both the knowledge and skills portions of the Missouri Hunter Education course. Registration is required but only participants seeking certification should register; parents or guardians are welcome to attend but should not register. Please do not bring young children who are not attending the class itself as we are in a very focused group.

Thousand Hills State Park Petroglyph Tour

Thousand Hills State Park Petroglyph Tour will take place on Friday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. Thousand Hills State Park is home to a collection of petroglyphs or rock carvings made by ancestors of today’s American Indians. Explore the petroglyphs with park staff to learn more about this unique piece of history. Meet at the petroglyph shelter located next to the beach.

NEMO Job Fair

The NEMO Job Fair will be held at Moberly Area Community College, 2015 E. Normal Street in Kirksville, on Friday, April 4 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The fair includes free admission, drawings for prizes, veteran services available, and there is a virtual option available. Employers at the event will include many local, state and federal entities..

Eastern Star Chapter 184 hosts their 9th Annual Princess Tea

Eastern Star Chapter 184 will host their 9th Annual Princess Tea on Saturday, April 5 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Masonic Temple located at 217 E. Harrison Street in Kirksville. The event is open to Princesses ages 3 to 12 years of age and has a Fairyland Theme with flowers, butterflies and gnomes. Admission is \$5 per person at the door and includes a light lunch, games, arts, crafts, and prizes.

Guided Easter Painting

Guided Easter Painting will be held on April 8 from 03:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Adair County SB40 Community Learning Center (1107 Country Club Drive). In this special guided art activity you will create a fun Easter painting.

Storytime & National Unicorn Day Celebration

Storytime & National Unicorn Day Celebration will be held on April 9, from 1-2 p.m. at the Adair County SB40 Community Learning Center (1107 Country Club Drive). Join them for Storytime with a special activity to celebrate National Unicorn Day. The Adair County Public Library and Kirksville Community Horse Center will be there with fun unicorn stories and a pony for you to meet.

Thousand Hills State Park History Hike

Thousand Hills State Park History Hike will take place on April 11, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Thousand Hills State Park. Join park staff for a leisurely history hike on the paved trail. During the hike, participants will learn about the history of the park at stops along the way. Meet by the bulletin board at the parking lot between the restaurant and cabins. The hike will go from there to the Petroglyph Shelter and back. The trail is ADA accessible. This program is weather permitting.

Curtain Call Theatre presents the classic film: ‘Singin’ in the Rain’

Curtain Call Theatre will present the classic film “Singin’ in the Rain” on April 11, from 7-9 p.m. Curtain Call Theatre is located at 512 W. Elizabeth Street in Kirksville. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., movie at 7 p.m. Admission is free, concessions available.

Ambassador “Sully” Sullenberger to speak at Truman State

Ambassador “Sully” Sullenberger, captain of US Airways Flight 1549, will be Truman State University’s Holman Family Distinguished Speaker, April 11. Sullenberger became internationally renowned on Jan. 15, 2009, when he and his crew safely guided their disabled jetliner to an emergency water landing in New York City’s frigid Hudson River during what has been called the “Miracle on the Hudson.” All 155 aboard survived. Sullenberger and his crew received international acclaim for their actions, including the passage of a Congressional resolution recognizing their bravery. Sullenberger was ranked second in TIME’s “Top 100 Most Influential Heroes and Icons of 2009.” Sullenberger’s presentation will take place at 7 p.m. on April 11 in Baldwin Hall Auditorium. Free tickets are available now at the Kirksville Arts Association in downtown Kirksville. Tickets can also be picked up on campus at the Ruth W. Towne Museum and

Visitors Center, the Advancement Office in McClain Hall 205 and the Union and Involvement Office in the Student Union Building. Any remaining tickets will be available at the Baldwin Auditorium ticket window starting at 6:30 p.m. April 11.

Drawing workshop for beginners

A drawing workshop for beginners will be held at the Sue Ross Arts Center 215 S. Franklin Street, Kirksville, on April 12, from 1-4 p.m. All supplies will be provided. The cost is \$35 for KAA members and \$40 for non-members. Guests will be taught basic drawing skills in this workshop. No prior experience is needed. The deadline to sign up for this workshop is April 9.

Thousand Hills State Park Learn 2 Aim

Thousand Hills State Park Learn 2 Aim will be held on Saturday, April 12, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Begin your archer journey by attending a hands-on workshop this spring! This is a great opportunity to learn new skills with joint instruction on the basics of archery and atlatl throwing. Prior Registration is required. REGISTER AT: mostateparks.com/learn2.

Friends of NEMO Scholarships Spaghetti Dinner & Fundraising Auction!

A Friends of NEMO Scholarships Spaghetti Dinner & Fundraising Auction will be held April 12, from 6-9 p.m. at the NEMO Fairgrounds Multipurpose Building. Join them for a fun-filled evening of delicious food and exciting bidding at their Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. They’re raising funds for Friends of NEMO Scholarships and new tables and chairs to enhance the event center. Free will donation (Includes pasta, salad, bread, beverage, and dessert). Auction time is 7 p.m. Auction items range from gift baskets to exclusive experiences. All proceeds go towards supporting the improvements at the event center and Friends of NEMO Scholarships. RSVP today and don't miss out.

Baby born at Scotland County Hospital

By Scotland County Hospital

Baby boy Kasey Wayne Snyder, born at Scotland County Hospital in Memphis on March 8, 2025 at 7:24 p.m. Eight pounds, 5 oz., 20.5 inches long. Parents are Colton and Renee Snyder of Green Castle. Siblings are Samantha and Riley. Grandparents are Jerry and Terri Snyder of Green Castle; Roy and Amy Love of Kirksville; Jeff and Dawn Byrn of Greentop.



Adair County R-II (Brashear) 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

By Adair County R-II (Brashear)

Adair County R-II 3rd Quarter “A” Honor Roll

12th GRADE:

Cassidy Althide, Tayla Garlock, Bevyn March, Jacob Snyder, Paige Stutsman, Lana Vansickle, Riley Whitlow.

11th GRADE

Bailee Crandall, Heidi Lay, Bobbianne Magruder, Marissa McMann, Maddie Moots, Noah Shannon.

10th GRADE

Levi Clark

9th GRADE

Kaden Hettinger

8th GRADE

Audrey Erwin

7th GRADE

Carli Clark

Adair County R-II “B” Honor Roll

12th GRADE

John Higgins, Cory Holcomb, Andi Shaw.

11th GRADE

Adyn Carpenter, Cole Erwin, Brayton Henrichs, Ryelee Holt, Taylor Houghton, Jayden Kugler, Jacob Love, Avery Smith, Caden Taylor.

10th GRADE

Lillie McKim, Kheegan Moots, Emma Newland, Presleigh Pflum, Cadee Powell, Kienii Scott.

9th GRADE

Cade Erwin, Kennedy Gray, Cameron McLean, Kaden McMann, Daisey Moraga, Gus Noe

8th GRADE

Danielle Blanton, Kaiden Gorman, Kennedy Henderson, Maddie Mayfield, Aubree Newland, Shevelle Rusk, Landon Shannon

7th GRADE

Gracie Baker, Gage Gray, Mya Huffman, Izzy McLean, Logan Moots, Justin Robeson, Jax Robinson, Katryna Youngman

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OBITUARIES

Betty Pickens
Jan 10, 1934 – Mar 23, 2025

Betty Pickens, a beloved mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away on March 23, 2025, at The Pines in Kirksville, Missouri. She was born on January 10, 1934, in Green Castle, Missouri, to Thomas and Emma (Pierce) Billington. She later graduated from Green City High School in 1951. Betty lived a life rich in love, hard work, and cherished moments.



Betty dedicated her career to Sodexo, where she worked tirelessly from 1993 until her retirement in 2014 at the remarkable age of 80. Throughout her years with the company, she fostered lasting relationships with her coworkers and the Truman students, many of whom remember her fondly for her kindness and dedication.

Her family was her greatest joy and proudest accomplishment. Betty was a devoted mother to her children, Rick Pickens of Greentop, Missouri, and Valerie (Travis) Horn of Kirksville, Missouri. She was a doting grandmother to her grandchildren, Jacquelyn Bishop of LaQuinta, California and Ryan (Chloe) Bishop of Liberty, Missouri. Betty was overjoyed to be reunited with her son Bob Crego of Gainsville, Georgia, her grand children JR (Danielle) Crego, and David Crego and her great-grandchildren, Ollie and Bentley Crego.

Betty found happiness in the simplest of pleasures, especially when tending to her vibrant garden filled with flowers, under the sun. She passionately cheered for her grandkids during their sports and activities, embodying the spirit of support and love. In her free time, she enjoyed playing games, sharing countless rounds of cards and croquet with her loved ones. A talented cook, Betty took great joy in preparing holiday meals, often spoiling her family with her delicious creations.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Jack Pickens, as well as her five brothers and four sisters.

Pallbearers: Ryan Bishop, Travis Horn, JR Crego, David Crego, Roger Billington, and John Stewart. Honorary Pallbearers: Jacquelyn Bishop, Carla True, Linda Jones, and Dorothy Harlan, and her dear coworkers at Sodexo.

Betty's legacy of love and dedication will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew her. Family and friends are invited to celebrate her life during the Funeral Service at Church of God Holiness, located at 1601 N Elson St, Kirksville, MO, at 2:00 PM on March 28, 2025, followed by a Graveside Service at Park View Memorial Gardens.

Her spirit lives on in the joy she brought to her family and all those fortunate enough to have been touched by her warmth and generosity.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Church of God Holiness Kirksville or Adair County Humane Society.

Carl 'Donald' Jones
Oct 8, 1940 – Mar 21, 2025

Carl "Donald" Jones, 84, of Kirksville, Missouri, formerly of Novinger, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Friday, March 21, 2025, at The Pines in Kirksville.



Donald was born on October 8, 1940 in Greencastle, MO. The son of Forrest and Edith (Schillie) Jones who preceded him in death. He is a 1959 graduate of Novinger R-1 School. He later married the love of his life, Rita Lou Myers on December 1, 1961 in Novinger. She survives.

Donald was an active man who was deeply involved in the Novinger Baseball and Softball Association where he spent countless hours coaching kids in the community. He also served as President of NBSA for several years. He was an avid woodworker. Donald was a member of the Mid-Missouri Woodworkers Club and Mid-America Lumberman's Association. He was an active member of the Novinger Lion's Club where he served as President for many years. As an active member he was a participant of their bowling team. Donald was also a member of the Kirksville El Kadir Shrine Club and was a FreeMason.

Donald began his career in the lumber business right out of high school, working for R.J. Hurley Lumber Company in Kirksville. He later entered a joint venture to establish the McFarland & Jones Lumber Company. After selling the lumber yard he worked at Galloway Lumber Company in Kirksville, Broad Building Supply in Columbia, MO, and Home Depot in Columbia, MO until his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his mother and father-in-law, one daughter Michelle (Jones) Carrier, two sisters and two brother-in-laws; Evelyn (Jimmy) Eitel, Lucille (Donnie) Swisher, and one brother and sister-in-law Charles (Onie) Jones. Donald is also survived by his daughter Donna Lou (Larry) Broadwell of Kirksville, son Michael (Stephanie) Jones of Kirksville, two granddaughters; Laura Broadwell and Shafer Jones both of Kirksville, and four grandsons; Dale (Kassie) Broadwell of Novinger, Austin Carrier and fiancée Samantha Williams of New Bloomfield, Shane Jones of Kirksville, and Colton Carrier of New Bloomfield, as well as, several nieces and nephews who loved him dearly.

