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## Gearing up for Greenbush Day

Community plans celebration to preserve history

By Antjea Wolff  
Morning Sun Staff

After cancelling the event due to COVID-19 concerns in 2020 and 2021, the yearly tradition of Greenbush Day is back, set to be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18 at Greenbush thanks to the St. Aloysius Historical Society.

According to local lore,

in 1869 when a catholic priest, Father Phillip Colleton, was using his horse's saddle as protection from an intense hailstorm, he vowed that if God spared his life, he would build a church on the site where he stood. In 1871, the first Catholic church in Crawford County, St. Aloysius Church, was built.

In 1877, the wooden

framed church was destroyed by a storm, and in 1881, a new church was erected in its place by parishioners who quarried limestone from Hickory Creek. As the community continued to grow in that area, a larger church was built in 1907 to accommodate more patrons, and the former church was converted into a community building.

But in 1975 after the

larger church was struck by lightning and caught on fire, the community building was converted back into a church, until it was shut down in 1993 due to a shortage of priests in the Diocese of Wichita. At that time, nine Catholic churches were closed in Southeast Kansas. The last mass at St. Aloysius was held on Sept. 4, 1993.

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St. Aloysius Church. COURTESY PHOTO

## Miners Hall to present 'A Winning Team'

By Antjea Wolff  
Morning Sun Staff

FRANKLIN, Kan. — With the continuation of the Little Balkans Coal Camp – Arma exhibit, Miners Hall Museum will host one of its monthly programs titled “A Winning Team” from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18.

For the program, Tony Fornelli, who used to be a coach for Northeast, and Gene Wayenberg will present stories and information about the early days of sports and the Turkey Day football games between Arma and Frontenac that were held from 1923 to 1958.

The organizers or hosts of “A Winning Team”



One of the items on display for the “A Winning Team” exhibit is an Arma letterman sweater which was worn by Tom Ales. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN



Jim Barone, left, and Pat Barone find pictures of people they knew in high school at the “A Winning Team” exhibit at Miners Hall Museum. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN

Christie Nicoletti Parrish, Emma Lousie Lancelotti Ales, Pat Tassi McKee, and Joan Pistonik Barbieri set up a display with pictures of the different sports teams from old yearbooks and news articles. They also have two letterman sweaters, one male and one female, on display from when the school's sports teams were known as the Arma Bulldogs.

Susan Bestor, one of the Miners Hall Museum curators, said the museum staff have received an outstanding response and much interest in this exhibit. She said they are anticipating a crowd of 50 to 100 people at the program this Sunday.

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Hosts of the “A Winning Team” exhibit spent time finding old pictures and articles from Arma's early sports years when the team was known as the Arma Bulldogs. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN

## Gov. Kelly announces \$6.5m in grants

Nearly \$300K will pay for local domestic violence prevention, child advocacy

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — On Thursday, Gov. Laura Kelly announced that nearly \$6.5 million in state grants have been awarded to continue improving services for adult and child crime survivors statewide, including almost \$300,000 for Crawford County organizations.

The funding comes from State General Funds and will go toward nonprofits offering counseling, shelters, the state-wide language-accessible crisis line, safety planning, advocacy for sexual and domestic violence survivors, and training for community-based direct service providers.

The Safehouse Crisis Center in Pittsburg received \$247,189 in funding from the State General Fund for a Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Grant. Executive Director Brooke Powell said the money goes to support the staff who serve the survivors, providing for salaries, communica-

tions, mileage reimbursements, and utilities for the building.

“It is not our sole source of funding,” said Powell, “but it is a big piece of it. It’s the glue that supports us and allows us to do what we do here.”

Kelly has long supported funding for violence prevention services, a press release from her office said. Last year, Kelly successfully pushed to fund Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) programs through the State General Fund to ensure stable funding for the program. CASA Programs recruit, train, and support citizen volunteers to advocate in court for the best interests of abused and neglected children.

“We have a responsibility to do all we can to protect victims and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault,” Gov. Kelly said. “These grants will strengthen our services and provide support to those who need it most.”

Children’s Advocacy Centers coordinate inves-

tigation and intervention services for abused children by bringing together professionals and agencies across disciplines. Funding ensures staff members are trained in conducting sensitive forensic interviews of child abuse victims and providing advocacy services for victims and non-offending caregivers. The funds are also used to coordinate multi-disciplinary case review teams to improve services.

Pittsburg’s Child Advocacy Center received \$49,798 from the Children’s Advocacy Centers Grant announced on Thursday. Whitney Lovell, executive director, said these funds will be mainly used for salaries and contractual services, such as accounting.

“This grant has been decreasing over the past few years,” said Lovell. “It is mainly funded through restitution and with the courts closed down during Covid, funds have not been as readily available.”

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## Local coin club to attend area event

By Dustin R. Strong  
Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — Members of the Pittsburg Coin Club will be attending the Route 66 Coin, Gold and Silver Show in Webb City, Missouri on Saturday, Sept. 24. The annual one-day event will feature coins, gold, silver, currency, and related hobby items and will be held at the Continental Banquet Center at 2802 N. Range Line Road in Webb City. The event is free to the public.

Dave Sorrick, owner of In God We Trust LLC in Mindenmines, Missouri, and member of the Pittsburg Coin Club, said the club, in conjunction with his business, will be attending the event to spotlight the hobby, with door prizes awarded to collectors at 10 a.m. and noon. Appraisers will be on hand to assist attendees in assessing the value of their collectibles.

“It is an opportunity for the public to learn more



The front and reverse sides of the commemorative medallion that will be awarded as a door prize at the Route 66 Coin, Gold and Silver Show. COURTESY PHOTO

about collectibles and to browse displays of items for sale,” said Sorrick. “All are invited to attend and can offer their coins and related items for sale to the dealers in attendance, as most will buy, sell and trade throughout the day.”

In recent months, the Pittsburg Coin Club has experienced a resurgence

of interest within the community, with newer members coming on Thursday nights from as far away as Neodesha. Recently, a large cache of coins was donated to the club. Most of the coins were auctioned to club members, but a few were held back to be given away as Christmas gifts to club



members.

“Our meetings have blossomed pretty well in Pittsburg,” said Sorrick. “We see signs of growth.” Sorrick also said the hobby usually involves an older crowd, many of whom started as children collecting stamps or coins and have since returned to the hobby in their later

years, but the club is looking to expand by attracting younger members.

In October, Sorrick and the Coin Club will be working with Crawford County Mental Health to support Trunk or Treat at Meadowbrook Mall in Pittsburg. Sorrick hopes to spark young people’s interest in the hobby by

handing out foreign coins to children as they collect candy.

According to Sorrick, the designs of coins stagnated for a while. It was with the introduction of the state quarters that things became more fun for collectors. And for Sorrick, it became the chance of a lifetime. From 2003 to 2005, Sorrick served on the committee to select the Kansas state quarter.

“We were told we could not use any images of the Wizard of Oz, the John Brown mural at the State Capitol, or any college mascot in the state,” said Sorrick. “The final design was selected by Kansas high school students and the first coins were given out at the Kansas State Fair by Governor Sebelius.”

For more information about the Pittsburg Coin Club, upcoming events, or general questions about coin collecting, contact Dave Sorrick at 620-423-6600 or by email at ddsorrick@yahoo.com.





# COMMUNITY

## MINERS HALL

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Bestor said Parrish and the other hosts will be making cookies and popcorn and that they have

gone above and beyond for the event. “It has been so fun to listen to them laugh,” Bestor said. “And they have had such a good time reminiscing, and finding the articles, and putting them together. They’ve made it

so much fun.” Pat Barone, Arma class of 1952, and Jim Barone, Arma class of 1958, said they are looking forward to hearing the stories that will be told on Sunday. “I’ll be here to keep them honest,” Jim said

and laughed. “They will do a good job.” Bestor said the museum will be opening at 1 p.m. on Sunday so that people will have time to peruse the exhibits before the presentation begins at 2 p.m.

## GREENBUSH

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When the ruins of the former church were at risk of being torn down, area community members worked to save the site by gathering history and applying for the church to be deemed a historic landmark. On Feb. 26, 1994, the St. Aloysius 1881 Church was approved as a historic

site and added to the Register of Kansas Historic Places. President of the St. Aloysius Historical Society and one of its original founders, Judy Jacquinot, said the society decided it needed an annual fundraiser in order to maintain the preservation of the historic site. That was when the organization came up with Greenbush Day, a celebration held on the third Sunday of Sep-

tember every year. This year for the 27th Annual Greenbush Day, a hog roast dinner will be available for a freewill donation from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18. Other activities include train rides for children, a bake sale, homemade ice cream, live music, and horseback rides from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., as well as a children’s tractor pull from 1 to 2 p.m. All activities will be held at Green-

bush, 947 W. 47 Highway. Jacquinot said she loves Greenbush Day because it has become like a reunion for people who were originally from Greenbush, and those people come back every year for the event. “There’s so much history of the people who came here from Europe in this area,” Jacquinot said. “We do this for the future generations to know their history.”

