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Heart of the Ozarks Model T club tours SEK

By Dustin R. Strong

Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — The Heart of the Ozarks Model T Club of Springfield, Missouri, is hosting its annual Hillbilly Tour for Model T enthusiasts from around the country. This year, the club is focusing on touring the sights and sounds of southeast Kansas.

Using Pittsburg's Lamplighter Inn as a base of operations, members of the club have been scurrying about in their antique highlighting several placcars, some from as far away as Arizona, Florida, ing the Pittsburg State and Wisconsin, taking in Pittsburg's sights. Officially starting on

Wednesday, tour members were welcomed to the area by Chris Wilson of Explore Crawford County, who gave them some pointers on what to see, not only in Pittsburg and Crawford County, but southeast Kansas in general. Wednesday's itinerary consisted of a half-day tour of Pittsburg.

es around the city, includ-University campus, the Veterans' Memorial, and the Crawford County Historical Museum, and ended with a public showing of the cars at the Farmers' Market Pavillion. Thursday's schedule

includes the Carona Train Depot in Scammon, Big Brutus, the Baxter Springs Heritage Museum, the old Marsh Arch Rainbow Bridge on Route 66, and Route 66 through downtown Galena. On Friday, the tour will take Route 66 to visit Carthage, Missouri, taking in such sites as the Phelps House, Carthage Square, and Christine's Vineyard. The tour wraps up on Saturday and Sunday with a drive up the Jefferson Highway to the Fort Scott National Historic Site.

Bob Stone of Camdenton, Missouri, has a lifelong love for old cars, saying the first car he ever owned as a teenager was 1929 Model A. For this tour, Stone is driving a



A few of the owners from the Heart of the Ozarks Model T Club stop in for a tour of the Crawford County Historical Museum. DUSTIN R. STRONG / THE MORNING SUN

1921 Coupe that he bought from the granddaughter of the original owner. "I'm essentially only the second owner of this car," he said.

Gemmill Gene Springfield brought his 1926 Tudor, a two-door sedan, for this tour, but he said he also has a one-ton Model TT grain truck at home.

Gemmill and Stone, amateur experts on the history of the Model T, proved eager to share their love for the car. To the average observer, there is not much difference between models of the same year, but Henry Ford was not one to waste parts.

"There are a few differences," said Gemmel. "Spare parts from the previous model year were used on the new year until they ran out."

Most of the cars' structure is made of wood. Metal sheeting is just applied as an outer layer. If Ford had any wood left over, it would get used, either as a frame or as charcoal for the furnaces.

"Ford owned his own coal mines and foundries," said Stone. "He made a lot of the metal parts on site."

The Model T was revolutionary for its day. Many cars of the time were

hand-made for individual customers, while others were gorgeous works of art, such as the Duesenberg. Early cars could cost

between \$3,000 to \$10,000. According to Stone, Model Ts were massed produced on an assembly line, which drove prices down. A brand-new Model T could be purchased for as little as \$300, making it affordable to the average person. And they were flex fuel vehicles — anything combustible could be used as fuel. Over 26 million Model Ts were sold.

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Bone Creek water district searching for leak

Crawford County Historical Museum Director Amanda

Minton hitches a ride with John Lueckenhoff in one of

his father's two Model Ts. DUSTIN R. STRONG / THE MORNING SUN

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PITTSBURG. Kan. — Crews are tracing along that this is not a serious the Bone Creek District 11 Wholesale Water District's system searching for water a water leak by finding water coming to the surface.

For the past week the system has been losing 100,000 gallons of water a day from a ten-inch pipe somewhere in the 75-mile

transmission system. According to District 11 manager Jay Russell, this loss has not seriously affected the district's 13 retail customers, which include the cities of Girard, Cherokee, Weir, West Mineral and others.

"We are pumping over 700,000 gallons on a normal day, so right now we have to pump about 150,000 gallons more to keep up the supply to our customers," said Russell. "With the cooler weather our demand has decreased, which has

helped.

Russell. He also stressed direction. leak, noting that the district has dealt with much

bigger leaks in the past. But the water loss has already exceeded a million gallons from this leak, so finding it is a priority, according to Russell.

"The thing that confounds us, on this leak, is our pressure has remained good and we just haven't been able to locate the leak," Russell said. "Our system runs through a lot of the mined area and it could be the leak is dumping water into one of those mine shafts."

According to Russell the water lines were installed in the late 1990s and since then the trees and shrubs have grown over the water pipes, hiding a possible leak.

"I was out in the Weir area on Tuesday and walked most of the way "We have isolated the to US 400, but near the

leak to be in the area end it was so overgrown south of Cherokee down I decided I would have to to Columbus," continued come at it from another

> "We deal with this, two or three times a year, usually not this big or this difficult to find, it is just part of the business," Russell said. "I would like to ask folks when they are out and about and see any wet ground or water in some unusual place to give us a call. This could be something as small as a six-or-seven-inch split in the 10-inch pipe but with the pressure we put on the system it would leak out a lot of water.

> In June, the District had an 8 percent water loss during the whole month, much of that from small leaks. That will be higher in August and September due to the leak.

> No one has been adversely affected, except the water district, according to Russell, and the water pressure has remained high, keeping the water quality good.

Fresh from the farmers market

Locals gather at weekly Girard Farmers Market



Numerous Girard and Crawford County residents gathered at Tuesday's Girard Farmers Market. The market takes place from 4 to 6 p.m. every Tuesday throughout the summer and through the month of September. It is located on the northeast side of the courthouse square on South Ozark Street. AARON PYLE / THE MORNING SUN

EDAC hears proposal for Crisis Stabilization Unit

By Dustin R. Strong Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — The Pittsburg Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) heard a proposal Wednesday from Michael Ehling, executive administrator for the Crawford County Mental Health Center, to build a new Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) at the Pittsburg campus Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas (CHCSEK) at 30th and Michigan. The new building will also include the Addiction Treatment Center (ATC) that will be transferred from its current location in Girard to the Pittsburg campus.

According to Ehling, construction of new building will cost \$6,550,000, of which he has already secured 94 percent through grants and private donations. This is an increase from the initial estimate in 2019 of about \$3 million for the ATC. By adding the CSU and with the current economy, costs have gone up. Ehling



A map showing the proposed site of the CSU/ATC building (circled in yellow). FILE PHOTO

is asking the City of Pittsburg for \$400,000 to meet his funding goals.

The goal of the new facility is to expand substance use disorder (SUD) medication-assisted treatment (MAT), to expand services to include 24 residential and four social detox beds, house six beds for the CSU, and create a collaborative person-centered care facility, according to Ehling.

Quoting mental health indicators, Ehling said suicide is the eighth leading cause of death in Kansas, ranking the state at 13th highest in the country, and that 27 percent of adults in the U.S. have unmet mental health

services and provide for needs. Other indicators Ehling presented showed that 15.2 percent of Crawford County residents experience frequent mental health distress (two points higher than the national and three points higher than the state averages) and that 16.6 percent of adults in the county do not have health insurance (three points higher than the national average and nearly a full point above the state).

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Obituaries



Mel Allen Blazer

Mel Allen Blazer passed on at the age of 80. June 21. 2022, in Omaha, Nebraska. He was born in Pittsburg, Kansas, on Dec. 7, 1941, to Kenneth and Lois Blazer.

Mel grew up and attended school in Pittsburg from kindergarten through college (now Pittsburg State University). Upon graduation from college and the ROTC program, he was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the US Army. He served as a battalion safe-



ty officer and aerial reconnaissance officer in the United States and Vietnam. Following his military service, Mel built a career in sales and corporate training.

Mel enjoyed sharing knowledge and wisdom with others throughout his speaking and training career, encouraging people to expand their skills. He conducted seminars across the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Ireland, and England.

Friends and family agree that Mel was full of energy, loved a good time, and had a wonderful, quirky sense of humor. He enjoyed socializing, traveling with his wife, Ruth, and spending hours happily working with his computers. Mel was the unofficial electronics troubleshooter for anyone who asked.

Mel is survived by his wife, Ruth St. Pierre; two children, Jillene Blazer and Jason Blazer; two stepchildren, Valerie St. Pierre Smith and Garrick St. Pierre; and seven grandchildren: Garrett, Addison, Tinley, Quentin, Noah, Sadie, and Hannah.

Mel's ashes will be interred at Greenwood Cemetery, Petoskey, Michigan.

Anyone wishing to honor Mel is encouraged to donate to the Alzheimer's Association, www.alz.org.

Philip (Phil) John Rankin

Philip (Phil) Rankin, 70, of Garfield, Arkansas, passed away Sept. 5, 2022, surrounded by family.

He was born March 28, 1952, in Wichita, Kansas, the son of the late Melvin Rankin and G. Nadine Rankin-Bennefeld. He was an only child. He married the love of his life, Debra (Debi) Southard Rankin, on June 15, 1974, who survives of the home.



He is a class of 1970 graduate from Girard High School. Upon his marriage to Debi in 1974, they moved to Topeka, Kansas, and then to Memphis, Tennesee, where he was involved in new home construction. In 1979, they returned to southeast Kansas and began a two-way radio communication business that evolved over the years as the technologies advanced. He owned and operated this business for over 40 years. In 2020, he retired at their lake home in Garfield, Arkansas, where he enjoyed the scenic view of Beaver Lake.

Phil enjoyed various hobbies and had numerous talents. He was a talented musician who played the guitar and banjo for over thirty years in the John Yoger Polka Band and sat in on occasion with other local musical groups. He held a private pilot's license that he received in the mid-70s and loved to fly. His passion for fast cars was strong. If you could drive it fast, he was interested. He was a member of several different car clubs over the years, where he did everything from autocross racing on controlled courses to cross-country cruising with fellow Corvette enthusiasts. He received his Ham Radio license at the age of nine and continued his love for overthe-air communication until his death. He loved visiting with other "hams" from all over the world. His greatest activity of all was spending time with his granddaughters, Kaitlin and Kinley. He was their biggest fan and cheered them on during gymnastics meets, basketball games, academic accomplishments, and more.

He is survived by his daughter Abbi and her husband Jim Sinclair; grand-daughters Kaitlin and Kinley Sinclair of Webb City; brothers-in-law Mike (Tammie) Southard and Jeff (Cindy) Southard of Girard; nephews Jeromy (Rachel) Southard and Jason (Katie) Southard, both of Pittsburg; nieces, Jennifer Morris of Frontenac and Whitney (Colbie) Snyder of Pittsburg; nine great-nieces and nephews, and several close family

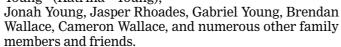
Funeral services will be held at Bedene Funeral Home in Arma, Kansas, on Saturday, Sept. 10 at 10 a.m., with graveside services to be held following the service at Girard Cemetery. There will be a visitation at Bedene Funeral Home on Friday, Sept. 9, from 6 to 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the Southeast Kansas Humane Society. Donations may be sent to or left at the Bedene Funeral Home, 517 E. Washington, Box 621, Arma, Kansas 66712.

Peggy Kaye Lindquist (Rogers)

It is with great sadness that the family of Peggy Kaye Lindquist (Rogers) announces her sudden passing on Friday, Sept. 2, 2022, at the age of 68.

Peggy will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 22 years, Jack Lindquist; children, Kelly Young (Sue LaRue), Kimberly Young (Craig Wallace), and Erik Lindgrandchildren, quist; Andy Rhoades, Joel Young (Katrina Young),



Peggy was predeceased by her parents, Keith and Grace Rogers, and her son, Jeffrey Keith Young (survived by Abby Young).

Peggy was born and raised in Lawrence, Kansas, graduating from Lawrence High School in 1972. Peggy is a lifelong KU fan (ROCK CHALK!), attending the University of Kansas for two years after high school. Peggy has resided in the Pittsburg area for the past 25 years and is retired from the Kansas Department of Revenue. Peggy was active in the civic community in Arma and was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Peggy loved her animals, especially her Pomeranian, Murphy. Peggy also enjoyed watching the birds in her bird feeders— hummingbirds, yellow finches, and red cardinals. Peggy took great pride in her children and grandchildren. She was happiest when with her husband Jack, with family, or with her many friends. Her family will miss her infectious laugh and sense of humor. If you see a yellow finch, we hope you take a minute to remember Peggy.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, Sept. 9, 2022, at 11 a.m. at the Bedene Funeral Home in Arma, 517 E. Washington Street, Arma.

The family wishes to extend a special thank you to the Frontenac first responders for their care and compas-

Rosalie Elizabeth Lampl (nee Rondelli)

Rosalie Elizabeth Lampl (nee Rondelli) passed away peacefully on the morning of Aug. 29, 2022, in Pittsburg. She was 96 years old.