Donald will be remembered for his patience, kind heart, and ability to fix nearly anything. He will be dearly missed.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Novinger Baseball and Softball Association.

Dr. Charles 'Chuck' Kline
Oct 12, 1935 – Mar 26, 2025

Dr. Charles Kline, or "Chuck", as he was fondly called, passed peacefully at the age of 89 to his Heavenly home on March 26, 2025, after a brave struggle to remain with his beloved wife, Elizabeth "Betsy" Kline, née May. Formerly of Kirksville, Missouri, a place he always considered home, he resided in Columbia, Missouri at the time of his passing. He was known to many as a caring pediatrician, a good man, and a patriotic soldier. His family knew him as a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. His marriage to Betsy of 67 years is known as a "great love story".



Dr. Kline was born in Savannah, Georgia on October 12, 1935, and was raised in Jacksonville, Florida. He was an adored child, raised by his mother, Dr. Julia Larmoyeux Kline D.O., and extended Larmoyeux family. He attended Bolles Military Prep School in Jacksonville; earned an Associate of Arts degree at Jacksonville University; attended the University of Florida, Gainesville; and in 1960 was awarded the degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine at Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Kline came from a long line of Osteopathic physicians, who for generations have taken part in its practice dating back to Andrew Taylor Still, the founder of the Osteopathic Medical School in Kirksville, Missouri. Since 1911, there have been over 21 Osteopathic physicians in Dr. Kline's family, including his grandson, Robert, who followed in his footsteps. Dr. Kline has been recognized as "the last of an era" of pure Osteopathic physicians.

Dr. Kline's career included private practice in general pediatrics and adolescent medicine in both Kirksville, Missouri and Fort Worth, Texas. He was a tenured professor and Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. In 1976 he became the Associate Dean of Clinical Sciences at the University of North Texas, Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth, Texas, and Professor and Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics.

After retiring Dr. Kline answered the call and joined the army due to a shortage of military physicians and served as Lieutenant Colonel in the Army Medical Corp. He served as Deputy Commander of Clinical Services at USA MEDDAC Hospital and Clinics in Fort Huachuca and Yuma, Arizona, and as Chief of Pediatrics at Raymond W. Bliss Army Hospital. Later he was stationed in Brussels, Belgium during the Gulf War serving as Deputy Commander for Clinical Services for the 196th Station Hospital at SHAPE base, and all NATO Clinics in Brussels, as well as the 6th GD Clinic at Brunssum, Holland. During this period Dr. Kline also served as visiting Professor of Pediatric Medicine at WVSOM Ambroise Pare Hospital, Mons, Belgium. He completed his service at Ft. McClellan, Alabama. He received an Honorable Discharge in 1995. In recognition of his military service, Dr. Kline was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Missouri House of Representatives Certificate of Recognition for Military Service, the American Warrior Achievement Medal, the Army Service and Overseas Service Ribbon.

Dr. Kline's distinguished contributions to his medical profession include: founding Medical Director of Kirksville Regional Center for the Developmentally Disabled; the Forum Leader on the White House Conference on

Children; Consultant to the President of the United States on Rural Health (specifically medical care delivery to migrant and farm workers in rural settings); Project Director of Maternal and Child Health Program of K.C.O.M/K.O.M.C; founded the Neo Natal Tertiary Care Nursery at Kirksville Osteopathic Medical Center; Clinical Investigator-N.I.H. Leukemia-A.L.L. and A.M.L at K.C.O.M.; clinical research on respiratory disease in infants and children, with use of manipulative therapy as primary or adjunctive therapy at K.C.O.M.; Medical Director of Missouri Crippled Children's Service at K.O.M.C.; consultant to the DV of Maternal and Child Health appointed by Missouri Governor Hearnes; Consultant for the Missouri DV of Mental Health appointed by Missouri Governor Bond; Texas State Committee on Medical Education; Maternal and Child Health Committee for the state of Missouri; consultant for the Missouri Department of Health and Genetic Diseases; and Federal Project Director for Children and Youth Medical Program in Kirksville; and President of the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians.

As a pediatrician, Dr. Kline spent countless nights making house calls, doing rounds in the evenings at the hospital visiting sick patients, and frequently saw patients at his house after hours. Neighbors always knew who to call in a medical emergency.

Dr. Kline enjoyed time with family, golf, travel, art, Florida oranges, seafood, donuts after mass, the beach, a good card game, and was an avid reader. Growing up in Florida, he had a fondness for the beach, which he joyfully shared with his wife and children each summer during his vacations. His children remember him a happy man who liked ice cream and had an impeccable whistling talent. Living his faith, he attended Mass regularly at Mary Immaculate Catholic Church in Kirksville. In his later years he enjoyed spending the afternoons over a cup of coffee with friends sharing stories and laughs at Pagliai's Pizza in Kirksville. As a father he taught his children how to show respect to everyone, regardless of their ethnicity, gender, social and economic background, and beliefs.

He leaves behind his wife of almost 67 years, Elizabeth Jane Kline, of Columbia, Missouri; his children: Annette Kline Robbins (Michael), Michael Charles Kline (Kimberly), Patricia Kline Putnam, James Andrew Kline (Deborah); his grandchildren: Hannah, Robert (Zoe), Dustin (Karie), Olivia (Chase), Adam, Julian (Sarah), Jaqueline, Margaret (Alex), Ethan (Kylee), Eliza, Lynsey; and great grandchildren: Canon, Sophia, Ana, Arya, and Rowan. Dr. Kline was preceded in death by his loving mother, numerous aunts, uncles, grandparents, and his grandson, Daxton Charles Kline.

Dr. Kline will be buried with full military honors at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Jacksonville, Missouri on Friday April 4, 2025 in a private family service.

As one of his granddaughters recently said, "we know he is up in heaven telling war stories over coffee with his buddies and waiting on his sweetheart". Though he is no longer with us, his legacy lives on in the lives he healed, the lessons he passed down, and the love he shared. You gave us the gift of yourself and each other. You are dearly missed, loved, and will forever be in our hearts. Rest in Peace "Chuck", "Dad", "Grandpa", "Doc". All the love.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to the Mary Immaculate Catholic Church, Kirksville, Missouri; or to the A.T. Still University at Kirksville for student scholarships.



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But wait, there’s more!

Long before the days of Facebook and other platforms, all the latest gadgets, doodads, and must-have products were sold through TV commercials.

Almost all the products advertised were for the kitchen. The housewife needed help with mundane cooking chores, and mostly-male inventors had the solutions.

These were not the half-hour airings we sometimes see now; where people cook impossibly delectable dishes using air/convection/grills and taste them with ooohs and ahhhhs.

These were normal-length commercials— 30 seconds to a minute. They’d show up between soap opera cliff-hanger moments or within breaks of the Mike Douglas Show.

The spokesman talked quickly. The speed of his speech snapped your synapses to attention: what he was saying must be important! The man blabbered break-neck syllables, and part of the appeal was just to watch him get all the words out before the ad was over.

Sometimes, he demonstrated the product. Slap-chopped onions in a plastic contraption. Peeled a potato with the crank of a handle. Cut through blocks of frozen food—even a tin can! —with knives bearing Japanese names.

My eyes goggled at the product as it spun on a stand. The lights gleamed against the metal or quality plastic, and I imagined its beauty on my kitchen counter.

If my interest began to wane,

the voice would call me back: “Wait. There’s more!”

The pitchman was determined to make me want what he was selling. And he did. The more I heard the more I wanted. Why, this was something never seen before! This would make my life easier! And cleanup would be a breeze!

As his hands and mouth whizzed, the pertinent particulars of the product (price, payment address) scrolled along the bottom of the screen. There would be a fee for shipping and handling, of course.

That cost (usually substantial) was mentioned in a lowered tone, almost as an afterthought.

Eventually, the slick spiel erased my sensibility and replaced it with covetous resignation.

Once I was hooked, buying was child’s play. I grabbed a pencil, jotted down the long address (always with a box number), and sent a personal check.

And, immediately, I panicked.

This was not a purchase to be taken lightly. In the late ‘60s and early ‘70s, women weren’t allowed to have our own checking account. The husband’s reaction to a joint account withdrawal had to be considered.

Would this householder helper make me more of a joy to come home to? Could I justify its price with tastier meals? Should I be ready for disappointment?

Usually, he caved. I sent off our check and counted the days until the 4–6-week delivery date.

I vowed to chop and cook and clean with all my might



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ROBIN WRITES

once I got my gadget.

Then, one by one, they were shoved to the back of the cabinet, like sins of poor judgement or slothful home maintenance.

By the mid-1980s, there were more fantastically useless products being sold in commercials than you could Shake a Weight at. And I was an easy mark for almost every one.

Did I want a machine that could give me thinner, muscular thighs like Suzanne Somers had? You bet. Would it be so easy to cut John’s hair at home with a vacuum/clipper invention? Yup.

Would I love turning off my lights with a jaunty clap of my hands? Neat-o!

And we all, the entire Leach family, owned handy-dandy, space-saving, super-light Pocket Fisherman fishing rods. We even used them once or twice.

In this new marketing millenium, my phone flashes constant ads for space-saving, health-restoring, life-changing products. I try to resist, and I’m getting better at it, but the appeal of something too good to be true still snares me from time to time.

And it all started with those mega-voiced commercials way back then.

HOME COUNTRY

What’s in a name?

All land developers really have to do to name all the new streets in a sagebrush subdivision is to leave the naming up to the local kids. The names may be goofy, but seldom boring.

Such was the case with Fonster Fench. From the outside, she looked just like any other small stray cat that a young girl might rescue and bring home. But when my kid named her Fonster Fench, I had to ask why.

“Well,” she said, “you can see her name’s Fonster, right? And she has this ... fenchiness about her.”

The Fench part transmogrified into a verb over the next few weeks, until Fonster was known to cavort in a fench-like manner. This became “fenching,” to the neighborhood kids, who would practice fenching on their own around the yard until they had it perfected.

There must be some law of ethereal justice somewhere, carved on a cloud, which says the scruffier the animal, the classier its name must be.

One of Michael Candelaria’s coonhounds out there in Laguna Pueblo wasn’t as lucky. Mike named him “Speed Bump.” Sure enough ...

A sled dog in Talkeetna, Alaska, named Shark fulfilled his destiny years ago by eating his own tail. His owner took him to a dog shrink (I’m



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not making this up) and the shrink took \$25 up front and then told the owner Shark was crazy.

Sometimes adults who don’t accept grown-up-icity (hey, sounds better than adultery) can come up with some kid-like names, too. For example, the little brown dog called “Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River,” and the cat named “Nebula” because he had a certain ... gas cloud problem.

