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THE MOBERLY MONITOR-INDEX

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Jimmy DeRogatis takes over as editor of The Moberly Monitor-Index

The Moberly Monitor-Index welcomed Jimmy DeRogatis to the staff last month as the newspaper's editor.

He most recently was the news editor and associate editor at the Williamsport Sun-Gazette (Williamsport, Pennsylvania), covering the Little League World Series a position he held since the start of 2022 at the weekly newspaper.

He also has served as sports editor at the Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier (Waterloo, Iowa), Eldora Herald-Ledger (Eldora, Iowa), and the TownLift Newspaper (Park City, Utah). He also has been a sports copy editor/page design specialist at his hometown newspapers the Coast Star & Ocean Star Newspapers (Manasquan/Point Pleasant, New Jersey), and editor at the Morrison County Record (Little Falls, Minnesota).

"We're excited to have someone with Jimmy's experience join our staff," Publisher Tim Schmidt said. "He has a love for high school and college sports and we're delighted to have someone with his passion help us rebuild the Monitor-Index. Solid local sports coverage is a definite for a good community newspaper."

For the first six weeks at the Moberly Monitor-Index, readers have seen my byline in plenty of places throughout both the print and online editions of our product.

But, yours truly never wrote an introductory column on himself.

I haven't written a column because there simply has been too much going on — since I was thrust upon a busy Fall sports season by myself.

In the state of Missouri, state association-sponsored sports are boys' and girls' track and field, boys' golf, boys' tennis, girls' soccer and baseball.

Softball also is offered,

but all of Randolph County's schools participate in the fall season, which I find very fascinating.

I'm interested in some of the local travel softball teams, I assume they play in the summer months I'm guessing.

I really don't like talking about myself so I'll save that

percent improvement in wins, which included a playoff conquest in the district tournament over conference rival Macon and Centralia.

If you recall Eric's introduction this summer, I will follow his lead on the intro end so without further ado, now is the time for a little bit on me,

"He has a love for high school and college sports and we're delighted to have someone with his passion help us rebuild the Monitor-Index."

for the very end.

We had a strong fall sports season across Randolph County, so let me highlight several examples of this.

The Cairo (Northeast) High School softball team placed third in Class 1 at state. Also, the Higbee softball team had its first winning record over .500 for the first time in two decades and Moberly improved by two wins.

Westran's Guillermo Lopez accomplished a long yardage field goal in winning the semifinals round of the state championship (by a comfortable margin of length, I might add).

The Moberly boys' soccer team had five individuals qualify for the state tournament, and the Spartans took care of Booneville but lost to Osage to close out the season.

Moberly football registered 4 more wins so far this season than last which saw a 400

and let's do it in capsule form below:

High school: Wall High School, Wall Township, New Jersey. Our mascot is the Crimson Knights, and our colors are red, white, and blue. While at Wall High I participated in football as a Sam Outside Linebacker and Special Teams Specialist, in baseball as an infielder and middle relief pitcher, and in Indoor Track as a long-distance runner. I also participated in the student choir and the DECA Club.

Hometown: Sea Girt, New Jersey in southern Monmouth County along the Jersey Shore, but not the "Snookie" Jersey Shore, they stay away from my area which is geared towards family fun and quite, safe, quaint rural style small hometown living.

Colleges: Montclair State

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CherryRoad Media acquires Moberly Monitor-Index



Contributed image

Jeremy Gulban

CherryRoad Media acquired the Moberly Monitor-Index on Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2023, from Westplex Media Group.

This marks the latest acquisition for CherryRoad Media, which entered the newspaper industry in late 2020 with the purchase of the weekly Cook County (MN) News-Herald. CherryRoad Media currently owns and operates 85-plus papers across 18 states, including eight papers in Missouri.

The Monitor-Index has been the newspaper of record for Moberly and Randolph County since its founding in 1869. The Monitor-Index successfully aligns with the mission carried out over the last three years by CherryRoad Media, which is a focus

on hyper-local journalism and community involvement.

"We are excited to be the new owners of the Moberly Monitor-Index," said Jeremy Gulban, CEO of CherryRoad Media. "Moberly and Randolph County have such a rich history, which this newspaper has been a part of. We look forward to continuing the legacy established by the previous owners."

CherryRoad Media is a subsidiary of CherryRoad Technologies, a Parsippany, New Jersey-based technology company that has been in business since 1983. CherryRoad provides complex technical solutions and system integration services to large enterprise customers, particularly state and local government entities. CEO Jeremy Gulban says the company decided in 2020 to look at the local newspaper industry because they felt there was a need for an infusion of technology from a supportive side as opposed to a competitive side. CherryRoad Media plans to keep the focus on local news and to offer additional digital solutions to supplement the printed newspaper.

Three 19-year-olds injured in early Sunday crash

A Moberly teen and two others were injured in a one-vehicle crash that occurred early Sunday morning, Nov. 12.

According to a Missouri State Highway Patrol report, the crash occurred at 1:38 a.m. when a Honda Talon 1000X — driven by Matthew Wheeler, 19, of Jacksonville — was traveling north on Route Y. The report stated the vehicle was traveling too fast for conditions, ran off the right side of the road, overturned, and struck a tree, ejecting a male passenger — Jerek Henage, 19, of Moberly. The vehicle came to rest on the passenger side in a field.

According to the report, Henage was not wearing a safety device. He sustained serious injuries and was transported by private vehicle to Moberly Regional Medical Center.