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According to Lovell,

this year’s grant is about \$1,000 less than last year’s, but she hopes it will begin increasing over the next two years since the courts have reopened. Fortu-

nately, Lovell said she has other sources of funding that include the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), local donations and fund-raising.

“With decreasing grant funding, we really rely on our community’s support,” said Lovell.

# Bone Creek water district leak located

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WEIR, Kan. — Following a search of over two weeks, the water leak in the Bone Creek District 11 Wholesale Water District has been found. According to District 11 Manager Jay Russell, the leak was found in the system feeding into Weir on Monday. The leak was a five-inch split in a six-inch water main. “We had it repaired in less the 40 minutes after spending weeks looking for it,” said Russell. “We

lost over 2 million gallons from the leak. The water was bubbling out of the ground. It was in the middle of a lot of trees. We were able to put a collar on to stop the leak.” The changing weather conditions cause a shift in the soil around the pipes and after years of rubbing on the side of the pipe it creates a pinhole leak. The pressure causes the pinhole to become bigger and bigger until it develops into a major leak. Last week when water district personnel were searching for the leak,

they had isolated the leak as being south of Cherokee. The district provides water for 13 communities including Columbus, Weir, West Mineral and Girard. The water comes from Bone Creek reservoir to a water tower a mile north of Cherokee where the distribution system begins. Due to the dry conditions the reservoir is 3.5 feet lower than normal, but according to Russell there is still 24-foot of water available. “The good thing about the water level being lower

is it gives me a chance to get at some of the debris, such a fishing lures and bottles that are normally below water,” said Russell. “We were also able to put 10 truckloads of rock on the east side to help curb erosion.” A water pressure loss caused a water boil order in Girard during the past weekend, however that was not connected to the District 11 water leak. Russell explained that the pipes in Girard and other cities on the District 11 system are nearing 100 years old.

# PHS Homecoming Candidates



Pittsburg High School Homecoming candidates, shown here, include: back row, from left, Marland Sawej (Senior), Seth Loudermilk (Junior), Grant O’Doherty (Junior), and Garrett Hanson (Senior); front row, from left, Emma Barnhisel (Senior), Maggie Hopper (Junior), Addison McCabe (Junior), Laikyn LeFever (Senior). COURTESY PHOTO / USD 250

## CLUB NOTES

### Friday, Sept. 16

#### 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.

### Saturday Sept. 17

#### Scrabble Club

Scrabble Club will meet from noon to 4 p.m. at Pittsburg Public Library. New players welcome.

### Monday, Sept. 19

#### 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.

#### Little Balkans Quilt Guild

The Little Balkans Quilt Guild meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of every month at the Presbyterian Church at 6th and Pine streets in Pittsburg.

### Tuesday, Sept. 20

#### Pittsburg Noon Rotary

Pittsburg Noon Rotary's annual Women Are Champions event. The event will be from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Sept. 20 at Pittsburg Memorial Auditorium. It is open to all women and designed to provide a space to network, meet new people and get inspired.

#### 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.

### Wednesday, Sept. 21

#### 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.

#### Derfelt Funeral Home Grief Share

This 13-week program will be held in the Chapel at Derfelt Funeral Home of Galena every Wednesday at 10:00 AM, beginning on September 21, 2022. Support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. There is no cost to attend, Derfelt Funeral Home will cover the cost of your workbook, and you do not have to be a past client of our funeral home to participate. If you're able to, please call 620-783-1371 to pre-register.

#### Pittsburg Sunrise Rotary

Meets at 7 a.m. every first and third Wednesday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall at the northeast corner of 11th and Joplin streets.

#### Frontenac Rotary

Frontenac Rotary meets the first and third Wednesday of the month at noon in the basement of Frontenac Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 100 S. Cherokee St. Visit facebook.com/FrontenacRotary/ for more information.

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NEWS

FSCC, Commerce Dept. to sign CDL agreement

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FORT SCOTT, Kan. — With Lt. Gov. David Toland and other state dignitaries on hand, Fort Scott Community College and the Kansas Department of Commerce Workforce AID are expected to sign a major funding agreement next week.

The pact, which allows the use of matching grant

funds to help address the high demand for commercial driver's license training and to defray the cost for area businesses, is set to be formalized at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday in the Ellis Family Fine Arts Center on the FSCC campus.

In addition to the lieutenant governor, Mike Beene, assistant secretary of Commerce, and Tyson Winingham, Workforce AID program director, are

expected to witness the signing.

"This is a significant agreement and will provide a much-needed opportunity for workforce development for FSCC and southeast Kansas," said Kris Mengarelli, vice president of workforce development for FSCC and executive director of the Southeast Kansas Career and Technical Education Center (CTEC)

in Pittsburg. "The grant will provide funds to assist area businesses with the costs associated with CDL training and will be beneficial for workforce development as well as meeting industry needs."

The training provided by FSCC is available to individuals and employees working with industry partners, Mengarelli noted.

Author of 'Bicycling with Butterflies' heading to Pittsburg

Special to the Morning Sun  
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PITTSBURG, Kan. — The first person to cycle the entire 10,201-mile route of migrating monarch butterflies will make a stop at Pittsburg State University on Monday, Sept. 26 to share her story, which she has chronicled in the book "Bicycling with Butterflies."

The program, planned for 7 p.m. on Sept. 26 in Yates Hall Room 102, will feature Sara Dykman, who coined the phrase "butterbiking."

From March to December 2017, Dykman — an outdoor educator and researcher — followed the monarchs from their overwintering grounds in central Mexico to Canada and back. Monarchs have seen dramatic declines in recent years.

This fall, Dykman returns to the road, this time on a motorcycle, to

celebrate monarchs and her book.

A National Outdoor Book Award winner, reviewers say "Bicycling with Butterflies" is filled with optimism, energy, and hope, confirming the urgency of saving the threatened monarch migration and the other threatened systems of nature.

"It is part science, part adventure, part love letter to nature," Dykman explained. "I hope readers will come away with a deeper sense of connection to the land and be inspired to join the team taking care of our planet."

"I want to give the monarchs a voice," Dykman added. "I want people to know that they can help monarchs by planting milkweed, which is the only food source for the monarch caterpillars."

She also has given women a voice: In Spring 2020, she trained and employed

10 women living near the El Rosario overwintering colony in Michoacan, Mexico, to count streaming monarchs three times daily.

"This preliminary study helped make monarch research more inclusive, jump started a sustainable economy — with an emphasis on offering this opportunity to women, often expected to stay home and run their household — and gathered important information about monarch behavior," PSU said in a press release.

"This year, Dykman is expanding the project from 10 to 21 women, pairing houses with more sophisticated weather loggers to use community science to answer questions about why, where, and when the monarchs stream and how climate change might affect overwintering monarchs and their migration."

Dykman is the found-

er of beyondabook.org, which she said she created "to connect students to adventure in order to foster lifelong learners, boundary pushers, explorers and stewards."

At the Sept. 26 event, Dykman's book will be available for purchase and signing. The event is sponsored by PSU Nature Reach & Sperry Galligar Audubon Society and is free and open to the public.



Sara Dykman. COURTESY PHOTO / PSU

Ex-Kansas police detective charged with preying on women

By Margaret Stafford And John Hanna  
Associated Press

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — A former Kansas City, Kansas, police detective who has long been accused of sexually preying on Black women during criminal investigations was indicted Thursday on charges that he sexually abused two women, the FBI said.

Roger Golubski, 69, was arrested at his home in Edwardsville after a federal grand jury indicted him on six counts of civil rights violations.

During a 15-minute hearing, U.S. Magistrate Judge Rebecca Schwarz entered a not guilty plea to all six charges for Golubski, who asked to remain silent. She set a hearing for 3 p.m. Monday on whether he should remain behind bars before his trial. A pretrial hearing was scheduled for Oct. 12.

"I am so happy and stunned at the arrest of that man," one of his alleged victims, Ophelia Williams, said in a statement released by MORE2, a civil rights organization. "I pray that after so many years we finally get justice, people can finally relax, and I can finally sleep at night."

The Associated Press generally does not name alleged victims of sexual assault, but Williams has allowed her name to be

used in previous stories.

Golubski's court-appointed attorney, Tom Lemon of Topeka, indicated that he will ask that Golubski be released before trial because he undergoes daily treatments for serious health issues, including dialysis three or four days a week for failing kidneys.

Golubski is also receiving treatment after quintuple heart bypass surgery in April and takes insulin shots for diabetes, said Lemon, who declined to comment after the hearing.

