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Publishing schedule changes to Fridays beginning Dec. 8

As the Moberly Monitor-Index was recently purchased by CherryRoad Media, the location in which the paper is printed will be changing.

We are proud to say that our paper will now be printed at another CherryRoad Media facility. However, this does bring with it a change in the printing schedule.

Beginning the first full week of December, the Moberly Monitor-Index will publish on Fridays, rather than Wednesdays.

There will not be an edition on Wednesday, Dec. 6. The edition that week will be Friday, Dec. 8, and then on every Friday thereafter.

We are dedicated to covering community news and partnering with area advertisers. We are always available to hear your story ideas and to look into the questions you have about the community.

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Zion Lutheran Hosts 17th annual Thanksgiving Dinner



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Members of the MACC Lady Greyhounds who couldn't go home for Thanksgiving this year still receive a traditional Thanksgiving meal thanks to the Community Thanksgiving dinner hosted by Zion Lutheran church.

Moberly Resident brings vast historical knowledge to Randolph County community

by Jimmy DeRogatis
EDITOR

MOBERLY- Moberly resident Joe Barnes brings a wealth of historical knowledge to the Randolph County area community. Joe has lived in Moberly for almost all his life except for when he was in Columbia to study at the University of Missouri as a college student in his early and mid-twenties. Joe is currently a caretaker at the Randolph County Museum, where you can find him researching, and preserving precious artifacts and histori-

cally significant artifacts which have been found or given to Joe and the museum. Joe Barnes is a well-known happy face in the Moberly community and is happy to share his wisdom on all things Moberly and Randolph County at the museum. Joe is one of the many volunteers at the Randolph County Historical Society/Museum located at 223 N. Clark St. Moberly, Missouri, which used to be an opera house and dance hall back in the day that saw outlaw Jesse James go for a night out dancing in Moberly's heyday. Many artifacts, photos, and

memorabilia are on display at the Museum which is very well-maintained and offers interesting and knowledgeable facts on Randolph County history including many of General Omar Bradley's equipment and paraphernalia when he was leading the way for America during the second world war. There is a display of the first train robbery in the area which happened in the early 1800's at Allen station, now Moberly. There is also a real human skull that guests can touch and feel

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Turkey Trot, Christmas parade topics of city council meeting

The Moberly City Council met in regular session on Nov. 6. Council members present were Tim Brubaker, Brandon Lucas, Jerry Jeffrey, Austin Kyser and John Kimmons.

A motion was made by Kyser and seconded by Lucas to approve the agenda, which was passed by the council.

According to meeting minutes, a request was received from the Randolph Area YMCA to hold the 2023 Turkey Trot 5K on Nov. 23. Approximately 125 participants were expect-

ed to participate, and it was requested they be led by law enforcement. The city council unanimously approved the event.

The council also reviewed a request from the Moberly Area Chamber of Commerce to hold the 2023 Christmas Parade downtown on Saturday, Dec. 2, at 3 p.m. The parade staging will be at the City Hall parking lot, Depot parking lot and Home Care parking lot. They requested permission to close Sturgeon Street between

Coates Street and Rollins Street for staging. The parade will begin in the 100 block of West Reed Street, travel west to Johnson Street and Reed Street where it will disband. The city council approved the event.

During the meeting, bids were received for the demolition of five residential structures and outbuildings, located at 1824 S. Morely St., 522 S. Williams St., 616 S. 5th St., 714 Franklin St., and 824 W. Coates

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Snow descends upon Moberly over weekend



Photo submitted by Janet Morales

The first tracking snow came to Moberly, and most of Randolph County, Saturday, November 25.

Residents are hoping against the lore that states the date of the first snow determines the number of snowfalls in winter.

“We are so very blessed that Moberly Motors has partnered with us with the pie – a – thon!”

Folks from near and far gathered last Thursday, Thanksgiving, in the Fellowship Hall of Zion Lutheran Church for the 17th annual Community Goodwill Thanksgiving Dinner.

This year 618 persons were served with 372 of those dinners being delivered. While donations are accepted, all meals were offered at no charge.

Pastor Matthew Resner led three hourly devotions during the meal and provided a service of thanksgiving afterward.

Many Zion members and

other community people donated many hours to provide this year's outreach dinner. Amy Doepke is the primary organizer of the event.

“We are so very blessed that Moberly Motors has partnered with us with the pie – a – thon! Food that was not served was donated to Community Kitchen for their use. Though Zion Lutheran sponsors the event, it wouldn't be possible without the community donations and volunteers! I would like to thankeveryone for their help!”

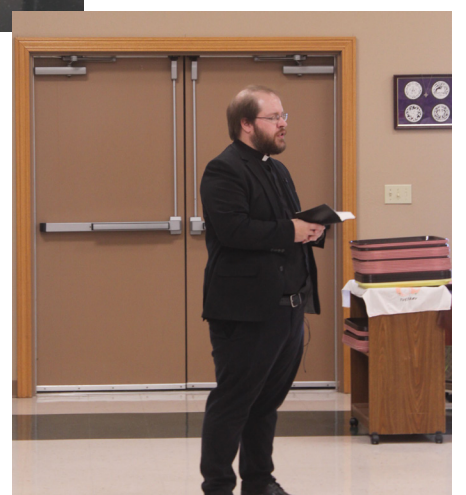


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Marty Pilkington and Paige Roberts, with their companion Lil Bit, wait to take part in the Zion Lutheran Church Community Thanksgiving meal.

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Rev. Matthew Resner, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Moberly, offers a devotional and prayer during the community outreach meal Thanksgiving.



Ask Joe

"In the 50's when I was a kid I was not allowed to walk around the Depot District area, but of course, that's where the Depot was, my grandfather wouldn't be too happy if he found out us kids snuck out and would take a look at the prostitute's wondering outside the Sycamore, which was the last of the brothels in Moberly to open and it was not what you would call high class by any stretch of the imagination, and they'd switch them out every few weeks or so. We got a book on it at the museum that anyone could buy," Joe said.

"It seems like if you were in that line of business back then, then you're a ghost now, and maybe twice, three times a year we get a group of paranormal investigators that want to do ghost hunting over there, I guess the logic is that it was a place of ill-repute, so they came and they did there business and then they left, and some of them would come back maybe again that same year or the next year," Joe said.

"A funny story happened when I was asked to speak on Moberly's history at the Museum for a group of seniors and when I mentioned the "working houses" in Moberly these three little old ladies remembered all of those establishments from that era, and they went on and on about how they too would sneak out and look at the women of the night coming in and out," Joe mentioned.

"People ask me all the time, Joe how did these places re-

main in business being right across the street from the Police Station, and I say because they were located across the street from the Police Station, which people don't understand all that often," Joe said.

"They would come in on the train, leave on the train, Moberly it was sort of like a transient place back then, but the women would take the train in and walk a block to the Sycamore and set up shop I guess," Joe said.