Wheeler and occupant Tiffany Green, 19, of Centralia, were also seriously injured. They were also transported by private vehicle to the hospital for treatment. It was reported that Green was wearing a safety device, but unknown if Wheeler was or not.

The crash occurred seven miles east of Jacksonville.

Crash on US 65 injuries one Stay alert for deer in roadway

By Sarah Gray

MARSHALL DEMOCRAT-NEWS
 MANAGING EDITOR

MOBERLY — One woman sustained minor injuries in a one-vehicle crash north of Moberly Thursday morning, Nov. 9.

According to a Missouri State Highway Patrol report, the crash occurred on U.S. Highway 63 when a Toyota Camry, driven by Brittney Selzer, 30, of Macon, struck a deer in the roadway. Selzer had no reported injuries. However, passenger Cadence Billington, 29, of Macon, suffered minor injuries. She was transported by a private vehi-

cle to a Columbia hospital for treatment.

The crash occurred at 6:30 a.m., one mile north of Moberly.

Missouri ranks 14th in the country for potential vehicle collisions with animals, according to the Missouri Department of Transportation. And the fall is when motorists should be most alert.

"Fall is breeding season, and deer are on the move, especially in the dark as days grow shorter," said Natalie Roark, state maintenance director. "Although deer strikes can occur at any time, the majority of these crashes occur in the twilight hours before sunrise

and just after sunset in October and November, with the largest number taking place in November."

Highway Patrol statistics indicated there were 3,779 traffic crashes where deer-vehicle strikes occurred in 2021. In those crashes, there were three fatalities, and 420 people were injured.

Drivers should stay alert to the shoulders of the road and drive slowly during peak hours. If a deer does appear in the roadway, don't swerve to avoid it. According to the Missouri Department of Conservation, most injuries occur when drivers lose control of their vehicles.



- Obituaries -

Brenda Ruth Rowland Shakyra AKA Krya Sargent

Shakyra AKA Krya Sargent, 21, of Columbia, passed away Tuesday, October 31, 2023.

Words of comfort and support were shared with the family at the visitation held at the Cater Funeral Home. Services honoring and celebrating Shakyra's life were held at the Cater Funeral Home Chapel.

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Gehring arrested for assault

On November 8, 2023, a Moberly Police Officer observed a 42-year-old by the name Steven Gehring in a passenger vehicle in the 1100 block of N. Morley St.

The Officer had prior knowledge that Gehring was wanted for an active warrant for his arrest on original charges of burglary and resisting arrest. The Officer contacted Gehring and ordered him from the vehicle. While giving Gehring verbal commands, Gehring rushed the Officer in a threatening manner and knocked him to the ground. While on the ground,

Gehring assaulted the Officer and attempted to

take the Officer's service weapon. After a brief struggle, the Officer was able to take Gehring into custody.

Gehring was arrested for assault 1st on a law enforcement officer. He was transported to the Randolph County Jail on a 24-hour hold awaiting formal charges.

THE CHARGES for which this individual was arrested ARE MERE ACCUSATIONS AND ARE NOT EVIDENCE OF GUILT. EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE CHARGES MUST BE PRESENTED (before a court of competent jurisdiction) (to a trial jury) WHOSE DUTY IS TO DETERMINE GUILT OR INNOCENCE.

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DeRogatis

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University as an English Major and San Francisco State University as a Journalism and Sociology Major. I played college baseball my freshman year and intramural softball my sophomore and junior years. My buddy Brandon and I started the Kappa Sigma fraternity on the campus of Montclair State, where we are the founding fathers of that fraternal chapter. So naturally I am a big Barstool fan and a fan of "Saturdays are for the boys" flags. My favorite barstool personalities are Frank the Tank, Jersey Jerry, PFT Commenter, and KB no swag.

Newspapers: I started as the Sports Editor for my College's newspaper the Golden Gate Xpress, while a student I wrote for the Martinez Tribune (Martinez, California) and was a National Sports Media Association Member, a Student Faculty Board Member of the Journalism Dept., Sports Editor & Reporter - Golden Gate Xpress, and a brother of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. As a brother I helped with our philanthropy missions of helping community youths in the Bay area. While at the paper I was responsible for all content published in the online and print newspapers for sports while performing the dual role of sports editor & sports reporter, managing six reporters & photography staff.

Top 3 Favorite foods: Chinese Food, chicken and broccoli and chicken egg foo young are my go-tos. Pizza for sure, my favorite Pizzerias are

Shakespeare's Pizza Parlor in Columbia, Great Plains Pizza in Ames, Iowa, and Andy's Pizza in my hometown of Sea Girt, New Jersey. Also I'll say any sandwich from Which Wich Sandwich Shop.

Favorite music: Rap, Hip-Hop, and R&B exclusively for the most part, I also enjoy Rock, Classic Rock, and Christian rock as well. Not a big country music fan, however, just not my style. My favorite rappers however are Lil Durk, Fetty Wap, Drake, and A Boogie.

Favorite activity: Traveling the U.S. Two towns nearby that impresses me is Fayette, and Boonville that's a beautiful example of what a small town in Missouri should be. Visiting all of the U.S. I had the privilege to see all of America and it's glory. While on the coasts I love to swim in the ocean and ride big waves on my bodyboard or surfboard.

Favorite Cities: Nashville, New Orleans, Pittsburgh, and PCB, Florida.

Favorite Sports Teams: The New York Football Giants, (yes there a disaster this year) The New York Yankees, and The Duke Blue Devils. If you are a College Football fan in the 1970's, 80's and 90's you may remember my great-uncle Al DeRogatis who called Super Bowls and College Bowls games alongside his buddy and longtime partner Curt Gowdy for three decades after he retired from the NFL as a leader of the 1950's New York Giants football teams and was a 1985 inductee into the College Football Hall Of Fame in

Atlanta as a member of the Duke Blue Devils.