A happily gobbled pair of turkeys in Corrales, New Mexico were known as King Tut and his bride, Neferturkey.

Sometimes a name changes slightly over time, due to a sharpening of an animal’s personality. That was the case with the half hound, half husky given the magnificent name “Ulysses.” After a few months, the lady of the house changed his name to “Useless.”

Registered animals are given bizarre names by owners with more money than brains. How else would you explain the champion show horse named “Twist My Doo Doc”? The horse show announcer was never able to say it with a straight face.

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THE ROCKWOOD FILES

A mind shift over burnt ends

Writer tries a new approach to peace

Let me set the scene. We were at a restaurant with the whole family, including my mom, all three of our college kids, plus two roommates brought home by our 20-year-old son Jack, who was in town for spring break. His roommates were both born and raised in Michigan, and this was their first trip to a city in the South. We were on a culinary mission to show them the best Southern cuisine has to offer.

With plates loaded with barbecue brisket, ribs, green beans, burnt ends, and mac and cheese, we navigated through the bustling barbecue joint to the enclosed patio out back. We settled down at a long picnic-style table, and I couldn’t wait to see the boys’ reaction to what would undoubtedly be the best barbecue they’d ever had.

That’s when a middle-aged guy sitting two tables over started singing. His loud snippets of an unidentifiable song clashed with the background music. He wasn’t crooning. He was caterwauling. And it kept going on and on, separated only by brief pauses. The guy’s back was to me, but I watched the people at his table as I tried to figure out what was happening. Was this a birthday party? Was he drunk? The people at his table seemed amused.

But I wasn’t laughing. I was bothered. What started as mild annoyance was ramping up into anger. Doesn’t this guy know how rude it is to be so loud and disruptive in a restaurant? Why wasn’t he stopping? Why weren’t his friends asking him to stop? How did they think it was okay to interrupt dinner for other paying customers who’d come for a meal and conversation — not an off-key mashup of noise and nuisance.

I aimed a few pointed, pleading stares in their direction. But my furrowed brows were no match for the chaos at their table. I considered finding a manager and asking if they would tell the guy to dial down the distraction. But I didn’t want to make things worse. I just wanted our out-of-town guests to have a good time and a good meal.

I glanced down the long table at the five college kids we’d brought with us. They were elbow-deep in barbecue sauce — eating, talking, and laughing. If they’d noticed the guy causing a scene, they didn’t seem bothered by it. And that’s when a connection formed in my brain that helped me go from furious back down to fine.



GWEN ROCKWOOD
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Earlier that day, I’d started listening to a popular audiobook titled “Let Them Theory” by Mel Robbins. I was only a few chapters in, but I was beginning to get the gist, which is this: Let people be who they are and do what they do without becoming obsessed with fixing or changing it. (Usually, you don’t have the power to change it anyway.) After the “let them” part of the formula, you’re supposed to say, “Let me” and focus on yourself and what you can control (which is typically your own reaction).

As one book reviewer put it, it’s about “learning how to protect your peace without needing to change what others do.” Easy to say, but often hard to do.

But something clicked in that moment. I realized the loud and obnoxious guy wasn’t “making” me mad. I was choosing to be mad. I had the option of focusing only on our table. I didn’t have to stew. I didn’t have to go to war, even inside my own mind. I didn’t want to spend that dinner feeling frustrated, and I realized I could stop — even if the rude guy didn’t.

So that’s what I did. I protected my peace. It turns out that having control over a situation is not a prerequisite for having peace. Try it the next time something or someone is driving you nuts.

In the weeks since my barbecue epiphany, I’ve thought more about the guy from that night. Maybe he was just a jerk, or maybe not. I remember how my dad, who suffered from dementia in the last decade of his life, sometimes said and did loud or inappropriate things in public. Medical and mental conditions don’t always play by the rules of polite society. And I have no idea what that man and his friends or family might be learning to live with. But I do know I wish them peace, whatever it is.

As for my own peace, from now on I’ll try to be more responsible for that, too.

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PUBLIC HEALTH CORNER

National Facial Protection Month

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Welcome to the Public Health Corner:
National Facial Protection Month

April is National Facial Protection Month, a reminder of the importance of wearing proper protective gear to prevent serious dental and facial injuries. As spring arrives, many young athletes are beginning training for summer sports like baseball, softball, soccer, and biking. This makes it the perfect time to emphasize the need for helmets, mouthguards, and other safety equipment to help keep kids safe while they stay active.



The Importance of Facial Protection

Sports-related injuries are one of the leading causes of dental trauma and facial fractures in children and adolescents. A single impact can result in broken teeth, jaw fractures, or even long-term damage. However, many of these injuries can be prevented with the right protective gear, making safety equipment an essential part of any athlete’s routine.

Essential Protective Gear for Young Athletes

Mouthguards: These help to absorb impact and protect teeth, lips, and the jaw from injuries. Custom-fitted mouthguards provide the best protection and comfort.

Helmets: Sports like baseball, softball, and biking require helmets to prevent concussions and facial injuries. Ensure helmets fit properly and meet safety standards.

Face Shields: For sports like hockey or lacrosse, full-face shields can protect against flying pucks, sticks, or collisions.

Eye Protection: Polycarbonate sports goggles or face shields can prevent eye injuries in high-contact sports.

Preparing for a Safe Summer Season

With summer sports leagues and outdoor activities ramping up, now is the perfect time to invest in the right protective gear. Parents, coaches and athletes should ensure that all equipment fits properly and is in good condition before the season begins. Regular safety checks and encouraging kids to wear their gear consistently can go a long way in preventing serious injuries.

As young athletes prepare for the upcoming sports season, National Facial Protection Month serves as an important reminder to prioritize safety. By wearing properly fitted mouthguards, helmets, and other protective gear, kids can enjoy their favorite activities while reducing the risk of painful and costly injuries. Taking the time now to ensure proper protection can help keep every game safe and fun all season long!

POETRY CORNER

Thoughts of a Child

A young boy... looks to the future...he has dreams, he has hopes, he has desires,
The father... looks down at his son... in his footsteps he wants him to aspire.
As the boy grows... with bat in hand... he tries hitting the ball, but misses again and again,
His dad was patient... threw him pitch after pitch... thinking this has got to set in.
As the boy grew... his love was music... and writing words to go with a song, He’d grab his guitar... and start composing... he did this all day long.
Off to college... to be an engineer... and music is what got him through each day,
Writing songs... going to class... and doing homework along the way.
But life sets in... everything changes... who you were is not who you became,
A family to support... a living to make... getting ahead is now your aim.
After decades of work... decades of stress... thoughts



of a child have now come to light,
I’m listening to music... I’m writing a verse... and I’m doing it again tonight.
— Daniel D. Donovan

TURNING THE PAGE

This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

115 Years Ago, April 1, 1910

Approximately 1500 Kirksville students from the American School of Osteopathy (ASO), the Normal School, Kirksville High School, and the Kirksville Business College, left their classrooms to fool their teachers in celebration of April Fool's Day. The event was organized by rebels at the ASO who first left their classrooms and formed a procession to the Normal School, where many more students walked out leaving instructors dumbfounded. With the number of students now in the hundreds, the marchers proceeded to the high school where a few hundred more students joined the April Fool's Day march. From there they went to the Business College, and the marchers were joined by more wayward students. The group then marched downtown in parade fashion that was headed by an improvised drum and fife corp. Upon reaching the downtown area they joined hands and encircled the square. They then lined up four abreast and at 10 a.m. Mayor McCall emerged from city hall to address the group of wayward students. In his address he told the students that "it was the finest looking crowd of young people he had ever seen." Students who defied the "mob rule" and stayed in their classrooms were later dealt with by their classmates. Students at the Normal School who remained behind were dumped into the Normal Lake.

100 Years Ago, March 31, 1925

After more than 66 years of marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Otis P. Miller of Kirksville died three days apart and were buried in the same grave at Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery in Kirksville. Mr. Miller was 91, and Mrs. Miller was 85. Mrs. Miller died less than three days after her husband. Her condition at the time of his passing was so deteriorated that her death was expected, and the family decided to delay Mr. Miller's funeral and burial. Mrs. Miller was the former Nancy Sloan, the daughter of David E. and Nancy A. Sloan, the first residents of Kirksville. Both of the Miller's played a role in the area's history. Mrs. Miller, who was born February 25, 1849, was said to be the first white female child born in Adair County. She was present at the Battle of Kirksville that took place on August 6, 1862. The Miller residence in Kirksville was destroyed by the destructive tornado of April 27, 1899, and Mrs. Miller and her daughter were seriously injured. Mrs. Miller never fully recovered from her injuries. Otis Miller also had a narrow escape from death at the Centralia Massacre. He was a member of Company A of the 39th Missouri Volunteer Infantry that took part in the Battle of Centralia. He was sent by his commanding office to Paris, Missouri that fateful day to take care of some men and equipment. While in Paris, his company lost their captain and 56 of its 106 men in the onslaught. Mr. and Mrs. Miller married in 1858 and had nine children. The picture below of Mr. and Mrs. Miller in front of their home in Kirksville was taken from Vi-olette's History of Adair County (1911).

95 Years Ago, April 2, 1930

A ballot proposition to establish a public library in Adair County was overwhelmingly defeated in the county election. Not only did the rural districts vote the proposition down, but it lost in the city of Kirksville by approximately 250 votes. Although the votes were not all tallied, preliminary indications were that the library proposition was defeated by about 50 to 1. In many of the rural districts, not a single vote was cast for the library.

90 Years Ago, April 2, 1935

The statue of Andrew Taylor Still, founder of osteopathy, was to be moved from the front of the ASO (American School of Osteopathy) Hospital on West Jefferson Street to the public square in downtown Kirksville. The City of Kirksville reached an agreement with a steering committee that the statue would be moved at the expense of the city. The committee, consisting of



Kirksville citizens representing the Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, and the Chamber of Commerce, had urged the moving of the statue to the square, and they believed the city should pay the cost of the move "as this would give all the citizens a part in the affair and would not be left for a few men to do it." The city council did not suggest a location for the statue on the square, but felt the Still family should make that decision. All parties, including the Still family agreed to move the statue. It was the general consensus that Dr. Still's statue should be on the public square "as a monument to the man who not only did so much for the healing arts but did much to make Kirksville the city that it is."

65 Years Ago, March 31, 1960

Floodwaters of the old Chariton River channel at Youngstown forced the Marvin Mears family from their home, which had eleven inches of water in it. The Mears family took up temporary quarters at the nearby home of Mrs. Mears' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dane Flanagan. Much of the Mears family's furniture was moved out when water started seeping into the dwelling. No relief from the flooding was forecast as continued melting snow in the upper Mississippi and Missouri River valleys continued to inundate the two rivers and their tributaries.