"In their hometowns, I assume these looked like just nice ladies, but nobody knew they have this side hustle thing going on, with the Sycamore the other ones have been closed down and Richard Nixon really whipped out a lot of them," Joe said.

"If you remember you're high school history he came up with this thing called revenue sharing, where the tenants will return money to you, and what that led into with the feds is they cannot pass laws, Nixon lowered all the highway speeds to 55, which some states changed and others didn't but the ones who did got part of the reve-

nue share," Joe said.

"It's just an odd little piece of Moberly history that most people want to forget about, it wasn't a nice place, it was an eyesore for the City of Moberly for sure, and in most aspects, it was the dirtiest place in Moberly for a long time but one that had an important piece in the development of Moberly

during that time in the 1940s and 50's and glad there's no more of those nefarious types of businesses still around over here," Joe concluded.

"It's a community that's gotten a little vague on what its image is," said Joe Barnes. Moberly used to be a railroad town, he said. Losing the depot "ripped the identity apart."

Barnes said he senses Moberly "groping to recover what we were or what we are now."

If anyone would like to ask a question or challenge Joe on any of his question responses, please stop by the MMI office or the Historical Society across the street to ask or challenge Joe's answers.



Chuck Embree/Moberly Monitor-Index

Missouri State Archives Local Records Division Archivist Mary Vogt McIntosh left, Thomas Stacy of Clark, a University of Missouri graduate student who has been volunteering his services at the Randolph County Historical Society, RCHS board member Joe Barnes, and RCHS President Joyce Campbell, right, on June 16, 2021, take a look at what is believed to be the original City of Moberly map. The linen cloth document indicates it was officially filed as a township on Nov. 5, 1866. It was discovered by a Moberly man after he bought contents from a storage unit auction, and wishes to remain as an anonymous donor of this historical artifact to the RCHS.

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Historical

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which was used in the old doctor's college courses held in Moberly. If you are interested in learning more about the history of Moberly and Randolph County, World War II, Omar Bradley, Weaponry, the Farming history of the area, doctor artifacts, railroad history, and genealogy history, or just of course to see Joe Barnes, they can all be seen at the museum during normal business hours. Any one of the volunteers at the society can help find ancestors that were part of the Randolph County history. Many of our country's war heroes can be located in the Book of Wars from 1812 to the Book of Confederate Veterans. The society is dedicated to examining and preserving the history of Moberly and Randolph County. It promotes

preserving, displaying, and teaching past local history through exhibits, visual displays, and events. The museum and Genology Center have just currently been closed for the season this November and will reopen in April-May for the spring, summer, and fall of next year's season in 2024. According to Joe, the Museum can not afford to stay open all year long due to the increased spike in heating costs for the building to remain operational for guests.

We will periodically ask Joe about Moberly and Randolph County happenings and historical facts. If anyone has a question for Joe or wants to challenge his answer, please contact the Moberly-Monitor Index or stop by the office located across from the Museum from 9-3 p.m. Monday through Friday. This week's ques-

tion to Joe is "Why is Moberly nicknamed the Magic City?"

"Well the town of Moberly was built off the railways in town and the surrounding stockyards, Moberly didn't start showing up on maps until that time period when Moberly was beginning to boom," Joe Barnes said.

"It was this that people starting flocking to Moberly, and houses started being built and more and more people started to move into Moberly and it sprung up like magic out of nowhere, no real interesting concept behind it, no famous magician from Moberly named it such, it just formed into a mid-sized town or smaller sized city in a few years really, the population has steadily stayed the same since then give or take, but it was just that Moberly sprung up like a magic trick," Joe said.

Council

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St. The bids were from Wiedeman Dozing for \$26,800; Schneiders Excavating for \$50,936; JT Holman Construction for \$22,000. Council members accepted the bids.

The council also reviewed bids for janitorial services for the police department. Those were Chef Jeff's, \$3,250 per month; Magic City Cleaning, \$3,125 per month; Randolph County Sheltered Industries - MPPS, \$2,275 per month. A motion was made and approved to accept the bids.

Bids were also received for the North Morley Water Line EDA Project for Public Utilities: Great Plains Contractors, \$1,451,115; Earthworks Excavation & Assoc. LLC, \$1,268,593; Emery Sapp & Sons (ESS), \$1,167,770.50; Willis Bros. Inc., \$1,324,170.

Council members accepted the bids.

According to meeting minutes, six resolutions were adopted during the meeting. They included authorizing the purchase of park land from Leatha Silva and V.V. Silva; accepting the bid and authorizing contracting with JT Holman Construction for the demolition of five residential structures; accepting the bid of Randolph County Sheltered Workshop Industries and authorizing contracting for janitorial services at the PD; accepting the bid and authorizing the city manager to execute an agreement with Emery Sapp & Sons for the North Morley Water Line Replacement Project; authorizing the city manager to execute and agreement with Burns & McDonnell Engineering for a utility rate study; and granting

an access easement to KOSF II - Moberly LLC from the city of Moberly.

Council members later approved an ordinance approving a sidewalk replacement reimbursement agreement between the downtown Moberly Community Improvement District and the city of Moberly. Likewise, a bill was introduced for an ordinance repealing Article IV of Chapter 42 of the City Code related to sewers and adopting a new Article IV of Chapter 42 related to sewers. This was read twice and passed by the council.

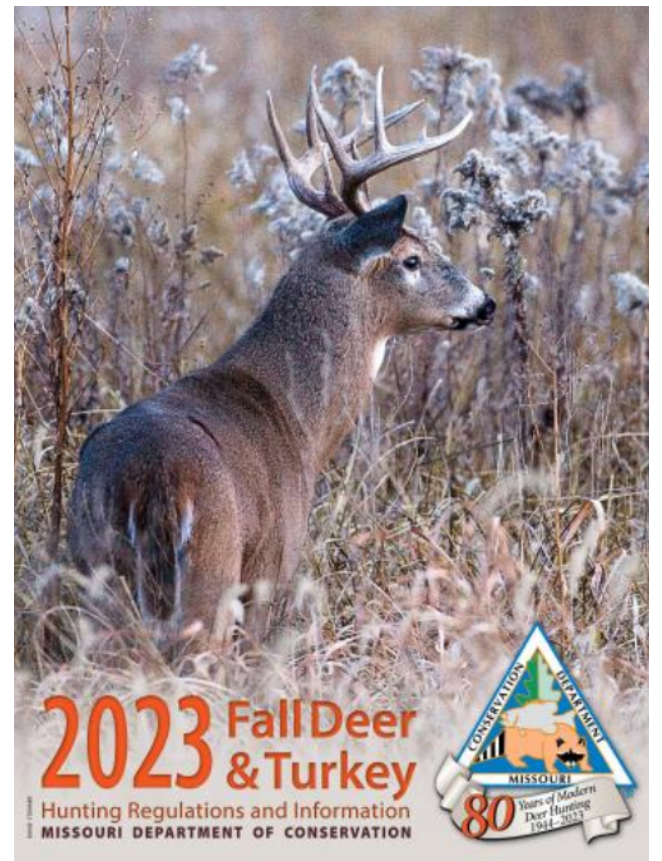
During the meeting, resident Phyllis Self was reappointed to the Housing Authority Board.