Favorite Sports Memory: Playing travel baseball as a high school ball player for the Farrah Builders and the Baseball U Academy where I got to play on the South Carolina Gamecocks baseball field, the Florida State baseball field, the Lexington County Blowfish Stadium, the Jersey Shore Bluclaws Stadium, Lancaster Barnstormers Stadium, Long Island Ducks Stadium, and Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium home to both the Jupiter Hammerheads and Palm Beach Cardinals and houses both the Miami Marlins and the St. Louis Cardinals Spring Training games.

Interests: Planets, arts and crafts, decorating, painting and Nike Shoes.

Favorite Movie: A League of Their Own.

There are so many talented young athletes in the Randolph and Chariton County areas. Many wouldn't think that some of Missouri's smallest towns and high schools produce some of the very best talent on and off the field. I enjoy learning more about some of our smaller communities and sports teams, and look forward to jumping right into covering Moberly, Cairo, Westran, Higbee, and Salisbury school districts. I live in Salisbury with my English Cream Golden Retriever puppy Vail, so if you are in the Salisbury-Clifton Hill area and see a young man walking a white puppy that will be me! Thank You all and hope to see you at some games this winter season. Take care now

Crash Responders Urge Motorists to Slow Down, Move Over: "It's the Law"

National Crash Responder Safety Week is Nov. 13-17

JEFFERSON CITY—On a daily basis, emergency responders put their lives on the line along Missouri's highways responding to crash scenes. These responders include police officers, firefighters, EMS, tow truck operators, and highway workers. They respond to traffic incidents, assist drivers, and help keep traffic flowing.

According to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), traffic incidents are the leading cause of death for EMS responders and law enforcement officers. To remind motorists what's on the line, the FHWA has declared the week of Nov. 13-17 as National Crash Responder Safety Week.

"During Crash Responder Safety Week, we

urge all drivers to remember that our dedicated first responders are out there every day, working tirelessly to keep our roads safe," said MoDOT's Safety and Emergency Management Director Chris Engelbrecht. "They risk their lives to protect us, so show respect, obey the state's move over law, avoid distractions and slow down when approaching emergency vehicles on the road."

Missouri's Move Over law requires drivers to either change lanes or slow down when approaching stationary MoDOT, law enforcement or other emergency vehicles with flashing lights on. To help protect those who protect us, all 50 states enforce some form of the Move

Over law.

In 2022, more than 54,000 traffic crashes were reported on Missouri roadways that required emergency response. MoDOT emergency response personnel respond to more than 4,500 traffic incidents each month on average.

Crash Responder Safety Week is an opportunity to remind drivers to adhere to Missouri's Move Over law, educate drivers on crash prevention, and promote life-saving training for all traffic incident responders.

"Let's give our responders the space they need to perform their work safely so we can all get home safely to our families each day," said Engelbrecht.

Moberly Senior Center Menu

Lunch is served at the Moberly Senior Americans Multipurpose Center Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Coffee drinkers may come in after 9:30 a.m.

The center, located at 205 Farror St. in Moberly, charges \$5 for a meal for people 60 or older and \$8.20 for those 59 and younger.

Monday, November 20: goulash, breadstick, butter beans, fruit, salad in-house, ice cream.

Tuesday, November 21: baked ham, parsley potatoes, carrots, roll, dessert, fruit.

Wednesday, November 22: roast turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, cranberry sauce, roll, ice cream.

Thursday, November 23: Closed. Happy Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 24: Closed.

Higbee Senior Center Menu

Lunch is served at the Higbee Senior Citizens Center Monday through Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The center, located at 205 S. Railroad Street in Higbee, is open for both dine-in and carry-out.

Meals are \$6 for seniors 60 years and older or \$7 for anyone younger than 60. Call 660-456-7625 for carry out.

Monday, November 20: maid rites, mac & cheese, applesauce, pineapple upside down cake.

Tuesday, November 21: ham, au gratin potatoes, cabbage, biscuit & gravy, fruit cocktail cake.

Wednesday, November 22: turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, dressing, cranberry salad, pumpkin cake.

Thursday, November 23: Closed. Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, November 24: Closed.

AAA: Missouri Statewide Gas Price Average Creeping Closer to \$3 Per Gallon

The statewide gas price average in Missouri is \$3.04 for a gallon of regular unleaded fuel, according to the AAA Missouri Weekend Gas Watch. That price is nine cents less compared to this day last week and is 34 cents less per gallon compared to this day last year. Of the major metropolitan areas surveyed in Missouri, drivers in Jefferson City are paying the most on average at \$3.22 while drivers in Joplin and Springfield are paying the least at \$2.84 per gallon. The national average price for a gallon of regular unleaded is \$3.40, which is five cents less compared to this day last week and 40 cents less than the price per gallon at this same time last year, according to AAA Gas Prices.

The Missouri statewide gas price average crept closer to reaching \$3 per gallon this week – a benchmark not seen since March 6th. This marks the 8th consecutive week of decline. Another week of stable fuel regional fuel supplies

and a decrease in gasoline demand are contributing factors. Additionally, crude oil prices, which account for nearly 60% of the final pump price, continue to decline as well, reaching a four-month low.

"Gas prices are on the decline, nearing \$3 per gallon for regular unleaded," said AAA Spokesperson Nick Chabarrria. "If that trend continues, it will be welcome news for the millions of Americans AAA expects to hit the road for Thanksgiving*."