Born in 1926 in Chicopee, Kansas, Rosalie was recognized as a gifted pianist from an early age, a talent she shared in performances when young and with her family throughout her life. She attended Kansas State Teacher's College of Pittsburg, married George



Linton, a Navy Ensign during WWII, and established a successful corporate and nonprofit career in Dallas, Denver, and Atlanta. One of Rosalie's proudest accomplishments was as a founding member of the group that launched Opera Colorado. Rosalie also used her musical talent discovering and mentoring up-and-coming performing artists. A gifted fundraiser, she worked as a Director of CARE in Denver and was able to raise millions of dollars for the nonprofit.

In 1965 she married Walter Lampl, who passed in 2015. Rosalie was predeceased by her parents, Joe and Katie Marie Rondelli, and her brother, Charles Joseph Ron-

She is survived by daughter Dr. Michelle Linton-Lampl and partner Gregory Brauer; son Daniel Richard Lampl and wife Tracy Lampl; son Elan Stewart Lampl and partner Dahne Fraker; five grandchildren: Amanda, Cameron, Skylar, Aidyn, Austin; her sister, Barbara Rondelli Perry, her cousin, Cathy Estenson; as well as her niece, nephew, and their children.

Rosalie's zest for life was truly extraordinary and will live on through her children and grandchildren.

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CLUB NOTES

Thursday, Sept. 8

Arma Golden Era

Arma Golden Era, located at 619 E. Washington St., Arma, Kansas, hosts games including cards and dominoes on Thursdays from noon to 5 p.m. Now playing pinochle. Come and visit.

Al-Anon

As COVID-19 and social distancing has curtailed Al-Anon meetings, there is now a weekly Zoom Al-Anon meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information call 620-704-1309 or email jtknoll@swbell.net.

TOPS Club Inc.

TOPS Club Inc. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), the nonprofit weight-loss support organization, meets weekly on Thursdays at 9 a.m. at Crawford County Historical Museum, located at 651 S Highway 69, Pittsburg. The meeting is open to the public, ages 7 and up. Your first visit to any TOPS meeting is free.

TOPS #1186

The new Pittsburg TOPS #1186 chapter meets Thursdays at the Knights of Columbus Towers at 700 N. Pine. Weighins begin at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting starts at 10 a.m. Visitors are always welcome and your first visit is free. Call 620-724-4342 or 620-687-1788 for more information.

Pittsburg Noon Kiwanis

Pittsburg Noon Kiwanis will meet at noon on Thursday, Sept. 8, at The Pitt restaurant at 516 N. Broadway. Members and guests are encouraged to attend. Members and those that are interested in Kiwanis are invited to check our Facebook page.

Friday, Sept. 9

Dinner at the Arma American Legion

The Arma American Legion, located at 512 E Main, is open Friday nights serving good food and drinks. The kitchen opens at 5:30 p.m. for dine-in or carry-out. Customers may call 620-347-8520 to place an order.

Monday, Sept. 12

TOPS #0599 Pittsburg

TOPS KS 0599 Pittsburg, Kansas, meets Monday evenings for confidential weigh-ins and an informational meeting at the Homer Cole Center at 3003 N. Joplin, Pittsburg, KS. Weigh-ins begin at about 5:15 p.m. and the meeting starts at 6:05 p.m. For more details about TOPS #0599, contact Wanda Porter at 620-231-9091.

Co-Dependents Anonymous

As COVID-19 and social distancing has curtailed CoDa meetings, there is now a weekly audio only conference call meeting at noon on Mondays. For more information call 620-704-1309 or email jtknoll@swbell.net.

NAMI SEK

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) support groups for those living with a mental health condition (Connections) and friends and family (Family) meet at 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. At this time, we are only holding support groups virtually, via Zoom at us02web.zoom.us/j/5634478341 with meeting ID 5634478341. For more information email seknami@gmail. com or call 620-240-3740.

Little Balkans Quilt Guild Board Meeting

The Little Balkans Quilt Guild holds its regularly scheduled executive board meeting at 6 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of every month at Labette Bank, 801 S. Broadway, Pittsburg.



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NEWS

Pittsburg Beautiful announces September winners

Special to the Morning Sun

Pittsburg Beautiful is pleased to announce its September awards. This month the group focused on new home construction and a major business renovation. The awards are: Jenny Frazier, 1822 Silverback Way, Shane and Amy Kannarr, 1905 Deer Run Place, and Matt DeMoss, The Meat Shed, 2401 S. Rouse.

Jenny Frazier has owned her property at 1822 Silverback Way for one year. She is happy to be in the Pittsburg community after being away for 20 years. She says that maintaining your property also keeps its value and gives her a sense of pride. Jenny loves this small subdivision of Silverback Landing and is in hopes

that it becomes home for many more families.

Shane and Amy Kannarr chose to build their new home in Payton's Hamlet, a four-home new development. located at 1905 Deer Run Place. They have lived here for 14 months and spend about 5-10 hours a week maintaining the property. They spend a lot of time at home and enjoy working outside, which gives them time with their family, and creating an inviting atmosphere. "A well-maintained city instills pride and a welcoming feel to its residents and visitors alike," Amy says.

The Meat Shed has been in business for 1 ½ years. It is important to Matt DeMoss to present a good appearance to entice customers that they are a quality business selling

MEAT SHEW



1822 Silverback Way. COURTESY PHOTO

meat, and offering a seating area for lunch. About an hour a day is spent maintaining the property. He feels that "cleanliness is next to Godliness and it never hurts to present the best version of yourself," he said. "We are certainly honored that our hard work to rehab this location is noticed and we will continue to make it better."

Thank you all for making Pittsburg Beautiful! Nominate your neighbor! Pittsburg Beautiful recognizes those in the local community who take pride in maintaining their homes and businesses. Send your nominations to Pittsburg Beautiful c/o Pittsburg Parks and Recreation at P.O. Box 688, Pittsburg, Kansas 66762. Please include the property owner's name and address.



1905 Deer Run Place. COURTESY PHOTO

MODEL T

The Meat Shed. COURTESY PHOTO

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Stone said he has owned several cars over the years, from Mustangs to Corvettes to Jaguars, but he enjoys the Model T the

"You just have more fun in a Model T," said Stone. "They just bring fun and happiness to people, who are more apt to come up and talk with you."

Tina Still, a route planner for the club, said there is a lot of work that goes

into planning a good tour. The club tries to do a short road trip every month.

"I try to plan trips along paved roads, but keep the cars off of busy highways," said Still. "We don't like making a lot of left-hand turns across on-coming traffic, so we focus on making rights. Kind of like a reverse NASCAR."

But according to Stone, the perfect trip is easy to plan. "The ideal Model T route is hilly and curvy with 50 miles of good paved road between two ice cream parlors," he



100 years of history: a line of Model T Fords in front of the steam shovel at the Crawford County Historical Museum. DUSTIN R. STRONG / THE MORNING SUN

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Geneva "Jean" Ham

Geneva "Jean" Ham, 80, of Arcadia, Kansas, died Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022, at her home.

Jean was born Aug. 15, 1942, in Montgomery, Mis-

souri, the daughter of Floyd M. and Geneva Chrystal Blackburn Ham.

Jean was a truck driver for Budweiser Beer Distributors in Ft. Scott, a business her sister Mary Helen owned for many years. She was raised in Arcadia and graduated from Arcadia High School. She had been a resident of Arcadia most of her life.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, Richard Ham, Dale Ham, and Howard Ham, and two sisters, Mary Helen Green and Dorothy Moore.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8, 2022, at the Shiloh Cemetery in Oskaloosa, Missouri, with Rev. Daryl Gaddy officiating. The casket will remain closed. Arrangements are under the direction of the Bedene Funeral Home, 517 E. Washington, Box 621, Arma, Kansas.

EDAC

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deinstitutionalization, the emptying of state psychiatric hospitals that began in the 1950s, patients were discharged with no place to get psychiatric care, ending up on the streets and eventually committing crimes that got them arrested. As a result, jails and prisons essentially became the new asylums, according to Alisa Roth, author of Insane: America's Criminal Treatment of Mental Illness.

"In 1990, Kansas had 6.000 state hospital beds." said Ehling. "Today, there are less than 300 statewide. It's ridiculous." Ehling said this downward pressure put on communities "is not even ethical."

With video statements from three law enforcement agencies in the county supporting creation of a CSU, Ehling said many people suffering from poor mental health all too often end up in jail or prison. According to Ehling's research, ten percent of police and sheriff departments spend ten percent of their budgets to transport people with mental health issues. There are over 3,000 Kansans with mental health issues incarcerated now, at a cost of \$100 million annually. Law enforcement is simply not trained or equipped to care for people suffering from mental health issues, Crawford County Sheriff Danny Smith said in one of the video statements presented Wednesday.

Emergency rooms have also seen an increase of 44 percent between 2006 and 2014, with an annual cost of \$167 million to hospitalize Kansans with severe mental issues, said Ehling.

Ehling said a Crisis Stabilization Unit will lower the number of ER visits and ease pressure on law enforcement. The unit is for short-term crisis intervention that provides mental health and psychosocial assessments in a supportive place.

With the ATC moving from Girard to the new building, current staff will be retained, but 19 additional staff members will need to be hired to administer the CSU. This additional staff will increase the current payroll by over \$600,000.

Ehling said he hopes to start taking construction bids before Thanksgiving, with construction beginning by the first of next year and completed by the end of 2023.

EDAC members had concerns about the number of beds being enough to handle demand. The original design was for only four beds, but has been expanded to six. Ehling said larger facilities in the state that service up to four counties only have

11 beds. After thanking Ehling for his presentation, the committee members discussed next steps. Concerns still lingered about the number of beds being adequate for the area, and many of the 19 new positions will not be easy to fill, EDAC members said, potentially leaving the facility understaffed and unable to fulfill its stated goals.

Ultimately, noting the community's lack of such a facility, as well as the potential economic revenue created by the 19 new jobs, the EDAC voted to recommend Ehling's request for \$400,000 to the city commission for final approval.

AREA EVENTS

Thursday, Sept. 8

Homeschool Thursday

Open to all homeschool families. All ages welcome. If children are under the age of 7, a parent/caregiver will need to be present during the program. Play chess or learn how to play. Other game options will be available too. 1 to 2 p.m. at Girard Public Library.

USD 248 Board of Education

The Girard Board of Education will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday Sept. 8 in Board of Education Office, 415 N. Summit Street in Girard.

Thursday, Sept. 8 through Saturday, Sept. 17 except Sunday

Used Book Sale

The Girard Public Library will be having a used book sale during library hours Thursday, Sept. 8 through Saturday, Sept. 17. Fiction and non-fiction books for adults, children, and young adults will be available at the used book sale. For more information, go to girardpubliclibrary.net or call 620-724-4317.

Friday, Sept. 9

Talking Heads Discussion Group

The Talking Heads discussion group will meet at 9 a.m. every Friday morning at the Pittsburg Public Library. Using The Great Courses Series from The Teaching Company, participants will watch a 30-minute DVD lecture and the group discusses it.

Friday Music on the Lake

The Friends of Crawford State Park are once again hosting live music at Crawford State Park, Farlington, Kansas. Each Friday, music will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Lake View Café, on the northwest end of the lake at Crawford State Park. This Friday, Jon Bartlow and the J3 Band will be performing. Attendees are encouraged to bring their

Friday, Sept. 9 through Saturday, Sept. 10

Cherokee Fall Festival

The Cherokee Fall Festival will begin with a Bean Feed at 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9 at Albert Pouch Park in Cherokee. On Saturday in downtown Cherokee from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., a car show will take place. At noon, the American Legion will host a cornhole tournament. From 1 to 5 p.m. the Ladies Auxiliary will host a Turkey and Noodle Feed at the Cherokee Senior Center. At 5 p.m., the parade will begin. At 5:30 p.m. there will be a Cake Walk, Bounce House, Tractor Pull, Disc Golf Hole in One, 80s music and blues by AERA, and a Youth Hot Dog Feed by First

Saturday, Sept. 10

Pittsburg Area Farmers' Market

Vendors offer seasonal fruits and vegetables, meats, baked goods, and more. Local artisans sell handmade crafts. The farmers' market accepts EBT/Vision/SNAP cards. Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon April 16 to Oct. 30 at the Farmers' Market Pavilion, 119 E. 11th St., Pittsburg.

Fused Glass Pocket Vase

Participants will make three pocket vases by arranging cut pieces of glass and embellishments on a white glass base. The end result will be a pocket vase that holds water. No experience is required. The workshop will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10 at ArtForms Gallery. Workshop fee is \$45 and all supplies are included. To register, call 620-240-0165 or stop by ArtForms Gallery.