A liquor license request was discussed at the meeting. It was reported that Shot Clock Sports Bar & Grille (Hattie Mae LLC) at 604 Con-

cannon Street, made an application for a liquor license. During the police department's investigation into the license, it was discovered the business is registered to Adrian Preyer, and that Mr. Preyer's former business, The Gold Bar and Plush Lounge in Columbia, were the location of several shootings, including a death in 2023. The liquor license was applied for by a manager of the business, however the business license is held by Mr. Preyer, and the payment for the application was made by his credit card. Mayor Brubaker called for a motion to approve the liquor license. It failed for lack of a motion, and the application was denied.

The council later went into a work session, followed by a closed session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

MDC reports 193,669 deer harvested during November portion of firearms deer season



MDC

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. - Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that deer hunters in Missouri harvested 193,669 deer during the November portion of firearms deer season, Nov. 11-21. Of the 193,669 deer harvested, 105,614 were antlered bucks, 16,081 were button bucks, and 71,974 were does.

Top harvest counties were Franklin with 4,289 deer harvested, Texas with 4,208, and Howell with 3,749. For current ongoing preliminary harvest totals by season, county, and type of deer, visit the MDC website at extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest_table/.

This year's harvest total was 3% lower than last year and 2% higher than the previous five-year average. For more harvest information from past years, visit mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/deer/deer-reports/deer-harvest-summaries.

New CWD Portion in Management Zone Counties

Deer hunting continues in Missouri with the

new CWD firearms portion running Nov. 22-26 in CWD Management Zone counties. Hunters will be able to use any unfilled firearms deer hunting permits during the CWD portion and must abide by the statewide limit of one antlered deer during the firearms deer season, all portions combined. Hunters must also abide by county-specific firearms antlerless permit numbers. CWD testing is not required during the CWD portion, but voluntary CWD testing is available.

Archery deer hunting resumes Nov. 22 through Jan. 15, 2024. The late youth portion runs Nov. 24-26. The late antlerless portion of firearms deer season runs Dec. 2-10 in open counties and the alternative methods portion will occur Dec. 23 through Jan. 2, 2024.

Get more information on Missouri deer hunting from MDC's 2023 Fall Deer and Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet, available where hunting permits are sold and online at mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/deer.

Moberly area pastors discuss community outreach during meeting

MOBERLY- Local Pastors met at Trinity Church in Moberly to discuss some of their November meeting announcements. Many of the local Randolph County pastors from the area came together on Tuesday morning to discuss possibilities for reaching out to their fellow church-goers about spreading the word about upcoming events and church announcements. The benefit of the meetings for the pastors is that it is enlightening to hear of some of the church's concerns they may have run into over the course of the last month or so. The vision for each church is to spread the

light of God and Jesus through paintings and literature from throughout pre-modern history. Local Pastor John Bondy is the chair of the local Pastor's group where each member and guest speaks to the attendees about any concerns or situations that may need to be addressed. Many attendees were pleased to hear that the Moberly Monitor-Index is now under new ownership from the CherryRoad family brand of newspapers throughout the Midwest states. Attendees were pleased to find out that the Monitor-Index will be reporting on their monthly Pastor's meetings

moving forward and look forward to seeing many of the areas' communal pastors and church ministers from all Randolph County churches and places of worship.

"It is big for us to keep the Monitor-Index local to Randolph County, Gatehouse kind of went away from that which hurt the paper over the last few years, this is the bible belt area here where church is a big factor of each community, and folks are very independent and like to think for themselves and not what any politician or state representative tells them what to think," John Bondy said

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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, December 4: spaghetti, green beans, tossed salad (in-house), fruit, garlic sticks, ice cream.

Tuesday, December 5: ham & beans, tater rounds, pickled beets, cornbread, dessert, fruit.

Wednesday, December 6: bbq pork on bun, parsley taters, fruit medley, cali veg blend, ice cream.

Thursday, December 7: chicken & noodle soup, greens beans, rolls, dessert, salad (in-house), cheese, onion, tomato, dressing.

Friday, December 8: tenderloin, mac & cheese, butter beans, fruit, ice cream, tomato, onion, lettuce, pickle.

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, December 4: chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, Texas sheet cake.

Tuesday, December 5: fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, cauliflower/cheese, apple crisp.

Wednesday, December 6: sausage patties, biscuits/gravy, hash browns, cinnamon roll.

Thursday, December 7: tenderloin, mashed potatoes/gravy, baked beans, cherry pie.

Friday, December 8: closed.

Obituaries

Cheryl Holloway

July 23, 1940 – November 17, 2023

LODI - A loving daughter, mother, and friend peacefully passed away at Agrace Hospice in Fitchburg, Wisconsin. Cheryl Dee (Reese) Holloway, 83, went to see Jesus and her family/friends on November 17, 2023. Cheryl was born on July 23, 1940, in Des Moines, Iowa and was the daughter of Wilfred and Orma Stansberry. While growing up in Moberly, Missouri, she met classmates in the schools who have been long-time cherished friends. Cheryl graduated Moberly High School in 1958 and went on to Moberly Junior College (MJC) where she graduated in 1960.

After graduating from MJC, she had several secretarial positions in Moberly, Missouri; Boulder, Colorado; Kansas City, Missouri; Glendale, California; and Raytown, Missouri. She retired as City Clerk for the City of Burlingame, Kansas in August 2005 after 20 years of service. Cheryl then moved to Wisconsin to be closer to her daughter.

Cheryl led by example, always put others first, and worked very hard to achieve her goals. She taught her daughter how to be respectful, caring, honest, dependable and most of all, how to walk with Christ. After retirement, she liked to read, play games on her tablet, put puzzles together with her daughter and Briana, and of course, watch college basketball.

Cheryl was married to Robert Holloway in 1963, divorced in 1974 and had one daughter (her favorite daughter), Carri Dynell Holloway (Briana), Lodi, Wisconsin. While married to Robert, she was a proud step-mother to Mark Holloway, Buda, Texas. She is also survived by her dog Bailey and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by brothers, Wilfred Stansberry, Jr., Homestead, California; Earl Stansberry, Redding, California; Ronald Stansberry, Moberly, Missouri; sisters Dorothea McIntosh, Anaheim, California; Muriel Curry, Orrick, Missouri; and a niece, Debra (Curry) Hewitt, Henrietta, Missouri.

Being a single mother to Carri was quite a challenge (you know how much if you have met Carri!) so when she needed help straightening her out, her best friends Marion and Louann Burgess, Tyler, Texas would step up.

