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BMO Trust and Custody Services announces Pritchett grant recipients

Awardees honored Thursday during special ceremony



Frances Mitchelson, Pritchett Trust Grant Committee chairman, names this year's grant recipients. Each recipient was given 15 to 20 seconds to briefly explain what the funds are for. DUSTIN R. STRONG / THE MORNING SUN

By Dustin R. Strong
Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — On Thursday, BMO Trust and Custody Services announced this year's recipients of the Pritchett Trust grants. More than \$550,000 in grants will be distributed to organizations in Southeast Kansas, the majority of which operate in Crawford County.

The Trust was established in 1994 after the deaths of long-time Pittsburg residents, William B. Pritchett, a veteran of World War I, and Athlyn C. Pritchett. Soon after their marriage in 1920,



Some of this year's 44 recipients of Pritchett grants, totaling \$550,000. DUSTIN R. STRONG / THE MORNING SUN

they opened the Pritchett Insurance Agency in Pittsburg. In the 1930s and 1940s, they invested in oil and gas leases in Kansas and Oklahoma, becoming successful in both businesses.

"The Pritchett Trust committee is proud to

honor the legacy of Mr. and Mrs. Pritchett by awarding these worthwhile grants to 44 worthy non-profit organizations, schools and municipalities," said Frances Mitchelson, Pritchett Trust Grant Committee chairman and advisory board

member.

Other members of the Pritchett grant selection process include BMO's Pittsburg Advisory Board of Directors: Rick Baden, Ron Marrone, Ray Ryan, Dr. Ron Seglie, and Vince VanBecelaere.

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PSU biology students to collect data for Smithsonian project

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — Students in the Pittsburg State University Biology Department have again been asked to collect data at sites throughout the Pittsburg area for a national project being conducted by the Smithsonian Institution. The goal of the project is to document the diversity of mammal life across the U.S.



Pictured are, from left, PSU students Khloey Stringer, Taylor Michael, and Austin Abram. COURTESY PHOTO

Taylor Michael, Khloey Stringer, and Austin Abram — all students of Associate Professor Christine Brodsky — deployed Snapshot USA cameras in natural areas for the national mammal survey and will monitor them through October.

It is the fourth year Brodsky and a group of

students have participated representing the state of Kansas; each year, a different student team has collected data.

"Researchers are doing this in all 50 states," she said. "Ultimately it will inform national conservation and management strategies."

In the first year, the PSU

team captured more than 8,000 images of 16 mammal species: deer, raccoon, gray and fox squirrel, opossum, eastern cottontail rabbit, mouse species, rat species, armadillo, coyote, groundhog, domestic cats and dogs, striped skunk, beaver, and a bobcat.

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Faith and Blue coming to Pittsburg

By Dustin R. Strong
Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — Beginning Friday, Oct. 7, the Pittsburg Police Department will be participating in a nationwide program known as Faith and Blue. Started in 2020 by MovementForward, Inc. in Atlanta, Georgia, Faith and Blue is an initiative to reinforce the communal ties that bind police officers, businesses, and citizens together to build and maintain neighborhoods that are safe and inclusive.

The goal is to rebuild and reinforce relations by focusing on solutions and activities organized by churches and other community groups in concert with police agencies. To help facilitate these partnerships are faith-based organizations.

"Faith-based organizations are key to building

these bonds because they are not only the largest community resource in the nation, with 65 million participants in weekly events, but because they are as diverse as our nation," according to faithandblue.org. "Moreover, they speak to Americans' shared conviction that we are our brothers' and sisters' keepers."

Partnering with the Pittsburg Ministerial Alliance, the Pittsburg Police Department will kick off four days of events.

The first is Books and Badges. PPD officers will be at the Pittsburg Public Library on Friday, Oct. 7, from 3 to 5 p.m. reading stories and handing out free books.

At 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, PPD will host a Community Tailgate party at Pittsburg State before Saturday's home game. Officers will be handing out free hotdogs

and PPD swag.

On Sunday, PPD Bike Patrol officers will be at the Pritchett Pavilion at 106 W. 2nd St. between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., giving demonstrations, a safety talk, and answering questions. Snacks will be provided and bike registration will be available. The event will conclude with a Blessing of the Bicycles.

The final event for Faith and Blue will be Coffee with a Cop at Root Coffeehouse on Monday, Oct. 10. From 8 to 11 a.m., PPD officers will be available for conversation and to answer questions.

Faith and Blue's goal, according to its website, is to build stronger communities where residents and police see each other as people, focusing on common goals and values and building trustful relationships, making neighborhoods safer.

New priest on campus

PSU welcomes Father Derek Thome
By Antjea Wolff
Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — With the beginning of a new semester came a new chaplain, Father Derek Thome, at St. Pius X Catholic Student Center, the Catholic church on the campus of Pittsburg State University.

Thome grew up in a Catholic household in Goddard, Kansas, so it was no surprise to him when his mother told him that when he was a toddler, Thome would turn the TV to a church mass channel and use a flyswatter to pretend he was distributing communion. Later his father informed him that when he was baptized, Thome had a big smile on his face, and at that point his father told his sister that he wouldn't be surprised if that was the moment God was calling him to be a priest.

As he got older, he served at many mass services at his local church. As an altar server, he would assist the clergy in various tasks during the services. He said his friends teased him by calling him "Father Thome."

By the time he reached high school, he considered going into seminary school, but he never thought too seriously about it. He said when he graduated high school, he had three career choices: architect, commercial pilot, or broadcast journalist. Thome decided to attend K-State for architecture. He said he was doing an internship for Bohlin Cywinski Jackson, an architecture firm in Pennsylvania known for designing Apple Stores, when he realized he wasn't happy.

"That's when I started paying more attention in prayer of what does God want from me," he said.

After graduating from K-State, Thome decided to attend seminary school, thinking he would only be there for two years, and then do sports architecture in Kansas City because that had been his dream for many years.

"I went in saying I'll give it two years and by then I'll have learned enough that I'm not supposed to be a priest," Thome said.

He said that his second year was his roughest year in seminary school.

"I went back because I knew that no matter what I did, I still needed to answer some questions in my life," he said. "And what better place to do that than a place of prayer?"

He became ordained after six years, and pledged obedience to the bishop.

"That doesn't just mean that he tells us 'You do this,' and that's the end of the story," Thom said. "It's kind of a mutual sharing. And most people when they hear the word obedience, they just kind of shutter and they think, why would someone promise to be obedient to some old man? And it's really I think he wants to know what our gifts are and what we feel about with an assignment and all that."

Thome's first assignment was at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Wichita in 2018. After a short while, he was reassigned to Catholic Church of Magdalen which was only 5 miles away from St. Thomas. When it was time for another reassignment, the bishop gave Thome some options, and Pittsburg State University was on the list. Thome was familiar with PSU because he had spent time learn-

ing Spanish there, which was required in seminary school.

He said he was excited to have the chance to work with college students because it is a time in their life when they are searching for meaning as well as taking a new step in maturity.

"And for me, it was such a life changing time of encountering Christ and kind of embracing who we are and who we were made to be and what God has created us for," Thome said. "And so just to be a part of that journey with people is really exciting."

Thome said he is also looking forward to helping people process new events in their life, process pain, or process poor decisions they might have made or others in their lives have made.

"I want to help people realize that although God has allowed this, he doesn't desire it for them," he said. "And that he will, he will redeem them from that."

After hearing about Mary Queen of Angels Catholic Church in Fort Scott being badly damaged by a fire last week, Thome said he plans on offering his architectural knowl-



St. Pius X Catholic church welcomes Father Derek Thome during his first month on campus at Pittsburg State University. ANTJEAWOLFF / THE MORNING SUN

edge to the church if they need to completely rebuild the structure. He said he is also looking for other ways to get more involved with the community.

"I'm trying to find ways that what we do here isn't separate from the whole community," he said. "I want to help the Pittsburg community. I want to help Pitt State as much as I can."

Thome said he thinks a big part of mental health issues is that many people

think that their self-worth is based on their accomplishments, which is untrue. He said he is looking forward to showing the college students meaning in their God-given gifts.

"I just want to be present for the kids," he said. "To help build relationships and, hopefully, through that reveals to them that they're wanted, regardless of what they do. And I think that's where Christ comes through the priest."

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Obituaries

Jacqueline Jean Bolte

Jacqueline Jean Bolte, age 88, of Frontenac, Kansas, died Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022. Graveside services are planned for Saturday, Sept. 17, at 2 p.m. at the McCune Cemetery in McCune, Kansas.
A full obituary appears at barnettfamilyfh.com.

Remi Raine Bethel

Remi Raine Bethel, seven weeks old, a daughter of Brice Bethel and Courtney Cannici of Girard, died at 8:55 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022, at the Girard Medical Center.

Remi was born July 16, 2022, in Nevada, Missouri.

Survivors, in addition to her parents, are her brother, Ryder Bethel; and her sisters, Emma Bethel and Aarow Bethel, all of the home; her paternal grandparents, Ronnie Jackson, and Shamber Hubbard, of Girard; her paternal great-grandparents, Ronnie and Linda Jackson, of Girard; her paternal great-grandmother Denice Nichols, of Columbus; her paternal great-grandparents, Clarence (Dale) Russell, of Girard; Ted and Caroline Mitchell, of Girard; her maternal grandfather, Stephen Cannici, of Sparta, New Jersey; her maternal great-grandmother, Rosemary Hambric, of Fort Scott; her aunts, Payton Maslen and Kyle Bethel, of Girard; and her cousins, Charlee Roberts and Mendeci Cordell, of Girard.

Remi was preceded in death by her grandmother, Lori McIntosh, of Arcadia.

A memorial service for Remi Raine Bethel will be held at 5 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022, at the Smith-Carson-Wall Funeral Home of Girard.



Nebraska man injured in Oklahoma state line motorcycle crash

Staff Reports

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BAXTER SPRINGS, Kan. — An Omaha, Nebraska man was seriously injured in a crash early Wednesday afternoon at the Oklahoma state line just south of Baxter Springs, according to the Kansas Highway Patrol.

70-year-old Alan L. Nelson of Omaha was headed southbound on U.S. 69 at 1:31 p.m. Wednesday when his 2020 Harley Davidson motorcycle left the roadway for an unknown reason and struck two metal poles, according to the KHP.

Nelson was taken to Freeman Hospital in Joplin, Missouri, for treatment of suspected serious injuries.

The impact of her loss will be huge and unpredictable, both for the nation and for the monarchy, an institution she helped stabilize and modernize across decades of enormous social change and family scandals, but whose relevance in the 21st century has often been called into question.

Queen Elizabeth II dead at 96 after 70 years on the throne

By Danica Kirka, Jill Lawless And Sylvia Hui

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Queen Elizabeth II, Britain's longest-reigning monarch and a symbol of stability in a turbulent era that saw the decline of the British empire and embarrassing dysfunction in her own family, died Thursday after 70 years on the throne. She was 96.

The palace announced she died at Balmoral Castle, her summer residence in Scotland, where members of the royal family had rushed to her side after her health took a turn for the worse.

A link to the almost-vanished generation that fought World War II, she was the only monarch most Britons have ever known.

Her 73-year-old son Prince Charles automatically became king and will be known as King Charles III, it was announced. British monarchs in the past have selected new names upon taking the throne. Charles' second wife, Camilla, will be known as the Queen Consort.

A funeral was to be held after 10 days of official mourning.

The BBC played the national anthem, "God Save the Queen," over a portrait of Elizabeth in full regalia as her death was announced, and the flag over Buckingham Palace was lowered to half-staff as the second Elizabethan age came to a close.

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Those photos became part of the national wildlife database, Wildlife Insights, available to the public at www.wildlifeinsights.org.

In the years since, the PSU team has continued to add to that database as well as the nation's knowledge base, Brodsky said.