*Please be on the lookout for AAA's full Thanksgiving Travel Forecast which is scheduled to be released Monday, November 13th.

Drivers in Missouri are paying the 12th lowest gas price average in the country, according to gasprices.aaa.com.

Prices up to date at press time using market prices posted at 3:41 a.m. Motorists can find current gas prices along their route with the free and revamped AAA App for iPhone, iPad and An-

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Moberly celebrates Vertans Day



A horse and carriage rider strolls through Moberly's main streets of town



Depot District on Veterans Day.

Interview with Chris Wertz and Elaine Avery who are both heads of the Moberly VFW and made all of Saturday's festivities happen for the people of Randolph County.

"When we moved here, the parade was first held here by Main Street Moberly which was an organization downtown then they decided that that was not one of the things that they no longer wanted to do so the VFW graciously picked that up and we have been doing it ever since," said Elaine Avery, President of the VFW.

Weather and deer hunting are the two biggest concerns for parade-goers that the VFW has found.

"I think that sort of varies with the time of

year and weather which is a lot of it, granted today is the opening day of deer season but we still did manage to get some deer hunters over here but we face that every year on it, I think the biggest thing that we deal with is the weather, we have two different car clubs this year, we also had hillside carriages that came this year, so some of the vehicles and some of the stuff that we use in the parades will depend on the weather as well because if the roads are terrible then you know, some of these guys spend thousands a pon thousands of dollars for these vehicles in the parades, these core vet clubs, they don't want to tear them up and we totally agree with but I really don't think they

missed a year yet, we've been pretty good on getting stuff," said VFW Commander Chris Wertz.

How the VFW chooses a speaker is mostly an open mic as members try and narrow down potential speakers for the Veterans Day celebrations.

"Well, basically we sit around a table and say hey who's got any ideas for a speaker, and that's how we come up with the speakers, I've come up with them, Ronda's come up with them, Elaine has come up with them, this year our speaker is from one of the car clubs, one of our auxiliary members is a part of that Kathy Hellensmith, so she was able to get him this year, so we literally sit around a table and we pick each other's brains," said Commander Wertz.



A member of the VFW places a flag down after every Veterans name who has since passed since the last Veterans Day parade, each name and affiliated branch of service was read out loud. Photo by Jimmy DeRogatis

"Sometimes it might be for a special anniversary of something, say like Pearl Harbor we'll try and reach out to somebody who was

there, something that the general public might be interested in you know because we have some veterans here who have extensive history on the

area that we never even thought of, and this is a good time for them to come out and share some of that informa-

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Keep an Eye on What's **Happening Locally!**



More than \$9M of MO Lottery prizes won in October

During the month of October, Missouri Lottery offices paid out more than \$9 million in prizes of \$1,000 or more.

One of those prize-winning tickets was purchased in Moberly. A lucky player won \$5,000 from a "\$2,000,000 Sizzling Riches" Scratchers ticket. It was purchased in October at the Dino Mart Sinclair on Highway JJ.

According to Missouri Lottery, since sales started in 1986, lottery players have won more than \$18 billion in prizes, and retailers have earned more than \$1.7 billion in commissions.

Salisbury youth drops buck during opening weekend



Annie Ramsey, 11, of Salisbury, harvested this buck while hunting on private land in Chariton County on Sunday of opening weekend. She was among the hunters in Missouri who harvested 90,334 deer during opening weekend.

Grace Billington signs letter of intent

by Jimmy DeRogatis
EDITOR

MOBERLY- Grace Billington signed her letter of intent as a recruit for the Murray State Women's Basketball Team at Moberly High School on Wednesday. The university is located in rural southwestern Kentucky, in a town and county much bigger than Moberly and Randolph County.

While Billington was on campus she made it official by verbally committing to the school. The 5-foot-10 hybrid forward and guard said Murray State also has been good to her family, mom Anne and dad Kelly.

"It means a lot to our program to see Grace sign with Murray State," Vestal said. "She has worked hard to get where she is today. Kids in our program look up to her. She does things the right way, and represents herself and our program the right way."

Billington said she hasn't completely made up her mind on what she plans to study in college; however, she has listed criminal justice, architecture, and psychology as her most desired majors.

In addition to playing for the Spartans, Billington has improved her game while a member of the AAU-based Kingdom travel team where she played in Chicago and other major cities.

Billington surpassed the 1,000-point mark early this season in a road victory at Monroe



Grace Billington signs her offer letter to Murray State alongside mom Anne and dad Kelly, Photo by Jimmy DeRogatis

City. "I'm definitely very excited I'm ready to take the next step but I'm also really nervous because it's going to be a big adjustment for me but I'm definitely ready to take it on," Billington mentioned.

Billington will mostly remember the bond and impact that her teammates and coaches have had on her.

"The chemistry that me and my team have had this year, I get to play with a lot of my closet friends and it's just a great feeling being able to make history as a team and under the guide of these coaches that we have, they're all like best friends to me," she said.

When asked what Grace would miss the most about playing for Moberly, she mentioned.

"Definitely the atmosphere all of the people that come out and watch

us and support us and being able to travel to all these different places and play against some really good teams and also being able to play in the district championship and just having like I said before my friends and my coaches be apart of it," she said.

Billington's favorite game as a Spartan was,

"The district championship for sure, it may not have been my best game overall, but we had just a huge crowd, and being able to play in a game like that and experience a game like that was just a great feeling," she said.