Although we are all saddened by Cheryl's passing, we are comforted in knowing that she is with Jesus and no longer in discomfort or attached to machines. Cheryl and Carri would like to Thank the staff on third floor East UW Hospital (Madison) and Agrace Hospice (Fitchburg) for making the journey home as peaceful as possible.

A small graveside service will be determined sometime in the Spring at Memorial Park, Moberly, Missouri where she will rejoin her family!

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Burlingame Community Library, 122 West Santa Fe Avenue, Burlingame, Kansas 66413 as Cheryl was an avid reader or to Fire Department Coffee Charitable Foundation (<https://www.firedeptcoffee.com/pages/charity>) marked "In memory of Cheryl Holloway, Mother of Lt. Carri Holloway, Madison Fire Department, Madison, Wisconsin."

Thanks for the laughs, hugs, scolding, advice, and love MOM...I'll miss you but see you again!

Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonfh.com.



Royalin Carlson

Royalin Carlson, 82, died peacefully in her sleep while residing at McClay Senior Care in St. Peters, MO.

Words of comfort and support may be shared with the family at a visitation to be held Friday, December 1, 2023, 3-5 pm, at Cater Funeral Home. A funeral service honoring and celebrating Royalin's life will be held Saturday, December 2, 2023, 11 am, at Coates Street Presbyterian Church. A committal prayer and burial will take place following the funeral service at Oakland Cemetery.



Despite strong Arab opposition, the United Nations votes for the partition of Palestine and the creation of an independent Jewish state.

The modern conflict between Jews and Arabs in Palestine dates back to the 1910s, when both groups laid claim to the British-controlled territory. The Jews were Zionists, recent emigrants from Europe and Russia who came to the ancient homeland of the Jews to establish a Jewish national state. The native Palestinian Arabs sought to stem Jewish immigration and set up a secular Palestinian state.

Beginning in 1929, Arabs and Jews openly fought in Palestine, and Britain attempted to limit Jewish immigration as a means of appeasing the Arabs. As a result of the Holocaust in Europe, many Jews illegally entered Palestine during World War II. Radical Jewish groups employed guerilla tactics against British forces in Palestine, which they thought had betrayed the Zionist cause. At the end of World War II, in 1945, the United States took up the Zionist cause. Britain, unable to find a practical solution, referred the problem to the United Nations, which on November 29, 1947, voted to partition Palestine.

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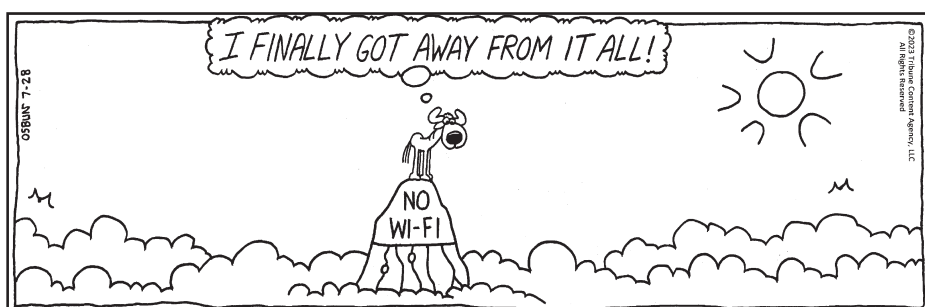
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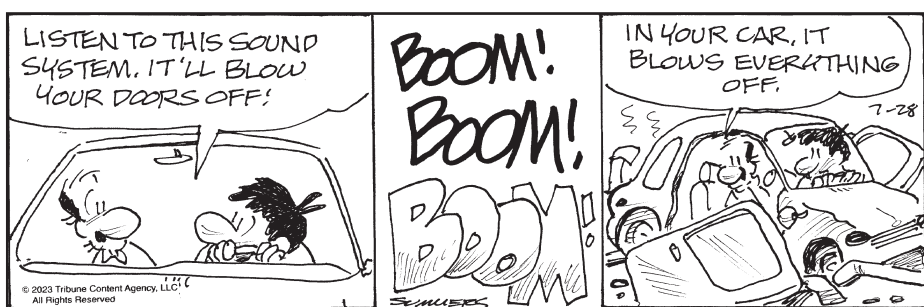
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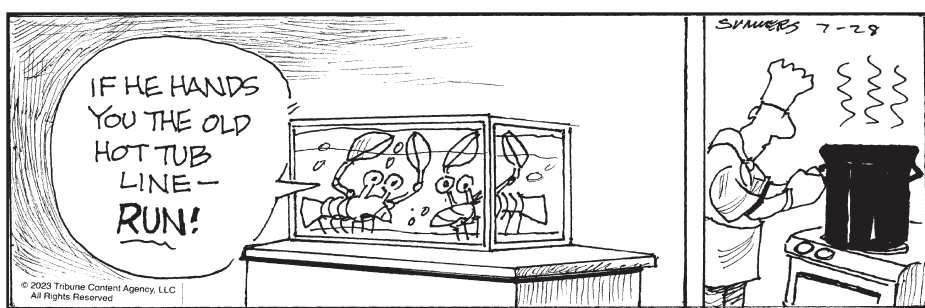
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THE MIDDLETONS



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Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

Rising professional influence especially rewards this year. Make a summer shift at home, before energized creativity inspires new professional directions. Adapt around changing news or disagreements next spring to discover fascinating possibilities through study, travel and research. Grab a career break and run with it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 7 - Introspection, writing and organization flourish, with Mercury in Virgo. Include ritual, meditation and spiritual or philosophical thinking in your schedule. Consider a mystery.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is an 8 - It's easier to work with groups. Your team gets stronger over the next three weeks, with Mercury in Virgo. Friends help you advance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 9 - Take charge of your career, with Mercury in Virgo for three weeks. Discuss options and opportunities. Create exciting possibilities in conversation with interesting people.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 7 - Make vacation or travel plans, with Mercury in Virgo. Expand your territory over the next three weeks. Make long distance connections. Study and research.

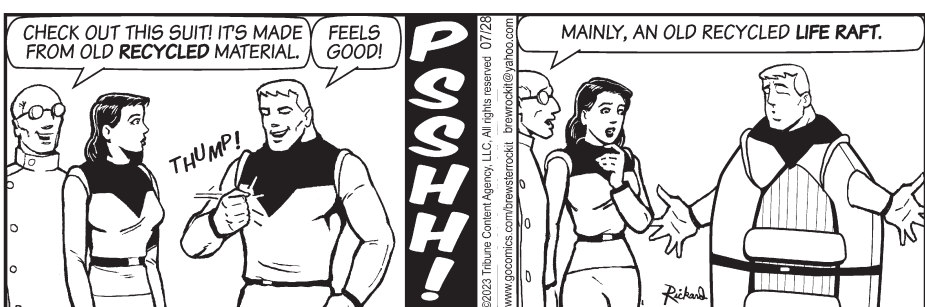
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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 9 - Connect and collaborate. Partnership flowers, with Mercury in Virgo. Compromise and negotiate for mutually beneficial solutions. Share ideas and invent possibilities with someone attractive.