50 Years Ago, March 31, 1975

A fire destroyed Kirksville's nightclub, the Zodiac Lounge, located at 213 West Harrison and threatened Kirksville's Fire Station which was located next door. The combined efforts by the Kirksville, LaPlata, and Lancaster fire departments plus several other volunteers enabled fire fighters to contain the blaze to the Zodiac. The cause of the fire was under investigation by Kirksville Fire Chief Clarence Babcock and an official from the state fire marshal's office. The fire was discovered on a Sunday afternoon when on-duty firemen at the fire station noticed smoke coming from the back of the Zodiac. Shortly after they noticed the smoke, they heard an explosion. Firemen desperately battled the blaze which at several points threatened to burn the fire station and the building on the east of the lounge. At one-point firemen carried most of their equipment from the fire station when they thought the fire was not going to be contained to the lounge. Strong winds hampered the firefighting operations and near freezing temperatures made it extremely uncomfortable for water-soaked firemen. Donnie Findling, a fireman who was fighting the fire from a ladder, was overcome by smoke and heat and had to be evacuated and taken to Kirksville Osteopathic Hospital. The building that housed the Zodiac Lounge was owned by Dwight Dover, and the business was owned by Karen and Roger Prewitt and Doyle and Connie Dover. The entire contents of the building were lost with the exception of items kept in the fireproof safe. The lounge had recently been redecorated, and loss of contents was approximately \$30,000. Considerable damage was done to the east wall of the fire station which adjoined the lounge. The building to the east of the lounge also sustained some fire damage and considerable smoke and water damage. That building was owned by Cliff Mayberry and Bernard Burdman. The Zodiac fire was the second destructive fire in close proximity to the fire station. Ten years earlier the Arnold Lumber Company, located just across the street north of the fire station, was destroyed by fire. The location of the burned-out Zodiac was the site of several other earlier Kirksville Businesses—Mackie and Williams Store, Preston Tire Shop, Paul Sellars Plément, a bowling alley, Jim Edwards Playmore Pool Room, and finally the Zodiac.

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EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY

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An 1889 teenage pioneer – Nancy Jane (Denton) Glasgow

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Nancy Jane Denton was born July 9, 1872, in Macon County, Missouri, the daughter of Richard and Julia (Mon-crief) Denton. She married 26-year-old James Beauregarde Glasgow (1861-1941) when she was 15 in 1887 in a church in the Prairie Bird vicinity of Adair County, Missouri. They went on a pioneer journey headed for Oklahoma when Nancy was only 16. After this journey, they lived at Gibbs, Missouri, where James Glasgow worked on the Santa Fe Railroad. After he retired, he was caretaker of the Gibbs Union Cemetery. Both James and Nancy Glasgow were custodians of the Gibbs School for seventeen years. James also served as the Gibbs town constable / marshal for several years and was on the original Board of Trustees appointed after the town of Gibbs was incorporated in 1894.

The Glasgows were parents of eleven children. Their two sons who lived to adulthood served in World War II. Only four of their children were still living when Nancy Glasgow died at the age of 96 in 1968.

On August 5, 1954, Nancy Jane (Denton) Glasgow (1872-1968) sat down to write about her experiences as a teenage pioneer in 1889. She dedicated her story to her children and all of her descendants who cared to read about her experiences in attempting to get to Oklahoma during the great Oklahoma Land Rush of that era. Below is her story in her own words:

While I am sitting here, my thoughts go back to the days when I was married to James B. Glasgow on December 25, 1887. After we were married, we moved from here to there, but we were very happy together. Then, on February 10, 1889, a sweet baby girl came to bless our home. On March 10th, 1889, we moved to Bullion, Missouri, where Jim got work on a farm just south of Bullion for a man named Phillip "Philly" K. Foley [1844-1900]. But, on Sunday afternoon, April 20, 1889, we went to visit a cousin, James L. Glasgow, and family, and while we were there, we all talked about going to the Indian Territory, which is now the State of Oklahoma, as it was to be entered [i.e. opened up for settlement] in the spring of 1889. Anyone could enter a plot of land of 160 acres. So, we all decided to go and take a claim.

On Wednesday, April 23, 1889, we left our loved ones and started in a covered wagon with our little families. We traveled along very nicely until one Saturday night we camped on Turkey Creek on the other side of Kansas City to stay over the weekend. We saw wagon after wagon pass by where we was camped; some would stop and ask us where we was going. We would tell them, "To the Territory to get a home." Then, they would say, very discouraged, "No use to go. That is where we have been. It is all taken up!" Well, we didn't know what or where to go as we didn't want to go back home for we didn't want to be called "Bunnies," so on Monday morning, we loaded up and started on our journey. Where [we were going], we didn't know.

We traveled a day and a half through the eastern part of Kansas and the Territory, but one late afternoon while we were in the Territory, Jim took awful sick, so we drove up to a farmhouse about sundown. We asked if we could stay in their barn lot overnight. The man said, "Yes, you may, that is, if you don't have any liquor in the wagon."

We told him, "No, we don't have any liquor. But, we have a mighty sick man."

He said, "Well, in that case, you are going to stay in the house, and my wife will fix up something to help the man." So, we went in and stayed all night. She fixed up the medicine for Jim, and it wasn't long until he was alright. The next morning they had us to eat breakfast with them and never charged us a cent!

We got along fine from there on, and we arrived in Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, on the evening of May 19, 1889. We camped outside the city limits. The boys had to go to town to get us something to eat. They went by an Indian shoe cobbler. They asked him if he could tell them where they could find a house there close. He said, "There is a man by the name of Jay Neeley living west of town about a mile and a half, and he will let you boys have the house if your politics is the same as his." So, the boys went up to Mr. Neeley and told him they would like to have a house to live in. He said, "Are you boys Democrats and Baptists?" The boys told him they were Democrats but they was sorry they belonged to another church. He said, "That is good enough; move right in and it won't cost you a cent!"

We moved that day. We were all very happy despite the boys couldn't find much work, and if they did, wages were only one dollar a day. But, we got along until one day I and the other lady took a vomiting spell. Then, it settled in our bowels. In a day or so, two of the children took sick, and the little boy [son of the other couple], 11 months old, died, and that day he was buried.

Jim took sick, so this family that we rented from had us to go stay at their home. Then, our baby girl [Nettie Belle, age 4 months] took sick and died. She was buried the 30th of June.

Well, it seemed like Jim couldn't get too much better, and, by this time, we was about broke [because of] doctor bills and funeral expenses, so we struggled for quite a while trying to get the other family to go somewhere else, but they wanted to stay there for awhile longer.

So, on Thursday morning, July 20, 1889, I decided to write to my folks near Gibbs, Missouri – Richard Denton, my father, and Julia Denton, my mother. I didn't tell Jim that I was writing to them for money. I told them to send us \$25.00 by return mail as we wanted to come home.

On Saturday a.m., I went to the post office to get the mail. The Postmaster had a registered letter for J. B. Glasgow, but he had to sign for it. I went home and ate dinner. After while, I said to Jim, "Do you feel like going to town with me?"

He said, "Yes." We went to the post office and the Postmaster told him about the



letter. Jim looked at me and said, "Who is sending us money and how come they are?"

I said, "Dear, I wrote to my folks and told them to send it, and we was getting out of here!" About 5:00 that evening, we started [on foot] for good old Missouri! We never had anything to eat from Saturday until Sunday noon. We walked twenty miles that night.

Well, our first problem was when we came to Elk River. There was no bridge, no ferry boat, or any way to cross, only to wade. So, while we were getting ready to go across, there was a fellow rode up and asked us if we wanted to cross. He asked me, "Can you ride a horse?" I told him I could. He let me ride his horse while he waded across with my husband. By that time, we was across the Arkansas line. We traveled all night through what was called the flat woods. You couldn't tell one road from the other. So, about 3:00 in the morning, we came to one of the old fashioned wells where one bucket comes up and the other goes down. We were both getting thirsty, so we stopped and got a drink. We could hear music in the distance, so we decided to sit down and rest and listen to the music. But, we both went to sleep.

When we awoke, the sun was shining. We started out on our trip to the little town where we was to catch the train. The name of the place was Splitlog, Missouri [in western McDonald County]. It was the first railroad through that part of the country.

When we got there, we went to the hotel, washed and cleaned up a bit, ate our dinner, and by that time the train was there ready for us to get on. We got into Joplin, Missouri that evening. We were walking around, and there was a fellow stopped us and said, "Are you looking for work?" We told him, "No." If we had been, he would've give us both work.

The next morning, we got on a train that took us to Kansas City, Missouri. We rode all day until late evening when we got into Kansas City. We waited there until after midnight. We got on the train that brought us a little closer home, to La Plata, Missouri. We had to wait till the next day there for a train to bring us on to Gibbs, Missouri, our home where my only brother met us. And, maybe you don't think that was a happy reunion on the 29th of July 1889!

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Schuyler County secures Agri-Ready status, paving the way for agricultural opportunity

By Missouri Farmers Care

JEFFERSON CITY — Schuyler County has officially received Agri-Ready County Designation from Missouri Farmers Care (MFC). This designation highlights the county’s commitment to promoting agricultural development, boosting economic growth, and supporting educational initiatives that enhance agricultural literacy. MFC is a coalition of over 45 leading agricultural organizations with the mission to promote the continued growth of Missouri agriculture and rural communities through coordinated communication, education and advocacy.

“Becoming an Agri-Ready County is indeed a great step for Schuyler County, positioning it alongside other counties that are actively working to attract new opportunities,” said Missouri Corn Grower Engagement Manager Kevin Buckallew. “It sends a strong signal to potential business owners that Schuyler County is open, supportive, and prepared for agriculture or agribusiness

ventures. It will create jobs, stimulate the local economy, and offer fresh prospects to secure the future of younger generations in the area. This opportunity will foster community growth, enhancing the county’s reputation as a place where businesses can thrive in a welcoming environment.”

By seeking this designation, the Schuyler County Commission has demonstrated its commitment to fostering a thriving environment for agriculture, Missouri’s largest industry. The Agri-Ready County Designation program identifies and promotes counties across the state that create policies and initiatives supportive of agricultural growth and sustainability.

“The commission was approached by local producers about becoming Agri-Ready before we even knew what the designation meant,” said Schuyler County Commissioner Drew Bruner. “We invited Ashley McCarty to give the presentation, and after we heard it, the decision was a no-brainer. Not only did the purpose of Missou-

ri Farmers Care stand out, but their list of partners is second to none in the industry. Being a first generation, full-time farmer, I know how important it is to ensure that young and beginning farmers get all the help they can from the community and the industry. We are excited to see what the future holds for Schuyler County farmers and producers.”

Agri-Ready County Designation, in partnership with Missouri Farmers Care (MFC) and local leaders, aims to strengthen agricultural businesses, promote the county as an ideal location for business growth, and improve workforce readiness for careers in agriculture. Additionally, MFC collaborates with local FFA chapters to bring the Agriculture Education on the Move™ program into third-grade classrooms. This initiative equips student leaders to deliver 10 hours of interactive lessons on topics such as agricultural careers, crop science, and livestock production, all while honing their public speaking and leadership abilities through



Left to right: Darla Campbell, University of Missouri Extension Field Specialist in Community Development; Ashley McCarty, Missouri Farmers Care Executive Director; Kevin Buckallew, Missouri Corn Grower Engagement Manager; Schuyler County Commissioners: Anthony Wilson, Drew Bruner, and Jeremy Leffler, Schuyler County farmer Adrian Starbuck and his granddaughters were on hand on Feb. 24, when the Schuyler County Commission applied to become an Agri-Ready Designated County.

hands-on activities and educational experiences.