"He has been told that if he misses six dialysis treatments, he is going to die," Lemon said in court. "If he doesn't receive that daily treatment, he's going to have trouble helping me in his defense."

Golubski spoke only when Schwarz asked him whether he wanted her to appoint an attorney for him.

Golubski retired in 2010 after working for the Kansas City Police Department for 35 years. The FBI has been investigating allegations that Golubski, who is white, sexually assaulted Black women in the city and exchanged drugs for information during criminal investigations.

The federal indictment announced Thursday accuses Golubski of sexually assaulting two women, identified as S.K., and O.W., on several oc-

casions between 1998 and 2002. The indictment does not state the race of the women.

He is accused of raping both women and forcing them to perform oral sex on him several times in his vehicle and at the women's homes. Golubski's conduct included aggravated sexual abuse and kidnapping, according to the indictment.

If convicted of any of the counts, Golubski could be sentenced to life in prison.

Civil rights groups for years sought an investigation into Golubski's conduct. The allegations against him drew more attention after Lamont McIntyre, who spent 23 years in prison for a double murder he didn't commit, sued Golubski and other Kansas City, Kansas, officers after he was released.

McIntyre and his mother, Rose McIntyre, alleged in the lawsuit that Golubski framed Lamont for a double homicide in 1994 because she refused the detective's sexual demands. The local government agreed in June to settle the lawsuit for \$12.5 million.

When deposed by McIntyre's lawyers in the case, Golubski invoked his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination hundreds of times. He has consistently declined media requests to comment on the allegations.

Cheryl Pilate and Lindsay Runnels, attorneys for the McIntyres, commended federal law enforcement agencies on the arrest.

"We are hopeful the justice system delivers the accountability that the Kansas City, Kansas community deserves," they said in a statement.

The Midwest Innocence Project, a civil rights group that works to free wrongfully convicted inmates, said in a statement that Golubski's arrest was "the first step" in finding justice for those harmed by law enforcement officials, particularly Black women.

"A full investigation into the abuses in Wyandotte County and systemic reforms are needed to ensure that no other police officers and public officials can continue to abuse their power," the organization said in a news release.

Kansas City police Chief Karl Oakman and Wyandotte County District Attorney Mark Dupree each issued a statement pledging to continue cooperating with the investigation and said the arrest proved that no one was above the law.

Executives with MORE2, which also pushed for an investigation into Golubski, applauded his arrest.

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AREA EVENTS

Friday, Sept. 16 through Saturday, Sept. 17

Used Book Sale

Annual Used Book Sale at Girard Public Library will be open during library hours now through Saturday, September 17th. Fill a Flat of Hardback Fiction (\$1 tables) for \$5.00. Fill a Flat of Paperback Fiction (\$0.25 tables - 30 books or less) for \$3.00. Fill a Flat of Adult Nonfiction Fiction (any combination of hardback and paperback) for \$1.00. Books: \$0.05 - \$2.00. DVDs: \$1.00 - \$5.00. Audio-books: \$2.00. Cake Pans: \$1.00

Friday, Sept. 16

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, Allen Ross will be performing. Attendees are encouraged to bring their lawn chairs.

Four States Music Festival

Social House Entertainment presents the Inaugural Four States Music Festival presented by Freeman Health System on the campus of Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kansas on Friday, Sept. 16 staring at 5 p.m. The Festival will feature Chase Rice & special guests: Parmalee, Kameron Marlowe, Adam Doleac and more. For more information visit fourstatesmusicfest.com. This is a strict 18+ event to enter and 21+ to drink.

Friday, Sept. 16 through Saturday, Sept. 17

Weir Homecoming

Weir Homecoming will begin at 3 p.m. Friday with a pie baking contest at the Weir Civic Center. Different events will take place Friday evening such as a chili feed, coronation, pet contest, and cake walk. Festivities will continue at 7 a.m. Saturday and last until 9 p.m. For more information go to facebook.com/Weir-Civic-Center-155613304479544.

Saturday, Sept. 17

Crawford State Park CASI Chili Cookoff

The annual Crawford State Park CASI chili cook-off will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, September 17 at Crawford State Park. By 3 p.m. the chili will be ready tasting, and tasting cups will be \$3 a cup. Awards will be presented at 4:30. Entry fees to compete in the chili cookoff are \$20 for CASI or Homestyle, and \$30 for CASI and Homestyle. \$5 competition fee for salsa.

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.

Legacy of Music Metal Festival

The non-profit organization Creating Legacies is hosting a metal music festival featuring 12 bands/artists coming together to benefit the Legacy of Music mentorship program. All ages and free show. There will be a free children's carnival from noon to 6 p.m. Food and other vendors will be there. There will be a raffle for a signed guitar. All proceeds go to the Legacy of Music mentorship fund.

Hot Dity Pour Acrylic Painting Workshop

ArtForms Gallery is hosting a workshop showing the "dirty pour" technique for pour paintings from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17. All supplies are included with the registration fee which is \$35. This class is for ages 14 years or older.

Sunday, Sept. 18

Greenbush Day

The Saint Aloysius Historical Society invites the public to their annual Greenbush Day from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18 at 947 W. 47 Highway. The event will feature a hog roast, fishing, horse rides, a barrel train, kiddie tractor pull, and more. All activities are freewill donation.

**PATRICK SCHMIDT**  
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# OPINION PAGE

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# The Democrats' filibuster scheme

By Byron York  
Washington Examiner

Vice President Kamala Harris appeared in a pre-taped interview on NBC's "Meet the Press" last weekend. As is often the case with her interviews, Harris said a few awkward, ill-informed or downright odd things. For example, she claimed that the U.S.-Mexico border is "secure." When asked if she was confident of that, Harris answered, "We have a secure border in that that is a priority for any nation, including ours and our administration." It's hard to figure out what that meant.

The most newsworthy thing Harris said concerned the state of the Senate filibuster. Democrats have been in control of the Senate since the 2020 election, but with a 50-50 tie, they do not control a majority of seats. Their margin of control is the vice president's tie-breaking vote. But even to get to that point on a partisan measure, Democrats have to unite all 50 of their senators. That has been difficult when two centrist Democrats, Joe Manchin of West Virginia and Kyrsten Sinema of Arizona, sometimes

declined to go along with their colleagues.

So a goal of Democrats in this November's election — a dream scenario, actually — would be to win 52 seats. That way, even if Manchin and Sinema defected, there would still be 50 Democratic votes for a partisan measure, and Harris could cast the tiebreaking, winning vote.

Harris made the case on NBC, using abortion as the reason Democrats need a 52-seat majority. "We are looking at a midterm election in which so much is on the line," she said. "Take, for example, the issue of choice. The United States Supreme Court, in the Dobbs decision, just took a constitutional right that had been recognized from the women of America, from the people of America. Well, how does that relate to the midterms? Our president has said he will not let the filibuster get in the way. If the Senate, through a majority vote, votes to pass the Women's Health Protection Act, he will sign it into law. You know what that means in the midterms? We need to hold on to the Senate and get two more. And then we can put into law the protections of Roe v. Wade."

In Harris' scenario, Democrats first need to

get 50 votes for codifying Roe without having to worry about Manchin or Sinema. Then, if they get the 50 votes on the bill, they need 50 votes to eliminate the filibuster, which, were it still in effect, would require 60 votes for passage. According to the plan, Democrats would eliminate the filibuster on a 50-plus-Harris vote, and then codify Roe on a 50-plus-Harris vote. And just like that, the filibuster would be gone, and abortion would be legalized across America.

Killing the legislative filibuster would be, of course, a dramatic move in the Senate. It would change the way the institution works. It would set off a war between the parties and make the Senate even more partisan than it is today. It would lead to the passage of ill-considered legislation. But it is what many Democrats want to do. And now the vice president has laid out the administration's rationale for doing it: to cement the now-repealed Roe decision into law.

But it's more complicated than that. "If Democrats get 52 Senate seats or more, [is] the legislative filibuster gone?" NBC's Chuck Todd asked Harris. "Or just on this issue?"

That is, do Democrats want to somehow eliminate the filibuster only for the purpose of codifying Roe, but keep it for other issues? As it turns out, Harris wants to eliminate the filibuster in order to codify Roe, but she also wants to eliminate the filibuster to pass two other high-priority Democratic bills grouped together under the heading of "voting rights": the Freedom to Vote Act and the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act. Both bills would nationalize elections and reshape the conduct of elections on terms favorable to Democratic candidates.

So when Todd asked, "just on this issue," meaning abortion, Harris answered: "On this issue and on a very important issue in addition to that important issue, which is voting rights." She then explained that President Joe Biden "has been very clear. He will sign into law, and not let the filibuster get in the way, the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act and the Freedom to Vote Act ... So everything is on the line in these elections in just less than two months."