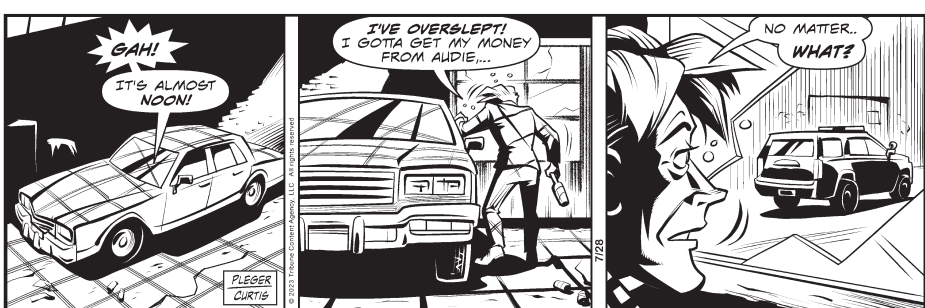
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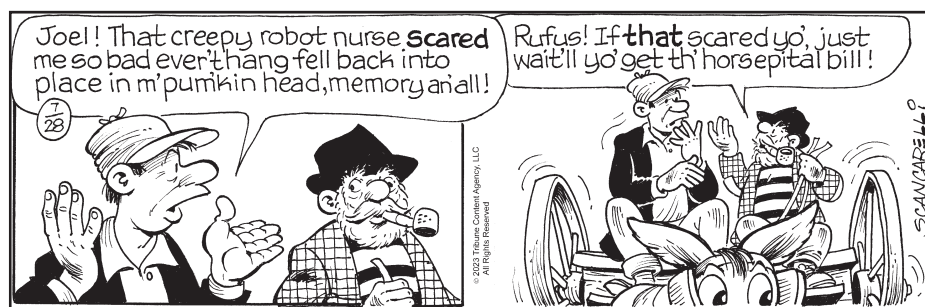
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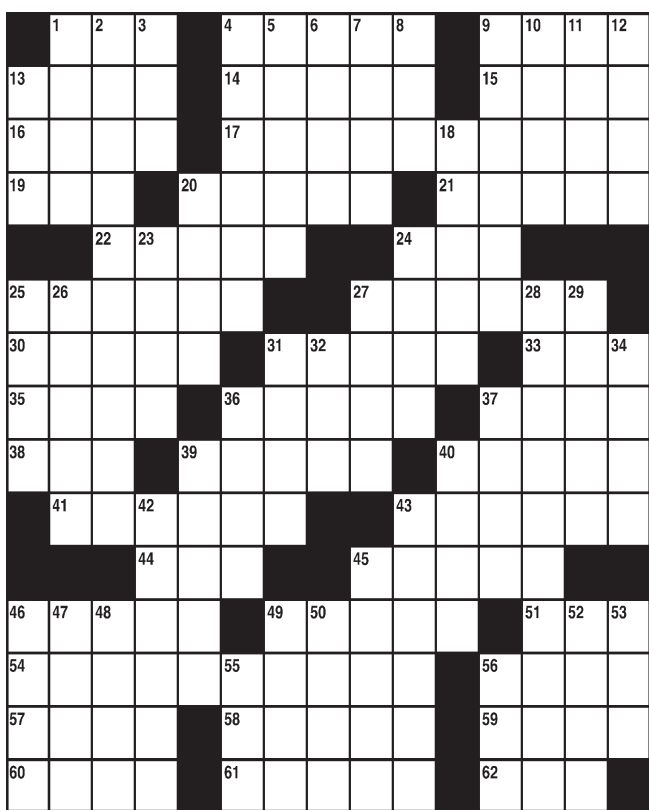
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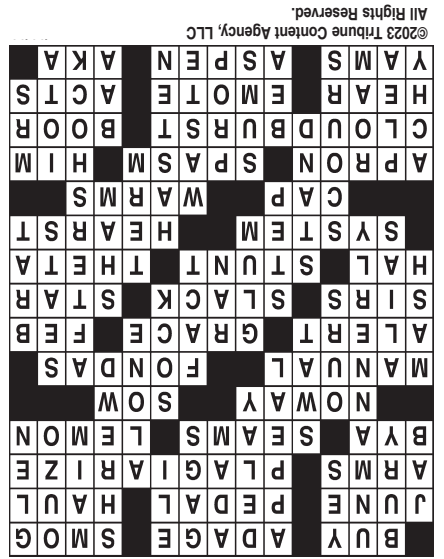
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THE Daily Commuter Puzzle by Jacqueline E. Mathews