“We appreciate that Schuyler County leaders see the value in standing with agriculture through Agri-Ready Designation,” said Missouri Farmers Care Executive Director Ashley McCarty. “This designation provides momentum supporting growth and opportunity for Schuyler County agriculture.”

Schuyler County’s agriculture industry generated \$44.1 million in economic output according to the Missouri Department of Agriculture’s (MDA) 2021 Economic Contribution Study of Missouri Agriculture and Forestry. Key drivers of this economic activity include

cattle, oilseeds, hogs and other livestock. Together, the agriculture, food, and forestry sectors have created 516 local jobs, contributing \$21.2 million in household income to area families.

“Agri-Ready Designation is an opportunity to promote agriculture in our county and promote our county to the rest of the state,” said Adrian Starbuck, Schuyler County farmer and Adair/Schuyler County Farm Bureau board member. “The opportunity to bring Ag Education on the Move™ to our local schools will build the agricultural literacy of local students and help them understand all the ways agriculture impacts their lives.”

Counties interested in applying for Agri-Ready County Designation must meet program requirements, such as ensuring no local ordinances conflict with state agricultural laws and demonstrating support for agricultural stewardship, growth, and opportunities. Once the county commission submits an application, compliance is confirmed with the program’s guidelines before publicly granting the designation.

With their designation, Schuyler County becomes the 76th Agri-Ready Designated Missouri county. More information about the program and Missouri Farmers Care can be found at www.mofarmerscare.com.

COUNCIL

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Kabir Bansal

My name is Kabir Bansal and I am running for a second term on the Kirksville City Council. I was born and raised in Kirksville, MO. As a representative for my community, my objective is and will continue to be:

- Supporting long-term community sustainability.
- Pushing towards supporting efficiencies to drive down costs.
- Keeping or improving a level of quality of living for our citizens.
- Promoting an environment for business growth.

Running for a second term was not an easy decision to make, but I believe everyone has opportunities to serve whether it be at home, in the workplace, at church or any other environment. I believe that in running for a second term, if the citizens of Kirksville decide to elect me, I can continue

to serve and provide strategic directions to move our community towards long term success.

Danny McDowell

My name is Danny McDowell and I’m running for Kirksville City Council. My education was with Kirksville R-III School District and the streets of Kirksville. I’ve worked in construction, building maintenance for several years, and as a building manager for 20 years at the Student Recreation Center at Truman State University. I have worked on budget and managed several construction sites.

I feel we need improvements that will help our city and city government. We should divide our city back into wards. By doing this, we would elect a council member out of each ward making no area of the city without representation. The mayor should be elected by the citizens and not appointed by the city council. The mayor and council should be limited to two terms.

We need better transparency from our government. We need our city government to start making our citizens feel welcome and wanting to take part in our city council meetings.

I really hope you will vote for me so we can start these improvements. We need to fight crime in our community. I will be the voice for the people. No more tax hikes. It’s time to cut waste, not raise taxes. I’m committed to transparency, smart spending and a stronger Kirksville.

Let’s put our community first, not higher taxes. I promise I will work my hardest for you, the citizens of Kirksville. Please give me your vote and support. Please get out and vote. Your vote counts.

Kevin Alm

(This story originally ran in March 2022) Kevin Alm, who has lived in Kirksville for 48 years, is running for council for the 35th time. Originally from Kewanee, Ill., Alm grew up on a farm south

of Sugar Creek and has worked in farming, construction, demolition and has done mechanic work on race cars when there used to be a stock car track here years ago.

In 1987, when living in the city and doing work on his house and minding his own business, two guys were walking on his property and looking in his windows, trying to tell him what he could and couldn’t do with his property. He said he was told that he needed to hire a contractor and they dragged him into court, where he lost his case and was given a fine.

Then the city told him he couldn’t work on his car in the driveway of his home. Again he was dragged into a courtroom where he lost again. He said it seems like the laws in Kirksville are going crazy and that the city government is overbearing. He said that the people should be in charge rather than the other way around, but it’s not working that way.

He decided to go to city council meetings where he has met past mayors and city council members of which they have all had strong opinions. He said that he believes that if he owns the property, he ought to be able to do whatever he wants with it but that city regulations keep getting worse and worse.

He said that he has spoke with a lot of people and that they want more businesses and industries in town to create more jobs as well as improvements to the skate park, which he thinks should be made into roller skating park so they can have roller hockey. He also thinks a bobsled with rollers replacing the skis could be a big hit. Alm also want to see a motor speedway built in Kirksville.

He said that the city used to have social time for residents at the courthouse square on Saturdays and Sundays and he wants to bring tht back as well as the carnivals, arts and crafts festival that used to be held there.

TAXES

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According to board members, each of the four elementary school restrooms are in need of updating and repair to accommodate students and operate properly.

These bathrooms have had only minor updates since the construction of the building. Board members stated that the current software that controls the heating and air conditioning in the district is approximately 13 years old and “out-of-date” HVAC controls

cause issues in consistency of heating and cooling the building.

They said that the continued use of the Novinger softball and baseball fields by both the community and school is vital and that these facilities are in need of repair in many areas.

“The district is happy to report our local PTO has a planned project to address drainage and excavating needs in the spring,” board members wrote. “On top of this local project, the passage of this bond would also provide for the district to provide additional repairs, including overdue replacement of our field lights and outfield fencing.”

They said that by voting yes on Proposition Wildcats Care, residents would be investing in:

- The safety and security of children.
- Upgraded facilities that support student success.
- Protecting community assets by maintaining and improving school infrastructure.
- Continuing the ongoing legacy of Novinger School.”

La Plata R-II School District ballot measures

La Plata R-II School District Superintendent, Dr. Lucas McKinnis, along with the district board, sent out a press release on Feb. 14, encouraging La Plata voters to approve two April 8 ballot measures he said are designed to address “urgent” facility needs and ensure competitive compensation for district teachers and staff, while maintaining one of the lowest tax rates among surrounding districts.

McKinnis said the first referendum (Proposition Bulldogs) seeks approval for a \$2.6 million bond to fund essential upgrades across the district. These improvements include:

- Elementary School: Repairing plumbing issues, renovating areas for additional storage, and making exterior building improvements. These repairs and improvements will include work such as exterior maintenance on the gym to repair and prevent water damage.

- High School: Enhancing security at entrances (such as a secure double entry and visitor service window), updating the commons area, and completing exterior building repairs (such as tuck-pointing to repair and prevent water damage in the interior, fixes to weathering at the entryway and over windows, along with other exterior improvements).
- Sports Complex: Resurfacing the track to ensure safety and usability for students and community members.

Additional Repairs: Addressing other facility needs as funds allow.

“If approved, this measure will result in an estimated increase of \$0.50 per \$100 of assessed property valuation,” McKinnis said in his press release. “

McKinnis said that the second referendum (Proposition C.A.R.E.) proposes a modest \$0.25 increase in the operating levy to raise teacher and staff salaries and cover additional operational expenses.

“This would bring the operating levy to \$3.419 per \$100 of assessed valuation—still highly competitive compared to surrounding districts,” McKinnis wrote. “Our teachers and classified employees are the backbone of our schools, yet nationwide trends show that stagnant salaries are driving educators away from the profession. McKinnis wrote that competitive pay is essential to attract and retain high-quality educators who inspire and support students every day. He said the additional funds will also help cover rising operational costs due to inflation and ensure that the district can maintain current programs without cutting vital resources or services.

McKinnis said that for context, even with the proposed combined \$0.75 tax increase (\$0.25 levy increase and \$0.50 bond issue), La Plata’s overall tax rate of \$3.9232 would compare to the tax rates of surrounding schools in the 2023-24 school year.

McKinnis said that improved school facilities make La Plata more attractive to families considering relocating there and competitive teacher and staff salaries and wages help stabilize the workforce, ensuring continuity and quality in education and operations. Also, he said, upgraded facilities like a resurfaced track can serve as shared community assets for events and recreation.

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NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION (Section 473.587 RSMo)

To all persons interested in the ESTATE OF **Miran Wayne McAuley; Deceased (ESTATE NO. 17AR-PR00093):**

You are hereby notified that on the 25th day of April, 2025, or as may be continued by the court, the undersigned Personal Representative will file in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, at Kirksville, Missouri, Final Settlement and Petition for Distribution of the estate and for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest to the personal property of the decedent and of the extent and character of their interest therein. Any objections or exceptions to such Final Settlement and Petition for Distribution or any item thereof must be in writing and filed within twenty (20) days after the filing of such settlement.

Matthew McAuley
Personal Representative
47619-2201

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Attorney for the estate
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Dated Published: March 26, April 2, April 9, and April 16, 2025.

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

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of STEPHANIE LYNNE BISSEY, Decedent: On March 14, 2025, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of STEPHANIE LYNNE BISSEY, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri. The personal representative's name and business address is: TREVOR E. BISSEY, 107 RUTH ROAD , BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:
LESLIE J. SILVERNAIL, 803 SOUTH BALTIMORE, KIRKSVILLE, MO 63501, 660-956-0997

The non-resident personal representative's designated agent's name, business address, and phone number is:
LESLIE J. SILVERNAIL, 801 KINGS ROAD, KIRKSVILLE, MO, 63501, 660-956-0997

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: January 11, 2025

Date of first publication: March 19, 2025

/S/Martha Cole
Adair County Circuit Clerk

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE
IN RE: Isaiah D Jackson-Post and Audrey M. Jackson-Post, Husband and Wife Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Isaiah D Jackson-Post and Audrey M. Jackson-Post, Husband and Wife dated March 30, 2023 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri in Book 1149, Page 754 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit:

A PART OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION9, TOWNSHIP 62, RANGE 15, COMMENCING 20 FEET WEST AND 25 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SW 1/4, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING 244 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 13, BLOCK 4, ARNOLD'S ADDITION, THENCE NORTH 108 FEET, THENCE WEST 94 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 10 FEET, THENCE EAST 94 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING

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PUBLISH ON: March 26, 2025 04/02/2025, 04/09/2025, 04/16/2025

TRUSTEE'S SALE
IN RE: Cody Allen Murphy, a single person Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Cody Allen Murphy, a single person dated October 11, 2022 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri in Book 1143, Page 163 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit:

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NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE
On March 13, 2025, the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, entered Judgment in Cause Number 24AR-CV00702, changing the name of Chloe Ann Collis to Chloe Ann Lewis.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (SMALL ESTATE)
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of MARY M. HARGIS, Decedent. On March 12, 2025 a small estate affidavit was filed by the distributees for the decedent under Section 473.097, RSMo, with the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri.

All creditors of Decedent, who died on June 6, 2024, are notified that Section 473.444, RSMo, sets a limitation period that would bar claims one year after the death of Decedent. A creditor may request that this estate be opened for administration.

Receipt of this notice should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient may possibly have a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, may possibly be determined from the affidavit on this estate filed in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri.

Date of first publication is March 26, 2025.