That's the plan: Democrats want to eliminate the filibuster for the purpose

of passing three pieces of legislation: the Women's Health Protection Act, the Freedom to Vote Act and the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act. Then Todd asked Harris: "Are you comfortable that this could end the legislative filibuster for good, probably, even if you only try to do it for two issues?" Harris quickly answered, "No, I'm not. No, I'm not. No." When Todd asked whether Harris believes the filibuster "will be held in place on other issues," Harris answered, "That is very likely, yes."

Senate Democrats believe they can eliminate the filibuster in order to pass the bills they want to pass, and keep the filibuster to stop the bills they want to stop. It is, to put it bluntly, a crazy idea.

Yes, it's possible Democrats could pull off a slick maneuver to pass only what they want right now. But do they not believe Republicans will do the same thing the next time they control the Senate? Control of the Senate has changed hands five times since 2000. Don't Democrats know that will happen again? If it does, they will be in the minority. It might happen in a few weeks. In two years there could be a Republican

Senate and White House.

The Senate is a place where what goes around comes around. If Democrats eliminate the legislative filibuster, even if they claim it is a limited elimination applying only to abortion and voting rights, Republicans will eliminate the filibuster to pass bills they've always wanted but that have zero Democratic support. Bills like a national right-to-work law, funding a border wall, making tax cuts permanent and much more. Had they respected the filibuster, Democrats could stop all that. If the filibuster is gone, they will have no power to do so.

Five years ago, on April 7, 2017, a group of 27 Senate Democrats, then in the minority, signed a letter defending the filibuster and urging that it not be eliminated. Then-Sen. Kamala Harris was one of those Democrats. Now, she is on the other side. If she gets her way, Democrats might notch a short-term victory but bring long-term disaster to the Senate.

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# The most important decision

By Steven V. Roberts  
Syndicated Columnist

Over the last 31 years, I've taught about 2,000 students at George Washington University. My classes have focused on politics and journalism, but many students maintain that the most lasting lesson they learned from me had nothing to do with the coursework.

It is an adage I repeat often during after-class gatherings at off-campus watering holes: Who you marry is the most important decision you ever make in your life. Nothing else is even close. There's always another degree or job or city. There isn't always another partner to share your life with. And since I was married for 53 years before my wife Cokie died three years ago this week, I have some credibility on the subject.

I've been thinking about

those conversations with my students as the Senate prepares to take up the Respect for Marriage Act, which would codify into law the right to marry for same-sex and interracial couples. Those rights have been advanced in recent decades by a series of Supreme Court decisions, but all that progress is in jeopardy since the court overturned the right to abortion in the Dobbs case earlier this year.

The same reasoning that was used to reverse 50 years of settled law on reproductive choice could easily be employed to overturn other precedents. Justice Clarence Thomas has openly suggested that the court "should reconsider" those earlier rulings, and given the activist impulse displayed by the six-judge majority in the Dobbs decision, the threat to marriage equality is quite real.

Sen. Marco Rubio, a

Florida Republican, has derided the Respect for Marriage Act as a "stupid waste of time" because the issue seems settled. And Sen. Ron Johnson, a Wisconsin Republican, argues, "This is just Democrats opening up a wound that doesn't need to be opened up."

They are both wrong. This wound was ripped open by the Supreme Court, and Congress must heal it. They can do that by passing a measure that reinforces the most traditional of moral codes — promises made, promises kept.

As more than 400 Republican leaders put it in a recent statement: "Passing the Respect for Marriage Act will remove any uncertainty for the more than one million Americans who are building families, taking on the responsibilities and commitment associated with marriage, and caring for

the one they love."

Public support is overwhelming. Gallup reports that 71% of Americans favor same-sex unions, up from only 27% in 1996, and this is not because of ideology or advocacy. It's because of real life. Virtually every American today knows someone who is openly gay — a relative, a friend, a co-worker — and this revolution in attitudes comes from the ground up, not the top down.

Some time ago I wrote about a friend and former student who, along with his husband, saved for years to hire a surrogate mother. They are now the parents of twin boys, and I remember going through our stack of Christmas cards and seeing a photo of the two men and their sons. Most American families, I realized, had received a card like that, one radiating love and loyalty — to their children and each other. Casting a

cloud over that relationship and countless others would be a tragic error.

And not just in a symbolic sense. Legal marriage conveys many tangible benefits. As the Senate co-sponsors of the bill — Republican Susan Collins of Maine and Democrat Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin — wrote in The Washington Post: "Married Americans are afforded tax benefits, often paying a lower rate. Married couples are able to receive earned benefits for spouses, such as Social Security, Medicare, disability and those from the armed services. Those who are legally married are able to visit their spouses when they are ill, while others are often not and are considered strangers under the law."

The Respect for Marriage Act easily passed the House with 47 Republican votes, and Senate sponsors need 10 Republicans

to back the bill and break a filibuster. Only four or five have had the courage — and decency — to step forward so far. Religious conservatives have mounted a fierce and fictitious campaign against the measure, falsely alleging it would sanction polygamous marriages and erode protections for those opposing marriage equality for faith-based reasons.

The sponsors are now struggling to craft language that would appease those concerns and attract the last few votes needed to pass the bill. That would be the right outcome. The moral outcome. The outcome that celebrates our most vital values and virtues.

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# Colleague's Cancer Fight Waged In Different Manner



DEAR ABBY  
Abigail Van Buren

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband was diagnosed with advanced chronic leukemia seven years ago. After two rounds of chemo, he was better for a while but was diagnosed with advanced multiple myeloma a year ago. He has been through almost constant chemo and radiation, lost more than six inches of height due to osteoporosis and fractures, and can barely walk around the house or get in and out of the car for his doctor's appointments. We almost lost him three times, but he's hanging on. For

us, this is reality. But we have a teenage daughter, and I still have to work to support us. I do not share this information at work. A business colleague I'll call "Amy" was just diagnosed with chronic leukemia. It's in the early stages, with no chemo or radiation, just monitoring. Now, in every business call and video meeting, Amy talks about how she is surviving cancer and is going to beat this because she is stronger than cancer. Everyone in the office is talking about Amy being a cancer survivor and saying we should do something for her. It grates on me because my husband is so much sicker, and she's planning vacations and trips to concerts and telling everyone how great she feels. We all deal with disease

differently, but I want to tell her to keep this to herself and focus on work. Should I, and if so, how? -- RESENTFUL IN NEW YORK

**DEAR RESENTFUL:** I sincerely hope you will refrain from doing that. Not all cancers are alike. Everyone's experience with this frightening disease is different. That Amy is doing as well as she is is a blessing. It could also be that she's trying to stay positive, putting on a brave face and living her life to the fullest extent for as long as she is able. I am truly sorry for your pain. I have "walked a mile in your shoes." It's wrenching and awful. But you will not lessen it by telling your colleague to keep anything to herself. Leave the room in-

stead.

**DEAR ABBY:** My two sisters live in our old hometown, a five-hour drive from my current home. When they have visited, my husband, kids and I open our home to them. We even welcome their dog. They are both empty nesters who live with their husbands in spacious homes. When I visit their town, they never invite us to stay with them. Never! This has hurt my feelings. Our parents have passed away. I recall Mom and Dad telling us that once they're gone, we will no longer have their house, "the family hub," in which to gather, and that we'll need to make an effort to get together. I long for our family to be close, but I'm afraid it'll backfire if I say any-

thing. Thank you for any advice you can offer. -- DISTANCED IN MICHIGAN

**DEAR DISTANCED:** I don't think it should cause a rift in the family if you were to simply ask your sisters why your hospitality has never been reciprocated. And when you do, remind them what your parents said. There is always a reason. The answer could be as simple as their husbands being uncomfortable hosting houseguests.

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





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## Faces of GHS: Darrel McLeod

By Ainsley Norton  
Trojan Tribune

Senior Darrel McLeod, son of Mike and Denise McLeod, was randomly selected to be featured as this week's Faces of GHS.

Darrel has four older sisters, Whitney who graduated from Colgan and Star, Hope and Myah who graduated from GHS.

He resides in Pittsburg and has attended USD 248 since kindergarten.

Darrel participates in FBLA, Debate and Forensics, Math Club, Scholar's Bowl and the Mentor Program.

He has competed in MSSU Business Days, PSU and FSCC Math Relays.

Darrel played football his freshman and junior year and has participated in golf for three years. He has competed at the Kansas State Golf Tournament both his sophomore and junior year. Darrel has received All-league CNC and Top 10 honors and was named team captain and MVP.

His academic honors include being a Boys State Delegate, receiving multiple academic letters and being an honor roll recipient. He is also an NHS member, Renaissance cardholder and a member



**GHS senior Darrel McLeod job shadows BJ Harris of Girard Sports Live while broadcasting the football game against Columbus at Cecil Kline Field, Friday September 2. Darrel hopes to continue broadcasting with Girard Sports Live throughout the year.** GHS MULTIMEDIA

of the Gifted Education Program.