- ACROSS**
- 1 Purchase
 - 4 Old saying
 - 9 Air pollution
 - 13 30-day period
 - 14 Bicycle piece
 - 15 Lug
 - 16 Coat parts
 - 17 Steal another's writing
 - 19 "Not ___ long shot!"
 - 20 Bursting at the ___; too full
 - 21 Sherbet flavor
 - 22 Words to José
 - 24 Female animal
 - 25 Handbook
 - 27 Henry & Peter
 - 30 Open-eyed
 - 31 Prayer before meals
 - 33 Winter month: abbr.
 - 35 Old letter opener
 - 36 In need of tightening
 - 37 Word attached to light or fish
 - 38 Man's nickname
 - 39 Daredevil's feat
 - 40 Sorority letter
 - 41 Respiratory or digestive
 - 43 William Randolph ___
 - 44 Mushroom part
 - 45 ___ up to; begins to like
 - 46 Chef's accessory
 - 49 Muscle contraction
 - 51 That fellow
 - 54 Heavy downpour
 - 56 Slob
 - 57 Listen
 - 58 Be a drama queen
 - 59 Performs
 - 60 Orange edibles
 - 61 Fluttering tree
 - 62 Letters on a rap sheet
- DOWN**
- 1 Entomb
 - 2 Inconsiderate
 - 3 TV's "___, Dear"
 - 4 Urgent request
 - 5 Procrastinate
 - 6 Actor Sandler
 - 7 Jokes
 - 8 Whitney or Manning
 - 9 Clever
 - 10 Hurt badly
 - 11 Greek liqueur
 - 12 Singer Campbell
 - 13 Quick punch
 - 18 Without help
 - 20 Kill flies
 - 23 "Yours, Mine and ___"; Henry Fonda film
 - 24 Foot warmer
 - 25 Jamie Farr TV series
 - 26 Assumed name
 - 27 Truism
 - 28 Earthquake follow-up
 - 29 Theater furnishings
 - 31 Sullen
 - 32 Skedaddled
 - 34 Difficult child
 - 36 Staircase piece
 - 37 Pillow covering
 - 39 Couldn't ___; hated
 - 40 Short-___; temporary
 - 42 Uses Brillo
 - 43 Go quickly
 - 45 Squander
 - 46 "___ Breaky Heart"
 - 47 "Guilty" or "Not guilty"
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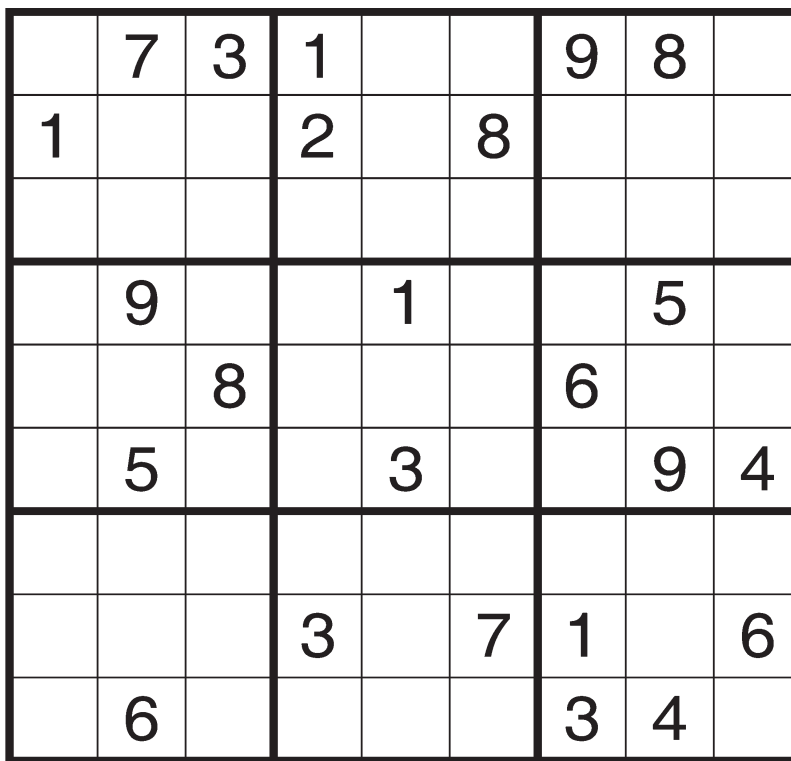
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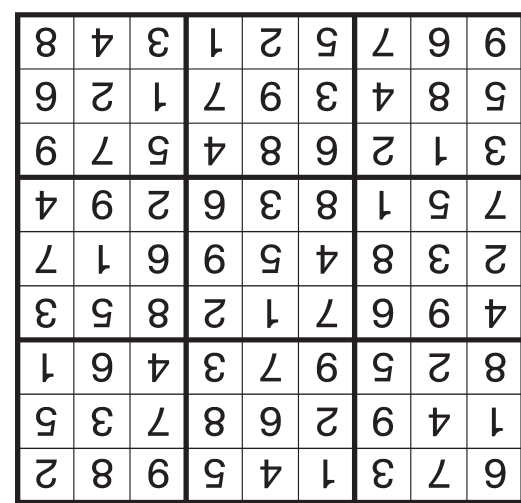
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Solution to Friday's puzzle

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HOMEWISER

Real Estate Tips and Advice



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Millennials and Home Ownership

For many millennials, achieving homeownership is seen as a distant dream, due to unique challenges facing their generation.

From student loan debt to rising home prices, this generation faces high hurdles. However, with careful planning and innovative strategies, millennials can overcome these obstacles and achieve the dream of owning a home.

HOUSING LANDSCAPE

Millennials, typically defined as those born 1981-1996, have encountered a vastly different housing market than their parents and grandparents. They share many common hurdles that have made it more difficult to buy homes.

Many millennials carry the burden of significant student loan debt, which can make saving for a down payment and qualifying for a mortgage chal-

lenging.

Over the past few decades, home prices have soared, particularly in desirable urban areas. This has made homeownership less accessible for millennials, who often face steep property costs. In many parts of the world, wage growth has not kept pace with the rising cost of living, including housing expenses. Stagnant wages have paired with a changing job market. Millennials tend to change jobs more frequently than previous generations, which can make committing to a mortgage seem daunting.

STRATEGIES

There are strategies millennials can employ to successfully

navigate the path to homeownership, a combination of old and new ideas.

Student loan debt can be a significant financial burden. If the loans do not qualify for forgiveness, consider refinancing them to lower interest rates and monthly payments. Explore income-driven repayment plans that adjust your monthly payments based on your income. These strategies can free up more funds for savings.

Saving for a down payment is a significant hurdle, but it is not insurmountable. Set up a savings account specifically for your down payment. Consider automating transfers from your paycheck to this account to ensure consistent savings. Look into down-payment assistance

programs that may be available in your area.

While traditional single-family homes may be out of reach initially, explore alternative housing options such as condos, townhouses and cooperative housing. These more affordable options can offer a foot in the door to homeownership. As you build equity and financial stability, you can work toward your ideal home.

A strong credit score is crucial for securing a favorable mortgage rate. Pay your bills on time, reduce credit card balances and avoid taking on additional debt. Regularly monitor your credit report and address any errors or discrepancies promptly.

Seek financial assistance from government programs such as FHA loans, VA loans and USDA loans, which offer more lenient down-payment

requirements and favorable terms for first-time homebuyers. Research these options to see if you qualify.

Consider co-buying or co-housing. Pooling resources with friends or family members to buy a home together can be a creative way to overcome financial obstacles. Co-buying or co-housing arrangements can make homeownership more affordable and accessible.

Take advantage of resources and workshops that provide financial education and homeownership counseling. These programs can equip you with the knowledge and tools needed to navigate the complex world of real estate.

Be patient and remain persistent in your efforts. The housing market can fluctuate and opportunities may arise when you least expect them.

REAL ESTATE 101



Finding Sale Price Information

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development helps people achieve home ownership. One of its resources allows you to look up the median sale price and the FHA or GSE mortgage limit for a given geographical area. This can give you useful information as you shop for a home or try to set a selling price. It is available here: <https://entp.hud.gov/idapp/html/hicostlook.cfm>.

HOMEWISER GLOSSARY

Guaranty: the agreement of a person or entity to pay amounts due, or otherwise perform the obligations, of another person or entity (for example, the promise by Tom to pay the loan Dick owes to Harry). **SOURCE:** American Bar Association



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SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS (Public Notice of Filing)

The Moberly School District encourages qualified persons interested in running for a position on the school board to file to be a candidate in the April 2, 2024, election. Interested persons may file at the superintendent's offices located at 926 Shepherd Brothers Blvd., Moberly, MO 65270. For more information, contact Trudie Barnett, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent/Secretary to the Board of Education at: trudiebarnett@moberlyspartans.org or by calling the district office at: 660-269-2600.