Billington's post-game antics with her teammates include,

"Definitely making Tik-Toks, she said while cracking up,

"Just making funny videos and going out to eat together," she said laughingly.

What Billington will

be most looking forward to while playing at Murray will be,

"I'm definitely looking forward to playing more like underneath the shot clock and I think that will be really fun to play in a different type of zone," she said.

Having a good time with the team is definitely more memorable for Billington than any personal achievements or accolades could have been as she mentioned the fun times with her team as being the best memories she made as a Moberly Spartan

"Probably just some of us forgetting our practice jerseys, that happens a lot of times, just having to run and having the coach get mad at us and what not it's always just a super funny moment that when I think about this team that will be something funny I'll probably be thinking about," she concluded.

Veterans

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tion, so we are open for suggestions next year as well, so we would love to have a speaker from the area and get that booked as early as possible," said President Avery.

"We always have the parade on the closets Saturday to Veterans Day, thankfully it landed right on it this year I know the schools have stuff the day before, and I know one of the schools has something next week but we will always have it on the closets Saturday to veterans day, whether it be

before or after," said Commander Wertz.

The JROTC program has been a huge success for the Moberly area's VFW

"So Moberly school has JROTC, in fact, some of them are gonna be here today with us, for the colors, I know the First Sergeant is here, I know the Colonel is here, they are a big part of the VFW because they come out and help out quite a bit, we kind of bounce some stuff off of each other because of what everything that we are and there have been a number of the former ROTC kids that

have graduated and have gone on to join the military so it's a good bond there and it gets the younger generation of possible soldiers or people that want to be soldiers in with the veterans so they can see someone that they can take to more about it and go from there," said Commander Wertz.

"I've heard from some parents that they've talked about their children being in that program and how apprehensive they were about being in there but they have seen a huge difference in the demeanor of their chil-



Quilt on display at the entrance of the Moberly VFW. Photo by Jimmy DeRogatis

dren and their ability to handle certain situa-

tions on the plus side, so all around very positive,

President Avery concluded.

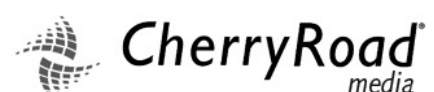
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FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY BIDS

The Moberly School District is accepting sealed bids for our contracted Food Service Program to include a fixed price contract for the 2024-2025 school year. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at our District Office located at 926 Shepherd Brothers Blvd, Moberly, MO 65270. Bid specifications will be made available at that time. Sealed bids will be accepted at our District Office until 12:00 p.m., Monday, February 5, 2024.
 Questions should be directed to Dr. Erin Oligschlaeger, Assistant Superintendent, via email at: erinoligschlaeger@moberlyspartans.org with a subject line of "Food Service Bid".
 The Moberly School District reserves the right to select the lowest responsible bid that serves the best interest of the District, and to reject any/or all bids.

NOTICE

The filing dates for the City of Moberly's 2024 Municipal Election are from 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2023, until 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 26, 2023. Those wishing to file for City Council may do so at the City Clerk's Office, 101 West Reed Street, Moberly, Missouri, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding holidays.
 The term of two (2) Council Members are expiring (three-year terms).
 Shannon Hance
 City Clerk
 Publication dates: 11/15, 12/20/23

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Moberly Housing Authority (MHA) announces that on or about November 1, 2023 the MHA made available for public review a draft copy of components of the 5-year Annual Agency Plan per the guideline of 24CFR903, a requirement of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. These documents will be available Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the MHA offices located at 23 Kehoe and 205 Farror, Moberly, Missouri for a period of approximately 45 days. The MHA has scheduled a public hearing for December 13, 2023 at 3:00 a.m. in the Board Room, 205 Farror, Moberly, Missouri. At this time, the MHA shall receive and consider any and all comments prior to the finalization of the agency plans for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or before January 15, 2021.
 The Moberly Housing Authority (MHA) announces that on or about November 1, 2023, a public comment period regarding the components of the L.W. Case Apartments lease and house rules.
 These documents will be available Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the MHA offices located at 23 Kehoe and 205 Farror, Moberly, Missouri for a period of approximately 45 days. This comment period will be immediately following the Public Hearing on December 13, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

Request for Proposal: Farm Lease Bid 2024

The City of Moberly is soliciting proposals from qualified farmers for a three (3) year lease to farm on approximately 155+/- acres, of property located on Business 63 North inside the Moberly City Limits.
 Proposed Farm Lease Agreements as well as FSA arials and tillable acreage measurements can be viewed at the offices of the City of Moberly, Community Development at 101 W. Reed St. in Moberly, MO from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. If you have any questions about the specifications, feel free to contact Tom Sanders at (660) 269-7644.
 All bids marked "Farm Lease Bid" are to be received by 10:00 am on Wednesday, November 29, 2023 to the following address:
 Shannon Hance | City Clerk's Office
 101 W Reed St. | Moberly, MO 65270

SouthLaw, P.C.
 13160 Foster, Suite 100
 Overland Park, KS 66213-2660
 (913) 663-7600
 File No. 242004