Bird Walk

The Sperry Galligar Audubon invites the public to join them on a bird walk starting at 8 a.m. in Wilderness Park, 907 W. McKay Street in Frontenac. The group asks that those who attend bring their own binoculars.

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LITTLE BALKANS CHRONICLES

Private bare sleeves, part 1



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Today's column is another excerpt from Dick Shaw's memoir titled "Tales from the Professor: Life is a Hoot!" It's available online on Kindle or locally at Books and Burrow $in\ Pittsburg. - J.T.K.$

The Military Draft was still in effect when I graduated from Rockhurst College in 1960, and I decided to avoid it by enlisting in one of the Armed Services. At that time, the options were to enlist for three or four years of active duty or serve 6 months of active duty and then 5 ½ years in the Active Reserves. I opted for the latter.

Using the pay phone in the basement of Loyola Residents Hall, I called Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base in Grandview, MO to inquire about their program. I was told to report at the base at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. (8:00 a.m. on Saturday mornings is not an attractive time for college students.)

So, I then called the 325th General Hospital Unit in downtown Kansas City to see what the Army had to offer. They said we needed to report in at 9:00 on Saturday morning. I chose the Army. [Good choice. The Air Force group at Richards-Gebaur was activated for a year during the Kennedy

Administration for the I visited when I was a Cuban Missile Crisis. My classmate from St. Mary's in Pittsburg, KS, Frank Smardo, joined the Air Force and was called up during the Crisis. Frank was at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio at the same time I was there in the Army, and we got together a few times on the weekends.]

I received my orders to report to Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri in late June 1960. I packed my grey, tin suitcase that my mother bought out of the Sears catalog and caught the bus to Fort Leonard Wood. We recruits were first taken to the "Reception Center" where we were greeted by a number of Sergeants who were velling and screaming vile cuss words at us as we descended from the bus. Carrying a grey, tin suitcase, I stood out from the crowd. The sergeants started yelling, "Hey, look what we have here! We have a G**damn tourist! Welcome, tourist, we're going to enjoy your stay and have fun with you."

I tried to remain inconspicuous after all of this, but it was difficult. I was assigned to Echo Company, 3rd Battalion, 3 Regiment (E-3-3). Can't say I liked it there, but I did make some good friends.

Actually, a fellow Rockhurst graduate, Pete Long and I were in the same unit. My patrol leader was Alan Sherman from St. Louis, and his family owned a delicatessen that

student at St. Louis University.

What did we do? We learned to: Make a bed properly; Run everywhere we went; Shoot a M-1 rifle; Polish our boots-including their soles; Scrub the floors to try and get up the black marks left from the polish on the soles of my boots; Drink black coffee because cream was never available; Crawl on my belly under barbed wire at night as live ammunition was being fired over my body; Pull the pin out of a grenade and toss that dude as far as I could; Cut grass without a lawnmower —using my hands; Live on C-rations and smoke 20-year-old Lucky Strikes cigarettes with the round green label; Pick up rocks in the company area and throw them in a big pile by the orderly room; Pick up rocks by the orderly room and throw them back into the company area; Go to the movie theatre to sleep in air-conditioned comfort and not watch the movie; Put on a gas mask property and go into a building filled with poisonous gas; and Eat a full meal in 5 minutes with people screaming, "Quit chewing that food. Swallow it. Get out of this Mess Hall.'

That should give you the flavor of Basic Training. Afterward I still hadn't earned a stripe for my sleeves. [Incidentally, this was good training because we were taught to follow orders. During combat when the company com-



Pete Long and the author at "Camp Casual." COURTESY PHOTO

mander says, "Take that hill!" You do it! You don't say, "Oh, I don't think so . . . those guys up there have guns."]

From Basic Training, Pete Long and I had orders to report to Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas tobe trained as Medics. Pete drove his 1951 Ford to Texas, and we stopped to see my Rockhurst roommate, Joe Ingram, as we drove through Oklahoma City. Life at Fort Sam Houston was so easy there as compared to Fort Leonard Wood, that we nicknamed the place "Camp Casual." For the most part, we were treated like ordinary people and had real subjects to learn. We learned how to give "shots" by sticking the needle into an orange. We learned how to carry patients on a stretcher without dropping them.

We were not issued rifles or pistols at Fort Sam Houston. Instead we were issued chalk when out we went on bivouac (sleeping under the stars in a tent.)

Why chalk? The exercise was to sneak up on other members in our company without being caught and put an "X" on their tent with our chalk. I remember another time when we were on bivouac, that I was assigned "Guard Duty".

Yes, this Army Private "Bare Sleeves" who is night blind, was "walking guard." Once again, I was in Echo Company (Company E). Apparently, I got lost walking guard because all of a sudden, I heard a voice say, "Halt! Who is there!" I thought, "Wait a minute, that's my line!" So, I yelled, "HALT! WHO IS THERE!'

As fellow guards, we began to chat, and I discovered that I was in Company B's bivouac area. I'd walked past Company D and Company C without being detected. The nice sentry from Company B showed me how to get back my assigned area.

— Dick Shaw

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In my mind I'm going to Carolina

By Carol Ann Robb Pittsburg Public Library

I've never remotely considered moving from Kansas but if I were, North Carolina just might be on my short list. The state has a geographical diversity from oceanfront to mountain ranges. And James Taylor is considered a native son so that's a plus, not to mention pulled pork.

North Carolina came on my literary map many years ago when I read "At Home in Mitford." I fell in love with Jan Karon's fictional village, based on the very real town of Blowing Rock in the Blue

Ridge Mountains. So, when planning a trip to the area many years late, I naturally added Blowing Rock to the itinerary. (FYI: the trip on the Blue Ridge Parkway was beautiful but as is often the case, Blowing Rock did not live up to expectations and Jan Karon isn't particularly popular there. Live and

learn). Since Asheville was the main draw of that trip, I read "Last Castle" by Denise Kiernan, a very detailed history of Biltmore. I have to be honest, it was a chore to get through but I'm glad I stuck with it since I could then regale my friend with all kinds of

interesting tidbits about the Vanderbilts. I'm not sure how much that was appreciated but it did give me a good background into the family and Biltmore institution.

I recently re-visited North Carolina via Wiley Cash's latest novel, "When Ghosts Come Home," which was a compelling read (that's all I'm going to say — I don't want to give away too much and ruin vour reading experience if you decide to pick it up on your next visit to the library). I'd read his earlier book, "A Land More Kind Than Home," and liked it, too, but these are not warm, fuzzy reads

that will warm the cockles of your heart.

Diane Chamberlain has also used North Carolina as the setting for her "Big books, including Lies in a Small Town" "Necessary Lies." The same holds true for Nicholas Sparks' "Every Breath," "Nights in Rodanthe," and "Notebook." "A Good Neighborhood" by Therese Anne Fowler is another good, if not easy, read. And some of you may have heard about another little book with a North Carolina setting, "Where the Crawdads Sing."

On my never-ending To Be Read list are two books

set in Asheville: "Even As We Breathe" by Annette Saunooke Clapsaddle (is that a great name or what?) set during WWII, and "Guests on Earth" by Lee Smith, which revolves around the Highlands Hospital fire of 1948 that killed Zelda Fitzgerald along with eight other patients.

A more upbeat read will be Emily Henry's "Book Lovers," which is set in a North Carolina bookstore (I plan to put this one on hold as soon as I finish the three I have at home). Even though it's not set in Asheville, it reminds me of Malaprop's Bookstore, where we spent a morning

of browsing and gathering titles, followed by one of the best grilled pimento cheese sandwiches I've ever had at the diner down the street.

So, if you feel like being transported eastward this weekend, grab one of these books (or others — this is just a sample of what's available) and settle down with James Taylor playing in the background. There are worse things than going to Carolina in your mind (pimento cheese sandwich is optional).

DO JUST ONE THING

By Danny Seo

It's important to clean fruits and vegetables before you eat them, whether they are organic or conventionally grown. Just a quick wash under running water helps rinse away microorganisms that can make you sick, plus it also removes any residual chemicals or pesticides that may be on conventionally grown produce. But here's an important tip: Even if you plan on peeling fruits and vegetables, rinse them first, because while you peel away, your hands can spread bacteria and chemicals from the outside of the produce to the inside.

Man fumes when longtime girlfriend redecorates



DEAR ABBY Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my boyfriend for nine years. Over the last three months or so we have been fighting. It started when I bought a cabinet for our bathroom. When he came home, he threw a hissy fit about it. He told me he didn't like it and kept yelling at me "cause I didn't ask his opinion first." Then he proceeded to tell me if I want to make changes to get my own house. During another fight the other day, he told me if I "need a new address" he would help me move. I love him, but the things

he says really hurt me. I don't feel the same love for him that I did before. I'm so ready to be on my own. I was controlled for 24 years by my ex-husband. I don't want to be controlled anymore. My boyfriend seems to want things his way or no way at all. I definitely could use your advice on this situation. -- CON-TROLLED AGAIN IN OHIO

DEAR CONTROLLED: In a premarital relationship, there is the concept of "mine" and "yours." When people marry, it changes to "us" and "ours." When your boyfriend of nine years pointed out that you are living in "his" house and you should have consulted him before trying to make changes, his point was valid. In his mind, your rela-

tionship hasn't progressed to

the next stage. If you are sincere about being ready to be on your own again, then that is what you should do, because the intensity of this romance appears to be waning on both your parts. However, whatever you decide, DO NOTHING IN ANGER. Talk this out if it's possible. If you do, it may save your relationship. However, if that's not possible, you will be able to move on with fewer regrets.

DEAR ABBY: I have two grown daughters I love very much. Although I have a great relationship with the younger one, my relationship with my older daughter has always been more work. We don't argue, but she's much less connected to me. She lives in Chicago; I'm in Texas. She never calls or texts unless

she needs money or air miles. If I text her, she often doesn't respond. She also forgets my birthday and Mother's Day. I just learned she came to town, stayed with my parents for a week and didn't tell me she was coming. How do I react? Should I tell her how hurt I am, continue as though nothing has happened or start treating her the way she treats me? When I have tried to talk to her in the past, it seemed to make things worse. I can't imagine cutting her out of my life, but I am tired of this one-way relationship. -- HEART-BROKEN MOM

DEAR HEARTBROKEN: By avoiding you and not communicating directly, your daughter is sending you a strong message. You do not have to cut her out of

vour life because it appears she has pretty much cut you out of hers. This sorry situation won't be fixed unless the two of you can have a meaningful dialogue without her -- or you -- becoming defensive. If your parents understand what the problem is, perhaps they can explain it to you. However, if they can't give you some insight, then for your own sake, concentrate on the daughter who behaves like one.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www. DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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AGRICULTURE

The myth of the calcium magnesium ratio

By James Coover

Wildcat Extension District

In farming, there are a lot of theories and ideas, and a fair number of old wives' tales. Old wives' tales such as, it will always rain 40 days after a heavy fog, persimmon seeds predicting winter snows, and all sorts of things that should be done when various tree leaves are the size of a squirrel's ear. Unfortunately, the idea of proper soil fertility or soil structure having to do with the ratio of calcium to magnesium is more a wives' tale than agronomic reality. There is rarely a need to change the ratio in the usual clay and clay loam soils we have around here, and attempting to change the ratio takes large quantities of material. Furthermore, changing the ratio will unlikely lead to better yields or have lasting effects on soil structure.

The rationale of the ratio states that an "ideal" ratio of calcium (Ca) to magnesium (Mg) should be somewhere between 5:1 to 8:1, and that Ca should occupy between 60 to 75% of the exchangeable CEC sites (along with 10-20% Mg, 3-5% K, and 15% other cations). However, there is quite a bit of acceptable variation in base saturation (quantities of Ca, Mg, K, Na, etc. on the CEC exchange sites) allowable depending on the soil type. Studies out of Iowa and Minnesota showed

their unaltered soils had considered below 30 ppm. Ca:Mg ratios between 1.5 to 4. Personally, I've seen soil tests around here with Ca:Mg ratios closer to 8 to 10, though that is based on a very limited number of

The theory of the Ca to Mg ratio is based within sound soil and plant chemistry logic, even though it doesn't pan out into the field scale. Calcium and magnesium are both necessary nutrients and function similarly in plants and soil. The theory is that a high ratio of Ca is needed or the Mg will prevent the Ca from being plant available, or even reducing adsorption into plant roots. When it comes to soil structure, the calcium ion (Ca2+) is more condensed while the magnesium ion (Mg2+) is more "fluffy." The idea is that more Ca will tend to flocculate, or "open-up," the soil because the Ca will tend to bind soil particles tighter. This leads to more opening for air and water infiltration.