Filing will begin on December 5, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. and will continue Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., except for the first and last day of filing. Filing will not occur on days that the school district's central office is closed due to inclement weather. Filing will also not occur on the following dates: The afternoon of December 15 (noon-4:00), all day December 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 25, 2023. Filing will resume on December 26, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. and will end on December 26, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

Candidates will be listed on the ballot in the order of filing

Publication dates: 11/22, 11/29

NOTICE OF FILING DATES

The Westran R-1 Public Schools will accept **Declarations of Candidacy** for any person interested in running for a position on the School Board in the April 2, 2024 election. Persons interested may file at the school district's administration office located at 228 Huntsville Ave., Huntsville, MO 65259.

Filing will begin on December 5, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. and will continue during the district's regular business hours, which is Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Filing will end on December 26, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. The district's administration office will be closed on December 20, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. until January 3, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. Filing will not occur on days in which the district is closed due to inclement weather. There are 3 positions available; (2) Three year terms (1) One year term

Stephanie Jurado
Secretary, Board of Education

Publication date: 11/22

LEGAL NOTICE OF FILING OF DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR OFFICE OF DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT NO. 10 OF BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI (Albert Schindler Memorial)

Notice is hereby given that Water District Clerk, Drinda D. Spillane, will accept Declarations of Candidacy for one member of the Board of Directors of Public Water Supply District No. 10 of Boone County, Missouri from the opening filing date at 8:00 A.M. on December 5, 2023, until the closing filing date at 5:00 P.M. on December 26, 2023. The election of one director for Public Water Supply District No. 10 of Boone County, Missouri will be held Tuesday, April 2, 2024. At the aforesaid Election there is to be elected one director to represent Subdistrict No. Five (5). The term of office is three years. Candidates shall be a registered voter in the District, shall have resided in the District at least one whole year immediately prior to the candidate's election, shall be at least twenty-five (25) years of age, shall not be delinquent in payment of taxes at the time of the candidate's election, shall not be a past or present corporate officer of any fee office that owes any taxes to the State of Missouri, and shall reside in the Subdistrict the candidate seeks to represent. A candidate who has been convicted of or pled guilty to a felony under federal law, or who has been convicted of or pled guilty to a felony under Missouri law or the law of another state if the conduct would be considered a felony under Missouri law cannot qualify as a candidate for public office.

Information about Subdistrict boundary lines and Declaration of Candidacy forms are available upon request to the Water District Clerk, Drinda D. Spillane. Anyone interested in filing a Declaration of Candidacy who meets the qualifications for the office of Director may do so at the office of Public Water Supply District No. 10 of Boone County, Missouri located at 22601 N. March Road, Centralia, Missouri during business hours the Water District office is open. The Water District office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. until noon and then from 12:30 P.M. until 4:30 P.M. except on the following dates when the Water District office will have the following business hours:

On the opening filing date of December 5, 2023, the Water District office will be open from 8:00 A.M. until noon and then from 12:30 P.M. until 4:30 P.M. On December 25, 2023, the District office will be closed all day. On the closing filing date of December 26, 2023, the Water District office will be open from 4 P.M. until 5 P.M.

Drinda D. Spillane, Clerk
Public Water Supply District No. 10
Of Boone County, Missouri
(Albert Schindler Memorial)
Telephone: (573) 682-5314

Publication date: 11/29

IN THE FORTEENTH CIRCUIT COURT OF RANDOLPH COUNTY DIVISION ONE

Kimberly Brough,
Petitioner
v.
Steven Lloyd Brough,
Respondent
Case Number: 23RA-CV01143

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: STEVEN LLOYD BROUGH, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

By Order for Service of Publication dated this 16th day of November 2023, you are hereby notified that on the 13th day of November, 2023, the Petitioner filed suit against you for: In the marriage of Kimberly Brough v. Steven Lloyd Brough.

You are required to file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Randolph County, Missouri and to serve upon the Petitioner, c/o Frank R. Flaspohler, 112 East Morrison Street, Fayette, Missouri 65248, an answer to the complaint within sixty (60) days of the date of the first publication of notice.

Witness of the Honorable Mason R. Gebhardt, Judge of this Court.

This 17th day of November, 2023.

/s/ Mason R. Gebhardt
Judge/Clerk, Circuit Court of Randolph County, Missouri

Publication dates: 11/22, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13

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.

In The 14th Judicial Circuit, Randolph County, Missouri

Judge or Division: Probate
Case Number: 23RA-PR00090
In the Estate of Lisa A. Stegall, Deceased.

Notice of Letters of Administration Granted - Independent Administration - Non-Resident Fiduciary

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Lisa A. Stegall, Decedent: On November 13, 2023, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of Lisa A. Stegall, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Randolph County, Missouri. The personal representative may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the court. The personal representative's business address is: Barbara L. Larocca, 8052 Windwood Way, Parker, CO 80134. The personal representative's attorney and designated agent's name, business address and phone number are: Nathan Allan Jones, 2412 Forum Blvd, Suite 101, Columbia, MO, 65203, (573) 874-1122. 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 defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo. Date of the decedent's death: September 05, 2023. Date of first publication: November 29, 2023. /s/ Erica R. Johnson, Probate Clerk.

Publication dates: 11/29, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

In Cause No. 22RA-CV00797 in the Circuit Court of Randolph County, State of Missouri, a judgment was entered on October 17, 2023 and recorded on October 24, 2023 in favor of BANK UNITED N.A. for judgment and for enforcement of Deed of Trust executed by **John C. Hopper and Joyce F. Hopper, husband and wife**, dated **March 7, 2018** and recorded on **March 13, 2018** in Book **891**, Page **278**, as Document No. **20180840** and amended by Judgment recorded on **October 24, 2023** in Book **944** at Page **3289**, as Document Number **20233269**, Office of Recorder of Deeds, Randolph County, Missouri. The Successor Trustee will on **December 15, 2023**, between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 5:00 P.M. more particularly at **11:00AM**, at the Randolph County Courthouse, 372 Highway JJ - Justice Center, Front door, Huntsville, MO 65259, sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate:

LOT THIRTY TWO (32) OF BLOCK FIVE (5), OF MILLER'S PARK ADDITION, RANDOLPH COUNTY, MOBERLY, MISSOURI, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 53, RANGE 14.

The above legal description taken verbatim from Deed of Trust contains an inherent scrivener's error. The correct legal is as follows:

LOT THIRTY TWO (32) OF BLOCK FIVE (5), OF MILLER'S PARK ADDITION, RANDOLPH COUNTY, MOBERLY, MISSOURI, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 53, RANGE 14.

For the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the costs of executing this trust.