/S/Martha Cole
Adair County Circuit Clerk

PUBLICATION DATES: 3-26-2025, 4-2-2025

TRUSTEE'S SALE
IN RE: Hunter Joseph Maxymczak, a single person Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Hunter Joseph Maxymczak, a single person dated May 30, 2023 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri as Document No. 202300001125 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit:

A PART OF THE NORTHEAST FOURTH OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 62, RANGE 15, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT 849 FEET WEST AND 254 FEET 4 1/2 INCHES SOUTH OF THE CENTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 62, RANGE 15, THENCE WEST 108 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 108 FEET, THENCE EAST 108 FEET, THENCE NORTH 108 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING

to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, PC.,
Successor Trustee
612 Spirit Drive
St. Louis, MO 63005
(636) 537-0110
File No: 226030.041525.453969 FC

NOTICE

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COUNTY CLERK'S NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Municipal Election will be held on April 8, 2025 for the following districts. The ballots for said election will be in the following forms according to the districts:

OFFICIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION BALLOT
ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI
APRIL 8, 2025

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice, like this ☐.
CANDIDATES: Complete the oval next to the name of the Candidate for whom you wish to vote.
PROPOSITIONS: If you are in FAVOR of the proposition or question, complete the oval next to the word YES.
If you are OPPOSED to the proposition or question, complete the oval next to the word NO.
WRITE-IN: To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write his or her name in the blank space provided for such purposes and complete the oval next to the space provided.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
R-1 NOVINGER SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the R-1 Novinger School District, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

NOVINGER Novinger Community Center, 101 Snyder Ave, Novinger
RURAL BENTON Missouri Department of Conservation, 3500 S. Baltimore, Kirksville

On Tuesday, April 8 ,2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

R-1 Novinger School District Board of Education
Proposition 1. To choose by ballot two (2) board members who shall serve as members of the Board of Education of said school district for a term of three (3) years each. (Vote for 2)

☐ Brek Snyder

☐ Sheila R. Swafford

☐ (write-in)

☐ (write-in)

R-1 Novinger School District Proposition Wildcats Care

Shall the Board of Education of the Adair County R-1 School District, Missouri, without an estimated increase in the current debt service property tax levy, borrow money in the amount of One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000) for the purpose of providing funds to renovate restrooms at the elementary school; to complete gymnasium improvements; to upgrade the District's building automation system; to install a new handicap accessible lift; to make improvements to the baseball and softball fields including new lighting and fencing; and to the extent funds are available, complete other repairs and improvements to the existing facilities of the District; and issue general obligation bonds for the payment thereof? If this proposition is approved, the adjusted debt service levy of the School District is estimated to remain unchanged at \$0.5756 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real and personal property.

☐ YES

☐ NO

I, Sandra Collop, Adair County Clerk within and for the County of Adair, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is in accordance with Section 115.125 RSMo, and is a true and correct copy of the ballot as certified by me. Election to be Tuesday, April 8, 2025.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF: I hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal. Done in my office this 28th day of January, 2025.
Sandra Collop, Adair County Clerk

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
LA PLATA R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the La Plata R-II School District, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

RURAL BENTON Missouri Department of Conservation, 3500 S. Baltimore, Kirksville
BRASHEAR NEMO Fairgrounds, 2700 E. Illinois St., Kirksville

On Tuesday, April 8 ,2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

La Plata R-II School District Board of Education
Proposition 1. To choose by ballot two (2) board members who shall serve as members of the Board of Education of said school district for a term of three (3) years each. (Vote for 2)

☐ Zach Robinson

☐ Karla Jackson

☐ Jennifer Blacksmith

☐ (write-in)

☐ (write-in)

La Plata R-II School District Proposition C.A.R.E. (Community Action Reinvesting in Education)

Shall the Board of Education of the La Plata R-II School District, Missouri, be authorized to increase the operating tax levy by \$0.2500 to \$3.4190 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the purposes of attracting and retaining quality certified and support staff and meeting additional operating expenses?

If this proposition is approved, the adjusted operating levy of the District is estimated to increase by \$0.2500 from \$3.1690, currently, to \$3.4190 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the 2025 Tax Year and can be applied to the assessed valuation for each year thereafter.

☐ YES

☐ NO

La Plata R-II School District Proposition Bulldogs

Shall the Board of Education of the La Plata R-II School District, Missouri, borrow money in the amount of Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,600,000) for the purpose of providing funds to repair plumbing issues, renovate existing areas for additional storage, and make exterior building improvements at the Elementary School; to enhance security at entrances, complete updates in the commons area, and make exterior building improvements at the High School; to resurface the track at the sports complex; to the extent funds are available, complete other repairs and improvements to the existing facilities of the District; and issue general obligation bonds for the payment thereof resulting in an estimated increase to the debt service property tax levy of \$0.5000 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation?

If this proposition is approved, the adjusted debt service levy of the School District is estimated to increase from \$0.0000 to \$0.5000 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real and personal property.

☐ YES

☐ NO

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
ADAIR COUNTY PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT #1
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the Adair County Public Water Supply District #1, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

BRASHEAR NEMO Fairgrounds, 2700 E. Illinois St., Kirksville
NOVINGER Novinger Community Center, 101 Snyder Ave, Novinger
RURAL BENTON Missouri Department of Conservation, 3500 S. Baltimore, Kirksville

On Tuesday, April 8 ,2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

Adair County Public Water Supply District #1
For Board of Directors - Sub District #5
3 Year Term (Vote for 1)

☐ W. George Peters

☐ David Hill

☐ (write-in)

Adair County Public Water Supply District #1
For Board of Directors - Sub District #4
3 Year Term (Vote for 1)

☐ Gregg C. Fast

☐ (write-in)

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
CITY OF BRASHEAR
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Brashear, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

BRASHEAR NEMO Fairgrounds, 2700 E. Illinois St., Kirksville

On Tuesday, April 8 ,2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

City of Brashear For Mayor
2 Year Term (Vote for 1)

☐ Rhonda Branson

☐ Josh Goodwin

☐ (write-in)

City of Brashear For Alderman At-Large
2 Year Term (Vote for 2)

☐ Scott Niver

☐ Michael Stutsman

☐ Lonnie L. Salter

☐ Joanne "Jo" Kincaid

☐ (write-in)

☐ (write-in)

City of Brashear Proposition A

Shall the fire protection levy remain at \$0.30 the next (4) four years, which is a continuation of an existing tax?

☐ YES

☐ NO

City of Brashear Proposition B

Shall the general tax rate for the City of Brashear, Missouri remain at \$1.38 for a period of (4) four years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
VILLAGE OF GIBBS
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the Village of Gibbs, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

BRASHEAR NEMO Fairgrounds, 2700 E. Illinois St., Kirksville

On Tuesday, April 8 ,2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

Village of Gibbs For Board of Trustees
2 Year Term (Vote for 2)

☐ (write-in)

☐ (write-in)

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
CITY OF KIRKSVILLE
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Kirksville, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

KV1 Cornerstone Church, 1702 N Elson St., Kirksville
KV2 Rehoboth Baptist Church, 100 Pfeiffer Ave., Kirksville
KV3 Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge, 2405 E Illinois St., Kirksville
KV4 Adair County Annex, 300 N. Franklin St., Kirksville
TSU 1st floor Student Union (east end), 901 S. Franklin St., Kirksville

On Tuesday, April 8, 2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

City of Kirksville For City Council Member
3 Year Term (Vote for 2)

☐ Zac Burden

☐ Kevin A. Alm

☐ Kabir Bansal

☐ Danny McDowell

☐ (write-in)

☐ (write-in)

City of Kirksville Proposition B. Purpose-Built

Shall the City of Kirksville, Missouri, impose an additional sales tax of three-eighths of one percent to complete its Proposition B purpose built infrastructure plan for the purpose of financing the construction of a police station, north fire station, emergency services equipment storage building, emergency services training site, a community center, an expansion to City Hall, and renovation to the existing City Hall, which will include the retirement of obligations until the earlier of September 30, 2045, or when the financing of such improvements has been paid in full?

☐ YES

☐ NO

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
CITY OF NOVINGER
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Novinger, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

NOVINGER Novinger Community Center, 101 Snyder Ave, Novinger

On Tuesday, April 8, 2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

City of Novinger For Mayor
2 Year Term (Vote for 1)

☐ Jeffrey Dodson

☐ (write-in)

City of Novinger For Alderman at Large
2 Year Term (Vote for 2)

☐ Janice Pearce

☐ Matthew Davis

☐ (write-in)

☐ (write-in)

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
CITY OF GREENTOP
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Greentop, that an Annual Municipal Election will be held at the following places:

RURAL BENTON Missouri Department of Conservation, 3500 S. Baltimore, Kirksville

On Tuesday, April 8, 2025 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballot for said election will be in the following form:

City of Greentop For Mayor
2 Year Term (Vote for 1)

☐ Sarah Crawford

☐ (write-in)

City of Greentop For Alderman at Large
2 Year Term (Vote for 2)

☐ Rob Small

☐ Jacqueline March

☐ Tosha Watkins

☐ (write-in)

☐ (write-in)

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NRMC completes Jars of Love Peanut Butter Drive

Drive collects 1,764 jars for The Pantry for Adair County

By Northeast Regional Medical Center

Northeast Regional Medical Center has completed the third annual Jars of Love Peanut Butter Drive. NRMC employees, local businesses and service organizations, along with generous community

members contributed to the drive, which achieved record-breaking success with a total of 1,764 jars collected. Last year, 440 jars were collected during the drive.

“The community engagement this year was incredible,” stated Patrick Avila, CEO, NRMC. “A major difference in this year’s drive was the inclusion of the Fill the Truck Event. We collected over 1,100 jars from that one event alone. We appreciate the strong

support of our local emergency services agencies.”

The Jars of Love Peanut Butter Drive was created to address food insecurity in Adair County. All donations were distributed to the Pantry for Adair County PAC, which served 575 families in 2024.

“The PAC is delighted to receive such a generous donation through the efforts of Northeast Regional Medical Center and the Jars of Love Peanut Butter Drive,” said Jennifer Walston, Pan-



try manager. “It was inspirational to see so many groups from our community partner together. Many thanks to every person who

donated a jar to this cause.” April 2 is National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day, which coincides perfectly with the donation.

“Every single household we serve will be offered this nutritional and popular protein source this month” stated Walston.

KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS

Kirksville High School Exhibit at the Sue Ross Arts Center

Kirksville High School Exhibit at the Sue Ross Arts Center, 215 S. Franklin Street in Kirksville, will run through April 10 with a reception on April 10 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Truman State University Art Gallery Exhibit

Truman State University Art Gallery Exhibit will be held through April 25, with Kevin Snipes exhibiting new works in the Charlyn Gallery at Truman State University. The Annual Juried Student Exhibition is always one of the highlights of the University Art Gallery schedule. Some of the best recent Truman student artwork is on display.