It is also important to understand that like many immobile soil nutrients, there is a large and tightly bound "calcitrant" pool of Ca and Mg in the soil and a much smaller "exchangeable" pool of Ca and Mg that can be adsorbed by plants. Clay soil often have exchangeable Ca levels above 2,500 ppm while deficient soil is below 400 ppm range. Magnesium levels are generally in the hundreds while low is

This depends on the soil test being used.

While the theory of the Ca:Mg ratio states there is a delicate balancing act between the two, numerous studies have shown very little yield differences when Ca to Mg ratios were altered. The studies show that as long as both nutrients had adequate exchangeable quantities in the soil, deficiencies were unlikely, at least within our types of soils. Sandy soils being much more likely to be deficient in Ca and Mg. Plant availability of both nutrients are controlled by pH and deficiencies are also possible in highly acidic soil, even with higher nutrient levels. It has little to do with ratios though, but actual quantities of soil test nutrients.

There are extreme cases where there can be too much Mg to Ca. A study out of Michigan did show that when the ratio of Ca:Mg dropped below 1, meaning more Mg than Ca, adsorption issue could arise. Our heavy clays though have a parent material background with plenty of Ca and a good amount of Mg, but there is much more Ca than Mg. This is why we normally don't test for Ca or Mg in a standard soil test. Deficiencies are because of pH. not nutrient quantities or ratios. There simply isn't a need to know unless the CEC is desired.

The other part of the

Ca:Mg theory that has to do with soil structure has also been studied, and also fails to show importance. Numerous studies have shown little infiltration or bulk density differences when Mg saturation was decreased or Ca saturation was increased. The improvement of structure can be achieved under extreme conditions in the lab, but doesn't pan out in the field. Under normal conditions, the addition of Ca in the form of ag lime or gypsum will have little effect on water infiltration in the long term. Only in the situation of sodic-saline soils does remediation of Ca cation exchanging for sodium (Na), create better soil flocculation and less soil crusting.

It's odd that this idea of the "proper" Ca:Mg is still around as it has been researched and disproven in studies going back 40 years. Now it has moved from plant fertility into the realm of soil health. where it still is inaccurate. Basically, gypsum is a good source of sulfur and ag lime can alter pH, but the calcium is more of a carrier than providing any lasting benefit. The ratio of Ca to Mg, or even the quantities in the soil, is just not something we need to worry about in our clay soils.

For more information about soil fertility or crops, please contact James Coover, crop production agent, jcoover@ ksu.edu or 620-724-8233.

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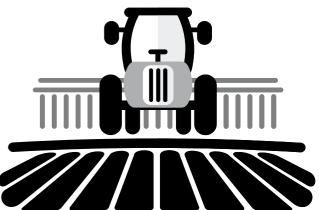
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USDA announces financial assistance for area farmers impacted by drought

Staff Reports

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) last week announced that due to drought conditions, Crawford and Cherokee counties have been added to its list of primary natural disaster areas. allowing the department to extend emergency credit to producers through emergency loans.

Emergency loans through the USDA's Farm Service Agency can be used to meet various recovery needs including the replacement of essen-

tial items such as equipment or livestock, reorganization of a farming operation or the refinance of certain debts. FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

The application deadline for the emergency loans is April 3, 2023. Besides the primary counties of Crawford and Cherokee, contiguous counties that are also eligible include Bourbon, Labette and Neosho in Kansas; Barton, Jasper, Newton and Vernon in Missouri; and Craig and Ottawa in Oklahoma.

"Our farmers support

us all by providing the food we need to survive," Kansas State Treasurer Lvnn Rogers said in a press release. "When conditions outside of our control make things difficult for these essential people in our communities, we must work to find ways to

support them back." Rogers added that his office is exploring how it can assist in the effort to provide relief to drought-affected areas.

"The impact drought is having on Sorghum and Millet crops is going to have a domino effect," said Rogers. "Losing crops in the field to

drought is going to create shortages farther down the chain."

On farmers.gov, the Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool, Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet, and Farm Loan Discovery Tool can help producers determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local USDA Service Center. Visit fsa.usda.gov/ programs-and-services/ farm-loan-programs/ emergency-farm-loans/ for more information.

Organic cost share program accepting applications

Staff Reports

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PITTSBURG, Kan. The Kansas Department of Agriculture has announced it has funds available for the National Certification Organic Cost Share Program (NOCCSP). Through this program, farms, ranches, and businesses that produce, process or package certified organic agricultural products may be reimbursed for eligible

expenses. The purpose of the NOCCSP is to defray the

maintaining organic certification under the National Organic Program. For Federal Fiscal Year 2022, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency set the reimbursement amount at 50 percent of the certified organic operation's eligible expenses, up to a maximum of \$500 per scope. Scopes include the areas of crops, livestock, wild crops, and handling (i.e., processing). This change is due to a limited amount of funding available and will allow a larger number

costs of receiving and of certified organic operations to receive assistance.

FSA awards the NOC-CSP funds to eligible state agencies that serve as administering entities who work directly with organic operations to reimburse organic certification costs. The current period of qualification for organic operations seeking reimbursements is from Oct. 1, 2021, through Sept. 30, 2022. Applications are now being accepted through Nov. 1, 2022, or until all funds are expended,

whichever comes first.

Applications may be sub-

mitted either by mail or email.

It is the mission of KDA to support all facets of agriculture, including lending support to those who wish to market and sell their products as certified organic, the department said in a press release. For more information, go to the KDA website at agriculture.ks.gov/OrganicCostShare or contact KDA economist Tori Laird AgEconomist@ks.gov or 785-564-6726.

LOOKING BACK

The PHS Marching Dragon Band was preparing for its halftime appearance at a Viking-Bronco game

By Phil Burgert

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Excerpted stories in Crawford County newspaper archives

100 Years Ago

Sept. 8, 1922 Definite announcement that a \$1.5 million Kansas City Southern shop extension, which has been planned for several months, will be located in Pittsburg was contained in a telegram received yesterday by the president of the Chamber of Commerce from T. J. Mc-Nally, after the latter had received assurance of the K.C.S. intentions from L. F. Loree, chairman of the board of directors of the

Judge A. J. Curran this

road, during a business

trip to New York.

morning refused a request corn had popped on a good for the parole of Alexander Howat and other former district officials of the Mine Workers who are five months into serving a year's jail sentence in Girard. Before denying the parole Curran refused to agree to receive thousands of gathered signatures urging the parole. Action on the clemency plea was taken by the judge in his office with no one present except himself and Phil H. Callery, attorney for

When Tom Guinn, who lives north of Lincoln park, began harvesting his popcorn crop yesterday, he concluded that it must be of the self-popping variety. Rolling down the husks on several ears. Guinn was surprised and startled to find that the

percentage of the ears. "It's the hot sun that did it," Mr. Guinn declared. " It was just so hot that my popcorn had no choice but to pop."

50 Years Ago

Sept. 8, 1972

The Pittsburg High School Marching Dragon Band is preparing for its halftime appearance at the Minnesota Viking-Denver Bronco game Oct. 15 in Denver. It will be the first time that a Kansas band has played at a Bronco game. The trip is backed by the Unified District 250 school board and PHS Band Boosters. Bob Harder is the new PHS band director. He has 12 years of experience including

Politics were pushed to the background yesterday

five years at Humboldt.

as Gov. Robert Docking rolled out of bounds inflew to Pittsburg to speak on behalf of the community's ultra-modern Mt. Carmel Medical Center and the Southeast Kansas Judo and Karate Federation. Docking spoke at a judo and karate tournament conducted by the federation in the Pittsburg Auditorium Memorial and received an honorary Shodan (Black Belt/First

Lancers Southeast's defeated Colgan 7-0 to open the 1972 grid wars. Jeff Marlier, an 129-pound Southeast gridder, drew raves from coaches and fans immediately following the victory. Marlier, who is just about hidden behind a mammoth Southeast line when doing his specialty, drilled a booming 55-yard punt that a policy for an alcohol

side the Colgan one-vard stripe. That proved the difference in a head-to-head defensive struggle.

25 Years Ago Sept. 8, 1997

Responding to a request made by Danny VanBecelaere at the last meeting, Pittsburg city commiswill sioners discuss reconsidering his dance hall license revocation tonight at City Hall, 201 W. Fourth. VanBecelaere's license was revoked in January after problems with minors drinking in his establishment. VanBecelaere says his business is suffering because of the

revocation. Members of the Frontenac USD 249 Board of Education during their meeting today will discuss

screening test to be used on school grounds or at school activities. The policv states that if a student objects to being suspended from school after the administration has determined he or she is under the influence of alcohol, the student may submit to an alcohol screening test using chemical strips.

The USD 246 board of education will meet in regular session tonight at Northeast High School in Arma. The board is scheduled to discuss a policy of student illness and prescribing drugs. the Northeast High School gymnasium roof and new band uniforms for the 1998-99 school year. The board is also expected to take action to dispose of a CB radio and an obsolete computer.

In 1941, the 900-day Siege of Leningrad began during World War II

Associated Press

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Today is Thursday, Sept. 8, the 251st day of 2022. There are 114 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 8, 1974, President Gerald R. Ford granted a "full, free, and absolute pardon" to former President Richard Nixon covering his entire term in office.

On this date:

In 1504, Michelangelo's towering marble statue of David was unveiled to the public in Florence, Italy.

In 1565, a Spanish expedition established the first permanent European settlement in North America at present-day St. Augustine, Florida.

In 1664, the Dutch surrendered New Amsterdam to the British, who renamed it New York.

In 1900, Galveston, Texas, was struck by a hurricane that killed an estimated 8,000 people.

Total CDD (since Jan 1)

Siege of Leningrad by German forces began during World War II.

In 1943, during World War II, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower announced Italy's surrender; Nazi Germany denounced Italy's decision as a cowardly act.

In 1951, a peace treaty with Japan was signed by 49 nations in San Francis-

in Prince Edward County, East Coast, spawning a Virginia, reopened after pair of tornadoes in the being closed for five years by officials attempting to prevent court-ordered racial desegregation.

In 1985, Pete Rose of the Cincinnati Reds tied Ty Cobb's career record for hits, singling for hit number 4.191 during a game against the Cubs in Chicago.

In 1986, "The Oprah Winfrey Show" began the first of 25 seasons in national syndication.

In 2016. California and federal regulators fined

\$185 million, alleging the bank's employees illegally opened millions of unauthorized accounts for their customers in order to meet aggressive sales

In 2019, Rafael Nadal held off a strong comeback bid to win his 19th Grand Slam title in a fiveset U.S. Open final against Daniil Medvedev.

Ten years ago: Strong In 1964, public schools storms pummeled the New York City boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, while temperatures at Washington Dulles International Airport plunged 25 degrees in one hour, falling from 89 degrees to

Five years ago: Hurricane Irma regained Category 5 status, battering Cuba with 160-mph winds and taking aim on the Miami area; the death toll across the Caribbean climbed past 20 after the storm ravaged islands

In 1941, the 900-day Wells Fargo a combined including St. Martin, counts of investor fraud St. Barts, St. Thomas, Barbuda and Anguilla. In one of the country's largest evacuations, officials in Florida told more than 5 million people to leave their homes ahead of the hurricane; parts of interstates 75 and 95 northbound were bumper-to-bumper. Singer Troy Gentry, half of the country music duo Montgomery Gentry, died in a helicopter crash in Medford, New Jersey; pilot James Robinson was also killed.

> One year ago: The trial of disgraced Theranos CEO Elizabeth Holmes began in San Jose, California, with prosecutors casting her as a conniving entrepreneur who duped investors, customers and patients for years, while defense lawyers described her as a tireless worker who tried to develop a faster, cheaper and less invasive way to test blood samples. (Holmes would be convicted on four

and conspiracy.) The Supreme Court blocked the lethal injection of convicted killer John Henry Ramirez after his attorney argued that Texas was violating his religious freedom by not letting his pastor lay hands on him at the time of his lethal injection. (The court later ruled that states must accommodate the wishes of death row inmates who want to have their pastors pray aloud and even touch them during their executions.) Derek Jeter, Ted Simmons, Larry Walker and the late labor executive Marvin Miller were inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame as the Class of 2020 was honored a vear late because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Today's Birthdays: Ventriloquist Willie Tyler is 82. Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., is 81. Actor Alan Feinstein is 81. Pop singer Sal Valentino (The Beau Brummels) is 80.