As a senior, Darrel is looking forward to golf season and FBLA competitions.

He says his favorite class this year is Calculus because he "loves hard math problems and being in a class that challenges him."

Throughout high school Darrel's offices include freshman, STUCO representative; sophomore, STUCO representative; junior, president; and senior, vice president. This year Darrel is also an FBLA STUCO representative and NHS president.

Outside of school Darrel's hobbies include golfing, broadcasting and reading.

Darrel has recently

joined the Girard Sports Live broadcasting team to job shadow BJ Harris after being recommended by multiple teachers. He hopes to continue broadcasting full time during his senior year. Darrel says, "I really do enjoy it. I get to be at the game and involved while also getting to speak."

Originally Darrel planned to obtain a degree in computer science, but since he began to broadcast, his future plans have changed. He now plans to go to college for a degree in communications.

When asked about his future, Darrel says in five years he hopes to be, "getting his masters or broadcasting, golfing and just being happy."

## GHS cheerleaders and dance team members attend the spirit spreader

By Connor Hudson And  
Hayley Schoeling  
Trojan Tribune

The GHS cheer squad and dance team attended the KSHSAA Spirit Spreader Wednesday, September 7 at Chanute High School.

The camp, directed by Chris Shields, was the ninth Spirit Spreader in Kansas this season.

While cheerleaders were led by members of the National Cheerleaders Association and Universal Cheerleaders Association, dancers were led by members of the Universal Dance Association.

Cheerleaders who attended include seniors Laklyn Arthur, Paloma Garcia and Amiah Roberts; junior Hayley Schoeling; sophomores Ava Edwards, Emily Ferguson, Val Garcia, Connor Hudson and Kaitlyn Stansbury; and freshman Megan Bennett.

Dancers in attendance include seniors Jayden Hawkins, Brooklyn Mlekus and Hannah Warner; junior Haley Phillips; sophomore Zoe Montgomery; and freshmen Boston Encarnacion, Addi Leyva and Maggie Niggemann.



**Eighteen GHS cheerleaders and dancers, accompanied by sponsors Ashley Niggemann, Beth Wilson and Alex Childers, enjoyed pizza at Opie's in Chanute after attending the KSHSAA Spirit Spreader Wednesday, Sept. 7. Throughout the day the girls learned routines, chants and technique.** BETH WILSON/GHS

Regarding the Spirit Spreader, senior Laklyn Arthur said, "It was very fun and eventful; I enjoyed it."

While there, the cheerleaders learned three cheers, a band chant, partner stunts, team building and crowd leading.

The dancers were taught a new routine, formation and choreography and showmanship and performance skills.

While the cheerleaders and dancers learned the new materials, sponsors Ashley Niggemann, Beth Wilson and Alex Childers took the required Spirit

Safety Examination.

Although the Trojans only took high school students, middle schoolers were also welcome.

In regards to the day Wilson stated, "The great chemistry of the GHS Dance Team already shows when they perform and it was a great day for the dance team to bond with the GHS cheerleading squad as both are so talented and can be so proud of each other."

There is always an opportunity to learn new things and improve, which we did, but our school is very fortunate to have the amazing young ladies we enjoy leading our spirit groups."



**The GMS cheer squad sends-off Myah Norton, Chanse Short and Charlie Gottlob, three Special Olympic golfers, and their partners GHS seniors Darrel McLeod and Alex Coester before school in the GMS gymnasium, Wednesday, September 7. 150 Special Olympic athletes competed at The Southeast Kansas Special Olympics Regional Golf tournament at Four Oaks golf course in Pittsburg.** AINSLEY NORTON/TROJAN TRIBUNE



**GHS senior Ainsley Viets practices in the All-Star Marching Band at East Memorial Stadium Friday, Sept. 9. Members of the All-Star Band practiced Friday night and Saturday morning; they then performed with the KSU Marching Band at the football game against Mizzou.** COURTESY PHOTO



**GHS senior Anna Gronau presents over her summer novel "East of Eden" by John Steinbeck Wednesday, September 7. Seniors in instructor Kayla Pruitt's honors English IV selected a summer novel, researched the author, created a board and gave a presentation.** AINSLEY VIETS/TROJAN TRIBUNE



**Forty-five GHS Pep Club, dance and cheer members prepare to support the Trojan football team during their game against Saint Mary's Colgan on Frank Jameson field Friday, Sept. 9. The Trojans defeated the Panthers 38-12 and prepare to face off against the Galena Bulldogs Friday, Sept. 16.** CLAIRE STEVENS/TROJAN TRIBUNE

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# LOOKING BACK

FROM OUR HISTORY

## Standard Oil officials estimated \$4-5,000 of damage from a huge fire at their yard

By Phil Burgert  
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*Excerpted stories in Crawford County newspaper archives*

**100 Years Ago**  
Sept. 16, 1922  
Officials of the Standard Oil company roughly estimated the damage from yesterday's huge fire at their yard between Third and Fourth streets at Joplin avenue at between \$4,000 and \$5,000. Trucks destroyed in the blaze were valued at \$2,000. The fire department threw thousands of gallons of water into the fire and the fireboys were a complimented on all sides for the demonstration of fire-fighting skill.  
The weather which behaved beautifully during four days of the Crawford County fair at Girard, became obstreperous today on the occasion of motor car and motorcycle races and balloon ascension sponsored by the American Legion post. Skies throughout the morning upset hopes for a large crowd but the motor races started at 2 o'clock with a few hundred persons in attendance.

The first opportunity to see a troop train since the war, when the boys were coming home, will be presented at the Kansas City Southern depot tomorrow. The Rock Island railroad company will deliver to the Kansas City Southern at Howe, Okla., a train to be transported to Kansas City on the way from Camp Pike, Ark., to Camp Lewis, Wash. The 12-coach train will carry 316 men, including the officers.

**50 Years Ago**  
Sept. 16, 1972  
Which is worse, a hurricane or a tornado? That dilemma faces the R. C. Wiley family of Miami, Fla., who became captivated with Pittsburg attending Kansas State College. After graduating, they went back to Miami, Mrs. Wiley said in a letter to the Chamber of Commerce. Now they are thinking "once again to reside in the wonderful city of yours" but seek information on tornadoes here and wonder if they should "be more concerned about Florida hurricanes."  
Several boxes of cards, the sale of which violates the state law against lotteries, were seized by Crawford County Attor-

ney Vernon Grassie at a private club in Pittsburg. The 25-cent cards contain letters making up the word bingo hidden behind tabs which the purchaser lifts to see if he has all the letters for a cash prize. Grassie plans no legal action against the club where the cards were seized but future sales will bring warrants, he said.

A rugged Frontenac defense held the Baxter Springs Lions to a minus three yards rushing for a 40-0 triumph for the Raiders as they scored in each of the four periods. Baxter Springs had its best shot at scoring on the opening kickoff as Frontenac fumbled the kick and the visiting Lions pounced on the ball at the 20. That was as close as the Lions would penetrate.

**25 Years Ago**  
Sept. 16, 1997  
For Larry Williams, the second time was the charm. Three local judges said a grand jury will be impaneled to look into how the man convicted of killing Williams' daughter was monitored while he was on parole in Pittsburg. Responding to a petition filed by Williams on Sept. 4, Crawford County

District Court judges filed a ruling that a jury will be called to examine how Gary Wayne Kleypas was monitored.

Students enrolled in PSU College of Technology classes next fall could pay up to \$150 over their regular tuition costs if a proposal being presented to students this week is approved. Pittsburg State University technology students are being asked to support a restricted technology fee of \$15 per credit hour up to a maximum of 10 credit hours in any session, for graduate and undergraduate technology classes.

Nathan Swartz ran all over the field Monday night to help Pittsburg run away with a victory over Girard 22-6 in a junior varsity football game. Swartz had three touchdowns and two two-point conversions to claim all the points for the Purple Dragons. Girard quarterback Adam Sponsel ran for 50 yards to the 1-yard line in the second quarter. The next play, Sponsel ran the last yard to get the Trojan touchdown.

## COMMODITIES

### Chicago Merchantile Exchange

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg
<b>CATTLE</b>					
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					

<b>FEEDER CATTLE</b>					
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					

<b>HOGS,LEAN</b>					
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					

<b>PORK BELLIES</b>					
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
No open contracts..					