S&W Foreclosure Corporation
Successor Trustee

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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

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Hornet Boys and Girls sweep Brookfield back-to-back

HUNTSVILLE- Much like the girls, Hornet boys started off their season with a bang as well, taking down Brookfield by a final score of 69-44. Westran had the momentum from the early going, taking a page out of the Lady Hornets playbook by using the three-point-er to their advantage as well. The boys also have a good balance of size and speed, one of the big men in the paint for Westran is Brady Hollmann who brings his football-like mentality to the basketball gymnasium. Hollmann oftentimes in this game was the rebound collector in the key. Hitting the big three-pointers for Westran came by way of senior Jace Chapman and freshman Cruz Hayes who each had a big shooting night together in Huntsville. The Hornets did an outstanding job at bottling up Brookfield's best player who

usually has the hot hand for the Bulldogs, Hayden Dejong who did not have much of a factor as he is accustomed to. Dejong could not get past the Westran defenders for much of the night and had some issues with hitting shots all night as did most of the Brookfield squad. Chapman was the fast break extraordinaire for the Hornets and he gets good extension away from defenders and has a great handle on the ball to make cut moves away from the defenders as well. The game would turn out to be a blow-out in the fourth quarter as many of the younger bench players were called a pon to finish the game. Guillermo Lopez who was the hero for the football team with his powerful leg on field goals got a nice hand from the crowd when he was passed the ball and attempted a three-point-

er from the quarter as the crowd chanted "Shoot!, Guillermo! Shoot! It was high off the glass however as the final buzzer sounded giving Westran the commanding victory over the Bulldogs.

"I think we came out and did a lot of what we have been talking about," said Westran boys Head Coach Chris Sander.

"We wanted to play quick and use our speed, defensively and offensively just to create some easy baskets and we have been talking about that for a while now, going back to the summertime and through our first few weeks of practice, and I thought that was the difference in the game for us, and we were able to kind of do what we wanted to do out there." Coach Sander said.

"Our two senior guards that both start and are returning starters from last year, Jace Chapman and

Trent Brandow, those two and also another senior that we look up to is Brady Hollmann, those are kind of our leaders, guys that have played big minutes for us in the past, so I think those three guys are who we look up to as a team," said the Westran coach.

"The biggest strength I think can be offensively for us, we can play a bunch of different guys that can all shoot the basketball so I think when we're shooting the ball well and were working right we can really spread it out and get some easy looks," Coach Sander concluded.

Next, the Hornets went on to beat the South Shelby Cardinals by a final score of 53-47 and will play their next regular season scheduled game on December 7, 2023, against Fulton at home in Huntsville starting at 7:30 p.m.

MO duck-hunting season portends a grim future



Missouri wetlands have been reduced to 643,000 acres, a loss of 87% from their original footprint. (rodimovpavel/Adobe Stock)

By: Farah Siddiqi

Missouri's duck-hunting season runs through January, and many enthusiasts are concerned about how plentiful their future quarry will be because of a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling.

It's been six months since the high court removed protections for most wetlands in the nation.

Zack Morris is the president of the Conservation Federation of Missouri and said the Sackett vs EPA case dealt with identifying which waters are protected under the federal Clean Water Act.

This affects the quality of upcoming duck hunts. Morris said with-

"They are some of our most biodiverse ecosystems here in Missouri - all throughout the Midwest."

out thriving wetlands, the sport won't be able to carry on.

"It's hard to say how many of those unprotected wetlands are going to be plowed under or how fast," said Morris, "but that's certainly, I think, a reality that we'll face is significant wetland loss over the next 10 years or so and declining duck numbers as a result."

Wetlands are also the primary habitat for 200 at-risk plants and animals in the state.

Morris said most of the ducks that migrate through the Midwest on the central or Mississipp-

pi flyways hatch in small pothole wetlands in North and South Dakota, Iowa and Canada.

Duck habitat is expected to decline for the U.S. portion.

Conservation groups in Missouri say protecting the wetlands is now up to state agencies.

Dana Ripper is co-founder and executive director of the Missouri River Bird Observatory and said wetlands are critical to Missouri's way of life and Missourians need to reach out to their legislators to gain protections.

Ripper said wetlands protect us from flooding and provide us with clean drinking water. They are key for fish and the millions of ducks and shorebirds that migrate through the state annually.

"They are some of our most biodiverse ecosystems here in Missouri - all throughout the Midwest," said Ripper. "They also provide water filtration. We have had devastating floods just in the last 15 years or so. And our wetlands are really important for helping to mitigate the effects of flooding."

As many as 127 million acres of wetlands existed when settlers arrived on this continent. Today, more than 50% of those wetlands are gone - and without protection, thousands of acres will be lost each year in the United States.

Of the original 2.4 million wild acres of forested lowlands in southeast Missouri, less than 60,000 acres, or 2%, remain today.



Westran Hornet junior Cooper Harvey avoids a leaping block attempt by standout Brookfield junior Hayden Dejong



Westran Hornet senior Jace Chapman shoots a three over the top of a Brookfield defender

Hornets Hold it Down on the Hardwood

HUNTSVILLE- A big day all around for the Westran High School Hornets on Monday as both the boys and the girl's teams defeated the Brookfield Bulldogs in a competitive succession. The Lady Hornets got the parlay going first at 5 o'clock with a huge statement victory over Brookfield by a final score of 46-35. The game started strong for the Lady Hornets in the opening possessions of the first quarter, with the Westran girls taking advantage of some defensive lapses on the part of Brookfield which opened up the gate for Westran to make a breakaway run early. The ladies had the crowd on their sides and

were hitting on all cylinders come the second quarter. As Westran kept their feet pressed down on the gas, the Bulldogs could not get much going offensively and were in danger of getting blown right out of Hornet's gymnasium early. Brookfield however beared down and would eventually make it a more competitive affair in the second half.

Westran had a plethora of scoring drives that came from many different players on their team, starting with Kharigan Fuemmeler who grabbed a pass off of a nabbed breakaway steal from the point guard Jaelyn Miller, spun away from the defender like prime Gilbert

Arenas, which opened up the floor for an easy layup to begin the game for Westran. Throughout the rest of the game, Brookfield did give it a valiant effort but the Hornets were too overly matched for the Dogs in this game. Fuemmeler along with Kylee Hayes were impressively hitting up three-point shots from well beyond the arch as they took turns knocking down three's like the Clay and Steph Warriors of old. The three-headed monster that Westran possesses gives them a huge competitive advantage moving forward. Miller with her speed, stealing ability, and late-game scoring prowess makes her

an excellent ball handler and facilitator for the rest of the Westran Hornets starting lineup. Both Fuemmeler and Hayes have the height and wingspan to outjump opposing players to the rim on rebounds.

Westran would collect 32 rebounds on 46 points, 10 assists, and 13 steals for a 40 percent field goal percentage, a 32 percent three-point percentage, and a 40 percent free throw percentage overall for the game. The Lady Hornets lost their following game at South Shelby the next day and will play their next upcoming game against Marceline on Tuesday at the Glasgow Tournament.



Westran Lady Hornets try and block a Brookfield three-pointer from the corner



Lady hornet Jaelyn Miller steps up to the line to take a free throw

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