Author Ann Beattie is 75. Former Secretary of Defense James Mattis is 72. Cajun singer Zachary Richard (ree-SHARD') is 72. Musician Will Lee is 70. Actor Heather Thomas is 65. Singer Aimee Mann is 62. Pop musician David Steele (Fine Young Cannibals) is 62. Actor Thomas Kretschmann is 60. Gospel singer Darlene Zschech (chehk) is 57. Alternative country singer Neko (NEE'-koh) Case is 52. TV personality Brooke Burke is 51. Actor Martin Freeman is 51. Actor David Arquette is 51. TV-radio personality Kennedv is 50. Rock musician Richard Hughes (Keane) is 47. Actor Larenz Tate is 47. Actor Nathan Corddry is 45. R&B singer Pink is 43. Singer-songwriter Eric Hutchinson is 42. Actor Jonathan Taylor Thomas is 41. Rapper Wiz Khalifa is 35. Actor Gaten Matarazzo (TV: "Stranger Things") is 20.

Almanac for PITTSBURG, KS September 7, 2022

Daily Data	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Max Temperature	86	85	96 in 1954	65 in 2008
Min Temperature	64	62	78 in 2007	43 in 1956
Avg Temperature	75.0	73.7	84.0 in 2012	59.0 in 1956
Precipitation	0.00	0.17	1.33 in 1983	0.00 in 2022
Snowfall	М	0.0	0.0 in 2021	0.0 in 2021
Snow Depth	М	-	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
HDD (base 65)	0	0	6 in 1956	0 in 2022
CDD (base 65)	10	9	19 in 2012	0 in 2017
Month-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	86.6	86.0	100.3 in 1954	76.3 in 2009
Avg Min Temperature	65.3	63.2	71.4 in 2002	54.3 in 1952
Avg Temperature	75.9	74.6	84.9 in 2000	67.6 in 2009
Total Precipitation	0.25	1.19	4.64 in 2008	0.00 in 2017
Total Snowfall	М	0.0	0.0 in 2021	0.0 in 2021
Max Snow Depth	М	-	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
Total HDD (base 65)	0	1	6 in 1956	0 in 2022
Total CDD (base 65)	78	69	143 in 2000	24 in 2009
Year-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	71.6	70.6	81.0 in 1950	39.0 in 1963
Avg Min Temperature	49.2	49.8	58.4 in 1950	16.3 in 1963
Avg Temperature	60.4	60.2	69.7 in 1950	27.6 in 1963
Total Precipitation	25.60	34.70	51.60 in 2019	2.02 in 1948
Total Snowfall (since July 1)	0.0	0.0	0.0 in 2022	0.0 in 2022
Max Snow Depth (since July 1)	0	-	0 in 2022	0 in 2022
Total HDD (since July 1)	0	2	8 in 1956	0 in 2022

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Little Balkans Quilt **Guild announces** winners

Girard resident wins Best In Show

Staff Reports

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — Winners have been announced from the 34th annual Little Balkans Quilt Show, which was held Friday, Sept. 2 through Saturday, Sept. 3. The Guilds Fundraiser/Donation Quilt was won by Sue Roit of Parsons, Kansas.

A total of 118 entries were received this year from around the four-state area. Serving as judge was Sandy Gard of Edmond, Oklahoma.

The show also included eight vendors selling quilting supplies and fabric and the Little Balkans Quilt Guild hosted a boutique of numerous hand-crafted items.

Overall winner in the show was Sherry Jagels, Girard, for her "Woolen Oak Mystery."

Viewers' Choice was

Regina Peak, "Thru the Woods."

Winners in the various categories were as follows: 1 Person, Pieced-Domestic Machine Quilted: Deborah Hurt Walker, first for "Red, White & Blue," Gloria Daniels, second for "Rhapsody in Blues," and Deborah Hurt Walker, third for Color Wave 22/20. Honorable Mentions received by Dorothy Griglione, "Father Christmas," and Deborah Hurt Walker, "9 Patch Quilt Along 2.0."

1 Person, Pieced-Long Arm Machine: Theresa Cussimanio, first, "Schoolhouse Churndash," Marcia Huckabee, second, "I Looked Out My Window.." and Marcia Huckabee, third, "Get Your Kicks on Route 66," and Honorable Mention given to Amy Cussimanio. "I Love the 80's".

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Person, Pieced, Hand-Quilted: Judy Mc-Graw, first, for "Baskets," Judy McGraw, second, "Sunflower Quilt Guild Challenge" and Judy Mc-Graw, third, "Hummingbirds & Dahlia Panel.' Honorable Mentions given to Andrea Dinkel for 'It's Just Triangles w/out Flippy Corners" and "One Block Wonder, With Music Stuff.'

2 or More Person, perimeter <279", Domestic machine quilted: Brandee Switzer, first, "President's Quilt," Brandee Switzer,

second, "Mom's 70th Birthday" and Sherry 70th Snare, third, "Garden Delight." Honorable Mention received by Sherry Snare, "Antiquity."

2 or More Person, perimeter <279", Longarm, Hand-Guided: Kay James, first for "Pinwheel Nine Patch," Lindsey VanLeeuwen, second, "Day of the Dead" and Carol Farley, third, "Pumpkins." Honorable Mentions given to Becky Cunningham, "Tangled Tails" and Lorna Alexander, "School Days."

2 or More Person, perimeter <279", Longarm/ Computerized: Sherry Jagels, first, "Ukraine Sunflower" and Vicki Jadlot, second, "Modern Day Block w/out Block."

2 or More Person, perimeter >280", Domestic Machine Quilted: Sherry Snare, first, for "Radiant Star," Myrna Robinson, second, "Woven Star" and Myrna Robinson, third, "Kites."

2 or More Person, perimeter > 280," Longarm, Hand-Guided: Janet Hurlburt, "Cross Purposes," Linda Weidert, second, "Hunter's Star," Becky Cunningham, third, "This is What Happens When You Tie...". Honorable Mentions received by Carol Farley, "2021 Sac Osage Quilt Shop Hop," and Mary Ann Wilson,

"2023 Donation Quilt."

2 or More Person, perimeter >280", Long arm/ Computerized: Janice Almquist, first, for "Start Quilt," Joyce Bardeen, second, "Sea Glass Beach" and Sherry Jagels, third, "Scrappy Crosswords," and Honorable Mention, Dorothy Griglione, "Do Si Do".

2 or More Person, perimeter >280", Hand quilted: Becky Beecham, first for "Binding Star."

2 Person applique, perimeter >280", (60% must be applique): Deborah Hurt Walker, first for "Garden Poppies."

2 or More Person, Mixed Techniques-Pieced and

Applique <279": June Cathers, first, "Flowers in the Cabin," Lorna Alexander, second, "Bunny Hill House Quilt" and Lorna Alexander, third, "Nativity Star."

2 or More Person, Mixed Techniques-Pieced Applique >280": Sherry Jagels, first, for "Woolen Oak Mystery", Shari Novak Johnson, second, "Tequila Sunrise," Regina Peak, third, "Thru the Woods." Honorable Mention received by Pat Waltrip, "My Angels."

Special Techniques: Karl McDaniel, first for "Rag."

My First Quilt (3 years or less experience): Neecy

Tune, first for "Denim Quilt."

Small Wall Quilt, perimeter <120": Deborah Hurt Walker, first, for "Spring Fling," Sherry Jagels, second, "12 Days of Christmas," Linda Rogers, third, "Gnome Christmas Tree." Honorable Mention given Sherry Jagels, "Patriotic Coneflowers."

Large Wall Quilt, perimeter >121": Sidney Haslet, first, "Witch's Night Out," Deborah Hurt Walker, second, "Filler Challenge," Sherry Snare, third, "Jewels of Love." Honorable mention received by Kay James, "Nine Patch Stars."

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IN THE INTEREST OF:

N. R. L. E. Minor Child Case No. 20 JC 1 I (C) Year of Birth 2018, A X female

NOTICE OF HEARING-Publication Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

BRIANNA ELLIOTT, UNKNOWN FATHER, ALL UNKNOWN GRANDPARENTS and all other persons who are or may be concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court alleging that the child named above is a Child in Need of Care. The Court may find that the parents are unfit by reason or conduct or condition which renders the parents unable to care properly for a child, the conduct or condition is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future, the parental rights of the parent should be terminated, and

a permanent custodian should be appointed for the child. A hearing on the petition is scheduled for the 26th day of September 2022, at 1:00 p.m. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody and control of the child. The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental rights and the

right to custody of the child.

The parent(s), and any other person having legal custody are required to appear before this Court on the date and time shown, or to file your written response to the petition with the Clerk of the District Court prior to that time. Failure to respond or to appear before the Court at the time shown will not prevent the Court from entering judgment as requested in the petition, finding that the child is a Child in Need of Care, removing the child from the custody of parent, parents or any other present legal custodian until further order of the Court, or finding the parents unfit, and entering an order permanently terminating the parents' parental rights.

An attorney has been appointed as guardian ad litem for the child: Daniel Reynolds, P.O. Box 747, Independence, KS 67301; 620-331-1800. You have the right to appear before the Court and be heard personally, either with or without an attorney. The Court will appoint an attorney for any parent who desires an attorney but is financially unable to hire one. The Court may order one or both parents to pay child support. An attorney has been appointed for you. Brianna Elliott: Daniel Heath Lampson, 210 W Elm, Sedan, KS 67361; 316-617-6714. Unknown Father: James Villamaria, 400 W. 4th St., Pittsburg, KS 66762; 620-235-1806.

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U.S. 69A at Baxter Springs and U.S. 166 will remain open to traffic. KDOT is also signing a detour on U.S. 69A, K-66 and K-26 (see map).

KDOT is widening U.S. 166 to four lanes and constructing two interchanges from U.S. 400 southeast to the Kansas-Missouri



The U.S. 400 bypass closure east of Baxter Springs and detour route are shown on this map. COURTESY PHOTO / KDOT

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dated traveler information website, www.Kandrive. org, for more highway condition and construction details.

Northeast HS Football **Homecoming Court**



The Northeast High School Football Homecoming Court, from left: Brooklyn Jackson, Dawson Troth, Shelby Underwood, Braden Young, Gauge Tomasi, Carleigh Carden, Tayshawn Gaynor, and Chasity Young. The Homecoming football game is Friday at 7 p.m. vs. Pleasanton and the Homecoming Coronation will be at 6:30 p.m. before the game on the field. COURTESY PHOTO / USD 246

PSU College of Technology Company Days already has waiting list

Special to the Morning Sun

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PITTSBURG, Kan. For the first time in the history of Company Days, a two-day annual event hosted by the College of Technology at Pittsburg State University, there is a waiting list for construction companies and overflow space is being created for automotive companies.

In 2019, pre-pandemic, 210 companies registered to attend. With still almost two weeks to go, this year's number already is at 239 companies and counting: 137 will be on campus Tuesday, and 102 on Wednesday.

The event will be held Sept. 20 to 21 at the Kansas Technology Center, home to the College of Technol-

"In my 23 years at PSU,



A company representative talks with students at Company Days 2021. COURTESY PHOTO / PSU

I do not remember a time when we had this many companies coming to campus," said Tim Dell, a equipment program.

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professor in Automotive Technology and coordinator of the diesel and heavy

Company Days began in 1998 as a one-day event hosted by the School of Construction, and it has grown in reach and popularity ever since.

"It brings in companies from coast to coast," said Mary Wehrman, one of the event's organizers. "This year, we have reps coming in from Georgia, Texas, Colorado, Pennsylvania — from Hendricks Automotive in Charlotte, North Carolina, to Rehrig Pacific Company in Los Angeles, California."

Darien Dierksen, one of five Gorillas now working for iMFLUX — a large plastic injection molding company in Ohio — said the annual event is valuable in several ways.

"Events like this are an amazing opportunity for us to come and meet the students, see what they have been working on, and get a glimpse into ways that we can give back to the university," she said.

The line-up includes a concentration of local and regional companies, as well. Representatives say it's more important now than ever for them to find qualified employees for the area workforce demand is high. Among them: Crossland Construction, which employs more than 200 PSU graduates and hopes to add to

that number. "We prioritize both fall and spring recruiting events at Pittsburg State because of their incredible construction program," said Kim Froman, direc-

tor of talent acquisition at Crossland Construction in Columbus. "We find top talent for our internship program and our field and project engineer roles for graduates."

It's a great first step for students toward future careers, noted Jim Otter, director of the School of Construction, because it allows them to practice networking.

"As faculty we always encourage students to use the event to begin looking at what these companies have to offer, and to lay the groundwork for internships," Otter said.

Tuesday's focus will be on Construction Management, Construction Engineering Technology, 2-year Electrical Technology, Environmental and Safety Management, Graphics & Imaging Technologies, and Architectural Manufacturing, Management, and Technology.

Wednesday's focus will be on Automotive Technology, Diesel & Heavy Equipment, Electronics Engineering Technology, Manufacturing Engineering Technology, Mechanical Engineering Technology, Plastics Engineering Technology.