Peter and the Starcatcher at Truman State

Catch Peter and the Starcatcher, a magical prequel to Peter Pan that reimagines the origin of the beloved boy who never grows up, April 10-13 and April 16 and 17, at the James G. Severns Theatre, Ophelia Parrish on the Truman State University campus. This wildly theatrical adventure follows a young orphan and his friends as they encounter pirates, a magical trunk of starstuff, and a determined Starcatcher-in-training, Molly. With inventive staging and a playful spirit, this whimsical journey explores friendship, bravery, and the magic of youth. Email boxoffice@truman.edu with questions.

Paint The Ville registration now open

The popular Paint The Ville painting class series is back. Join painter and instructor Rachel Messer as she leads the day’s painting. Classes are held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Kirksville Aquatic Center at 801 E. Mill Street.

Painting schedule:

- April 17: Easter Bunny Egg
- May 8: Stitch
- June 17: Friendly Potted Cacti

• July 23: Jolly Jellyfish To register, visit the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Office at the Kirksville Aquatic Center, or online at Kirksville.gov/p/rec-login. All participants must pre-register, and class size is limited. Each class is \$20 and all paint supplies will be provided.

Carousel Productions to present ‘Smoke on the Mountain’

Carousel Productions announced its upcoming production of “Smoke on the Mountain”, a lively and heartwarming musical that brings the spirit of a 1930s Southern gospel revival to the stage. Running from April 25 through May 3, this beloved show will take audiences on a journey of faith, laughter, and foot-stomping bluegrass music. Tickets for Smoke on the Mountain are available now at the Royal Theatre box office in Macon and online at Eventbrite.com. Due to high demand, early reservations are strongly encouraged. For more information, contact Carousel Productions at carouselproductions78@gmail.com or visit them on Facebook at Carousel Productions-Macon, MO

City seeking applicants for Kirksville Housing Authority Board

Kirksville city officials are eager to involve community-minded citizens in local government through one of their many citizen advisory commissions. The Kirksville City Council is currently accepting citizen applications for one opening on the Kirksville Housing Authority Board. The vacancy is for the remainder of a four-year term that expires in August 2028. Visit kirksville.gov/p/boards-commissions and

submit your application before Friday, April 11, to be considered to serve. For more information, contact Diane Albrecht, City Clerk, at 660-627-1225.

Kirksville’s Spring Brush and Limb Pick-Up week of April 7

Save the date for the city of Kirksville’s Spring Brush and Limb Pick-Up next month, scheduled for the week of April 7. 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, April 7. Although the work is expected to take the entire week, to guarantee pick up, your brush must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on Monday. 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.

Kirksville Parks and Recreation recreation registration program

Kirksville Parks and Recreation announced the launch of their brand-new recreation registration software. Now, signing up for your favorite programs, events, and activities is easier and more convenient than ever before. Whether you’re looking to join a sports league, swimming lessons, or a fun community event, everything you need is right at your fingertips. Create an account now and get a head start on program registration before the busy season kicks in. Easily browse available programs and register online. Stay up-to-date on upcoming events and activities. Track your registration and payment history. Visit Kirksville Parks and Recreation’s Facebook page for more information.

Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri kicks off personal care donation program

By Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri

April Showers, Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri’s largest community service program, begins Friday, April 4 when Girl Scouts, their troop leaders, and families help people in need by going door-to-door, distributing sticky notes throughout the community with the request for personal care item donations. The following Saturday, April 12, Girl Scouts will return to collect the donations left on porches and doorsteps and sort thousands of personal care items.

Over the last 27 years, Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri has collected more than 27 million personal care items. They work with long-time collaborator Operation Food Search (OFS) to sort and distribute the items through OFS’s established network of community partners. With more than 900,000 people a year in Missouri living below the federal poverty line and unable to purchase personal care items with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri and the April Showers program help hundreds of agencies throughout eastern Missouri to support those in need in local communities.

There are three ways the community can participate in April Showers:

Door-to-Door Neighborhood Collection/Donation

April 4-6: Girl Scouts will be going door-to-door, distributing sticky notes throughout the community with the request for personal care item donations.

April 12: Girls will return to community neighborhoods to collect donations. Donations should be placed in a bag or box outside on front doors before 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 12, with the originally distributed sticky note attached and clearly marked for Girl Scouts.

Showering the Community Event at Local Storefronts

April 5: Girl Scouts and other volunteers will be at local storefronts encouraging customers to purchase personal care items to donate while they shop.

Online Registry Donation

April 4-13: Community members will have the opportunity to donate directly through an online registry. All donations are shipped to Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri and then distributed out to hundreds of agencies throughout almost 30 counties.

April Showers Donation Items Include: Deodorant, diapers/baby care, facial tissue, feminine hygiene products, first aid supplies To learn more about Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri, visit girlscoutsem.org/aprilshowers.



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AGENT AFIELD

Great time of year for birdwatching

Spring is one of the best times of year for birdwatching, especially in Northeast Missouri, where many different species of birds stop on their way north. During this time, birds migrate from warmer southern areas to cooler northern regions to find food and raise their young. The birds pass through Missouri, stopping to rest and feed along the way. This is an exciting time for birdwatchers because it brings a variety of colorful and interesting birds into the area, including warblers, sparrows, and even birds of prey like hawks and eagles. An interesting local phenomenon is the presence of waterfowl on

local ponds in the spring but not the fall. If you're new to birdwatching, a good place to start is at local parks. Big Creek Conservation Area and Mullanix Access in Adair County offer diverse habitats. If you're willing to travel, places like the Mark Twain Lake and the Clarence Cannon National Wildlife Refuge are great spots to see migrating birds. The best time to watch birds is early in the morning, when they're most active. Bring along a pair of binoculars and a field guide to help you identify the birds you see. There are several smart phone apps that are game changers. You might also want to carry a notebook to keep track of the different species you observe.

When you're out birding, it's important to be quiet and patient. Birds can be shy and easily startled, so staying still and calm will increase your chances of seeing them up close. Try to blend in with the environment by wearing neutral-colored clothing, like greens and browns. It's also a good idea to bring a camera or sketchbook to capture the birds you spot. Don't forget snacks if you hit a perfect migration day. As spring progresses, more and more birds will stop in Northeast Missouri. Look for great blue herons, hummingbirds, and white pelicans as early migrants. Birdwatching is a fun way to connect with nature and learn about the different types of birds that migrate



KEVIN POWELL
CONSERVATION AGENT

through our area. Whether you're an experienced bird-watcher or just starting out, the spring migration in Northeast Missouri is a local adventure you don't want to miss! For more information on Missouri outdoors and conservation related interests, please visit our regional office at 3500 S Baltimore Street, Kirksville. If you witness a wildlife violation please call me, Kevin Powell, Conservation Agent, at 660-216-1389. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you afield.

UPCOMING NORTHERN MISSOURI ROADWORK

By MoDOT

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

ADAIR COUNTY
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www.kvccoc.org

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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

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Services on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
10:30 a.m. Song Service
11:00 a.m. Preaching

Meadow Brook Christian Church
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9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 Morning Worship

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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
1702 N Elson St Kirksville, MO
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www.cornerstonechurch.faith

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9:00 a.m. Bible Study
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www.countrysidekv.com

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9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Lake Road Chapel
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www.lakeroadchapel.org

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1601 N. Elson
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9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

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1302 E. Filmore
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6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

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11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

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10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Seventh Day Adventist Church
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9:30 a.m. Sabbath School (Saturday)
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United Methodist Church
Brashear Charge, Brashear Lay Minister, Nancy Douglas
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
7:00 p.m. Singspiration - 1st Sunday

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

Illinois Bend Community Church
Highway 3
Pastor Terry Hunsaker
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
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Baring Community Church
11:00 a.m. Worship.

Downing Christian Church
430 E. Prime Street
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Associate Minister Larry Smith
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Service
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9:15 a.m. Bible Stud
10:00 a.m. Worship

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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
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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

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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
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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
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

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

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

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

Brashear Community Bible Church
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9:30 a.m. Sunday School
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First Baptist Church of LaPlata
B. J. McAlpin, Pastor
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Tim Hodges, Pastor
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning worship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

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

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

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

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

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

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

Cornerstone Community Church
Meeting at the Fohn Family Center
404N. Elson
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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

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209 W. Washington
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Gonda Manning, Co pastor
7:00 p.m. Thursdays Services
7:00 p.m. Sunday Services

Victory Baptist Church Of Greentop
-Meets at the Willmathsville Community Church on Hwy A.
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Tigers go 1-2 over the weekend before falling at Moberly

By Henry Janssen
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After defeating Quincy 5-4 on Friday, Kirkville dropped its next three games including the opening game of NCMC play at Moberly (7-0), coincidentally, 7-0. The win versus Quincy was a makeup game from a cancellation the day prior.

On an encouraging note for the Tigers, seven runs is the fewest the Spartans have scored. They’ve beaten up on everyone they’ve played and Monday was the only time this year the Spartans were held to fewer than 10. On the season, Moberly has outscored its opponents 81-8.

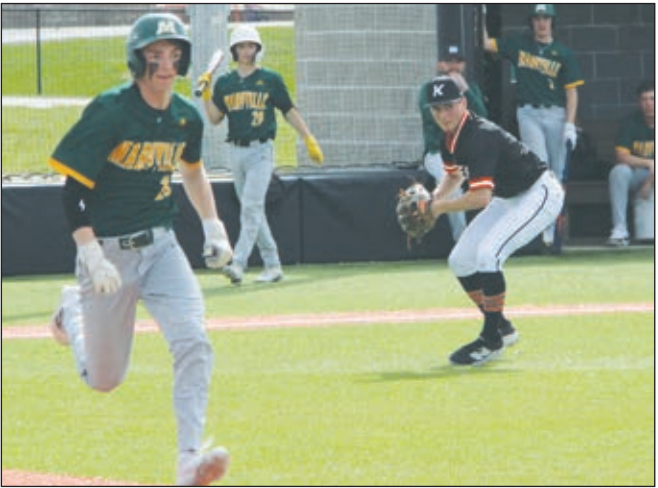
Kirkville hosted both Macon and Maryville on Saturday in a three-team round robin. Macon defeated Kirkville 12-5, and Maryville won 4-1. In between, Macon won its game versus the Spoofhounds 3-1.

By the time of this publication, Kirkville, now 2-4, will have traveled to Mexico (7-1) on Tuesday.

The Tigers are scheduled to host Fulton (5-1) on Thursday.



Senior Ryder Lyons tries to turn on one in Saturday’s 4-1 loss to Maryville. Kirkville looks to find its footing after being outscored 23-6 in its past three games, but has also played a game a day since Friday.



Senior pitcher Carson Kelly fields a bunt cleanly and makes the play to first in Saturday’s 4-1 loss to Maryville. The Tigers played Macon in the morning and Maryville later on in the day. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS



Freshman by way of De Smet, Nick Phillips had a sensational Saturday afternoon in the second half of a doubleheader against the Bearcats. He allowed one hit and walked just one, and he struck out five across seven innings of work. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

Bulldog bullpen shines in 6-4 win over Southwest Baptist

Truman takes series
By Truman Athletics

Down 3-0 after the top of the first, the Truman State bullpen surrendered only one run the rest of the way to keep Southwest Baptist (Mo.) within reach in a 6-4 win Sunday.