"I love being able to have these kinds of opportunities as a student, because they give me very important skills for field jobs," said Michael, a senior in field biology from McCune. "I've had numerous chances to gain experience like this at Pittsburg State, which I am extremely grateful for."

Stringer, a sophomore in field biology from Parsons, agrees.

"Along with a lot of other opportunities that the field biology program offers, I love how it gives

me real world experience before I have even received my degree," said Stringer, who hopes to one day conduct research globally. "Thankfully, with all the amazing staff in this department, our dreams of being field biologists are already being achieved in the classroom."

Caleb Durbin, one of the first students to work on the project the first year PSU was involved, credits it as helping him wind up where he is today: as a graduate student working on his thesis at Kansas State University, and as the co-author of two Snapshot USA publications.

"My experience with the cameras and leading a crew of students to help with the project at Pitt State has been invaluable to me," he said. "I was taught leadership skills and how to stay motivated and encouraged through Dr. Brodsky and the other professors at Pitt State, which led me to where I am today."

CLUB NOTES

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.

Tuesday, Sept. 13

Pittsburg Noon Rotary

Pittsburg Noon Rotary meets at noon on Tuesdays at Via Christi Hospital. To allow more time for networking, the group has added a monthly "Social Hour" on the first Tuesday of every month throughout the community. Ask a Rotarian for the next social hour location or visit the group's Facebook page, Pittsburg Noon Rotary Club.

Pittsburg Duplicate Bridge Club

The Pittsburg Duplicate Bridge Club meets on Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. at the Homer Cole Community Center. Fully vaccinated bridge players are welcome to come play with their partners. Masks are mandated at this time, but this policy will be reviewed when possible.

Veteran Representative at Homer Cole

The Homer Cole Center will host an American Legion veterans' representative on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Any veterans with concerns or questions can stop by. For more information contact Teri at 620-231-9773.

Sunflower Kiwanis

Sunflower Kiwanis meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Ascension Via Christi Hospital, for breakfast at 6:45 a.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 14

Blanket Brigade

Join the Blanket Brigade in making quilts for those in need. The Brigade meets every Wednesday, except the first Wednesday of the month, at Zion Lutheran Church, 102 W. Jackson, Pittsburg, from 9 a.m. to noon. No experience necessary.

Local man found not guilty of child sex offenses

Staff Reports

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — After the jury deliberated for almost four hours, the Pittsburg trial of Daniel D. Johnson for multiple alleged sex crimes involving children concluded Thursday with a verdict of not guilty on all counts.

Johnson, who had a Girard address listed at the time of his arrest on March 15, 2018, was charged with aggravated

indecent liberties with a child, aggravated criminal sodomy with a child less than 14 years old, and rape of a child less than 14 years old, following incidents that had allegedly occurred in Pittsburg.

The jury selection and trial of the State of Kansas v. Johnson began Tuesday, Sept. 6, and concluded on Thursday, Sept. 8, after the jury deliberated from approximately 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Johnson was found not guilty on all charges.



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NEWS

ALICE training



Frontenac School District staff participated in their annual ALICE (alert, lockdown, inform, counter, and evacuate) training on Wednesday. Crawford County Sheriff Danny Smith, right, and deputies from the sheriff’s department presented on first aid, barricading, and glass breakage. Teachers participated by trying different glass breakage tools as well as packing wounds and placing a tourniquet. COURTESY PHOTO / USD 249

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This year’s Pritchett Trust grant recipients included Ascension Via Christi Hospital, Boy Scouts of America Ozark Trails Council, Cato School, Children’s Advocacy Center, City of Pittsburg Parks & Recreation/ Kiwanis Club, Crawford County Historical Museum, Dream Big Little One Association, Fostering Connections, Girard Medical Center Foundation, Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters, Live Well Crawford County, McCune Lions Club, McCune Town & Country Center, and Miners Hall Museum. Other 2022 recipients included Pittsburg Community Child Care Learning Center, Inc., Pittsburg State University, Quilts of Valor Foundation, Restorative Justice Authority of Crawford County, Sacred Heart Community Food Pantry, Salvation Army, SEK Interlocal #637, USD #247 Southeast High School, USD #248 Girard, USD #249 Frontenac, USD #250 Pittsburg, Special Olympics Kansas, St. Mary’s Colgan Catholic Schools, The Family Resource Center, Inc. (The Center), Victory Life Sonshine Child Care, and Wesley House. Since its inception in 1995, the Trust has awarded a total of more than \$11 million to organizations in Southeast Kansas and Crawford County. These funds have helped individuals in the area in innumerable ways, from educating the public

through local museums, rebuilding a town devastated by a tornado, to encouraging people to live a healthy, active lifestyle and providing comfort to area veterans. One grant, half of which was distributed last year and half this year, helped to make improvements to two of the key attractions at the Crawford County Historical Museum that were in desperate need of repair and at risk of being lost. “Replacing the roof and restoring the siding on Mr. Brown’s Grocery Store and the Green Elm one-room school house would not have been possible without the Pritchett grant,” Amanda Minton, the museum’s director, said. “We are so thankful and blessed to have such wonderful people that continue to enrich the endeavors of our community today.” Phyllis Bitner, who is treasurer and a trustee of Miners Hall Museum in Franklin, said the museum is grateful to the Pritchett Foundation for recognizing the importance of the museum’s mission, a sentiment that was also echoed by another trustee, Ron Pommier, who is also collections manager for Miners Hall. “This Pritchett Grant will allow Miners Hall Museum the opportunity to purchase archival storage for our vintage photographs and paper documents that are such an irreplaceable asset to the documentation of the story of the people who came to our area to make a better life for their families,” Pommier said.

But beyond that, Bitner said the Pritchett Foundation played a vital role in rebuilding the community of Franklin after the devastating tornado of 2003. “They have helped us provide a community park which is used by residents of the entire region and have assisted the museum with creating a facility, exhibits and programming throughout the years,” she said. “Our ‘community’ extends far beyond the borders of Franklin, Kansas.” Brad Stroud, executive director of Live Well Crawford County, said the organization is extremely excited and thankful to be a recipient of a 2022 Pritchett Trust grant. Live Well is receiving \$17,000 this year. “The Pritchett Trust provides so many opportunities to our community to build and improve upon the places that we work, live, and play,” Stroud said. According to Stroud, Live Well will be partnering with the Pittsburg Parks and Recreation Department on a project that will bring adult workout equipment to Lakeside Park. “We are excited to work with the City of Pittsburg to provide another opportunity for our residents to be physically active and healthy,” Stroud said. “Creating Quilts of Valor, Pittsburg, is extremely thankful for our Pritchett Grant,” said Kathi Lunday, leader of the local group Creating Quilts of Valor. “It has enabled our group to continue to present healing quilts for our veterans in the commu-

nity,” she said. “We can’t thank them enough.” Dr. Seglie, who in addition to serving on BMO’s Pittsburg Advisory Board is also a Pittsburg city commissioner, said the Pritchett Trust “has been a boon to the City of Pittsburg since its inception,” adding that “a big emphasis on the Pritchett Trust is the children and people of Crawford County.” Blake Benson, president of the Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce, agrees. “The Pritchett Trust grants are game-changers for our community,” said Benson. “They enable so many organizations that have passion and well thought out ideas, but maybe just not all of the funding needed, to proceed with projects that address real needs in our area. I can’t imagine our community without these grants.” Greg Kubler, SEK Interlocal 637 superintendent, said the funds from this grant are going to provide additional training to approximately 75 staff, and secure updated health equipment for responding to health crises. “Southeast Kansas is most fortunate to have access to seek grants from the Pritchett Trust,” said Kubler. “For the SEK Interlocal, our staff are able to acquire funding through the Trust allowing us to carry out initiatives we may lack the financial resources to otherwise implement.” The ceremony and grant presentation were held at the BMO Harris Pittsburg branch on Thursday afternoon and were open to the public.

AREA EVENTS

Friday, Sept. 9 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 lawn chairs.

Block Party with John Calvin Abney

John Calvin Abney will perform at the entrance to the Every Courtyard at Block22, between the Opera House Hotel and the National Bank Building, facing Broadway from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the free concert, along with beverages purchased at Brick + Mortar and TOAST across the street, and Root Coffee-house next door. They’ll be offering food specials that can be carried out to eat at the concert. Pippie Mae’s will be open to shoppers until 8 p.m. Event is made possible by Olive Street Presents and Block22.

Sip and Shibori

Join the patrons of the ArtForms Gallery for a night of Shibori, the Japanese dyeing process of twisting cloth and dunking it into indigo dye, from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m. Friday Sept. 9. Each participant will create three tea towels using the Shibori techniques. Attendees are allowed to bring their own beverage. Other refreshments will also be served. Registration is \$45 and all supplies are included. Call 620-240-0615 to register.

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 Baptist.

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.

Day of Remembrance for the Unborn

The Open Door Fellowship church, 918 W. 20th street, invites the public to attend their National Day of Remembrance for the Unborn on Saturday, Sept. 10. Prayer time will begin at 10:30.

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.

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Harriet Hageman: How I beat Liz Cheney

By Byron York
Washington Examiner

Harriet Hageman is the environmental lawyer who defeated incumbent Rep. Liz Cheney by a landslide in Wyoming's much-watched Republican House primary. Hageman, who will surely trounce token Democratic opposition in the general election, is now getting ready to take office. She was in Washington last week — not for that preparation, but to argue in a lawsuit against the Environmental Protection Agency over its disastrous actions causing the Gold King Mine disaster in Colorado in 2015. That's the kind of thing she does in her life as a lawyer.

While in Washington, Hageman sat down for an interview about the race against Cheney — how she won, what it means, and what she plans to do when she takes office.

How did she beat Cheney? Two reasons. "One is, I'm a good candidate, and I'm going to be a good member of Congress," Hageman said. The other was: Hageman ran a race centered on Wyoming. She discussed

her 30-plus years as an attorney working on "water and natural resources issues, property rights, constitutional rights," representing the state's ranchers, farmers, energy producers and more. "I have been fighting for Wyoming," Hageman said. "I wasn't just running against Liz Cheney, which I think is what some people, especially back in D.C., might think. I was running for Wyoming. I was running to address the issues that are important to us." That's how to win in Wyoming.

Cheney's biggest problem, as Hageman saw it, was that many voters believed she had become disconnected from Wyoming. Cheney was seldom in the state, Hageman said, and "never answered for her votes, never answered for the decisions she made." Cheney, Hageman concluded, "simply abandoned Wyoming, [and] I think what it exposed was that she had used Wyoming for the last six years as a mechanism to get power, but she didn't actually represent Wyoming's interests."

That's how you lose races, when voters become

convinced that you have gone Washington, that you are focused inside the Beltway, that you have forgotten the people who sent you there.

So Hageman won. Now what? A conversation with her reveals the depths of her feelings about her home state, especially its natural resources, and a broad suspicion about the motives and competence of federal regulatory agencies that routinely tell Wyomingites how to use those resources.

The state is the largest producer of coal in the nation — more than three times as much as West Virginia and six times as much as Pennsylvania — and one of the largest producers of oil and natural gas. It has huge deposits of uranium and is a major cattle producer. Hageman likes to say that Wyoming puts food on your table, gas in your car, a roof over your head, and it paves your highways, too. The problem is, a lot of people involved in those industries — coal, oil and gas, mining, beef — feel under attack from the Democratic administration and the liberal activist groups that support the administra-

tion. They feel that way, of course, because they are under attack. "Wyoming is one of the largest targets of the Biden administration in terms of attempting to destroy our economy," Hageman says.

So her goal in Congress is to stop that, or at least fight back. Ask her for specifics, and she goes into detail not just about coal and oil and gas, but about things like the "Roadless Rule," by which the government bans timber cutting and most other uses of federal land. (Forty-eight percent of Wyoming's land is owned by the federal government.) She speaks at length about BLM, by which she means not Black Lives Matter but the federal Bureau of Land Management. She can discuss in great detail the issue of RFID ear tags — devices that federal regulators want to require for every head of cattle in Wyoming.