Both days, the event will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

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Juvenile or Quilts-Any size: Deborah Hurt Walker, first, "For Lynnox," Marcia Huckabee, second, "Orange Peelflowers," Janet Hurlburt, third, "HoneyTime" and Honorable Mention went to Dorothy Griglione, "Baby Boy Stars & Stripes."

Miniature Quilts <24" x 24": Phyllis Dixon, first for "Storm at Sea," Karl McDaniel, second, "American Pie."

Art Quilt, Original Design: Deborah Hurt Walker, first, "Kaledioscope."

Wearables: Sherry Jagels, first, "Sewing Tote" and Sherry Jagels, first, "Quilted Coat."

Home Décor: Sherry Jagels, first, for "Simple Whatnots Tablerunner," Linda Rogers, second, "Table Scramble," Deborah Hurt Walker, third, "FPP Pincushions," Honorable Mention, Phyllis Dixon, "Tablerunner."

Quilt of Honor: Dorothy Griglione, first for "Army Strong," Dorothy Griglione, second, "4th of July," Jan Campbell, third, "Quilt of Honor." Honorable Mentions to Jane Campbell, "Patriotic Sizzle" and Linda Rogers, "Stars and Bars."

Penny Wool/Primitives: Sherry Jagels, first, "You Are My Sunshine."

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Approximately 150 athletes participated in Wednesday's Special Olympics Kansas Southeast Kansas Regional Golf Tournament held at Four Oaks Golf Course. AARON PYLE/

Special Olympics Kansas hosts annual golf tournament

By Aaron Pyle Morning Sun Staff

With clear skies and a moderate breeze, Wednesday's conditions were ideal at Four Oaks Golf Course for the annual Special Olympics Kansas Southeast Regional Golf Tournament.

Approximately athletes competed in Wednesday's tournament. Schools participating in the tournament included Girard, Columbus, Caney Valley and Pittsburg.

According to Erin Fletcher, Special Olympics Kansas director of grants and development, the annual tournament helps raise funds for

events such as the golf tournament, bocce youth tournament and the ever-popular Southeast Kansas Regional Track Meet at Carnie Smith Stadium.

"All these events cost money to put on and do all these different things." she said. "We have great partners. Four Oaks is a great partner... We have lunches that we give our athletes, we have medals, these things all cost ably the best turnout money, and so we have to make sure we cover that cost.

In addition, Fletcher noted that Phi Sigma Kappa, a fraternity at Pittsburg State University, raised \$2,000 for Special Olympics Kansas and presented a check during

Wednesday's ment. Money was raised from the fraternity's 72hour 'trampoline-a-thon' philanthropy event.

Fletcher added that she was pleased with the turnout on Wednesday.

"The turnout was great," she said. "With Covid, like everything, we always try not to talk about it, but it's a fact. Covid hit us all hard... But this has been probwe've had in a while, I'd say since pre-pandemic."

Fletcher also shared her favorite aspects of Special Olympics Kansas.

"The inclusion aspect is so great," she said. "Our athletes are working together with their peers, working together with

their community, everybody is coming together to support our athletes and then to support them as they achieve, and we celebrate them. It's just a really great organization, it's a really great event, and today (Wednesday) is a beautiful day for golf."

Following the golf tournament, Special Olympics Kansas is slated to host the Southeast Kansas Unified Bocce Youth Tournament from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, at the Columbus Community Fields.

For more information, visit ksso.org or contact Tim Rehder at rehdert@ ksso.org or Erin Fletcher at fletchere@ksso.org.



Bryce Commons, a Special Olympics Kansas athlete and Pittsburg Jolly Trolley expert sno cone maker, prepares to deliver a well hit ball on the third hole at Four Oaks Golf Course as he competed in Wednesday's Southeast Kansas Regional Golf Tournament. AARON PYLE/MORNING SUN STAFF

Colgan girls seek strong cross country showing

Morning Sun Staff

The St. Mary's Colgan girls cross country team looks to deliver a strong season in the CNC League, returning two all-league members from last season.

"Strong returning veteran leadership and postseason experience (will be a strength) for both our boys and girls teams," said head coach Scott Cichon, who is entering his sixth year coaching the Panthers.

Lily Brown and Polona Kalan return for their junior seasons following all-league recognition. Brown also earned a regional medal. Seniors Leyna Ortega and Ava Glover also return to help lead the charge for the Panthers.

"Our returning run-

ners learned," said Cichon, "that proper preparation and consistency in training throughout the summer and season will pay dividends during the postseason meets."

Cichon stated that juniors Gianna Costantini and Mimi Fleming are breakout candidates for the Panthers this year. Developing depth throughout their lineup of runners will be key for Colgan.

"Developing a strong fifth, sixth and seventh runner," said Cichon when asked what the team's weaknesses are heading into the new sea-

Cichon stated two goals for Colgan to have a successful campaign.

"Smart, hard, consistent training throughout the season and avoiding injuries," he said.

Gorillas travel to battle No. 11 Lopers

By Jim Henry

Sports Editor

day night.

Pittsburg State's run defense certainly will be tested when the Gorillas visit No. 11 Nebraska-Kearney on Thurs-

Kickoff is at 7 at Ron & Carol Cope Stadium.

The Lopers (1-0) averaged 5.4 yards per carry (61 rushes for 331 yards) in last week's 24-7 victory at Missouri Southern. The Lopers threw only 11 passes and had a 15-minute advantage in time of possession.

"This week we really have to focus on doing our job," PSU graduate student Zeke Wall said. "We have to play unselfish football this week, take up blocks when we can take up blocks and then make the play when we need to make the play.

"Really we want to be the same team we are. We want to be the most physical and fast team there is. The only thing that changes is our schemes."

The Gorillas limited Central Missouri to 33 net yards rushing last week.

"I love stopping the run," Wall said. "The more run plays we get, the happier I'll be." The Lopers are led

by senior quarterback TJ Davis, the reigning MIAA offensive player of the year and Harlon Hill Trophy runner-up. He had 20 carries for 129 yards against Missouri Southern -- his 15th career 100-yard rushing performance. Davis has accounted for 624 and eight touchdowns in three games against PSU -- 62 carries for 272 yards and five TDs plus 352 yards and three scores passing.

"We have to stop him," Wall said. "We have to give him the respect that he deserves because he's a great quarterback and can make plays. We have to be gap sound and control the line of scrimmage."

the lone weapon in the backfield. Four run-Schawang.

"Not only the quarterback but their running backs as well," Gorillas coach Brian Wright said. "They run really hard, and they are very physical. They are not worried about arm tackles. They are trying to rip

The Gorillas (1-0) defeated Central Missouri 21-10 last week as quarterback Chad Dodson threw for a career-high 387 yards and three touchdowns.

right through those."

Bryce Murphy, senior wide receiver, caught two TDs while posting his second career 100yard receiving game -- three catches for 112

it in front of the home crowd," Murphy said. "It's always good to do it in general, but especial-

Davis, however, is not ly in front of the home crowd. It's good to see the time Chad and I and ning backs combined the other receivers too for 205 yards last week, have put in hasn't gone including 76 yards from to waste. We stayed here redshirt freshman Zane during the summer that normal people wouldn't usually put the time in to do.'

The Gorillas are looking for more production from their ground game after netting 79 yards on 33 attempts.

"It's more about efoffense," ficiency on "Wheth-Wright said. er it's taking shots (on passes downfield) or not, it's being efficient moving the ball and scoring points at the end of those drives."

The Lopers have beaten the Gorillas in each of the last two years in Pittsburg, including 28-17 in 2021 after trailing 17-7 early in the second half.

"It stings a little bit "It's always good to do more," Wall said. "Everyone has picked it up a notch a little bit in practice and we're ready to go."

Cosens claims seventh at Fort **Scott Invitational**

Staff Reports

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FORT SCOTT, Kan. — Pittsburg's Alyssa Cosens finished in seventh place to lead the Purple Dragons during the Fort Scott Girls Golf Invitational on Tuesday.

Cosens finished with a score of 103. Jacqueline Hall finished in a tie for 12th with a total score of 112 and Ava Steier rounded out Purple Dragons in the top 20, scoring a 119 to capture 18th.

Pittsburg's Macy Far-

rington carded a 126 to finish in 22nd, and Akela Hawkins notched a 131. Teammate Lauren Coomes finished with a

Independence earned first place in the team standings with a score of 406. Labette County (441), Chanute (450), Fort Scott (453) and Pittsburg (460) rounded out the team scoring.

Labette County's Josie Hayward claimed the individual championship, finishing with a score of 91 to lead the field.

Chiefs aim to improve to 9-1 in openers under Andy Reid

By DAVE SKRETTA

AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Every season without fail, when the Chiefs get a week off from their 17-game regular-season NFL grind, Kansas City coach Andy Reid gets asked to explain his 20-3 record when his teams are coming off a

And every season without fail, Reid finds a way

to answer the question without ever really answering it. Turns out the same goes for his record in sea-

son openers.

The Chiefs head into their game at Arizona on Sunday having won seven consecutive openers, including three against teams that were destined for the playoffs and one that reached the Super Bowl. And overall, Reid is 8-1 since taking over the Chiefs before the 2013 season, including a perfect mark in five openers played on the road.

"I don't know," Reid said Wednesday amid another round of verbal shoulder-shrugging. appreciate the question, but right now, I don't care

about any of that. We just

go execute and do the best

we can this time of year." The reality is the Chiefs simply do that better than everybody else.

Take turnovers, which tend to pop up most among the unprepared. The Chiefs have not committed one in their last four openers, while their own defense has taken the ball away seven times over that span, and the last time they coughed it up — at New England in 2017 — they atoned for the miscue by piling up 537 yards of total offense.

In fact, the Chiefs are plus-6 in turnover margin in their nine openers under Reid, and that num-

ber would be even more remarkable if not for three turnovers in their opening loss in Tennessee to start the 2014 season. Only two of their last

seven season-opening wins have been by less than a touchdown.

It helps to have Patrick Mahomes under center. The Chiefs quarterback

has completed better than 71% of his passes in openers over the past four years, averaging more than 295 yards per game, and has thrown 13 touchdown passes without a single interception.

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Arkansas, 6 p.m.

No. 18 NC State vs. Charleston

No. 19 Wisconsin vs. Washington

No. 23 Wake Forest at Vanderbilt,

No. 25 Houston at Texas Tech,

Kansas (1-0) at West Virginia

Missouri (1-0) at Kansas St. (1-0),

Alabama (1-0) at Texas (1-0), 11

Houston (1-0) at Texas Tech (1-

Iowa St. (1-0) at Iowa (1-0), 3

Kent St. (0-1) at Oklahoma (1-0),

Arizona St. (1-0) at Oklahoma St.

Tarleton St. (1-0) at TCU (1-0),

Baylor (1-0) at BYU (1-0), 9:15

Missouri (1-0) at Kansas St. (1-0),

South Carolina (1-0) at Arkansas

Alabama (1-0) at Texas (1-0), 11

Appalachian St. (0-1) at Texas

Wake Forest (1-0) at Vanderbilt

Tennessee (1-0) at Pittsburgh

Samford (1-0) at Georgia (1-0),

Kentucky (1-0) at Florida (1-0),

Cent. Arkansas (0-1) at Missis-

Southern U. (1-0) at LSU (0-1),

San Jose St. (1-0) at Auburn (1-

Mississippi St. (1-0) at Arizona

Ohio (1-0) at Penn St. (1-0), 11

UTSA (0-1) at Army (0-1), 11 a.m.

Thomas More (0-0) at Duquesne

Fordham (1-0) at Monmouth (NJ)

Post (0-0) at Stonehill (1-0), noon

Memphis (0-1) at Navy (0-1), 2:30

Lehigh (0-1) at Georgetown (1-0),

Holy Cross (1-0) at Buffalo (0-1),

Rhode Island (1-0) at Bryant

Delaware St. (1-0) at Delaware

Sacred Heart (0-1) at CCSU (0-1),

Morgan St. (0-1) at Towson (1-0).

New Hampshire (1-0) at Albany

Syracuse (1-0) at Uconn (1-1),

Southern Miss. (0-1) at Miami

North Carolina (2-0) at Georgia

Charleston Southern (0-1) at NC

Va. Lynchburg (0-0) at Presbyte-

Bucknell (0-1) at VMI (0-1), 12:30

Maryland (1-0) at Charlotte (0-2),

Furman (1-0) at Clemson (1-0),

Wagner (0-1) at Rutgers (1-0),

Lafayette (1-0) at Temple (0-1),

Villanova (1-0) at LIU Brooklyn

Colgate (0-1) at Maine (0-1),

A&M (1-0), 2:30 p.m.