### Chicago Board of Trade

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
<b>WHEAT</b>					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Dec	874	884¾	843¼	845	—27¼
Oct	889	899¼	859¼	860½	—27½
May	897¾	907½	868½	869½	—27½
Jul	890	899½	860½	860¾	—29½
Sep	890	899¼	861	861	—30¼
Dec	896½	903¾	865	865½	—30¼
Mar	898	898	862¾	862¾	—30
May	854	—29¾			
Est. sales 78,162.Wed.'s sales 71,714					
Wed.'s open int 286,082					

<b>CORN</b>					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Dec	681¾	690	676¼	677½	—4¾
Mar	687	695	681½	682¾	—4½
May	688	695¼	681½	682¾	—5½
Jul	682¾	689	675¼	676¼	—6¾
Sep	639¾	643	632	632¾	—7
Dec	625½	629¼	619¼	620	—8
Mar	630¾	635½	626¾	626¾	—8¼
May	633½	633½	629¼	629¼	—8¼
Jul	631¾	632	626¾	626¾	—8½
Est. sales 161,829.Wed.'s sales 197,301					
Wed.'s open int 1,315,655, up 5,244					

<b>OATS</b>					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Dec	402½	404¼	384	394¼	—4¼
Mar	400¼	400¼	392½	398¼	—5
May	401½	—4			
Jul	396	402½	396	402½	—3¼
Sep	387½	—3¼			
Dec	387½	—3¼			
Mar	379¾	—3¼			
May	377	—3¼			
Jul	365	—3¼			
Est. sales 284.Wed.'s sales 221					
Wed.'s open int 3,752, up 28					

<b>SOYBEANS</b>					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Nov	1456	1468½	1444	1451½	—3½
Jan	1462	1474¼	1450¼	1458	—3
Mar	1463¼	1474¼	1451¼	1458¼	—3
May	1463½	1474¼	1453	1458¾	—3
Jul	1460	1470¼	1449¼	1455½	—3
Aug	1438	1446	1431	1432	—4
Sep	1386½	—6¼			
Nov	1375	1382½	1363¼	1366	—8¾
Est. sales 160,926.Wed.'s sales 200,454					
Wed.'s open int 651,139, up 8,121					

<b>SOYBEAN OIL</b>					
60,000 lbs; cents per lb					
Oct	67.15	67.50	65.60	66.79	— .35
Dec	64.87	65.25	63.32	64.30	— .57
Jan	64.19	64.42	62.57	63.39	— .70
Mar	63.26	63.53	61.72	62.42	— .77
May	62.46	62.72	60.99	61.63	— .81
Jul	61.74	61.90	60.15	60.72	— .83
Aug	60.95	60.95	59.38	59.90	— .85
Sep	60.03	60.03	58.70	59.17	— .84
Oct	58.99	58.99	58.08	58.48	— .91
Est. sales 120,275.Wed.'s sales 143,647					
Wed.'s open int 397,402					

<b>SOYBEAN MEAL</b>					
100 tons; dollars per ton					
Oct	431.00	438.60	430.10	434.50	+4.90
Dec	423.20	432.40	423.20	428.00	+4.90
Jan	420.10	428.10	419.80	423.50	+3.90
Mar	414.60	421.50	414.40	417.40	+3.20
May	411.80	418.30	411.40	414.30	+2.90
Jul	412.20	417.00	410.90	413.40	+2.50
Aug	407.70	411.90	407.70	408.50	+2.10
Sep	401.70	405.10	401.00	401.50	+1.40
Oct	393.80	396.40	392.20	392.80	+.50
Est. sales 99,423.Wed.'s sales 115,778					
Wed.'s open int 378,704					

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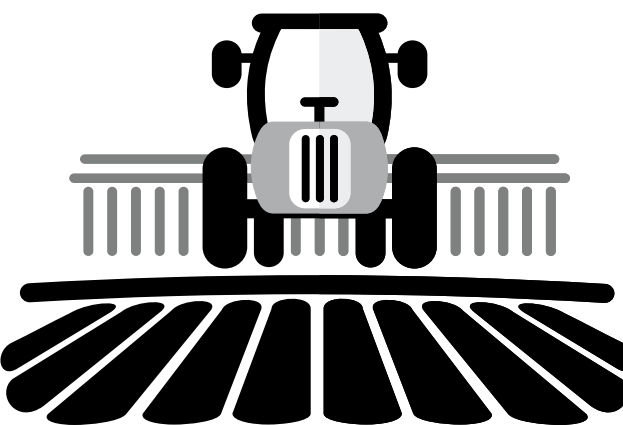
Bushel	
Soft wheat.....	\$7.90
Soybean.....	\$15.26
Yellow shell corn .....	\$7.57
Milo .....	\$6.37

### Columbus Grain

Bushel	
Hard wheat.....	\$8.51
Soft wheat.....	\$7.90
Soybean.....	\$15.27
Yellow shell corn .....	\$7.58
Milo .....	\$6.38

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Soft wheat.....	\$7.90
Soybean.....	\$15.27
Yellow shell corn .....	\$7.58
Milo .....	\$6.38



TODAY IN HISTORY

## In 1908, General Motors was founded in Flint, Michigan

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Today is Friday, Sept. 16, the 259th day of 2022. There are 106 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlights in History:

On Sept. 16, 2001, President George W. Bush, speaking on the South Lawn of the White House, said there was "no question" Osama bin Laden and his followers were the prime suspects in the Sept. 11 attacks; Bush pledged the government would "find them, get them running and hunt them down."

**On this date:**  
In 1630, the Massachusetts village of Shawmut changed its name to Boston.

In 1810, Mexico began its revolt against Spanish rule.

In 1908, General Motors was founded in Flint, Michigan, by William C. Durant.

In 1940, Samuel T. Rayburn of Texas was elected Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1966, the Metropolitan Opera officially opened its new opera house at New York's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts with the world premiere of Samuel Barber's "Antony and Cleopatra."

In 1972, "The Bob Ne-whart Show" premiered on CBS.

In 1974, President Gerald R. Ford announced a conditional amnesty program for Vietnam war deserters and draft-evaders.

In 1982, the massacre of between 1,200 and 1,400 Palestinian men, women and children at the hands of Israeli-allied Christian Phalange militiamen began in west Beirut's Sabra and Shatila refugee camps.

In 1987, two dozen countries signed the Montreal Protocol, a treaty designed to save the Earth's

ozone layer by calling on nations to reduce emissions of harmful chemicals by the year 2000.

In 2007, contractors for the U.S. security firm Blackwater USA guarding a U.S. State Department convoy in Baghdad opened fire on civilian vehicles, mistakenly believing they were under attack; 14 Iraqis died. O.J. Simpson was arrested in the alleged armed robbery of sports memorabilia collectors in Las Vegas. (Simpson was later convicted of kidnapping and armed robbery and sentenced to nine to 33 years in prison; he was released in 2017.)

In 2013, Aaron Alexis, a former U.S. Navy reservist, went on a shooting rampage inside the Washington Navy Yard, killing 12 people before being shot dead by police.

In 2016, after five years of promoting a false conspiracy theory about Barack Obama's birthplace, Republican Donald

Trump abruptly reversed course, acknowledging that the president was born in America, but then claiming the "birther movement" was begun by his Democratic rival, Hillary Clinton. (While the question of Obama's birthplace was raised by some backers of Clinton's primary campaign against Obama eight years earlier, Clinton had long denounced it as a "racist lie.")

**Ten years ago:** In appearances on Sunday news shows, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Susan Rice, said there was no evidence that the attack on the U.S. diplomatic outpost in Benghazi, Libya, was premeditated. But Libya's interim president, Mohammed el-Megarif, told CBS he had no doubt attackers spent months planning the assault and purposely chose the date, September 11.

**Five years ago:** Tropical Storm Maria, which

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Min Temperature	58	60	80 in 1956	47 in 2011
Avg Temperature	73.5	71.3	90.5 in 1956	56.5 in 2012
Precipitation	0.00	0.19	1.82 in 2021	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	1	8 in 2012	0 in 2022
CDD (base 65)	9	7	26 in 1956	0 in 2014
Month-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	86.4	84.8	95.1 in 2000	78.4 in 2009
Avg Min Temperature	61.6	62.1	69.3 in 2000	57.7 in 2017
Avg Temperature	74.0	73.4	82.2 in 2000	69.0 in 1950
Total Precipitation	0.37	2.69	9.96 in 1961	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)	1	6	24 in 2014	0 in 2021
Total CDD (base 65)	139	133	262 in 2000	69 in 1950
Year-to-Date Summary	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Avg Max Temperature	72.0	71.0	80.9 in 1950	39.0 in 1963
Avg Min Temperature	49.5	50.1	58.4 in 1950	16.3



NEWS

Missouri woman acquitted of killing daughter to be free soon

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — A Missouri woman who was acquitted in July of killing her teenage daughter but convicted of abandoning the girl's corpse was sentenced Thursday but will be released from prison soon.

Rebecca Ruud was acquitted in the death of 16-year-old Savannah Leckie, who moved to Ruud's farm after leaving her adoptive home in Minnesota. Ruud gave the girl up for adoption as a baby.