These are not flashy, sexy issues that attract news coverage in Washington, which has instead been consumed by the made-for-TV episodes of Cheney's Jan. 6 committee. But they are issues about which many Wyomingites

have strong feelings.

For years, Hageman has given a speech she calls "Regulation Without Representation." Congress has abdicated its lawmaking role to the federal regulatory agencies, she says. It is time to cut down and pull back those agencies' power and reach, and have Congress return to its proper role of making laws that are then enforced by the executive branch. It's a classic conservative critique of the regulatory state and government overreach. And that is a very popular view in, among other places, Wyoming.

Harriet Hageman talked about it a lot in the recent campaign. Liz Cheney talked about Jan. 6. As for Hageman and Donald Trump, she certainly benefited from the former president's endorsement. The last time the two talked was the day after the election — "He was pretty happy," Hageman says. Asked if she wants Trump to run for president in 2024 — remember that he won Wyoming with 70% of the vote in 2020 — Hageman said, "If he chooses to do that, I would support him." Asked again if she

wants that to happen, she said, "I miss President Trump. His policies were really incredible for the United States, and they were especially incredible for Wyoming."

Those are obviously controversial comments outside the 70% of Wyomingites who voted for Trump. But Hageman saw, and sees, Trump in terms of issues, not controversy. She recalled that when she first met and talked to Trump when he was president, they talked about regulatory reform and energy independence. Those were, of course, two big priorities of the Trump administration, and they are two big priorities, probably the biggest priorities, of Harriet Hageman the lawyer, congressional candidate and, come next year, Wyoming's next member of the House of Representatives.

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‘Privatization of the commons’ pits anglers against moguls

By Gene Lyons
Arkansas Times

When the going gets tough, the clever go fishing. Few pastimes connect a person to the natural world like standing in a free-flowing stream casting for smallmouth or trout. The distant noise of commerce and the clamor of politics fade to nothing. For others, a long walk on the beach, the cry of seagulls and the eternal slap and sigh of the surf provide similar therapy.

So naturally, there are wealthy landowners who want to keep it all for themselves. No peasants wading in their private Colorado rivers or spoiling the view from their Florida mansions. Some would declare property rights to the Gulf of Mexico if they could.

If the phrase "private rivers" strikes you as odd, check out Ben Ryder Howe's recent New York Times article about the ongoing conflict between fly fishermen, rafters and tycoons in Colorado.

Howe explains that while federal law establishes that all navigable streams are owned by the states in trust for the public, "a series of unusual rulings have given landowners leeway to bar the public from riverbeds adjoining their property — and the water covering them, even if people float onto it after entering legally elsewhere."

In extreme instances, Howe reported, fly fishermen have been shot at, although nobody's been killed or wounded.

To sportsmen and women elsewhere in the United States, the Colorado situation is bizarre, although not particularly surprising to anybody familiar with the growing sense of entitlement among America's cash-swollen new plutocrats.

In Arkansas, where I live, the conflicts described between landowners and outdoor recreationists would be well-nigh unthinkable. Back when Bill Clinton was governor, and then president, I used to spend hours at a time

wading up to my waist casting for trout in the White River adjacent to the failed Whitewater real estate development. I had no idea who owned the land.

With a state Game and Fish Commission access point a half-mile downstream, it never mattered. A nonnative species, trout flourish below a hydroelectric dam run by the Army Corps of Engineers; it's basically a federal river. It's also among the best trout fishing in the world, although fly fishermen prefer mountain streams.

I once accompanied an Australian TV crew on a float trip past Whitewater. After a couple of days in the Arkansas outback, I asked what they thought of the idea, then popular among right-wing cranks, that Clinton presided over a corrupt police state.

"Couldn't organize a piss-up in a brewery, mate," one said. Arkansas, he added, made him homesick for New South Wales.

But I digress. Down on the so-called "Redneck Riviera" on the Florida

panhandle, another former Arkansas governor recently displayed a lordly sense of entitlement that might sound familiar to Colorado sportsmen.

Two-time GOP presidential candidate Mike Huckabee bought a beachfront lot on the gulf near Destin, circumvented state environmental codes by building an artificial sand dune, and constructed an elaborate three-story mansion. Huckabee then fought a protracted legal battle to prevent people from walking on his personal beach (Florida law guarantees public access) before finally selling the place for a reported \$9.5 million and moving back to Little Rock.

His daughter, former Trump mouthpiece Sarah Huckabee Sanders, is expected to be elected Arkansas governor come November. She has vowed to abolish the state income tax, which will save Daddy a bundle.

Meanwhile, out in Colorado, an 81-year-old fly fisherman with a Ph.D. in theoretical physics has

filed a lawsuit to prevent the state government from turning public rivers into private, members-only enclaves. Roger Hill told the Times that he can remember when gaining access to his favorite pools and rapids wasn't a problem.

As long as he was friendly and asked permission, the elderly angler said, he had no problems. "Nobody ever said anything," he said.

All that has changed with Colorado's rapid population growth, as outsiders with money moved in, and what some call "amenity ranches" proliferated. "Along sections favored by trout and Mr. Hill," Howe wrote, "'No Trespassing' signs sprouted up as real estate developers bought and subdivided the adjacent land."

"Properties along rivers are luxury items," Hill told the reporter. People who own them are all too often reluctant to share them.

"There's a bigger issue here, which is the privatization of the commons," Montana author and pub-

lic access proponent Hal Herring told the reporter. Some of the largest landowners in Colorado are media moguls like CNN founder Ted Turner. Michael Bloomberg bought a ranch there five times larger than Central Park in New York, where he used to be mayor. Farther north, Fox News and Wall Street Journal proprietor Rupert Murdoch owns a Montana spread that's the largest in the United States.

Like fisherman Hill, who professes "a childlike faith in the legal process," I don't see how he loses his lawsuit. Unless we're just going to go ahead and declare the U.S. a hereditary monarchy, the rivers belong to us all.

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Wife fights losing battle versus husband and his mom



DEAR ABBY
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My husband inherited a nasty habit from his mother. He calls people "crazy" to discredit them so he can win arguments and stifle discussion. I have told him it's lazy to pass judgment on someone that way. It also shows the world how ignorant he is, because he thinks he'll win every argument by playing the crazy card -- a personal attack. I think it's immature and immoral to take advantage of others' bias against mental health issues.

He has done it to me in front of people. I have said, "You wish!" right back at him. It has reached the point that I think he's character deficient. His misogyny is exhausting to fight. His mother is even worse. She throws in her armchair diagnosis, which is always "schizophrenia." My husband's argument is an emotional one and too pervasive to enjoy time with him. Any idea how I can fight these below-the-belt punches? -- DEFINITELY NOT "CRAZY"

DEAR DEFINITELY NOT: That shouldn't be too hard. When your husband acts this way, don't engage with him. Ignore his comments, leave the room or the house. Spend less time with him and NO time with his moth-

er. And while you're doing that, ask yourself why you tolerate the disrespect you're receiving from both of them.

DEAR ABBY: My brother is old enough to work on the farm, but he refuses. He goes to school, comes back angry and doesn't like to be told what to do. Everyone has to work except him. We have tried time and time again to get him to help out. We appease him, but he only gets worse. How can we get him to develop good work ethics? It hurts when we ask him to do something and he gets angry and starts swearing. All we want is for him to help out. -- GOOD WORKER IN MINNESOTA

DEAR WORKER: I wish you had

been clearer about who "we" is. If it's you and your siblings, there isn't much you can do to teach your brother the lessons he needs to learn. However, if it's your parents you are referring to, there is plenty THEY can do to set rules and enforce them while their son lives under their roof. Hint: It involves rewards for good behavior and consequences if he is disrespectful and noncompliant.

DEAR ABBY: When my husband and I were dating, he introduced me to the sport of cycling. Before that, it had just been a means of transportation. A few years of training later, it turns out I'm actually pretty good at it. I have been on the podium three times this year, but he has not. He is

definitely jealous. Should I stop competing? -- BICYCLE GAL IN MICHIGAN

DEAR BICYCLE GAL: A man who loves his wife wants to be the wind beneath her wings, not an anchor around her ankles. You should not have to give up something at which you excel in order to salve your husband's childish ego. Rather than give you heartburn for your success, he should be praising you for your progress. Shame on him.

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USD 248 welcomes new teachers

By Hayley Schoeling And
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New RVH teachers include Gwyn Dean, Andrea James, Jennifer Matson, Leanne Prince, Brendan Schmidt, Kalee Shanholtzer, Lori Seiwert and Elizabeth Villanueva.

Gwyn Dean

In her first year of teaching, Gwyn Dean has joined RVH as a fifth grade teacher, middle school volleyball coach and high school girls junior varsity basketball coach.

Before teaching at RVH, she completed her student teaching at Girard and went on to be a substitute teacher for the second semester at RVH.

After graduating from Labette County High School, Dean attended PSU where she obtained a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

Her inspiration to pursue teaching came from the "teachers, coaches and leaders before [her]."

Dean states that her favorite part of teaching is "seeing [her] kiddos each and every morning, knowing [she has] the privilege and opportunity of inspiring them in some way."

"[She loves] getting to know more about them—their passions, their dreams, their goals—and being able to help them be the best version of themselves each and every day, no matter what."

Outside of school she enjoys reading on her porch, cooking, spending time with her family and watching her brother play football for the Iowa State Cyclones.

Andrea James

In her first year of teaching, Andrea James has joined RVH as the music teacher.

After graduating from Winterset High School, James attended William Jewell College and obtained a bachelor's degree and Western Governors University where she obtained her master's degree.

Before teaching at RVH, she was a para in the Pittsburg school district.

James chose to pursue teaching because, "[she] was encouraged to get [her] teaching degree from several teachers at George Nettels Elementary."

She states that her favorite part of teaching is "having all the students in the building and getting to know them and [teach] them all the fun things that [they] can do in music class!"

Outside of school she enjoys reading, performing in theatre, singing and spending time with her husband and two daughters.

Jennifer Matson

In her twelfth year of teaching, Jennifer Matson has joined RVH as a kindergarten teacher.

After graduating from Pittsburg High School, Matson attended PSU where she obtained a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a master's degree in reading.

Before teaching at RVH, she taught in Joplin and Neosho.

Matson chose to pursue teaching "to make a difference."

She states that her fa-



New RVH teachers (Front) Jennifer Matson, Elizabeth Villanueva, Kalee Shanholtzer and Lori Seiwert and (Back) Leanne Prince, Gwyn Dean, Brendan Schmidt, Andrea James, join the teaching staff for the 2022-23 school year. Prince will teach first grade; Dean and Schmidt, fifth; James, music; Matson, kindergarten; Villanueva, fourth; Shanholtzer, second and Seiwert, special education. CLAIRE STEVENS/TROJAN TRIBUNE

vorite part of teaching is getting to "work with a great staff and students."

Outside of school she enjoys reading, cooking and listening to music.

Leanne Prince

In her 15th year of teaching, Leanne Prince has joined RVH as a first grade teacher.

After graduating from De Soto High School, Prince attended PSU and Baker University where she obtained her bachelor's and master's degrees along with an ESL endorsement.

Before teaching at RVH, she taught in the Shawnee Mission school district.

Prince chose to pursue teaching because "[she enjoys] working with kids!"

She states that the most enjoyable part of her job is "building relationships with [her] students and their families."

Outside of school she enjoys reading, spending

games in the area.

Kalee Shanholtzer

In her fifth year of teaching, Kalee Shanholtzer has joined RVH as a second grade teacher.

After graduating from Southeast High School, Shanholtzer attended FSCC, where she played softball, and PSU where she obtained her bachelor's degree in elementary education and her master's degree in reading.

Before teaching at RVH, she taught at Frank Layden Elementary.