No. 22 Mississippi vs. Cent.

BASEBALL

MLB STANDINGS American League

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New York	82	54	.603	_
Tampa Bay	77	58	.570	41/2
Toronto	75	60	.556	61/2
Baltimore	72	64	.529	10
Boston	67	71	.486	16

Central Division

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Seattle	77	60	.562	101/2
Los Angeles	60	77	.438	271/2
Texas	59	76	. 437	271/2
Oakland	50	87	. 365	371/2

Tuesday's Games

Tampa Bay 8, Boston 4 Cleveland 4, Kansas City 1 Baltimore 9, Toronto 6 Texas 4, Houston 3 L.A. Angels 5, Detroit 4, 10 innings Seattle 3, Chicago White Sox 0 Atlanta 10, Oakland 9 Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees, ppd.

Wednesday's Games Atlanta 7, Oakland 3 N.Y. Yankees 5, Minnesota 4, 12 innings, 1st game Detroit 5, L.A. Angels 4 Chicago White Sox 9, Seattle 6 Tampa Bay 1, Boston 0

Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees,5:35 p.m., 2nd game Toronto at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m. Cleveland at Kansas City, 7:10

Texas at Houston, 7:10 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Minnesota (Gray 7-4) at N.Y. Yankees (TBD), 6:05 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Cease 13-6) at Oakland (Kaprielian 3-9), 8:40

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Wednesday's Games N.Y. Mets 5, Pittsburgh 1, 1st game Colorado 8, Milwaukee 4

San Diego 6, Arizona 5

Atlanta 7, Oakland 3 L.A. Dodgers 7, San Francisco 3 N.Y. Mets at Pittsburgh, 5:35 p.m., 2nd game

Miami at Philadelphia, 5:45 p.m. Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 6:40

Washington at St. Louis, 6:45 p.m.

Arizona at San Diego, 7:40 p.m. Thursday's Games

Washington (Grav 7-9) at St. Louis (Wainwright 10-9), 12:15 p.m. Cincinnati (Cessa 3-2) at Chicago Cubs (Sampson 1-5), 1:20 p.m. San Francisco (Junis 4-4) at Milwaukee (Burnes 9-6), 3:10 p.m., 1st game

Miami (Alcantara 12-7) at Philadelphia (Gibson 9-6), 5:45 p.m. San Francisco (TBD) at Milwaukee (Peralta 4-3), 6:40 p.m., 2nd game

FOOTBALL

PREP STANDINGS

Independents

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Fort Scott	0	0	0	1
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Pleasanton	1	0	1	0
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Marmaton Valley	0	1	0	1
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PREP SCHEDULE

Friday's Games **INDEPENDENTS** Pittsburg at Chanute

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Parsons at Labette County **CNC LEAGUE**

St. Mary's Colgan at Girard Frontenac at Riverton Afton (Okla.) at Columbus Ouapaw (Okla.) at Galena Uniontown at Baxter Springs **SOUTHEAST KANSAS**

LEAGUE Pittsburg at Chanute Parsons at Labette County Fort Scott at Butler (Mo.) Coffeyville at Winfield

Independence at Mulvane THREE RIVERS LEAGUE 11-Man

Pleasanton at Northeast Southeast at Jayhawk-Linn Uniontown at Baxter Springs

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Peabody-Burns at Chetona Waverly at Altoona-Midway

COLLEGE SCHEDULE

Thursday's Games MIAA

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Pittsburg St. (1-0) at Neb.-Kearney (1-0), 7 p.m. Mo. Western (1-0) at Fort Hays St. (0-1), 7 p.m.

Washburn (1-0) at Cent. Missouri (0-1), 7 p.m. Emporia St. (1-0) at Cent. Oklahoma (0-1), 7 p.m.

MIDWEST UT Martin (1-0) at Missouri St.

(1-0), 7 p.m. Friday's Games

EAST

Assumption (0-0) at Merrimack (0-1), 6 p.m. SOUTH

Louisville (0-1) at UCF (1-0), 6:30 p.m.

FAR WEST

Boise St. (0-1) at New Mexico (1-0), 8 p.m.

Saturday's Games MIAA

Mo. Southern (0-1) at Northeastern St. (0-1), 6 p.m. NW Missouri (1-0) at Lincoln (0-1), 2 p.m.

TOP 25

No. 1 Alabama at Texas, 11 a.m. No. 2 Georgia vs. Samford, 3 p.m. No. 3 Ohio St. vs. Arkansas St.,

No. 4 Michigan vs. Hawaii, 7 p.m. No. 5 Clemson vs. Furman, 2:30 p.m.

No. 6 Texas A&M vs. Appalachian St., 2:30 p.m.

No. 7 Oklahoma vs. Kent St., 6 p.m. No. 8 Notre Dame vs. Marshall,

1:30 p.m. No. 9 Baylor at No. 21 BYU, 9:15

No. 10 Southern Cal at Stanford, 6:30 p.m. No. 11 Oklahoma St. vs. Arizona

St., 6:30 p.m. No. 12 Florida vs. No. 20 Kentucky, 6 p.m. No. 13 Utah vs. S. Utah. 12:30

No. 14 Michigan St. vs. Akron, 3

p.m. No. 15 Miami vs. Southern Miss., 11 a.m.

No. 16 Arkansas vs. South Carolina. 11 a.m. No. 17 Pittsburgh vs. No. 24

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Norfolk St. (0-1) at James Madison (1-0), 3 p.m. SC State (0-1) at Bethune-Cook-

man (0-1), 3 p.m. ETSU (1-0) at The Citadel (0-1), 3 p.m.

St. Francis (Pa.) (0-1) at Richmond (0-1), 4:30 p.m.

Albany St. (Ga.) (0-0) at Florida A&M (0-2), 5 p.m. Winston-Salem (0-0) at NC Central (1-0), 5 p.m.

Elon (0-1) at Wofford (0-1), 5 p.m. SE Louisiana (0-1) at FAU (1-1). Gardner-Webb (1-0) at Coastal

Carolina (1-0), 5 p.m. UAB (1-0) at Liberty (1-0), 5 p.m. Louisiana College (0-0) at Stetson (1-0), 5 p.m. Old Dominion (1-0) at East Caro-

lina (0-1), 5 p.m. Tuskegee (0-0) at Hampton (1-0), 5 p.m.

Campbell (1-0) at William & Mary (1-0), 5 p.m. Tennessee St. (0-1) vs. Jackson St. (1-0) at Memphis, Tenn., 6

Jacksonville St. (2-0) at Murray St. (0-1), 6 p.m. Barton (0-0) at Davidson (0-1),

6 p.m. W. Carolina (1-0) at Georgia Tech (0-1), 6 p.m.

E. Michigan (1-0) at Louisiana-Lafayette (1-0), 6 p.m. Grambling St. (0-1) vs. Northwestern St. (0-1) at Shreveport, La., 6 p.m.

Stephen F. Austin (1-1) at Louisiana Tech (0-1), 6 p.m. Alcorn St. (0-1) at Tulane (1-0), 6 p.m.

Howard (0-2) at South Florida (0-1), 6 p.m. Virginia-Wise (0-0) at North Alabama (0-1), 6 p.m. Texas A&M Commerce (1-0) at Tennessee Tech (0-1), 6 p.m. Nicholls (0-1) at Louisiana-Mon-

roe (0-1), 7 p.m. Boston College (0-1) at Virginia Tech (0-1), 7 p.m.

MIDWEST

Arkansas St. (1-0) at Ohio St. (1-0), 11 a.m. Duke (1-0) at Northwestern (1-0), 11 a.m. W. Illinois (0-1) at Minnesota

(1-0), 11 a.m. South Alabama (1-0) at Cent. Michigan (0-1), noon Missouri S&T (0-0) at Drake (0-1), 1 p.m.

Dayton (1-0) at Youngstown St. (1-0), 1 p.m. Michigan Tech (0-0) at St. Thomas (Minn.) (0-1), 1 p.m. W. Michigan (0-1) at Ball St. (0-

1), 1 p.m. Marshall (1-0) at Notre Dame (0-1), 1:30 p.m. NC A&T (0-1) at N. Dakota St. (1-0), 2:30 p.m.

Kennesaw St. (0-1) at Cincinnati (0-1), 2:30 p.m. Washington St. (1-0) at Wiscon sin (1-0), 2:30 p.m. Akron (1-0) at Michigan St. (1-0),

E. Kentucky (0-1) at Bowling Green (0-1), 3 p.m. N. Iowa (0-1) at North Dakota

(0-1), 3 p.m. Indiana St. (1-0) at Purdue (0-1), 3 p.m.

Virginia (1-0) at Illinois (1-1), 3

Robert Morris (0-1) at Miami (Ohio) (0-1), 5 p.m. Taylor (0-0) at Butler (1-0), 5 p.m. UC Davis (0-1) at S. Dakota St.

(0-1), 6 p.m. Chattanooga (1-0) at E. Illinois (0-1), 6 p.m. SE Missouri (0-1) at S. Illinois

(0-1), 6 p.m. Umass (0-1) at Toledo (1-0), 6

Valparaiso (1-0) at Illinois St. (0-1), 6:30 p.m. Georgia Southern (1-0) at Nebraska (1-1), 6:30 p.m.

Idaho (0-1) at Indiana (1-0), 7

Hawaii (0-2) at Michigan (1-0),

SOUTHWEST

N. Illinois (1-0) at Tulsa (0-1), 6

North American University (0-0) at Ark.-Pine Bluff (1-0), 6 p.m. Lindenwood (Mo.) (0-0) at Houston Baptist (1-0), 6 p.m. N. Arizona (0-1) at Sam Houston

St. (0-1), 6 p.m. Lamar (0-1) at SMU (1-0), 6 p.m. FIU (1-0) at Texas State (0-1), 6

Texas Southern (0-1) at North Texas (1-1), 6:30 p.m.

McNeese St. (0-1) at Rice (0-1), 6:30 p.m. Prairie View (1-0) at Abilene

Christian (1-0), 7 p.m. New Mexico St. (0-2) at UTEP (0-2), 8 p.m

FAR WEST S. Utah (1-0) at Utah (0-1), 12:30

Morehead St. (0-1) at Montana St. (1-0), 2 p.m. Colorado (0-1) at Air Force (1-0),

2:30 p.m. South Dakota (0-1) at Montana (1-0), 2:30 p.m.

Portland St. (0-1) at Washington (1-0), 3 p.m. UNLV (1-0) at California (1-0), 3

Middle Tennessee (0-1) at Colorado St. (0-1), 3 p.m. N. Colorado (0-1) at Wyoming

(1-1), 3 p.m. San Diego (1-0) at Cal Poly (0-1), Alabama St. (2-0) at UCLA (1-0),

Incarnate Word (1-0) at Nevada (2-0), 4:30 p.m.

Weber St. (1-0) at Utah St. (1-1), 6 p.m. Southern Cal (1-0) at Stanford (1-

0), 6:30 p.m. Idaho St. (0-1) at San Diego St. (0-1), 7 p.m.

E. Washington (1-0) at Oregon (0-1), 7:30 p.m. Chadron St. (0-0) at Utah Tech (0-1), 8 p.m.

Oregon St. (1-0) at Fresno St. (1-0), 9:30 p.m.

NFL SCHEDULE

Thursday's Game Buffalo at L.A. Rams, 7:20 p.m. Sunday's Games

Baltimore at N.Y. Jets, noon Cleveland at Carolina, noon Indianapolis at Houston, noon Jacksonville at Washington, noon New England at Miami, noon New Orleans at Atlanta, noon Philadelphia at Detroit, noon Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, noon San Francisco at Chicago, noon Green Bay at Minnesota, 3:25

Kansas City at Arizona, 3:25 p.m. Las Vegas at L.A. Chargers, 3:25

N.Y. Giants at Tennessee, 3:25 Tampa Bay at Dallas, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Game Denver at Seattle, 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 L.A. Chargers at Kansas City,

Sunday, Sept. 18

Carolina at N.Y. Giants, noon Indianapolis at Jacksonville, Miami at Baltimore, noon

N.Y. Jets at Cleveland, noon New England at Pittsburgh, noon Tampa Bay at New Orleans, noon Washington at Detroit, 3 p.m. Atlanta at L.A. Rams, 3:05 p.m. Seattle at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.