But Ruud was convicted of abandoning the girl's corpse, which was found on a burn pile at Ruud's property on the Arkansas-Missouri border in July 2017.

She was sentenced to four years in prison Thursday and fined \$5,000. But she will be given credit for the five years she has been in prison since her arrest, meaning she will be freed after prison officials process her release, the Springfield News-Leader reported.

During her trial, Ruud's attorneys argued that Leckie died by suicide and Ruud panicked and burned her body after finding her dead.

After the bench trial, Greene County Circuit Court Judge Calvin Holden ruled that the state did not present enough evidence to support a murder charge.

Murder charges against Ruud's husband, Robert Peat Jr., were dismissed Thursday shortly before Ruud's sentencing.

Leckie's adoptive mother, Tamile Leckie-Montague, has said the girl went to live with Ruud in 2016 because she was having behavioral problems.

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NEWS

Tentative labor deal averts threat of nationwide rail strike

By Josh Funk, Josh Boak  
And Zeke Miller

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rail companies and their workers reached a tentative agreement Thursday to avert a nationwide strike that could have shut down the nation’s freight trains and devastated the economy less than two months before the mid-term elections.

President Joe Biden announced the deal, which emerged from a marathon 20-hour negotiating session at the Labor Department and came just one day before the threatened walkout.

“This agreement is validation of what I’ve always believed — unions and management can work together ... for the benefit of everyone,” Biden said at the White House.

The deal, which includes a 24% pay raise, will go to union members for a vote after a cooling-off period of several weeks.

The threat of a shutdown carried political risks for Biden, a Democrat who believes unions built the middle class. But he also knew a rail strike could pose grave economic risks ahead of the mid-terms, when majorities in both chambers of Congress, key governorships and scores of important state offices will be up for grabs.

Biden made a key phone call Wednesday evening to Labor Secretary Marty Walsh as negotiators were

talking and being offered Italian food for dinner, according to White House officials who insisted on anonymity to discuss the conversations.

On speakerphone, the president urged both sides to get a deal done and to consider the harm that a shutdown would inflict on families, farmers and businesses , the officials said.

One union had to wake up its board to move forward on the agreement, which involved 50 calls from White House officials to organized labor officials.

Joined in the Oval Office by business and union leaders, a beaming Biden joked that he was surprised everyone was “still standing” after the late night and that they should be “home in bed.”

A strike would also have disrupted passenger traffic as well as freight, because Amtrak and many commuter railroads operate on tracks owned by the freight railroads. Amtrak canceled all of its long-distance trains ahead of the strike deadline and was working to restore full service.

The five-year deal, retroactive to 2020, also includes \$5,000 in bonuses. The railroads agreed to ease their strict attendance policies to address union concerns about working conditions.

Railroad workers will now be able to take unpaid days off for doctor’s appointments without being

penalized, and they won’t be penalized if they are hospitalized. Previously, workers would lose points under the attendance systems at BNSF and Union Pacific railways, and they could be disciplined if they lost all their points.

The talks also included Norfolk Southern, CSX, Kansas City Southern and the U.S. operations of Canadian National.

The unions that represent conductors and engineers who drive the trains pressed hard for changes in the attendance rules, and they said the deal sets a precedent that ensures they will be able to negotiate such rules in the future.

Kelly Pettus, who is married to an engineer in Atlanta, said she wanted more details about the attendance policy.

Earlier this year, her husband had to leave work when their 2-year-old daughter ended up in the emergency room with the flu. He spent the entire time worrying about the penalty involved in taking a single day off.

“You can’t just call and say your baby is in hospital,” Pettus said.

Hugh Sawyer, an engineer in the Atlanta area, said the pay raise was long overdue and did not completely make up for the regular cost-of-living increases that he lost several years ago.

“It’s something to build on,” Sawyer said of the deal.

The president of the

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen, Dennis Pierce, predicted that workers will ultimately support the deal if they look logically at all the gains, including the fact that the unions again fought off proposals to cut locomotive crews down from two people to one.

But if workers vote angry, the outcome is harder to predict.

“I think it is going to dramatically change the way these jobs look,” he said.

Victor Chen, a sociologist at Virginia Commonwealth University who studies labor, said concerns about working conditions have increasingly become a priority for unions and their workers.

“At a certain point, good wages just aren’t enough to make up for the toll these sorts of working conditions impose on workers,” Chen said.

“The companies need to treat workers like human beings, rather than just inputs in a business process.”

The railroad unions pointed to workload and attendance rules after the major railroads cut nearly one-third of their workforce — some 45,000 jobs — over the past six years.

The rail industry has aggressively cut costs everywhere and shifted its operations to rely more on fewer, longer trains that use fewer locomotives and fewer employees. The unions said the remaining

workers, particularly engineers and conductors, were on call 24-7 because of jobs cuts and could hardly take any time off under strict attendance rules.

Unions had an advantage at the bargaining table because of the tight labor market and ongoing service problems on the railroads, Chen said.

Shippers have complained loudly this year about delays and poor service as railroads struggled to hire quickly enough to handle a surge in demand as the economy emerged from the pandemic. The shipping problems gave rail workers extra leverage.

Newly hired CSX CEO Joe Hinrichs said he hopes the new deal helps the railroad hire and retain more employees to address the service problems.

“Now we can move our conversation into how do we work together to grow the business and better serve our customers,” he said.

Union activism has surged under Biden, as seen in a 56% increase in petitions for union representation with the National Labor Relations Board so far this fiscal year, including prominent organizing efforts at Starbucks, Amazon and other companies.

Before the deal was reached, business groups including the Business Roundtable and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce predicted that a rail strike

would be an “economic disaster.”

The Association of American Railroads trade group estimated that a strike would cost the economy more than \$2 billion a day and force many businesses to scale back or cease production and consider layoffs.

With the economy still recovering from the pandemic’s supply chain disruptions, the president’s goal was to keep all parties talking so a deal could be reached.

Biden also knew a stoppage could worsen the dynamics that fueled soaring inflation and created a political headache for the party in power.

He confronted the same kind of predicament faced by Theodore Roosevelt in 1902 with coal and Harry Truman in 1952 with steel — how does a president balance the needs of labor and business in doing what’s best for the nation?

Railways were so important during World War I that Woodrow Wilson temporarily nationalized the industry to keep goods flowing and prevent strikes.

So the administration jumped into the middle of the talks. Biden and cabinet officials called both sides, and the labor secretary participated directly in negotiations.

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Sniper denied parole, 20 years after terrorizing D.C. area

By Denise Lavoie And Matthew Barakat  
Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Virginia has denied parole to convicted sniper killer Lee Boyd Malvo, ruling that he is still a risk to the community two decades after he and his partner terrorized the Washington, D.C., region with a series of random shootings.

Malvo was 17 when he and John Allen Muhammad shot and killed 10 people and wounded three others over a three-week span in October 2002. Multiple other victims were shot and killed across the country in the prior months as the duo made their way to the nation’s capital region from Washington state.

Malvo was convicted of capital murder in Virginia and sentenced to life in prison without parole. But

a series of Supreme Court rulings and a change in Virginia law gave Malvo the opportunity to seek parole after serving nearly 20 years in custody.

The Virginia Parole Board rejected his request on Aug. 30, finding that Malvo remains a risk to the community and should serve more of his sentence before being released on parole, state records of Parole Board decisions for August show.

“Release at this time would diminish seriousness of crime; Serious nature and circumstances of your offense(s),” the Parole Board wrote.

Malvo’s accomplice, John Allen Muhammad, was executed in Virginia in 2009. Malvo, now 37, was sentenced to life without parole for the three Virginia killings. But after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 2012 that mandatory

life sentences for juveniles are unconstitutional, two federal courts found that Malvo was entitled to new sentencing hearings. The Virginia legislature also passed a law in 2020 that gave juvenile offenders an opportunity to seek parole after serving 20 years.

Malvo was a 15-year-old from Jamaica who had been sent to live in Antigua when he met the much older Muhammad. Muhammad trained and indoctrinated Malvo, and in 2002 the pair embarked on a nationwide killing spree that ended with the 10 slayings in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

Trial testimony indicated the shootings were a plan for Muhammad to regain custody of his children by killing his ex-wife and making her death appear to be a result of random violence.

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“It took over three decades, thirty years of this man living like he is a law-abiding citizen and he is one of the biggest criminals we have in Wyandotte County,” MORE 2 board member Violet Martin said in a statement. She believes her brother and cousin are wrongfully incarcerated because of Golubski.

In 2020, a coalition of Kansas lawmakers, religious leaders and racial justice advocates asked the Kansas Bureau of Investigation to investigate Golubski and other members of the department who were accused of misconduct and abuse.