Shanholtzer chose to pursue teaching because "of the amazing teachers that [she] had at [the] McCune Attendance Center. [She] loved going to school and seeing how much heart they put into the classroom and students."

She states that the most enjoyable parts of her job are the "students, the relationships [she] develops and [the privilege of] helping kids find their strengths and build confidence."

Outside of school she enjoys playing outside with her sons, cooking, gardening and spending time with family.

Lori Seiwert

In her fourth year of teaching, Lori Seiwert has joined RVH as a special education teacher.

After graduating from Southeast High School, Seiwert attended PSU where she obtained her bachelors and will graduate with her masters this year in May.

Before teaching at RVH, she taught at Carl Junction.

Seiwert chose to pursue teaching because "[she]

had a handful of influential teachers throughout [her] own education that gave [her] the desire to pursue teaching as a career."

She states that the most enjoyable part of her job is "the unexpectedness that comes with every day. [She likes] how nothing ever stays the same and every day is new, exciting and challenging at the same time."

Outside of school she enjoys reading, watching TV, cooking, playing video games and traveling.

Elizabeth Villanueva

In her fifth year of teaching, Elizabeth Villanueva has joined RVH as a fourth grade teacher.

After graduating from Field Kindley High School, Villanueva attended CCC where she obtained her associate's degree in art and Wichita State University where she obtained her bachelor's degree in elementary education.

Before teaching at RVH, she was an ESOL para and first grade teacher in Coffeyville.

Villanueva was inspired to pursue teaching because of her teachers and mentors in her school years.

She states that the most enjoyable part of teaching is "getting to know all of [her] students. Yet, the most rewarding part of being a teacher is working with them through challenges and watching them succeed and grow."

Outside of school she enjoys being outdoors, gardening, trying new foods, reading, cooking and spending time with her friends and family.

GMS and GHS welcome four new student teachers

By Hannah Warner
Trojan Tribune

GMS and GHS welcomed four new student teachers for the first semester of the 2022-23 school year. GMS student teachers include Seth Coffey and Robert Ewan and GHS student teachers include Tristan Gegg and Ashton Williams.

Seth Coffey

Seth Coffey is conducting his student teaching under GMS math instructor Nate Clevenger.

Coffey graduated from Linwood High School and plans to graduate from PSU with a bachelors in math education.

He decided to become a teacher because of his mother's long career as a high school math teacher.

Coffey looks forward to "meeting new students."

Outside of school he enjoys playing video and card games.

Robert Ewan

Robert Ewan is conducting his student teaching under social studies teacher Geoffrey Beaty.

Ewan graduated from Northeast High School and plans to graduate from PSU with a bachelor's degree in education

with an emphasis in history and government.

When asked why he chose to pursue teaching, Ewan answered, "A teacher that my children had named Mrs. Miller went above and beyond to help them."

"My mother also inspired me. She went back to school and became a teacher later in life, just like I have."

Since being at GMS, Ewan enjoys the students because "with so many different personalities, it never gets boring."

Outside of school, he enjoys reading and spending time with his grandchildren.

Tristan Gegg

Tristan Gegg is conducting her student teaching under physical education instructor Sunny Pierce.

Gegg graduated from Labette County High School and from PSU with a bachelor's degree in education.

When asked why she chose to pursue teaching, Gegg answered, "I had amazing teachers when I was growing up who impacted my life in a positive way and I want to do the same for the next generation."

Since being at GHS she has enjoyed "the family atmosphere and getting to learn from the best there is—Sunny Pierce."

Outside of school, Gegg enjoys fishing, drawing, watching movies and playing sand volleyball and college basketball.

Ashton Williams

Ashton Williams is conducting her student teaching under government instructor Jeremiah Hudson.

Williams graduated from Pleasanton High School, obtained an associate's degree from FSCC and plans to graduate from Ottawa University with a bachelor's degree in education.

When asked why she chose to pursue teaching, Williams answered, "Since my grandfather was a history teacher for over 20 years, I experienced what it was like to inspire students with history. He gave me the motivation to become a teacher."

While at GHS, she has enjoyed "getting to know the students and learning new things everyday."

Outside of school, Williams enjoys reading, fishing and spending time with her two dogs.



GHS freshman class officers include Seth Wilson, president; Caleb Humble, vice-president; Aiden Ashbacker, secretary; Megan Bennett, treasurer; Maggie Niggemann, STUCO girl; and Gannon Clark, STUCO boy. Class officers were voted on by the Class of 2026. CONNOR HUDSON/TROJAN TRIBUNE



GHS senior Ethan Davidson runs the ball while senior Beau Harris blocks a Columbus Titan player at the Friday, September 2 football game on the Cecil Kline Field. The GHS Varsity team will compete against the Colgan Panthers on Frank Jameson Field Friday, September 9. CLAIRE STEVENS/TROJAN TRIBUNE



Ninety-one GHS FFA members play a Mario Kart balloon game during their first FFA Seminar of the year in Ted R. Taylor gymnasium Thursday, September 1. Prior to the activity, chapter officers announced upcoming dates and events and encouraged all members to participate in the chapter. AINSLEY NORTON/TROJAN TRIBUNE

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The assistant attorney general will investigate reported bomb throwing in Parsons

By Phil Burgert
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Excerpted stories in Crawford County newspaper archives

100 Years Ago
Sept. 9, 1922
The Ku Klux Klan held a second open air demonstration in the Pittsburg district on a farm 12 miles west of the city last night, at which 700 candidates were accepted as citizens in the Invisible Empire, according to uniformed guards patrolling the grounds. It was estimated that 5,000 people attended the ceremonies. Guards in charge of a SUN reporter stated that candidates and members from Parsons, Columbus, Chanute, Fort Scott, Joplin, Girard, Pittsburg and other points were in attendance.
Charles B. Griffith, assistant attorney general, left Topeka for Parsons yesterday where he will investigate the reported throwing of bombs there the night before, damaging the homes of two shop workers. The attorney general's office believes there may be some connection between

the bombs and an alleged railroad bridge burning plot in Oklahoma.
With the settling of the coal strike and returning to normalcy in the city of Frontenac, the booster club in that city is planning many things for the town, including band concerts, community singing and a program for two miles of paving on McKay street from North Broadway road to the streetcar line and north from the streetcar line to Minden Road.
50 Years Ago
Sept. 9, 1972
A sidewalk sale, bicycle, pet and costume parades and a free watermelon feed are some of the highlights of the wrap-up today of Girard's annual homecoming celebration. Afternoon events include nail driving and egg throwing competitions for women, and turtle and woolly warm races. These will be followed by several contest for children including pie eating, bubble gum and cracker and whistle competitions.
A small but spirited Kansas State College Marching Band will take the field tonight during

halftime of the KSC Gorilla season-opening football game with the Colorado Western Mountaineers. Gary Corcoran, beginning his first year as director of bands at KSC, says that the 40-piece band will devote its halftime presentation to the opening of the new football season and to the athletes of the 1972 Olympic games.
The Liberal Bulldogs invaded McCune yesterday and gave their hosts – Jerry Jacquinot's McCune Eagles – a 26-12 drubbing. Liberal hit the scoreboard first with a 10-yard touchdown run by halfback Rick Barton and halfback Steve McNaught ran for the PAT to give the Bulldogs an 8-0 lead at the end of the first quarter. McNaught also ran for touchdowns of 58, 4 and 10 yards.
25 Years Ago
Sept. 9, 1997
Get ready, the invasion is about to hit. Tens of millions of insects will be swarming in Southeast Kansas this week – but don't worry. It's not a plague of locusts or a swarm of killer bees. It's the annual migration of monarch butterflies, the largest, showiest butter-

flies around. “We expect a fabulous migration through Kansas this year,” reported Dr. Orley Taylor, director of Monarch Watch.
An area woman who has been sentenced to almost three years in prison in a case many local officials have said was the worst instance of child abuse they have seen in years. Rebuking Jessie Lynn Tucker for failing to protect her 15-year-old son and then blaming him for the abuse she inflicted upon him, Crawford County District Court Judge Don Noland sentenced Tucker to 34 months in prison yesterday.
Tony Stonerock, executive vice president of Community National Bank, has announced approval by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency to open a new banking center in Frontenac. With two locations in Crawford County, the bank will be positioned to provide more services in the area, according to bank officials. Community National's other locations include Chanute and Humboldt.

TODAY IN HISTORY

In 2015, Queen Elizabeth II became the longest reigning monarch in British history

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Today is Friday, Sept. 9, the 252nd day of 2022. There are 113 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On Sept. 9, 1957, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the first civil rights bill to pass Congress since Reconstruction, a measure primarily concerned with protecting voting rights; it also established a Civil Rights Division in the U.S. Department of Justice.
On this date:
In 1776, the second Continental Congress made the term “United States” official, replacing “United Colonies.”
In 1850, California became the 31st state of the union.
In 1919, some 1,100 members of Boston's 1,500-man police force went on strike. (The strike was broken by Massachusetts Gov. Calvin Coolidge with replacement officers.)
In 1926, the National Broadcasting Co. (NBC) was incorporated by the Radio Corp. of America.
In 1942, during World War II, a Japanese plane launched from a submarine off the Oregon coast dropped a pair of incendiary bombs in a failed attempt at igniting a massive forest fire; it was the first aerial bombing of the U.S. mainland by a foreign power.
In 1948, the People's Democratic Republic of Korea (North Korea) was declared.
In 1956, Elvis Presley made the first of three appearances on “The Ed Sullivan Show.”
In 1960, in the first regular-season American Football League game, the Denver Broncos defeated the Boston Patriots, 13-10.
In 1971, prisoners seized

control of the maximum-security Attica Correctional Facility near Buffalo, New York, beginning a siege that ended up claiming 43 lives.
In 1991, boxer Mike Tyson was indicted in Indianapolis on a charge of raping Desiree Washington, a beauty pageant contestant. (Tyson was convicted and ended up serving three years of a six-year prison sentence.)
In 2015, Queen Elizabeth II became the longest reigning monarch in British history, serving as sovereign for 23,226 days (about 63 years and 7 months), according to Buckingham Palace, surpassing Queen Victoria, her great-great-grandmother.
In 2016, Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton, speaking at an LGBT fundraiser in New York City, described half of Republican Donald Trump's supporters as “a basket of deplorables,” a characterization for which she ended up expressing regret.
Ten years ago: Two

points from defeat, Serena Williams regained her composure and her game to come back to beat Victoria Azarenka, 6-2, 2-6, 7-5, for her fourth U.S. Open championship. Shannon Eastin became the first woman to officiate an NFL regular-season game, serving as a line judge in the St. Louis Rams-Detroit Lions game. (Detroit beat St. Louis 27-23.)
Five years ago: Hurricane Irma hammered Cuba with punishing winds and rain as it headed toward the Florida Keys and the southeastern United States; hundreds of shelters opened in Florida for people looking to escape the potentially deadly winds and storm surge. Dutch officials said Irma had damaged or destroyed 70 percent of the homes on St. Maarten in the Caribbean, leaving it vulnerable to the approach of Hurricane Jose. Sloane Stephens beat her close friend Madison Keys 6-3, 6-0 at the U.S. Open in the first Grand Slam final for both. Guillermo del

Toro's “The Shape of Water” won the top prize at the Venice Film Festival.
One year ago: President Joe Biden announced sweeping new federal vaccine requirements affecting as many as 100 million Americans in an all-out effort to curb the surging COVID-19 delta variant; all employers with more than 100 workers would have to require them to be vaccinated or tested for the virus weekly, affecting about 80 million Americans. Biden also signed an executive order requiring vaccination for all employees of the executive branch and contractors who do business with the federal government. The Los Angeles board of education voted to require students 12 and older to be vaccinated against the coronavirus in order to attend in-person classes. Emmy Award-winning character actor Michael Constantine, who reached worldwide fame as the father of the bride in “My Big Fat Greek Wedding,” died at 94.