Arizona at Las Vegas, 3:25 p.m. Cincinnati at Dallas, 3:25 p.m. Houston at Denver, 3:25 p.m. Chicago at Green Bay, 7:20 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19

Tennessee at Buffalo, 6:15 p.m. Minnesota at Philadelphia, 7:30

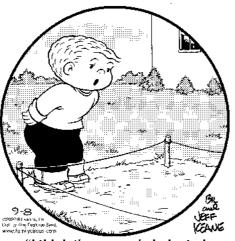
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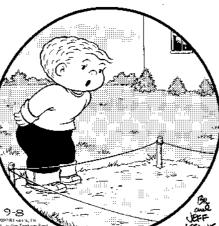
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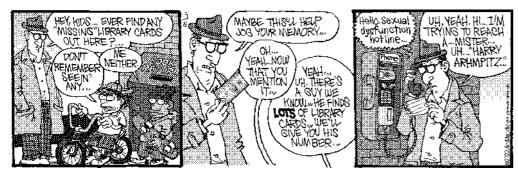




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CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Be open to

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attention to what others do and say will

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Check out all your

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You may be up for a challenge this year, but don't feel like you must take on unreasonable demands. Change doesn't have to be difficult. Recognize what's available and how you can use your skills, tools and attributes to get where you want to go. Don't let others discourage you; compete only with yourself, and you'll be happy with the results.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- You'll learn plenty if you participate. Taking part in activities or educational pursuits that open your mind to a host of new ideas will help you expand your interests and skills.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Take nothing for granted. Step up and do your part. Don't fear being a leader or facing controversy or competition. Trust in who you are and what you know you can do, and carry on without delay.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- You may be tired and bored of routine, but don't head in a new direction for the wrong reason. You can expand your knowledge and interests without giving up your security.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Protect your assets, take care of your liabilities and detach yourself from things you no longer need or use. Simplify your life, and you'll learn to relax and enjoy what life offers.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Pursue something that will improve your life. Fixing up your space to accommodate your long-term plans will help build enthusiasm and the momentum required to turn your dreams into reality.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Don't let anger take control. If you don't manage your emotions, you will jeopardize your chance to advance. Consider the changes around you and look for a way to make what's happening work in your favor.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- A vivid imagination will help you turn something mundane into something extraordinary. Stop dreaming and start doing, and ev-

erything will fall into place.

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NASCAR calls car fires 'unacceptable' after Harvick inferno

By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

NASCAR is investigating a spate of car fires that left one championship contender fuming after his Ford erupted into an inferno during the opening play-

Kevin Harvick lashed out at NASCAR and the new Next Gen car after his inexplicably caught fire at Darlington Raceway. The Next Gen debuted this season and is a spec vehicle with single-source parts that is intended to both level the playing field and cut costs.

The Next Gen has achieved some of its goals but has also raised safety concerns unrelated to the fires involving the force of impact drivers are taking in crashes. Kurt Busch has been out with a concussion since late July.

Now comes a fire issue

that can't be ignored any longer after Harvick's car burned Sunday night on national television. Although the Chevrolet of Alex Bowman caught fire at Darlington in May, the fire issues have predominantly plagued Fords. Chris Buescher and Joey Logano both had car fires at the Indianapolis road course, and Chase Briscoe's car caught on fire at Richmond.

"I'm sure it's just crappy parts on the race car like we've seen so many times. They haven't fixed anything. It's kind of like the safety stuff. We just let it keep going and keep going," said Harvick, who finished 33rd because of the fire.

"The car started burning and as it burned the flames started coming through the dash. I ran a couple laps and then as the flame got bigger it started burning stuff up. The fire was com-



Kevin Harvick speaks during NASCAR Daytona 500 auto racing media day at Daytona International Speedway, Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2022, in Daytona Beach, Fla. NA-SCAR heads into its second playoff race investigating a spate of car fires that has at least one championship contender fuming. Kevin Harvick lashed out at NASCAR and the new Next Gen car after it inexplicably caught fire in the playoff opener at Darlington Raceway. (AP PHOTO/JOHN BAOLIX FILE)

taking

ing through the dash. What a disaster for no reason. We didn't touch the wall. We didn't touch a car and here we are in the pits with a burned up car and we can't finish the race during the playoffs because of crappy-ass parts."

Harvick added that he stopped where he did on the track — bringing out a caution that some have said took NASCAR too long to call — "because the flames were coming through the dash and I couldn't make myself sit in there and burn up.' The fire dropped Har-

vick, winner of two races this season, to last in the 16-driver playoff field headed into Sunday's race at Kansas Speedway. Four drivers will be eliminated from contention after next week's race at Bristol Motor Speedway.

NASCAR, which already has been looking into the rigidness of the Next Gen based on driver feedback, has acknowledged "it's unacceptable for the cars to catch on fire" and senior vice president of competition Scott Miller said series officials are investigating.

In the meantime, NA-SCAR ordered teams to replace a part of the polymer panel used in the passenger side door area with stainless steel. The design is intended to keep debris from the drivers. NASCAR is also permitting changes to the coating material used on the cars, and mandated a lateral seal across the engine panel.

One theory is that rubber buildup on the track is getting trapped inside the cars and then igniting, which is why NASCAR has mandated the splitter seal to "reduce the migration of tire debris to the splitter area."

Tiafoe 1st US man in US Open semifinals since Roddick in '06

Frances Tiafoe, of the

United States, reacts after

defeating Andrey Rublev,

of Russia, during the quar-

terfinals of the U.S. Open

tennis championships on

Wednesday, in New York.

Grand Slam champi-

on Rafael Nadal in the

fourth round, with an-

other milestone victory,

beating No. 9 seed An-

drey Rublev 7-6 (3), 7-6

(0), 6-4 behind the back-

ing of a boisterous crowd

"I love to show the

world what I can do,"

said the 24-year-old Ti-

afoe, who is seeded 22nd

at Flushing Meadows. "I

just want to go out there

and try to give the crowd

what they want — and

that's me getting the

Andy Roddick, who

was in the Ashe stands

Wednesday, was the last

U.S. man to get to the

semifinals in New York,

losing to Roger Feded-

er in the title match 16

years ago. Roddick also

was the last man from

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By HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK (AP) -About 20 minutes after Frances Tiafoe earned the first trip to the U.S. Open semifinals by an American man since 2006, he met up in an Arthur Ashe Stadium foyer with a host of friends, Washington Wizards All-Star guard Bradley Beal among them.

traded Everyone hearty hugs and huge smiles. Tiafoe shouted, "Let's pose for a dope photo!" and they obliged. As the nine-person line stood together, someone yelled, "Throw up a 'Dub!'" so Tiafoe and others formed a "W" as in "Win" — by joining thumbs and index fingers on both hands. Tiafoe's girlfriend ran through the nearby double doors, jumped into his arms, gave him a kiss, then wiped away lipstick from his mouth.

Most assuredly a showman, and someone striving for years for this sort of success on big stages, Tiafoe sure is enjoying the ride, as are his pals, his parents and the partisan fans, who last celebrated a Grand Slam trophy for a man from the United States two decades ago.

Tiafoe managed the tricky task of following up the biggest win of his career, against 22-time

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the country to win any Grand Slam singles championship, the 2003 U.S. Open. None of the men left in

the bracket this time has ever won a major trophy. Tiafoe's first career Slam semifinal will come Friday against No. 3 Carlos Alcaraz or No. 11 Jannik Sinner.

"Frances is such a fantastic young man. Good things happen to good people," tournament director Stacey Allaster said. "Irrespective of how he finishes, this has been a monumental evolution in his career and he'll only build upon the learning and success of this U.S. Open."

This step forward has come with the help of Tiafoe's coach, former pro player Wayne Ferreira, who said the player used to not be "really professional enough, and pointed to important changes to his habits when it comes to eating — there had been too much chocolate and cookies and not enough breakfasts — practice and work in the gym.

"It's taken time for us to get gradually to where we are today," Ferreira said. "I kind of imagined he would be at his best by the end of next year."

On Wednesday, Tiafoe played aggressive, offensive tennis, never got broken and used 18 aces along with strong volleying to oust Rublev, a Russian who dropped to 0-6 in major quarterfinals. Tiafoe won 31 of 41 points when he went to the net; Rublev only ventured forward 11 times.

In the women's quar-Wednesday, terfinals No. 6 Aryna Sabalenka earned a second consecutive trip to the final four at Flushing Meadows with a 6-1, 7-6 (4) victory over Karolina Pliskova.

Lamar Jackson says Friday is cutoff point for contract talks

By NOAH TRISTER

AP Sports Writer

OWINGS MILLS, Md. (AP) — The clock is ticking for Lamar Jackson and the Baltimore Ravens.

The star quarterback said Wednesday that Friday would be the cutoff point at which negotiations for a contract extension would need to be set aside before the start of the regular season. He'd indicated previously there could be some sort of deadline, and that he hoped to have a deal done before the season, but now he's clarified the timetable he's working with.

"The end of this week."

Jackson said when asked when his deadline is. "Friday. Friday."

Jackson didn't offer many more details about the status of contract talks, and that's consistent with his posture on the topic this whole offseason. He's entering his fifth-year option season, and after that, the Ravens can always use the franchise tag to keep him. So in theory it's not a big deal if extension talks drag on to next offseason — unless something happens to him this year like a major

Jackson, who is representing himself in contract talks, didn't sound too concerned about that risk.

"It was a pretty big risk last season, the year before. I wasn't thinking about contract negotiations around that time," he said. "This season, it's going to be the same thing.'

Jackson did go down with an ankle injury that caused him to miss the final four games of last season, but all indications are that the 2019 league MVP is at full strength entering Sunday's opener on the road against the New York Jets. It sounds as if Jackson's teammates are largely in the dark about how contract talks are progressing.

Super challenge: Rams open title defense vs powerhouse Bills

By GREG BEACHAM AP Sports Writer

except a banner.

INGLEWOOD. Calif. (AP) — For nearly seven is. Sean McVay has told the Los Angeles Rams their Super Bowl championship guarantees them nothing in this new season

"It feels like it was a long time ago," said McVay, the youngest coach in NFL history to win it all. "It's one that I'll always cherish, but I think if you live in the past, you're going to get exposed in the present. So we're not going to do that.'

The Rams will unveil that banner Thursday night at SoFi Stadium before they get another reminder of just how little their championship victory on that same field last winter will mean this fall.

The NFL chose Von Miller and the powerhouse Buffalo Bills as the Rams' opponent in their season opener, practically ensuring a difficult start to a season in which they're widely perceived to have the league's toughest schedule. The Rams know they'll get every opponent's best shot this year, starting with a visit from a team holding serious championship aspi-

rations of its own. "Going in to play the defending Super Bowl champs and watching them raise their banner, that'll be an interesting feeling, for sure," Buffalo quarterback Josh Allen said. "I've talked to a few people that have played and coached in this game before, and just really the unanimous thing that they were talking about was it feels like playoff atmosphere."

The Rams are Vegas underdogs in their first game since winning their fran-



Los Angeles Rams players celebrate with the Lombardi Trophy after defeating the Cincinnati Bengals in the NFL Super Bowl 56 football game Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022, in Inglewood, Calif. The defending Super Bowl champion Los Angeles Rams host the Buffalo Bills in a battle of teams expected to challenge for the Lombardi Trophy to open the NFL season on Thursday night. (AP PHOTO/MARK J. TERRILL. FILE

chise's second Super Bowl title. In fact, the Bills could send Los Angeles to a place it has never been with Mc-

Vay — below .500. The Rams have never lost a season opener or had a losing record at any point in the tenure of McVay, who took over in 2017 and immediately built a perennial winner with general manager Les Snead.

Sean McDermott got his job in Buffalo one week before McVay, and the stillyoung coaches already have the sixth- and seventh-longest tenures in the league. But while McVay got the ultimate validation last season, McDermott is hoping this will be the year for the Bills' first Super Bowl trip since the 1993 season.

The Rams already did it all in a season filled with superlatives, including the spectacular statistical campaign by Super Bowl MVP Cooper Kupp.

"The question we're al-

ways trying to answer is, how can 2022 be better for the LA Rams?" Kupp said. "What can we do better? Who can we put on the field to stack blocks and build on this thing? Feels good to be back playing a meaningful game.

DORSEY'S DEBUT

Ken Dorsey first made his name in football by going 38-2 as the University of Miami's quarterback from 1999-2002, a stint which included a national championship in 2001. Dorsey now makes his debut as an offensive coordinator, running one of the league's most productive groups after being promoted to replace Brian Daboll.

'Whether you're a position coach or a play-caller or a head coach, I really feel like you've got to go earn it," Dorsey said. "No one's going to hand you anything. When you get to the point where I've been fortunate enough to get to right now, you don't take it for granted, because you realize how hard it is to get there."

TWO NEW RAMS

While Los Angeles lost Miller to a more lucrative offer in Buffalo, it added two key veterans in free agency. Inside linebacker Bobby Wagner debuts as the defensive signal-caller for his hometown team after a decade in Seattle, while receiver Allen Robinson takes over as Kupp's counterpart.



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