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

For default in the payment of debt secured by a deed of trust executed by Sunshine McConnell, dated August 31, 2021, and recorded on September 14, 2021, in Book No. 931, at Page 746 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Randolph County, Missouri, the undersigned Successor Trustee will on November 17, 2023, at 11:15 AM, at the North Front Door of the Randolph County Courthouse, Huntsville, Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash:
All of the North Forty (40) feet of the South One Hundred Ten (110) feet of Lot Twelve (12) in Block Two (2) of Wisdom and Rothwell's Addition to Moberly, Missouri, together with easement for sewer right of way and right of use of sewer to and over the East 3 feet of the North 65 feet of Lot 12 in Block 2 Wisdom and Rothwell's Addition to Moberly, Missouri. ALSO, Begin at a point on the West line of Lot 11 in Block 2 of Wisdom and Rothwell's Addition to Moberly, Missouri, which is 125 feet North of the South line of said Lot 11, thence East 39 feet, thence South 44 1/2 feet, thence West 39 feet to the West line of said Lot 11, thence North on said West line 44 1/2 feet to the point of beginning. commonly known as 426 S Morley St, Moberly, MO, 65270

subject to all prior easements, restrictions, reservations, covenants and encumbrances now of record, if any, to satisfy the debt and costs
 SouthLaw, P.C. Successor Trustee
 First Publication: October 25, 2023. For more information, visit www.southlaw.com

NOTICE

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose (Casefile No. 242004-1014190).

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION PENTA COMPANY, INC. CHARTER NO. 00272835

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN PENTA COMPANY INC.: On November 13, 2023, the corporation filed Articles of Dissolution with the Missouri Secretary of State. All creditors of said corporation are notified to file claims by mailing said claims to Mary Lee Noel, Secretary, in care of the corporation's attorney, Sidney Wheelan, The Wheelan Law Firm, 401 W. Reed St., P.O. Box 187, Moberly, MO 65270, within two years from the date of the publication of this notice. The claim must state the creditor, the amount claimed, and a statement of account for any claim. A claim against the corporation will be barred unless a proceeding to enforce the claim is commenced within two years after the publication of the notice.
 Date of the first publication for November 15, 2023
 Publication date: 11/15

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND CANDIDATE FILING DATES

In accordance with State Law and Ordinances of the City of Huntsville, Missouri
 Notice is hereby given that a General Election shall be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at Westran Hight School, 601 Hornet Lane, Huntsville, Missouri.
 Qualified Candidates for the positions of:
 Ward 1- 1 year term
 Ward 2- 1 year term
 Ward 3- 2 year term
 Ward 4- 1 year term
 Declaration of Candidacy forms may be obtained, and all filing may be made at Huntsville City Hall, 205 S Main, Huntsville, Missouri beginning at 8:00 a.m., on Tuesday, December 5th, 2023.
 Declarations of Candidacy shall then be received by the City Clerk, City Hall will be open from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, excluding holidays when City Hall is officially closed, until filing closes on Tuesday, December 26th, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.
 Names of candidates shall be listed on the ballot in the order in which they are filed with the City Clerk.
 For further information, please contact Linda Haffecke, City Clerk at 660-277-3110.
 Publication date: 11/15

Advertisement for Bids

Kiwanis Park Shelter and Site Improvements
Owner
 City of Moberly, Missouri
 Troy Bock, Parks & Rec Director
Address
 101 West Reed Street
 Moberly, MO 65270
 The city of Moberly is requesting sealed Bids for the construction of a park shelter and site improvements at Kiwanis Park as identified in the attached Bid Package Construction Documents and Project Manual.
 Bids will be received by
 City of Moberly, Missouri
 at the office of
 Moberly City Hall, 101 W. Reed St., Moberly, MO 65270
 Until 1:00 PM, (Local Time) Tuesday, December 12, 2023, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.
 The Contract Documents may be examined at the following location(s):
 Copies of plans and specifications can be seen or purchased for a Non-Refundable fee of \$54.68 on-line at planroom.drex-eltech.com in their eDistribution plan room. Bid set pricing for a complete set (1 copy) will be \$138.87. Additional assistance is available at distribution@drexeltech.com. Information regarding this project can be found in the "Public Jobs" link on the website. Contractors desiring the Contract Documents for use in preparing bids may also obtain a set of such documents from Drexel Technologies: 10840 West 86th Street, Lenexa, KS 66214, telephone number is 913-371-4430. Bidding documents will be shipped only if the requesting party assumes responsibility for all related charges. Corporate, certified, or cashier's checks shall be made payable to Drexel Technologies, Inc.
 The city of Moberly hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, ancestry or national origin in consideration for an award. Federal Land and Water Conservation Funds are being used in this project, and all relevant federal, state, and local requirements apply.
 Proposals must be on forms provided. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or waive any minor informalities. The project will be awarded to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.
 November 15, 2023
 Date
 Publication dates: 11/15, 11/22, 11/29

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION MOBERLY SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the laws of Missouri, notice is hereby given that a Municipal election will be held in the Moberly Special Road District on April 2, 2024 at which election all registered voters residing within the Moberly Special Road District which election all registered voters residing within the Moberly Special Road District will be given the opportunity to vote for the purpose of electing the office: One (1) Commissioner from the District for a three-year term. The polling places for said election will open at 6:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM. Persons wishing to seek the above mentioned office should contact the County Clerk at Huntsville Courthouse, Huntsville, Missouri. The Opening date for the Candidate Filings is 8:00 AM. December 5, 2023 and the Closing Day is January 23, 2024, Office hours for the County Clerk (located at 372 Hwy JJ, Suite 2B, Huntsville, Missouri) are 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday though Friday.
 Given under my hand the official seal of the Moberly School Road District this 9th day of November, 2023.
 /s/ Timothy M. Jeffries
 Timothy M. Jeffries, District Clerk
 November 9, 2023
 Pulication dates: 11/15, 11/22/ 11/29

IN THE 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, RANDOLPH COUNTY, MISSOURI