Almanac for PITTSBURG, KS
September 8, 2022

Daily Data	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Max Temperature	86	85	96 in 2002	76 in 1950
Min Temperature	64	62	74 in 2016	42 in 1956
Avg Temperature	75.0	73.4	84.0 in 2002	61.5 in 1956
Precipitation	0.00	0.17	3.24 in 2007	0.00 in 2022
Snowfall	M	0.0	0.0 in 2021	0.0 in 2021
Snow Depth	M	-	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
HDD (base 65)	0	0	3 in 1956	0 in 2022
CDD (base 65)	10	9	19 in 2002	0 in 1956
Month-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	86.5	85.8	99.4 in 1954	77.3 in 2009
Avg Min Temperature	65.1	63.1	71.5 in 2002	53.7 in 1956
Avg Temperature	75.8	74.4	84.3 in 2000	68.1 in 2009
Total Precipitation	0.25	1.36	4.64 in 2008	0.00 in 2017
Total Snowfall	M	0.0	0.0 in 2021	0.0 in 2021
Max Snow Depth	M	-	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
Total HDD (base 65)	0	2	9 in 1956	0 in 2022
Total CDD (base 65)	88	78	158 in 2000	31 in 2009
Year-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	71.6	70.7	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	60.3	69.7 in 1950	27.6 in 1963
Total Precipitation	25.60	34.87	51.60 in 2019	2.37 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	11 in 1956	0 in 2022
Total CDD (since Jan 1)	1729	1445	1993 in 2012	0 in 1970

COMMODITIES

Chicago Merchantile Exchange					
	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg
CATTLE					
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
Oct	144.65	145.40	144.55	145.05	+50
Dec	150.25	151.05	150.22	150.87	+62
Feb	154.47	155.25	154.42	155.20	+83
Apr	158.07	158.77	158.07	158.72	+70
Jun	154.10	154.72	154.07	154.67	+62
Aug	154.05	154.62	153.95	154.55	+65
Oct	157.25	157.80	157.20	157.80	+75
Est. sales 52,510.Fri.'s sales 60,372					
Fri.'s open int 295,588, up 3,334					
FEEDER CATTLE					
50,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
Sep	183.42	185.30	183.42	184.17	+30
Oct	184.95	187.00	184.87	186.10	+1.15
Nov	186.25	187.82	186.25	187.02	+77
Jan	187.32	188.25	187.15	187.47	+40
Mar	189.30	189.82	189.05	189.42	+32
Apr	192.60	192.60	191.90	192.47	+35
May	194.37	194.50	193.77	194.47	+47
Aug	199.87	200.20	199.65	200.20	+70
Est. sales 15,303.Fri.'s sales 13,221					
Fri.'s open int 42,418					
HOGS,LEAN					
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
Oct	90.02	91.25	89.57	91.10	+1.08
Dec	82.65	83.65	82.25	83.50	+80
Feb	86.65	87.15	86.27	87.07	+37
Apr	90.85	91.52	90.62	91.47	+32
May	95.30	96.05	95.30	95.65	+08
Jun	100.75	101.25	100.42	101.15	+18
Jul	100.80	101.22	100.60	101.20	+13
Aug	99.75	100.35	99.40	100.05	+18
Oct	86.87	87.10	86.30	86.87	—33
Est. sales 40,345.Fri.'s sales 44,573					
Fri.'s open int 220,379, up 3,160					
PORK BELLIES					
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
No open contracts..					
Chicago Board of Trade					
	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
WHEAT					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Sep	815	816½	805½	810½	—16
Dec	837	857¼	818	829	—15¼
Mar	850¾	869½	833¼	843¾	—13¾
May	859½	876¼	842	852¼	—11
Jul	855	871½	839	849½	—10
Sep	865	875	844¼	854¾	—9½
Dec	868½	883½	852½	863¼	—8¾
Mar	876¾	880	862	864¾	—8
May	858¾	—6¾			
Est. sales 137,883.Wed.'s sales 131,500					
Wed.'s open int 291,130, up 1,801					
CORN					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Sep	676¾	679½	666½	674½	—2¼
Dec	671	675¼	659	668½	—2½
Mar	675¾	680¼	664¼	673¼	—2½
May	676¾	680¾	665¾	674½	—2¼
Jul	671¼	677	661½	669¾	—2½
Sep	633	637½	624	631¼	—2¾
Dec	618	622½	609	617½	—2½
Mar	627¾	628	617½	624¾	—2¼
May	622	627½	622	627½	—2
Jul	620¾	624¾	620¾	624¾	—1½
Est. sales 246,126.Wed.'s sales 233,771					
Wed.'s open int 1,288,347,up 8,260					
OATS					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Sep	390¾	—	¼		
Dec	383	389	375	376¼	—
Mar	391¾	391¾	379	380	—1
May	384	384	383¾	383¾	—
Jul	383¾	—	½		
Sep	367½	—	½		
Dec	367½	—	½		
Mar	359¾	—	½		
May	357	—	½		
Jul	345	—	½		
Est. sales 305.Wed.'s sales 305					
Wed.'s open int 3,490, up 1					
SOYBEANS					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Sep	1484¼	1484½	1470½	1470½	+3¼
Nov	1384	1397¼	1373	1386	+2½
Jan	1389	1402½	1378	1391¼	+2½
Mar	1392¾	1404¼	1381¼	1394¾	+2¾
May	1393¼	1406¾	1384½	1398¼	+3½
Jul	1392¼	1406	1383¾	1397¾	+4¼
Aug	1377	1384¼	1368¾	1381¾	+3
Sep	1340¼	1346¾	1334¼	1345½	+1¾
Nov	1330	1337½	1318	1331¼	+1
Wed.'s open int 612,078, up 5,891					
SOYBEAN OIL					
60,000 lbs; cents per lb					
Sep	68.69	68.86	68.00	68.86	+1.13
Oct	63.87	65.47	62.85	65.04	+1.36
Dec	62.17	63.74	61.24	63.23	+1.13
Jan	61.30	62.76	60.47	62.28	+98
Mar	60.32	61.65	59.49	61.19	+87
May	59.55	60.74	58.77	60.36	+81
Jul	58.64	59.69	57.94	59.44	+80
Aug	57.84	58.86	57.21	58.63	+80
Sep	57.16	57.95	56.71	57.95	+79
Est. sales 129,766.Wed.'s sales 126,097					
Wed.'s open int 399,781, up 6,271					
SOYBEAN MEAL					
100 tons; dollars per ton					
Sep	439.20	439.40	427.80	427.80	—8.30
Oct	416.90	418.80	408.50	409.10	—5.90
Dec	413.00	415.00	405.30	405.90	—5.60
Jan	410.00	412.10	403.40	403.90	—5.00
Mar	405.00	406.50	398.70	399.50	—4.20
May	401.20	403.90	397.00	397.60	—3.80
Jul	401.30	403.00	397.00	397.80	—3.50
Aug	398.80	399.30	394.00	394.80	—3.40
Est. sales 118,346.Wed.'s sales 113,918					
Wed.'s open int 387,553					
Producers Cooperative Association					
Bushel					
Soft wheat..... \$7.39					
Soybean.....\$14.61					
Yellow shell corn.....\$7.48					
Milo.....\$6.28					
Columbus Grain					
Bushel					
Hard wheat.....\$8.18					
Soft wheat.....\$7.74					
Soybean.....\$14.66					
Yellow shell corn.....\$7.49					
Milo.....\$6.29					
McCune Farmers Union Coop Association					

NEWS

June Property Transfers

Pittsburg Land Bank C/O Deanna Goering, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property legally described as: COLLEGE HILL 2ND ADDITION, LT 120, LESS N 12' AND ALL LT 119, near Unopened Street, Pittsburg, to Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas Inc., Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/2/2022.

Pittsburg Land Bank C/O Deanna Goering, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 1610 S OLIVE, Pittsburg, to Pretty Eyes and Thick Thighs LLC, Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/6/2022.

Pittsburg Land Bank C/O Deanna Goering, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property legally described as: KIRKWOOD SUBDIV NW/4

SEC17, Lot 7 - 10, ACRES 2, near Unopened Street, Pittsburg, to Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas Inc., Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/2/2022.

Franklin, Zachary L., Girard, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 172 E 610th Avenue, Girard, to Bradshaw, Kaitlyn E., Girard. The deed was recorded, 6/6/2022.

Anderson, Keith Kim; Anderson, Melissa L., Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 101 Crestwood Estates, Pittsburg, to Titmus, Scott; Titmus, Mari, Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/1/2022.

Hughes, David A., Erie, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 105 S Walnut, Walnut, to Volz, Seth B., Walnut. The deed

was recorded, 6/2/2022.

Morris, Stacey, South Greenfield, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 1042 N Hwy 69, Frontenac, Large, Dan C. & Rose M., Council Bluffs, IA. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Kropp, Caleb S & Chelsea M., Wellington, conveyed a deed to the property located at: W 660th Avenue, Walnut. The deed was recorded, 6/27/2022.

Grotheer, Jeanie, Cherokee, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 905 E Pine, Cherokee, to Doughty, Landan M., Opolis. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Bitner, Steven R & Kristi J, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 209 E Monroe, Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Next Door Properties, LLC, Roeland Park, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 712 W 3rd, Pittsburg, to Sterrett, Emily, Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/29/2022.

Patrick, Donald R & Mae F., Rose Hill, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 202 W Alfred, Mulberry, to Hale, Stella Mae, Mulberry. The deed was recorded, 6/29/2022.

Hadley, Carol J, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 402 N 4th, Arma. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Peterson, Patsy L Saker, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 525 E 20th, Pittsburg, to All Aboard Foundation, Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Ferguson, David L, Sr, Springfield, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 306 S Summit, Girard, to Harris, Curtis

D; Harris, Myra, Franklin. The deed was recorded, 6/29/2022.

Albritton, Allen; Albritton, Michelle, Girard, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 115 W Buffalo, Girard, to Worrell, Judd, Farlington. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

F&T Property LLC, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 1609 S Walnut, Pittsburg, to Storehouse Investments LLC, Overland Park. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Hamblin, Wesley; Groat-Hamblin, Nichole, Frontenac, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 514 E McKay, Frontenac, to Sagehorn, Kurt & Alice C, Frontenac. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Zamora Sharon A; Jozwiak, Georgian M; Zamora, Francine L, Arma,

conveyed a deed to the property located at: 511 N 2nd, Arma, to Streeter, Raymond & Kimberly, Fort Scott. The deed was recorded, 6/30/2022.

Bedene, John B; Bedene, Cynthia M, Arma, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 863 E 630th Avenue, Franklin, to Widmar, Aaron & Samantha, Joplin. The deed was recorded, 6/15/2022.

We Do All Pools and More, LLC, Pittsburg, conveyed a deed to the property located at: 302 S Broadway, Pittsburg, to Angeles Properties LLC Pittsburg. The deed was recorded, 6/29/2022.

Loveland, Robert G, Cherokee, conveyed a deed to the property legally described as: RUDISILL ADDITION, Lot 10, near W Spruce, Cherokee, to Burns, Roy M, Cherokee. The deed was recorded, 6/28/2022.

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Project File No. 22-307

You are invited to bid on a general contract for construction of the 2022 Sanitary Sewer Line 7B Rehabilitation Project, in Pittsburg, Kansas.

The City of Pittsburg, Kansas will receive bids until 2:00 pm, Tuesday October 4, 2022, at the City of Pittsburg, City Hall Offices with the City Clerk.

The proposed Contract Documents may be examined at:

Office of the City Clerk, 201 West 4th Street Pittsburg, KS 66762

Earles Engineering & Inspection, Inc., 112 West 4th Street, Pittsburg, KS 66762

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NEWS

Hearing to determine if Missouri boarding school will close

By Jim Salter
Associated Press

A Missouri boarding school already under scrutiny amid physical and sexual abuse allegations may soon be shut down, following a judge's ruling.