The Bulldogs pounded out 10 hits for the second-consecutive game while drawing nine walks plating four runs in their final three turns at bat. It marked the third of four games against the Bearcats where Truman State recorded double digit hits winning the final three games for the second series win of the season.

“We ended up with 10 hits today on a tough day to hit,” said Bulldog Head Coach Dan Davis. “Our guys are really resilient and just kept on competing and competing working on a way to score a run. We’ve been hitting the ball really well.”

Down three, the Bulldogs got going in the third when Oliver Degenhardt and Dakota Johnson drew one-out walks. The designated hitter, Gavin Schieffer, singled to load the bases before a single by Luke Roussel scored Degenhardt to get the ‘Dogs on the board. A Quinten Bauman single plated Joggerst to finish scoring in the frame and narrow the gap to 3-2.

Noah Frailey, working in relief of starter Warner Lenahan, issued a one-out walk in the fourth, but the defense turned the first of three double plays on the day to end any would-be Bearcat threat.

“Three double plays today, could have had four,” Davis said. “We can play defense.”

Catcher Alex Wittenauer coaxed a lead-off walk in the sixth and tied the game at three after a sacrifice bunt by Reed Drabant and RBI single by Rawlins Brant. Southwest Baptist got its final run in the top of the seventh on an RBI single by Xie Ferguson to score Zeke Skinner and even the score, 4-4. The Bulldogs answered in their half with a Bauman RBI double scoring Schieffer, then Danny Tovar came in to pitch a one-two-three eighth.

“Danny Tovar has been getting better and better every outing,” Davis said. “In the dugout he wanted the ball in the ninth but we have a closer we trust.”

The ‘Dogs loaded the bases in the eighth and scored the go-ahead run on a walk by Schieffer. Luke Roussel knocked a sac fly to left to get Degenhardt across the plate, but a strong relay by Southwest Baptist threw out Joggerst at third to end the

inning and get the ball to Truman State closer Kyle Stratman.

Southwest Baptist got a leadoff double against Stratman with a wild pitch and walk putting Bearcats at the corner, but a 5-4-3 double play gave the Bulldogs the win.

“Stratman gives us a little excitement, gets my heart rate going, but he finds a way,” Davis said. “That’s two times in a row he gets baserunners on then gets a double play to end the game.”

Truman State’s bullpen gave up just one run on five hits while surviving six Bearcat walks and a hit by pitch. Tovar was the winner, 2-1 on the season, with Sam Peterson taking the loss in one inning of work. Stratman recorded his third save of the campaign.

“It’s been tough because of a lot of injuries and the guys who you think are going to go every day aren’t,” Davis said. “It’s the next-man-up mentality. Tommy Krock hits a home run to put the game pretty much out of reach. Today Quinten Bauman – a freshman coming back from an injury and in because Tyler Tieman goes down yesterday – steps up and hammers three baseballs today, gets two hits out of it.”

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Sophomore Crystal Mahurin scores the Tigers’ only goal on Monday night to give her team a 1-0 lead 14 minutes into a 5-1 loss to Moberly. Kirkville was tied 1-1 at the half before the Spartans ripped three goals in quick succession. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

Tigers struggle back-to-back to open NCMC play after hot start

By Henry Janssen
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After beginning the season winning its first four games, Kirkville soccer has dropped its last two, both within the conference.

The Tigers fell 6-0 at Hannibal (3-2) on Thursday and then, despite scoring the opening goal and going to half-time tied 1-1, lost to Moberly (4-1) at home 5-1 on Monday. The beginning of the second half with three goals coming in a span of seven minutes was an exhibition in how dangerous Moberly might be at the State level – physical, athletic, intense, and simply more ball-hawking against a very young-but-talented Tigers team.

Kirkville, now 4-2, will have played in Mexico by the time of this publication, with hopes of getting into the win column in conference play.

The game docketed after that is the Tigers’ date with Fulton on Monday at Spainhower Field.



Senior midfielder/forward Zoe Cole lines one up in the first half that she nearly hit pure, and the Tigers needed it. She saw the Moberly goalie come up too far but sailed the crossbar by probably a little less than a yard.



Emberlyn Pinson, sophomore, slyly wins possession against Moberly’s best defender Lexy Cooper on Monday night. Cooper is a two-time all-NCMC selection and was an integral part of her team’s 24-5 season last year.

Kirkville tennis splits opening week

By Henry Janssen
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The Tigers opened their tennis season on Tuesday, falling to Quincy Notre Dame on Tuesday, 9-0, at the Truman courts. They won by the same score and dominated in Fulton on Thursday.

On Tuesday, Kirkville’s closest match was Xavier Speak losing both sets 7-5. Cedric Cook, Kirkville’s number two, lost his sets 6-3 and 6-4.

By the time of this publication, Kirkville will have hosted Trenton (1-3) at the Kirkville courts before facing Moberly (3-0) at the Truman courts on Thursday.



Kirkville’s Quin Dorrell chops a return back to Quincy Notre Dame’s Daniel Dyer. Dorrell lost in two sets at the Truman courts on Tuesday, 6-1, 6-2, before Kirkville swept Fulton on Thursday.



Cedric Cook tracks down the ball for a backhand return on Tuesday.



Jackson Meintz returns in Tuesday’s action. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

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Henrikson and Mathis missed hitting the NCAA provisional time by the narrowest of margins, 0.47 seconds and 0.8 respectively. PHOTO COURTESY OF TRUMAN ATHLETICS

Henrikson smashes own school record, Mathis close behind

By Henry Janssen &
Truman Athletics

ST. LOUIS — Lexy Henrikson shattered her own school record while holding off teammate Addie Mathis at the finish line in the 1500-meter run at the Washington University Distance Carnival on Friday night.

Henrikson took over five seconds off her record set in 2023, running a time

of 4:30.64. The previous record was 4:35.87.

Mathis finished in 4:30.97, shaving just under nine seconds off her previous best time in the race. Her prior fastest time was 4:39.63.

Henrikson placed fourth and Mathis fifth overall in a field that featured 36 of the top runners in the Midwest. The duo just missed earning an NCAA provisional time in the event, as the standard is 4:30.17.

BULLDOGS

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Every Bulldog batter recorded a hit with Bauman tallying two, Roussel and Bauman each recording two RBI, and Degenhardt scoring twice to lead the squad with his third double of the series and ninth of the season. The sophomore shortstop went 9-14 on the weekend and four runs while Schieffer was 5-9 with

three runs scored and five
RBI in three games played.

"Resilient, and the offense keeps battling," Davis said. "A tough group. Love these guys, love being around them."

The win gives Truman State records of 7-20, 4-8 GLVC, while Southwest Baptist finishes the day 12-18, 5-7 GLVC. The Bulldogs play host to McKendree (Ill.) April 4-6 in Kirksville in a four-game GLVC series.

Epp's shutout against Southwest Baptist earns GLVC Pitcher of the Week honor

By Truman Athletics

INDIANAPOLIS – Tossing goose eggs across the board against Southwest Baptist (Mo.) Saturday earned Isaac Epp hardware with the GLVC Pitcher of the Week award.

The junior southpaw's complete game kept the Bearcats at bay with seven shut-out innings allowing five hits, walking none, while striking

out seven, opening a doubleheader sweep in Kirksville, Mo.

The win, his first of the season, included surviving leadoff doubles in both the second and third innings with the Bulldog defense erasing the latter on a relay to third. The fifth opened with a Truman State error allowing Southwest Baptist to get its would-be first run ninety feet away, but two grounders and

a strikeout ended the threat. The seventh also ended with a strikeout – despite Bearcat singles to get runners at the corners – to seal the win.

Epp's shutout was the first by a Bulldog since a 4-0 win over Christian Brothers (Tenn.) Feb. 12, 2012. His GLVC Pitcher of the Week award was the first for Truman State Baseball since Alex Leary on March 21, 2022.

Truman softball splits GLVC doubleheader with Jewell

By Henry Janssen & Truman Athletics

LIBERTY, Mo. — A hot start led to a 6-0 win in the opener, but the Truman State Softball team could not pick up the second game as they fell to William Jewell 6-3, splitting their conference doubleheader on Sunday. The Bulldogs will be at home for twin bills against Drury and Southwest Baptist next Saturday and Sunday.

The Bulldogs came out blazing in the opener. After a groundout, Maddie Hickman reached on an error, and Emily Wood, Avaree Taylor, and Caragan Baker all followed with singles to stake the Bulldogs to a 2-0 lead.

A double steal and an RBI single

In the fourth, pinch runner Ryleigh Jones swiped second and third and came in when an errant throw allowed her to touch the plate, making it 5-0.

A two-out double by Michaela Goad scored Taylor in the fifth.

Kaylyn Jones pitched the first four innings to earn the win, and Lydia Feiste closed the final three for the save.

The tables turned in the second game as the Cardinals struck with four runs of their own in the bottom of the first inning. They would tack on solo runs in each of the second and third innings.

The Bulldogs halved the lead in the top of the sixth. Madi McCarty got things started with a one-out single. Following a Hickman hit, Wood sliced a double down the line to score McCarty. Feiste used the opposite line and doubled in two more runs to cut the lead to 6-3. However, the Bulldogs left Feiste stranded as the next two batters were retired.

Truman State was able to bring the tying run to the plate with no outs in the top of the seventh but came up empty. Kyleia Salyars led off with a single, and Taylor followed with her third hit of the afternoon. However, a groundout, followed by an infield pop-out and a grounder to short, ended the game.

Kirksville golf picks up a pair of wins across opening week

By Henry Janssen

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The Tigers hosted Moberly at Kirksville Country Club for a nine-hole tune-up last Tuesday evening, and finished 21 strokes better than Moberly with a 182 team score.

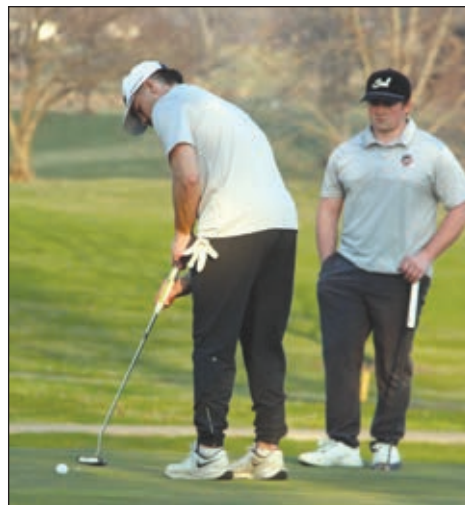
Camden Wilson (36 strokes), Hunter Combs (39), and Ty LaBeth (43) finished first through third.

The Tigers' JV team also won by eight strokes, posting 230 strokes to Moberly's 238.

On Monday, Kirksville traveled to Macon for a three-team match with Harrisburg, and the Tigers won handily. Kirksville finished with 169 strokes to Macon's 192 and Harrisburg's 199. Combs finished second with 39 strokes and Wilson finished third with 41 on the 36-par nine holes.

Macon's Hagan Ritter was one under.

The Tigers are scheduled to be in Centralia for another three-team on Thursday.



Hayden Davis sinks a short putt as Ty LaBeth looks on. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

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