Judge or Division: Probate
 In the Estate of Agnes Anne McKinney, Deceased.
 Case No. 23RA-PR00085
Notice of Letters of Administration Granted
 (Supervised Administration)
 To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Agnes Anne McKinney, Decedent: On October 17, 2023, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of Agnes Anne McKinney, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Randolph County, Missouri. The personal representative's business address is: Jason Rand McKinney, 10654 Highway Z, Lot N, Cairo, MO 65239. The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number are: Sidney Wheelan, 401 W. Reed St, Suite B, Moberly, MO 65270, 660-372-2152. 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: August 15, 2023.
 Date of first publication: October 25, 2023
 Erica R. Johnson
 Probate Clerk
 Publication dates: 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Date of Publication: Wednesday, November 15, 2023
 Expires: November 30, 2023
Missouri Housing Development Commission
 920 Main Street, Suite 1400
 Kansas City, Missouri 64105
 (816) 759-6600
 This notice shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC).
REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS
 On or about December 1, 2023, MHDC will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Federal HOME Program funds under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, to undertake the following project:
Project Title: Tannehill Apartments
Purpose: New construction plus acquisition and rehabilitation of one (1) four (4) story apartment building. When completed, this development will contain a total of forty (40) one (1) and two (2) bedroom residential units for Seniors (55+).
Location: 101 N Johnson Street Moberly, MO 65270
Estimated Cost: Total development cost of this project is approximately \$13,523,335 with approximately \$2,500,000 of funding coming from the Federal HOME Program Funds.
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
 MHDC has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Certain conditions will apply to the project. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the MHDC. Copies may be examined by making an appointment by contacting Jason Cline at (816) 759-2888 or jason.cline@mhdc.com. The ERR may also be reviewed at HUD's ERR page at the following link: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>.
PUBLIC COMMENTS
 Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to MHDC, attention Jason Cline, at jason.cline@mhdc.com. All comments received within the comment period as listed above, will be considered by MHDC prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.
RELEASE OF FUNDS
 MHDC certifies to HUD that Julie Smith, in her official capacity as Deputy Director of Affordable Housing for MHDC, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows MHDC to use HUD program funds.
OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS
 HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and MHDC's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of MHDC; (b) MHDC has omitted a step of failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.
 Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec.58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD, Office of Community Planning and Development, CPD_COVID-19OEE-KC@hud.gov, (913) 551-5484. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.
 Julie Smith (Certifying Officer)
 Deputy Director of Affordable Housing, Missouri Housing Development Commission
 Publication dates: 11/15

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MACC Greyhounds split games in Orscheln Classic

The Moberly Area Community College Men's Basketball opened their season by splitting their two games in the Orscheln's Industries Classic this past weekend. The Greyhounds were defeated by Link Year

Prep on Friday by the score of 104-100 in 2 overtimes but came back to defeat #13 pre-season ranked Butler Co. CC(KS.) 73-65 in the classic finale Saturday evening. Against Link Year, it was closely contested contest throughout as the two teams battled throughout the double overtime contest. Xavier Sykes hit a floater at the buzzer to send the game to second overtime stanza but the Hounds could not hold onto a lead and eventually suffered the loss.

Sykes lead Moberly with a career high 24 points, 6'2" sophomore transfer guard Nelson Reynolds added 18 points(6-12 from 3 pt. range), 6'3" Sophomore wing Tekao Carpenter scored 17 points and 6'5" sophomore wing Akili Evans contributed 15 points and 9 rebounds. Freshman forward Tareeq Anderson added a game high 15 points and 9 rebounds.

Against Jayhawk Conference pre-season #1 Butler Co. on Saturday evening, Moberly jumped

to a 44-32 halftime lead and held off their opponents to claim a 73-65 victory. Tekao Carpenter had a tremendous evening for MACC with a game high 29 points with 10-15 field goal shooting while Evans and 6'6" wing Isaiah Robinson scored 11 points each(9 rebounds).

"Very tough loss against a really talented Link Year squad," said Coach Patrick Smith, "We had our chances to win the game and to be very blunt, didn't play well enough to win, especially on the defensive end. However, I was so proud of how our guys came back vs. an outstanding Butler Co. squad and the toughness they showed in playing so much better the second game. We made a couple of adjustments in our game plan but it was really our players and their mindset they brought into the Butler game. As always, just so appreciative of the Classic Sponsorship by Orscheln Industries and all the support they provide our Athletic Program."

Moberly now hits the road as they travel to Ottumwa, Iowa this weekend (Nov.10-11) for the Iowa Missouri Challenge and will play #12 ranked Southeastern Iowa CC on Friday and #14 ranked Indian Hills on Saturday.

Spartans falter to Blair Oaks 59-7

by Jimmy DeRogatis
EDITOR

JEFFERSON CITY- Moberly has proven that they are for real this season, and they showed how much a team can go if they stick to their game plan which has been working all season long, which is hand the rock off to the running back tandem of Ka'Von Tiger and Gage St. Clair. Tiger is the Bell-Cow for the Moberly offense and they go as he goes for the most part, while St. Clair is the stallion that can outrun an entire defense with both power and finesse. Moberly isn't a one-trick pony offensively, however, they don't just rely solely on the running game. They have a well-developed quarterback in Jackson Engle who has steadily improved graciously throughout the year as the schedule became harder in the later rounds of the playoffs, and they have a good solid core of receivers such as Nick Kessler and Carter Ward who did such great work for this years Moberly Spartans.