Cedar County Circuit Judge David Munton signed an order Wednesday night to close Agape Boarding School in Stockton after the Missouri attorney general's office and the state Department of Social Services filed petitions citing evidence that someone on the state registry for child abuse and neglect was actively working there.

But early Thursday, Munton stated in a court document that before closing the school he wanted the sheriff to confirm that the employee is still working at Agape. Officials have not said

whether that's the case, and a hearing originally scheduled for Thursday to decide Agape's fate was postponed until Monday.

"Agape's employment of a staff member who is listed on the state's Child Abuse/Neglect Central Registry presents an immediate health and safety concern for the children residing at Agape," the petition from Attorney General Eric Schmitt's office stated. "This new development is sadly consistent with the dark pattern of behavior at Agape previously exposed by the Attorney General's Office and DSS."

Agape's lawyer, John Schultz, said the school remains open. The judge noted in Missouri's online court filing system that the state and Agape agreed that two Children's Division workers will have access "to observe the



This December, 2020, shows Agape Boarding School in Stockton, Mo. Cedar County Circuit Judge David Munton signed an order Wednesday night, Sept. 7, 2022, to close the boarding school after the Missouri attorney general's office and the state Department of Social Services filed petitions citing evidence that someone on the state registry for child abuse and neglect was actively working there. JILL TOYOSHIBA/THE KANSAS CITY STAR VIA AP

children there" until the hearing occurs.

"My Office has continued to monitor and investigate this situation

ment. "We have worked closely with DSS to put into place a Court ordered plan to allow constant on-site monitoring of the children at Agape by DSS to ensure their safety until the hearing is held."

Munton's order, if carried out, would require the removal of all 63 boys at Agape, and require assessments of their health, safety and well-being.

Allegations of physical and sexual abuse at Agape and nearby Christian boarding school Circle of Hope Girls' Ranch prompted a state law last year requiring stricter oversight of such facilities. Among other things, the new law allows state or local authorities to petition the court for closure of a facility if there is believed to be an immediate health or safety threat to the children.

Last year, Agape's long-

time doctor, David Smock, was charged with child sex crimes and five employees were charged with low-level abuse counts. Schmitt's office contended that 22 workers should have been charged, and with more serious crimes. But in Missouri, only the local prosecutor can file charges, and Cedar County Prosecuting Attorney Ty Gaither has said no additional employees would be charged.

Meanwhile, the husband-and-wife founders of Circle of Hope, Boyd and Stephanie Householder, face a combined 99 charges that include child abuse and neglect, sex crimes and other counts. The school was ordered shut down in 2020 amid the investigation.

Several lawsuits filed on behalf of former students also have named Agape and Circle of Hope.

Hunt for shooting suspect shut down much of fearful Memphis

By Adrian Sainz
Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Two college campuses locked down. City buses stopped running. A baseball stadium halted a game, and frightened residents stayed indoors as a gunman spent hours cruising around Memphis and shooting people, apparently at random.

Authorities said the assailant suspected of killing four people and wounding three livestreamed some of the carnage using his cellphone. He was arrested late Wednesday after crashing a stolen car while fleeing police.

The violence unfolded just a few months after 19-year-old Ezekiel Kelly was released early from a three-year prison sen-

tence for a pair of shootings in 2020. Now he's charged with first-degree murder.

The bloodshed played out as the city was still reeling from the brutal killing of a jogger who was abducted during her early morning run less than a week earlier.

"This has been a horrific week for the city of Memphis," Police Director Cerelyn "CJ" Davis said.

Authorities offered no explanation Thursday of a possible motive. Nor did they say how Kelly managed to obtain the gun or guns used in the attacks.

The shootings shut down much of the city, and police warned people to shelter in place. The minor-league Memphis Redbirds cleared the field during a game. Friends and relatives frantically

called and texted each other, and TV stations cut into regular programming with updates.

Police said the first victim was killed more than 15 hours before the other shootings occurred.

Just before 1 a.m. Wednesday, at least three witnesses saw Kelly fatally shoot Dewayne Tunstall in the head outside a home in east Memphis, according to a police affidavit. It said Kelly pulled Tunstall to the side, then during their conversation drew a handgun and fired several shots.

Marcus Cash, a close friend and business partner of Tunstall's, came running after he heard the gunshots from his home. One round pierced the window of his child's bedroom.

When he saw Tunstall's

body, he laid down in anguish beside the man who had been like a brother. Cash said he was so distraught that police held him as a precaution for several hours to give him time to calm down.

Asked what he told police, Cash said: "You all better catch him before I do."

The second shooting came hours later at about 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, when officers found a man dead from multiple gunshot wounds inside a vehicle, according to police. A woman who had been shot in the leg was discovered minutes later, still alive.

More shootings were reported over the next 4 1/2 hours. During that time, police received a tip at about 6 p.m. that the suspect was livestreaming himself and threatening

to hurt people, Davis said.

In one clip from the video, the suspect casually speaks to the camera before opening the door to an AutoZone store and shooting someone inside with what appeared to be a pistol. That man was taken to a hospital in critical condition.

In another, a man narrates himself driving — "green light, green light" — and sings "no faking." At one point, he fires two rapid bursts of gunfire from the driver's window. Referring to police, he says he's going to "go down to the valley, shoot it out with them in the valley."

Three more shootings and two carjackings followed after police sent an alert warning people to be on the lookout for the suspect.

Police said Kelly killed a woman as he took her SUV, then shot and wounded a man nearby. The final victim, another woman, was found dead about an hour later, just before 9 p.m.

Kelly drove across the state line into neighboring Southaven, Mississippi, where he committed another carjacking at gunpoint but left the driver uninjured, police said.

Officers quickly spotted the stolen Dodge Challenger on Interstate 55. Kelly was arrested after he crashed during a high-speed chase, Davis said. Two guns were found in the vehicle.

It was not immediately known Thursday whether Kelly had an attorney.

Judge approves \$2.46 billion Boy Scouts reorganization plan

By Denise Lavoie And Randall Chase
Associated Press

A bankruptcy judge on Thursday approved a \$2.46 billion reorganization plan proposed by the Boy Scouts of America, which would allow it to keep operating while compensating tens of thousands of men who say they were sexually abused as children while involved in Scouting.

Though legal hurdles remain, the ruling by Judge Laurie Selber Silverstein in Delaware marked an important milestone for the BSA, which sought bankruptcy protection more than two years ago to stave off a flood of lawsuits alleging child sexual abuse by Scout leaders and volunteers.

Lawyers for some of the victims said the amount an individual survivor may receive from the

bankruptcy plan depends on multiple factors relating to the alleged abuse. The plan calls for the BSA and its local councils, along with settling insurance companies and troop sponsoring organizations, including Catholic institutions and parishes, to contribute to a fund for survivors. In return, those groups would be shielded from future lawsuits over Scout-related abuse alle-

gations.

More than 80,000 men have filed claims saying they were abused as children by troop leaders around the country.

"Credit to the courageous survivors that this breakthrough in child and scouting safety has been achieved," said attorney Jeff Anderson, whose firm represented more than 800 Boy Scout abuse survivors.

Anderson said most of the \$2.46 billion is to be paid to survivors, but some funds would be set aside in a trust to continue litigation against entities that have not settled, mainly insurance companies.

It will likely take months for any of the abuse claimants to receive compensation.

Anderson said the settlement has drawn mixed reactions from his clients. Many are proud they stood up and demanded a cleanup of the Irving, Texas-based Boy Scouts, while others feel like they were dismissed because the organization "hid behind the statute of limitations" in some states.

A federal district judge must now sign off on Silberstein's ruling. Opponents are expected to file an appeal.

When it filed for bankruptcy, the BSA faced about 275 filed lawsuits and was aware of numerous other potential cases. More than 80,000 abuse claims were eventually filed as part of the bankruptcy.

Attorneys for BSA insurers argued early on that the sheer volume of claims was an indication of fraud and the result of aggressive client solicitation by attorneys and for-profit claims aggregators. While some of those insurers later negotiated settlements, other insurers continued to oppose the plan. They argued that the procedures for distributing funds from the compensation trust would violate their contractual rights to contest claims and set a dangerous precedent for mass litigation.

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Area teams compete in annual 'Rigatoni Run'



Area junior varsity athletes burst off the starting line to begin the annual Girard Invitational, otherwise known as the “Rigatoni Run,” at Greenbush on Thursday. The meet featured several area teams including Frontenac, Girard, Southeast and St. Mary’s Colgan. AARON PYLE/MORNING SUN STAFF

Dodson, Murphy lead Gorillas past No. 12 Nebraska-Kearney

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Pittsburg State took down No. 12 Nebraska Kearney 35-28 Thursday night on the road as Gorillas quarterback Chad Dodson connected with wide receiver Bryce Murphy for a 72-yard touchdown with 12 seconds left. Nebraska-Kearney quarterback TJ Davis was first to score with a two-yard rushing touchdown to take an early lead. The Lopers then scored first in the second quarter, this time with an eight-yard rush by Davis to go up 14-0. The Gorillas responded with Dodson finding tight end Devon Garrison, as he made a one-handed touchdown reception to put Pittsburg on the

board. Davis led the Lopers on eight plays for 75 yards and found his wide receiver Xavier Delk for a ten-yard touchdown pass. Pittsburg State was not done as the Gorillas ran 10 plays for 85 yards, ending the drive with a one-yard touchdown run by running back Caleb Lewis to trim the deficit before halftime. Early in the third, the Gorillas tied up the game with Dodson finding wide receiver Christian Carter for the two-yard touchdown pass. Pittsburg State then took the lead when Dodson found Garrison for his second touchdown reception to give the Gorillas a 28-21 advantage going into the fourth. Running back Zane Schawang tied the game

early in the fourth running in a touchdown from seven yards out for Nebraska Kearney to tie it up at 28-28 with 7:24 left in the game. Dodson completed 20-of-29 passes for 301 yards and four passing touchdowns. Bryce Murphy led the Gorillas in receiving collecting six receptions, 119 yards and one touchdown. Garrison led the Gorillas with two touchdowns, and had five receptions for 79 yards. Dodson shined in the ground game rushing for 57 yards on 11 attempts. Linebacker Morgan Selemaea led the Gorilla defense with 10 solo tackles. Pittsburg St. 0 14 14 7 -- 35 Nebraska Kearney 7 14

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First Quarter
UNK--TJ Davis 2 run, (Junior Gonzalez kick), 9:17
Second Quarter
UNK--Davis 8 run, (Gonzalez kick), 12:58 PSU--Devon Garrison 7 pass from Chad Dodson (Cross Holmes kick), 10:34 UNK--Xavier Delk 10 pass from Davis, (Gonzalez kick), 5:28 PSU--Caleb Lewis 1 run (Holmes kick), 00:36
Third Quarter
PSU--Christian Carter 2 pass from Dodson, (Holmes kick), 8:00 PSU--Garrison 36 pass from Dodson, (Holmes kick), 3:59
Fourth Quarter
UNK--Zane Schawang 7 run, (Gonzalez kick), 7:24 PSU--Bryce Murphy 72 pass from Dodson, (Holmes kick), 00:12

Panthers, Trojans seek second straight victory

By Aaron Pyle and Dashuan Vereen
Morning Sun Staff

It'll be a showdown of undefeated teams when the Girard Trojans host St. Mary's-Colgan in a non-district, league football game Friday night. Girard (1-0) rallied from a 9-0 deficit at the end of the first half last week to beat Columbus 20-15 on the road. St. Mary's-Colgan (1-0) enters week two after capturing a slim 14-12 victory over rival Frontenac in their road opener. After Frontenac took a 12-0 lead, Colgan's Tucker Harrell rushed for two touchdowns, including a 58-yard touchdown in the second quarter, to lead the Panthers to the victory. "I thought our guys competed really well against Frontenac," said Colgan head coach Shawn Seematter. "I was proud of their effort and ability to overcome early adversity to grind out the win."

RPO, which is tough. It puts our defense on a little island, you have to commit to the run and play their pass a little bit. Defensively they do some nice things. They have a lot of kids back from a year ago." Coach Seematter expects to see a physical game between the two schools on Friday. "Girard is going to be a fast, physical, well-coached team," said Seematter. "They play hard and execute really well in an offense that is tough to defend. They also play aggressively on defense." The Trojans opened last season with a 33-7 win over the Panthers last year. The battle between the Colgan defense and Girard's flexbone offense will be key to deciding the winner this season. "To earn a victory this week, we will have to play assignment-sound on defense," said Seematter. "The flexbone is tough to defend and can give you fits if you aren't sound. We will also have to win the turnover battle. Limiting our turnovers and forcing multiple turnovers last week helped propel us to the win, and it will be no different this week." Philpot added that the team needs to play technically sound to come away with the win. "We're going to have to play well," he said. "I talked with our team about what we can fix from week one to week two and they're probably saying the same thing. So, we have to worry about ourselves making sure we're doing what we need to do to fix the things from last week, get better, make sure we're playing technically sound, and play hard. "I think if we do those things, we'll have a good chance," added Philpot. "We have to come play well because they are a good enough team to beat you for sure."

St. Mary’s-Colgan girls win Girard Invitational

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Humid heat and fierce competition embodied the Girard Invitational at Crawford Hills Golf Course on Thursday. Ten schools competed in the annual 9-hole invitational as teams included Girard, Frontenac and St. Mary’s-Colgan. The Lady Panthers claimed the Girard Invitational title scoring 179 total team points. Frontenac closed Thursday’s meet in fifth place, scoring 224 points, while the Trojans took eighth (243). Overall, for the Lady Panthers, the team placed six golfers within the top 15. Ali Scripsick led the charge, placing first overall in the invitational with a total score of 41. Teammate Greta Ison finished in second place, scoring a



Colgan senior Greta Ison delivers a drive on the first hole at Crawford Hills Golf Course on Thursday as she took second in the Girard Invitational. AARON PYLE/MORNING SUN STAFF

(49) and Zoey Smith (50) finished 10th, 11th and 14th, respectively. Frontenac sent four athletes to the invitational as Ruth Frederick concluded the day in 12th with a score of 50. Along with Frederick, teammate Addie Josephson (53) placed 16th overall, while Kayle Hensley (54) placed 20th. Callie Underwood (67) rounded out Thursday’s action for Frontenac, placing 39th. As for Girard, the home team competed with four athletes in Thursday’s invitational. Ashley Sabine led the way for the Lady Trojans, scoring a 59 to place 30th. Teammate Karlyn Fisher (59) placed 31st overall, while Hanna Bailey (60) placed 32nd and Ainsley Viets (63) finished 36th. **Girard Invitational Team Leaders** St. Mary’s Colgan 179,

Caney Valley 191, Columbus 199, Fredonia 218, Frontenac 224. **Area Teams** 1, St. Mary’s Colgan, 179. 5, Frontenac, 224. 8, Girard, 243. **Individual Leaders** 1, Ali Scripsick, SMC, 41. 2, Greta Ison, SMC, 43. 3, Malory Thompson, Columbus, 46. 4, Libby Stapleton, Caney Valley, 46. 5, Audrey Goetting, SMC, 46. **Local Results** Colgan -- 1, Ali Scripsick, 41. 2, Greta Ison, 43. 5, Audrey Goetting, 46. 10, Ava Scripsick, 49. 11, Molly Swezey, 49. 14, Zoey Smith, 50. Frontenac -- 12, Ruth Frederick, 50. 16, Addie Josephson, 53. 20, Kayle Hensley, 54. 39, Callie Underwood, 67. Girard -- 30, Ashley Sabine, 59. 31, Karlyn Fisher, 59. 32, Hanna Bailey, 60. 36, Ainsley Viets, 63.

Pittsburg seeks first win at Chanute

By Dashuan Vereen
Morning Sun Staff

Following an overtime home loss against Emporia, Pittsburg will look to regroup on Friday when they travel to Chanute to take on the Blue Comets. Pittsburg had three turnovers against the Spartans, including one on the first play of overtime which set up Emporia's game-winning field goal. "It comes down to the fundamentals," said Pittsburg head coach Josh Lattimer. "We have to be able to block the right people, and improve our tackling and ball security. We can't turn the ball over and we can't have missed tackles. Making sure we're properly aligned, knowing our assignments and executing are important for us to

have success." Lattimer added that it's important that the team learns from their mistakes ahead of their week two matchup. "We have to learn from the mental mistakes we made," said Lattimer. "Our blocking schemes need to improve, along with knowing our alignments and assignments to be able to execute our calls."

Chanute topped Pittsburg 21-7 last season, and feature a run-heavy offense that led them to an 8-2 mark last season. The Blue Comets rushed for 175 yards in their matchup last year. "They're going to run a spread offense with one halfback and four wide receivers," said Lattimer. "They have a nice run-game with counter and power plays, with some

inside zone, jet sweeps and quarterback runs as well. They have some good athletes on the edge, with a good quarterback and good running back, so we have to be able to stop their run game and try to make them one-dimensional." Chanute captured a 37-14 victory over Augusta in week one. Quarterback Eric Erbe passed for 192 yards and three touch-

downs to lead the Blue Comets. Kaiden Seamster tallied seven receptions for 115 yards and two touchdowns. Chanute also had a dominant day on the ground, rushing for 171 yards. The Purple Dragons will look to establish their ground game against Chanute, after the Blue Comets allowed Augusta to rush for 237 yards last week.

BASEBALL
MLB STANDINGS

American League

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	83	55	.601	—
Tampa Bay	77	58	.570	4½
Toronto	76	60	.559	6
Baltimore	72	65	.526	10½
Boston	67	71	.486	16

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	70	65	.519	—
Minnesota	69	67	.507	1½
Chicago	69	68	.504	2
Kansas City	56	82	.406	15½
Detroit	52	85	.380	19

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	88	49	.642	—
Seattle	77	60	.562	11
Los Angeles	60	77	.438	28
Texas	59	77	.434	28½
Oakland	50	87	.365	38

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
N.Y. Yankees 7, Minnesota 1, 2nd game
Houston 4, Texas 3, 10 innings
Kansas City 2, Cleveland 1
Toronto 4, Baltimore 1

Thursday's Games
Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Oakland, 8:40 p.m.

Friday's Games
Boston (Bello 1-4) at Baltimore (Voth 4-2), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Kluber 10-7) at N.Y. Yankees (Montas 5-11), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Stripling 7-4) at Texas (Dunning 3-8), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Quantrill 11-5) at Minnesota (Bundy 8-6), 8:10 p.m.
Detroit (Wentz 0-1) at Kansas City (Heasley 3-7), 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Lorenzen 6-6) at Houston (McCullers Jr. 2-1), 8:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Morton 7-5) at Seattle (Ray 12-8), 9:40 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Giolito 10-9) at Oakland (Kaprielian 3-9), 9:40 p.m.

National League

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	87	51	.630	—
Atlanta	86	51	.628	½
Philadelphia	75	62	.547	11½
Miami	56	80	.412	30
Washington	49	89	.355	38

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	81	57	.587	—
Milwaukee	73	65	.529	8
Chicago	57	80	.416	23½
Cincinnati	55	80	.407	24½
Pittsburgh	50	86	.368	30

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	94	42	.691	—
San Diego	76	62	.551	19
Arizona	65	71	.478	29
San Francisco	65	72	.474	29½
Colorado	59	79	.428	36

Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Mets 5, Pittsburgh 1, 1st game
Colorado 8, Milwaukee 4
Atlanta 7, Oakland 3
L.A. Dodgers 7, San Francisco 3

Philadelphia 4, Miami 3
N.Y. Mets 10, Pittsburgh 0, 2nd game
Cincinnati 7, Chicago Cubs 1
St. Louis 6, Washington 5
San Diego 6, Arizona 3

Thursday's Games
Washington 11, St. Louis 6
Cincinnati 4, Chicago Cubs 3
Milwaukee 2, San Francisco 1, 1st game
Miami 6, Philadelphia 5
Milwaukee 4, San Francisco 2, 2nd game

Friday's Games
San Francisco (Rodón 12-7) at Chicago Cubs (Smyly 5-8), 4:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Mikolas 11-10) at Pittsburgh (Contreras 4-4), 6:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Peterson 7-3) at Miami (Cabrera 4-2), 6:40 p.m.
Washington (Corbin 6-17) at Philadelphia (Syndergaard 8-9), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Lodolo 3-5) at Milwaukee (Alexander 2-2), 8:10 p.m.
Arizona (Davies 2-4) at Colorado (Márquez 8-10), 8:40 p.m.
Atlanta (Morton 7-5) at Seattle (Ray 12-8), 9:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (May 1-2) at San Diego (Manaea 7-8), 9:40 p.m.

FOOTBALL
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 p.m.
Kansas City at Arizona, 3:25 p.m.
Las Vegas at L.A. Chargers, 3:25 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Tennessee, 3:25 p.m.
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, 7:15 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 18
Carolina at N.Y. Giants, noon
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, noon
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 p.m.

Thursday's Games
MIAA
Pittsburg State 35, Neb.-Kearney 28
Washburn 40, Central Missouri 32
Central Oklahoma 21, Emporia State 13
Missouri Western 35, Fort Hays State 19

Wainwright, Molina tie battery record in Cards' loss to

By Joe Harris
AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Yadier Molina homered twice on a day he paired with St. Louis Cardinals pitcher Adam Wainwright to tie the major league record of 324 starts by a battery in an 11-6 loss to the Washington Nationals on Thursday.

Alex Call had four hits and five RBIs for Washington, including a three-run homer off James Naile in the ninth.

"Guys are stingy with throwing balls down the middle here, there's no doubt about that, but they still throw them," Call said. "They still throw pitches that you can hit, so just being able to adjust and being ready for it no matter what, that's the key."

Wainwright and Molina matched the mark set by Detroit's Mickey Lolich and Bill Freehan from 1963-75.

"It's been a good run," Wainwright said. "He's an incredible teammate, friend, and partner in

crime. We've been together for a long time. So, you know, we got to finish strong."

Molina hit a two-run homer into the third deck in left field in the third and a solo shot just over the wall in the fourth. It was the ninth career multi-homer game for Molina and his first since April 17, 2021, at Philadelphia.

"We're in a good position, we're having fun," Molina said.

Wainwright allowed four runs and nine hits in five innings. It was the second-straight subpar start for Wainwright, who said his mechanics are off.

"The timing of the upper and lower half are just totally off," Wainwright said. "So throwing a lot of middle pitches, throwing a lot of pitches a foot outside you can't swing at, falling behind way too many accounts."

Cardinals manager Oliver Marmol has confidence that Wainwright will make the necessary adjustments quickly.



St. Louis Cardinals' Yadier Molina rounds the bases after hitting a two-run home run during the second inning of a baseball game against the Washington Nationals on Thursday in St. Louis.

AP PHOTO/JEFF ROBERSON

"I just sat down with our pitching guys and walked through it," Marmol said. "We'll address it in his next pen and go from there, but we're in a good spot."

The 41-year-old Wainwright and 40-year-old Molina got a standing ovation from the crowd of 40,437 as they made their way in

Gorillas to open MIAA play

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After several weeks of non-conference competition in two tournaments, the Pittsburg State volleyball team will hit the road to open Mid America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA) play at Central Oklahoma and Newman.

The Gorillas first travel to Edmond on Friday, then Wichita on Saturday.

Pittsburg State's matchup against the Bronchos starts at 6 p.m., while the Gorillas battle against the Jets (5-4) beginning at 1 p.m.

Central Oklahoma enters Friday's matchup undefeated at 10-0, while Newman stands at 5-4 heading into its Friday matchup against Missouri Southern.