With all the great games and moments the Spartans have had this year, you could only imagine this game between the Blair Oaks Falcons and the Moberly Spartans

would be a shootout until the very end. That was the idea most fans in Moberly believed would be the case but didn't turn out the way any Spartan fan would have hoped. The boys in Moberly Spartan patriotic colors red, white & blue played their game the night before Veteran's Day, looking to make a spark for the Moberly crowd ahead of the big Parade in town the following morning.

The Spartans gained the early momentum by drawing first blood in the ball game. Moberly used their two running backs to set up the scoring drive in the first quarter at the 8:42 mark of the first. St. Clair got it started with a break away from the defense run of 72 yards downfield, which was then finished up by Tiger on a 2-yard run up the middle to put the Spartans up 7-0 and finish the job of playing with and starting with a lead which has been big for Moberly this whole season. This was absolutely the start Moberly was hoping for as the Spartan's offense gave a huge uplifting spark to the whole Moberly team and crowd in attendance. At this point, Moberly looked to be in great shape as the first quarter was beginning to simmer down into the second quarter and Moberly was

playing with that covenant lead.

This would be very short-lived for the Spartans as Blair Oaks started to score at will leading into the second quarter. The mistakes then started to pile up for Moberly which were drive-killers in the end as the offense started to give the ball away which resulted in Moberly's defense being on the field for far longer than what was planned. Blair Oaks would then go on to score 52 unanswered points in the first half, mostly from just the second quarter alone which is when the wheels started to fall off for the Spartans. Falcons quarterback Tyler Bax was on his A-game with precision throws and timely runs, he showed that he has a talented arm in the pocket and can run when need be to escape. Bax trounced Moberly's defense which has been one of the best in the district, Moberly only gave up 14 and a half points per game and did not allow more than 34 points scored on them in a game all of this season. Blair Oaks would go on to score another touchdown in the second half with the game already far out of reach for Moberly. The Spartans will lose a big senior class next year with 17 starters being lost to graduation.

Penney slams the door shut on Westran

HUNTSVILLE-The Westran Hornets came up just a bit shy in the District semifinals game against the Penney Hornets by a final score of 40-22. History was on Westran's side for this Class 1 matchup as nine years prior Westran was crowned champion over Penney, helping Westran get to the State Final championship game, where they ultimately lost to football powerhouse Valle Catholic High School that year. The game was a neck-and-neck

game for the entire first half of the ball game as both teams were in a straight-up battle for field possession in what became a very entertaining first half. Westran's two big physically imposing players, Brady Hollmann and Marshall Kitchen both played key roles in this game to keep the Westran Hornets in a close fight with the Penney Hornets. Hollmann does a good job at shooting through the gap in the interior line play for Westran as he usually gets upfield and into the opposing team's backfield consistently. Kitchen who has the football player frame and the mentality to run guys over on both sides of the ball made him a powerful impact player for Westran. Scoring for Westran came from some contested clutch catches by DC Dale, who made an incredible diving catch near the goalline to set up a Guillermo Lopez field goal. Lopez who was the knight in shining armor for Westran in their last playoff game, came out and nailed two huge field goals under the bright lights of the entire Westran community and helped the Hornets send Putnam home pack-

ing.

Late in the second quarter on a desperation 4th down attempt by Westran, a pass that may have been tipped at the line of scrimmage was caught by Dale in the back corner of the endzone, giving Westran a one-score advantage. With 8:18 now left in the half Penney scored a touchdown on a fourth and goal of their own and the ensuing two-point conversion running attempt by Penney was called to be a good score on the field but the runner's knee appeared to be down before the goalline which was contested by the Westran Hornets sideline but to no avail as the game headed into halftime all knotted up at 14 a piece.

Opening up the third quarter, Penney scored a touchdown right off the first or second play of the second half opening drive. Westran would get the ball back after the quick score by Penney and were in good rhythm looking to punch back with a score of their own until disaster struck and a loose fumble was recovered by the Penney defense. The Penney Hornets got pretty good field positioning on the recovered fumble and

two plays later scored when a Penney Hornet ball carrier reversed field on the Westran Hornets' defense and scored easily. With the two rapid-fire scores, Penney then went up by two scores very early in the second half as they started to pull away from Westran who came out of the half and immediately were playing with their backs against the wall. Later in the game, Dale got Westran back in the game as he punched in a run with 5:20 left to go in the fourth quarter. Penney would squeeze out one last touchdown in a late short-yardage situation going up by a score of 40-22 with 2:22 left in the ball game. Westran would get the ball back and have one last two-minute drive to get a quick score, an on-side kick recovery, and a Hail Mary attempt, the odds were stacked up against Westran. As the two-minute mark approached on the scoreboard a final interception into the waiting arms of a Penney defensive back, sealed the deal for Westrans attempt at any sort of comeback. Penney will face Milan High School on Friday for the District Finals Championship.



Brown scores 18, leads Kansas City over Saint Mary 95-42

by The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Jamar Brown's 18 points helped UMKC defeat Saint Mary (KS) 95-42 on Saturday night. Brown shot 7 for 10, including 3 for 4 from beyond the arc for the Kangaroos (2-0). Allen David Mukeba Jr. scored 13 points while shooting 6 of 11 from the field. Anderson Kopp had 12 points

and shot 4 for 9 (2 for 4 from 3-point range) and 2 of 4 from the free throw line.

The Spires were led in scoring by Tyssen Brennan, who finished with eight points. Deshaud St. Martin added seven points and two steals for Saint Mary. Mason Belcher also had six points.

NEXT UP UMKC visits Baylor in its next matchup on Tuesday.



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