Pittsburg State will look to carry over its momentum from the Gorilla Classic, where the Goril-

las swept the competition.

The Gorillas went 4-0 in the home opener, beating New Mexico Highlands in five sets before beating Mary (N.D.) and Arkansas Monticello in four sets. Pittsburg State closed out the Gorilla Classic by sweeping Cameron in three sets.

The Gorilla Classic Most Valuable Player Janae Thurston provided a significant spark during the clean sweep as she collected 66 kills, 63 digs,

from the bullpen moments before first pitch, and another after the top of the first inning. Wainwright and Molina are on track to break the record at home against Milwaukee on Sept. 14.

"Just to do it with him and we're going to do it here at Busch, it's going to be special for us," Molina said.

The pair have totaled 13 All-Star Game appearances, and the Cardinals have reached the postseason in 11 of the 17 seasons the two have been on the roster.

César Hernández drove in three runs and Luis García broke a 4-4 tie with sixth-inning infield single off Jordan Hicks, who had relieved Andre Pallante (6-5). The Nationals had 18 hits and earned a four-game split.

Nationals starter Josiah Gray gave up four runs in 3 1/3 innings. Mason Thompson (1-0), Andrés Machado, Kyle Finnegan, Jake McGee and Carl Edwards Jr. combined for 5 2/3 innings in relief.

Clemson coach Dabo Swinney gets raise, extended through 2031

By Pete Iacobelli

AP Sports Writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Clemson coach Dabo Swinney has a reworked contract that will pay him \$115 million over 10 seasons through 2031.

Swinney's enhanced contract follows mega-deals given to Alabama's Nick Saban, Georgia's Kirby Smart and Ohio State's Ryan Day earlier this season. Swinney's average yearly salary of \$11.5 million sits only behind Saban's \$11.7 million average compensation.

The university's board of trustees compensation committee approved the deal Thursday.

Swinney will make \$10.5 million this season, a raise



Clemson Tigers head coach Dabo Swinney wears the leather hat after victory over Georgia Tech in an NCAA college football game on Monday in Atlanta.

AP PHOTO/HAKIM

of \$2 million scheduled under his old agreement

signed in 2019. He'll earn \$12.5 million in the contract's final year, 2031.

Each year, Swinney will get \$305,000 in base salary. His supplemental income this season will be \$6.695 million plus \$3.5 million in licensing money.

Swinney's total compensation will go up \$250,000 for the next four years. He will remain at \$11.5 million in 2026 and 2027, then continuing increasing by \$250,000 the final four years of the agreement.

"I remain eternally grateful and honored for the opportunity to continue coach and developing young people of excellence," said Swinney, who is in his 14th full season with the Tigers. "This agreement is representative of what has been col-

lectively built here."

The 52-year-old has won seven Atlantic Coast Conference titles, made the College Football Playoff six times and won national crowns after the 2016 and 2018 seasons.

The Tigers, fifth in the latest poll, open the home season Saturday against FCS opponent Furman.

Athletic director Graham Neff said it was "critical that Clemson invest in our football program and ensure our head coach is at Clemson for a long, long time."

The contract includes a different tier for any buy-out if Swinney were leave to coach his alma mater, Alabama — \$9 million to join the Crimson Tide this year, but just \$6 million for any other college head coaching job. Those figures are reduced, but remain different, as the contract continues.

Swinney wouldn't owe anything if he left to become an NFL head coach.



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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 bye.

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 season 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. “I 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 number 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.

“We’ve put in the practice. We’ve put in the work,” Mahomes said, “and I’m excited to see these guys in game action. The preseason is one thing, but when you get to the regular season, you want to get out there and show what you can do.”

Everybody around the league has put in the work, though; all teams desire to start 1-0 every bit as much as the Chiefs.

So the question remains: What makes Reid and his bunch nearly unstoppable in Week 1?

“It’s all about the preparation with Andy, year-in and year-out,” Chiefs defensive tackle Chris Jones said. “Training camp is extremely



Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes looks to pass as head coach Andy Reid watches during NFL football training camp Monday, Aug. 15, in St. Joseph, Mo.

AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL

tough and I think that translates to game week. The way he prepares us to be physically and mentally ready for when the season approaches, I think it’s beneficial for us as a team.”

It probably doesn’t feel like that in camp, when Reid insists the Chiefs uproot from their train-

ing base in Kansas City for three weeks of dorm life on a college campus. It’s there that Reid and his lieutenants push their players through sweltering late-summer practices with a decidedly old-school mentality designed to foster comradery and toughness.

“Bonding becomes im-

portant and you bond when you’ve got to do something tough,” Reid said. “I know some of them were hurting but they got up and they pushed through. That foundation will pay off for them down the road here.”

Vikings host Blu-Jays for homecoming clash

By Sam Kombrink
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Northeast will host its homecoming game Friday night against the Pleasanton Blu-Jays. Northeast returns to its home field for the first-time this season after not fielding a varsity team last year.

Head coach David Pitts has the Vikings focused on growth after losing week one at Jayhawk-Linn 62-6.

“We only have 14 kids out there,” said Pitts. “So, numbers wise we’re in trouble to begin with.”

Pitts said that eight of the 14 players are first-time football players that

are still learning fundamentals.

“Three of them are freshman, and the other five have not played four quarters of varsity football in their lives,” he said.

By not being able to fully hit at practice, Pitts said it’s difficult to make sure the first-year players are learning the proper tackling fundamentals while also trying to stay healthy.

“All of a sudden, we have these kids that go out there on Friday night and well they get smacked in the mouth,” Pitts said. “And this is basically happening to them for the first time, and they get smacked for

four quarters.”

He said the week one road loss to the Jayhawks was an eye opener and the Vikings hope to improve against the Blu-Jays on Friday night at home.

“We went back over some stuff to clarify some things for the kids and make it seem a little simpler,” Pitts said. “That way there is less thinking and more of a focus on being an athlete that makes a play.”

Pitts said Pleasanton has speed and size upfront in the trenches.

“They have those big linemen I’d like to coach that are probably six feet tall,” he said. “And they look like they’re about 200

or 220 pounds. And they can run. Their ‘backs are fast. They have one kid that is a 100-meter and 200-meter sprinter.”

Offensively, Pitts plans to focus on execution and having the young players know where to be in order to make a play.

“Everybody needs to know their responsibilities,” he said. “Block the guy you’re supposed to block, and make the snap. Our center had a problem getting the ball back there, and right now we are focused on making us better.”

On defense, Pitts noted the Vikings need to improve on getting lined up.

“Our defensive line was out of position last

week,” he said. “And we want to fix all of that, and we got better late in the game, but the damage was done.”

Pitts added that the Vikings have had a decent week of practice considering the low numbers and that they are fully healthy, except for one player who has had strep throat.

“They know the situation,” he said. “And they know that our numbers are going to play a major factor in our success or lack of success. So, we preach to them about getting better. If we think we are getting better every week, then that is all we can do.”

“We don’t want to go

from one week to the next and regress, no matter the competition level. We just want to make sure that we are executing, and that we have got kids in the right spot. So, if they don’t make the play, they can at least be lined up correctly and go from there. And we feel like we are growing in that aspect.”

Pitts said as long as the team feels like they are growing, then that allows a positive outlook.

“As long as we are growing and getting better every week then that allows you to keep your spirits up,” he said.

Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 9 at Northeast high school.

A’ja Wilson earns WNBA MVP honors for 2nd time

By Doug Feinberg
AP Sports Writer

A’ja Wilson earned WNBA MVP honors for the second time in her young career Wednesday.

The 26-year-old Las Vegas Aces forward received 31 of 56 first-place votes from a media panel.

Seattle forward Breanna Stewart was second, garnering 23 first-place votes and finishing 32 points behind

Wilson, who had 478 points.

Wilson also won the award in 2020 and is the seventh player to win it more than once.

“I just did not imagine this. I called my parents last night, and I was like ‘You can’t tell anyone, but like, we did it,’ and they just started screaming like they did the first time,” Wilson said. “It was just a feeling that just

never gets old. I’m so glad that they’re able to enjoy this moment with me ... because without them, there’s no me. This was definitely a top-three exciting moment.”

She averaged 19.5 points and 9.4 rebounds this season while shooting 50% from the field and had 17 double-doubles. She led the league in blocks per game with 1.9.

Lancers seek bounce-back victory over Jayhawks

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The Southeast Lancers football team is looking to bounce back after a tough loss last week, but that will not be easy.

Southeast is coming off a 42-0 loss to former CNC League rival Baxter Springs last Friday night at home. The victory snapped a 25-game losing streak for the Lions, dating back to the 2018 season.

The Lancers are scheduled to battle a Jayhawk-Linn team coming off a dominating 62-6 victory over the Northeast Vikings last Friday. The Jayhawks piled on the points, ending the win with 429 total yards and nine touchdowns with 309 through the air and 120 on the ground.

Despite falling to Baxter Springs, Southeast’s ground game shined as senior running back Landon Cole rushed 15 times for 73 yards, averaging 4.6 yards

per carry. Cole also caught two passes for 11 yards.

Senior Jace Fowler led the Lancers on defense, collecting six tackles, two assisted tackles and one fumble recovery. Junior Blayke Logan and sophomore Braxton Hudson were additionally credited with one tackle for loss. Hudson also provided 16 yards on the ground.

The Lancers hit the road on Friday to take on Jayhawk-Linn at 7 p.m. Friday.

Frontenac travels to Riverton

By Sam Kombrink
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For the first time since 2017, Frontenac football will play against Riverton on Friday night. The Raiders hit the road to take on the Rams looking to bounce back after suffering a week one 14-12 home loss to rival St. Mary’s-Colgan.

Last week, the Raiders racked up 191 passing yards and 109 rushing yards on 72 plays. Frontenac will look to limit its turnovers after committing three against the Panthers with two interceptions and one fumble.

Frontenac had a third-down efficiency of 54 percent (7-13) and went 0-2 converting on fourth down.

“I thought that we played extremely hard last week,” said Frontenac head coach Mark Smith. “We have to learn to finish drives and take care of the ball on offense. We have to be more physical and tackle better as a team. We believe that we have the potential to have a good team if we continue to

work hard and get better each day.”

As far as health is concerned Smith said that Frontenac may be without one Raider on Friday night.

“We will probably be without Evan Kotzman due to an ankle injury,” he said.

The Raiders beat the Rams 60-12 at home the last time they faced off week four of the 2017 season, although there have been some changes since that last matchup.

“Riverton has looked big up front on both sides of the ball,” Smith said. “They have some good team speed in their skill positions.”

On offense, Smith expects Riverton to be aggressive on both sides of the ball.

“They will spread it out and do a lot of different things on offense,” he said. “We must win the battle at the line of scrimmage. Also, Riverton started the second half with a successful outside kick last week against Galena. We must win the field position battle in special teams and win the turnover battle during the game as well.”

Riverton has a new head coach under center this season as Danny Weaver replaces Johnny Mallett.

“Coach Weaver has done about everything for Riverton in all sports and the kids will play extremely hard,” Smith said. “They will be very-

well coached on both sides of the football. He is installing a new offense this season, and we must be ready to cover from sideline to sideline.”

After watching Riverton at their jamboree, the Rams play a physical brand of football on offense and defense. Last week, Riverton lost a home game to Galena, 32-7, and they will be hungry to pick up their first win of the 2022 season.

Smith said that the Raiders will need to play balanced football in Riverton.

“We thought that we got off to a great start last week,” he said. “We must continue to be balanced on offense, and take what the defense gives us. Our number one goal this week is to take care of the ball and finish drives in the red zone.”

“On defense, we want the kids to play fast and aggressive and focus on tackling this week,” added Smith. “We must work as a unit and play together to get the win. We need to play with a lot of confidence, play physical, and we must play for four full quarters against a good team. Our kids are disappointed about the outcome from last week, and ready to play a strong game tomorrow night.”

Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday at Riverton high school.



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