And in 2021, an organization run by rapper Jay-Z filed a petition seeking records from the police department related to what it called a history of officer misconduct within the department.

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SPORTS



St. Mary's Colgan's Connor VanBecelaere catches a touchdown pass from Tucker Harrell in Thursday night's game against Riverton at Hutchinson Field. DASHUAN VEREEN/MORNING SUN



St. Mary's Colgan's Cooper Simmons evades Riverton's Walker Terry on his way to a touchdown on Thursday night at Hutchinson Field. DASHUAN VEREEN/MORNING SUN

Rushing attack leads Colgan past Rams

By Dashuan Vereen  
Morning Sun Staff

The St. Mary's Colgan rushing attack was firing on all cylinders against Riverton, leading the Panthers to a 54-14 victory on Thursday night at Hutchinson Field in Pittsburgh.

Junior Cooper Simmons led the charge on the ground, rushing for 150 yards and one touchdown. Freshman Klayton

Adamson rushed for 80 yards, including a 65-yard touchdown to give Colgan a 12-0 lead after one quarter.

The Panthers (2-1) continued to add to their lead in the second quarter. Simmons rushed for a 26-yard touchdown and Tucker Harrell connected with Connor VanBecelaere on a 16-yard touchdown reception to help Colgan build a 28-0 half-time lead.

Harrell found the end zone on a quarterback sneak early in the third to continue the Panthers' momentum.

On the ensuing kickoff, Colgan had to re-kick after the initial effort went out of bounds. Ryder Phillips took advantage of the second chance, returning the next kick 65 yards for Riverton's first touchdown.

Keagan Fleming responded by rushing for

an eight-yard touchdown for Colgan midway in the third quarter. It was the first of two Fleming rushing touchdowns in the third.

Harrell also rushed for two touchdowns in the quarter as the Panthers scored 26 points to build a 54-7 lead going into the fourth.

Kaydn Allen rushed for a 10-yard touchdown midway in the fourth quarter for Riverton (0-3).

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COL — Connor VanBecelaere 16 yd pass from

Harrell (Harrell run)  
COL — Harrell 1 yd run (Naccarrato kick no good)  
RIV — Rydeer Phillips 65 yd kick return (Kaydn Allen kick)  
COL — Keagan Fleming 8 yd run (Harrell run)  
COL — Harrell 1 yd run (Naccarrato kick failed)  
COL — Fleming 5 yd run (Naccarrato kick failed)  
RIV — Allen 10 yd run (Allen kick)

Dragons, Grizzlies seek first victory

By Dashuan Vereen  
Morning Sun Staff

Pittsburg looks to earn its first win of the season in its homecoming matchup against Labette County on Friday at 7 p.m. at Hutchinson Field.

"Dealing with homecoming week is one of a coach's worst nightmares," said Pittsburg coach Josh Lattimer. "You love school spirit and people having your back, but there are a lot of distractions. You want kids to be kids and have fun and enjoy the atmosphere, but at the end of the day we have to take care of business as well."

The Purple Dragons (0-2) suffered a 28-13 road loss at Chanute last

week. Lattimer stated that reducing its penalties will help improve the offensive attack.

"We have to eliminate penalties," said Lattimer. "You want to eliminate penalties on both sides of the ball, but definitely on offense. It's harder to call plays on second-and-long and third-and-long because your playbook gets shorter. So, if we can eliminate false starts, illegal procedures and holding calls, it will give us a better chance to attack offensively."

Labette County is also looking for its first victory after falling to Towanda Circle 50-0 and Parsons 39-28 in the first two weeks.

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Pittsburg strikers down Coffeyville 4-1

By Jim Henry  
Sports Editor

Pittsburg was down-right offensive on Thursday night and defeated Coffeyville 4-1 in a Southeast Kansas League soccer game at the PHS field.

The Purple Dragons (5-1, 4-0 SEK) fired 13 shots on goal while extending their winning streak to five games.

"I thought it was a really good game for my players," Dragons coach Riley Beihl said. "I think we did a lot better going forward than we have so far this season."

"We were building up on the attack, getting forward with the ball and creating chances and creating goals."

Kevin Mejia scored in the 10th minute to put Pittsburg on top. After a long pass up the left side, Mejia went in one-on-one on the goalie to score.

Less than a minute later Mejia was one-on-one again from the right side, but this time goalkeeper Alonzo Matias stopped the line-drive shot directly at him for one of his nine saves.

Pittsburg's Esvin Mendez scored in the 26th min-

ute to stretch the lead to 2-0. The Dragons' Yordi Garcia sent a corner kick right in front of the net, and the ball went off Mendez' foot into the goal.

"Sometimes that's all it takes," Beihl said. "I just told them get in the box and the players who are putting it in to drop it on that 6-yard box, and anything can happen."

Coffeyville (3-4) scored on Greg Frazier's penalty kick with four minutes left in the first half.

Pittsburg added two goals in the second half.

In the 53rd minute, Edgar Mejia sent a cross from the left side to Johan Arriola, who booted the ball into the lower right corner of the ball.

Then just before time expired, Carlos Romero displayed nifty dribbling in front of the goal to set up his goal.

The Dragons unofficially held a 13-4 advantage in shots on goal. Pittsburg goalie Zach Ward made three saves.

Pittsburg plays another home conference game on Tuesday against Fort Scott. The junior varsity game begins at 4:30 p.m.

Frontenac sweeps Pittsburg

By Sam Kombrink  
Morning Sun Staff

FRONTENAC, Kan. — Frontenac volleyball swept Pittsburg 25-21, 25-14, 25-12 on Thursday night at the Frontenac gymnasium.

Senior Hattie Pyle led the Raiders (11-1) with 12 kills, followed by senior Mia Brown with nine kills. Senior Kelby Burke had five kills, and senior Kynlee Lakey had three kills.

"That was a big win," said Frontenac coach Martha Harper. "To come back and continue to win on our home floor, we haven't lost on our home floor yet, so it was a good feeling."

"The girls played well. We had a slow start but we're kind of a slow starting team. So, it's nice to see them continue to pull through."

Junior Kendl Matlock led Frontenac with 13 assists. Senior Hattie Hamblin made nine assists. Pyle and Burke tied for the lead in blocks with two.

Pittsburg (1-6) took an early 4-0 lead in the first set. Later in the first, Pyle then made a kill to make it 11-10.

Down 19-17, Brown and Pyle led the Raiders back



Frontenac senior Hattie Pyle goes for a kill against Pittsburg's Onna Jorge (20), Heather Mowdy (11) and Ivery Watts (1) on Thursday night in the Frontenac gymnasium. SAM KOMBRINK / THE MORNING SUN

to make it 22-20. Burke then delivered the final kill to win the set.

In the second set the Raiders jumped out to a 13-3 lead. Sophomore Alycia Cosens scored on back-to-back kills as

Pittsburg cut the deficit to 15-9, but Frontenac closed the set on a 10-5 spurt.

The Raiders started the third set going up 11-1, including kills by sophomore Audrina Shay, Pyle and Burke.

Frontenac's next action

is in the Erie Tournament, starting at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Pittsburg plays at Labette County on Tuesday against the Grizzlies and Independence, starting at 5 p.m.

Trojans sweep Colgan triangular

By Aaron Pyle  
Morning Sun Staff

After competing in the Frontenac High School volleyball tournament last weekend, the St. Mary's Colgan Panthers returned home Thursday night for a triangular against Girard and Anderson County.

The Panthers prevailed in the first match against Anderson County in two sets but were swept by Girard in the second match. Girard's two victories improved the Trojans overall record to 11-1, while the Panthers are 5-6.

"I felt like we had a little bit more energy in that first match against

Anderson County than we did Girard," Colgan coach Cathy Oplotnik said. "So (I'm) a little bit disappointed with how we played in the last match. ... We have to be able to move faster on the court. We have to cover more of the tip balls."

The Panthers and Bulldogs went down to the wire in the first set, tied at 23. Colgan then powered two straight kills to win 25-23. The Panthers then won the second set 25-21. Junior Lauren Flood highlighted the match by providing 10 kills. Sophomore Caroline Imhof and freshman Addisyn Dewey compiled 15 assists as well.

The Trojans and Bull-

dogs then met for the second match of the tournament. Girard battled back and forth with Anderson County in the first set, narrowly winning 26-24. However, the Trojans dominated the second set beating the Bulldogs 25-10.

Closing the triangular, the Panthers and Trojans battled it out for the second time in six days as Girard prevailed over Colgan 25-22, 25-20 at Frontenac's tournament.

Girard beat the Panthers in the rematch 25-11, 25-19.

Colgan senior Lauren Torrance compiled nine kills, while Dewey and Imhof had 10 assists.

"First game when we

played Anderson County, we started off super slow, and it showed," Girard head coach Christen Jackson said. "We were kind of trying to play catch up the whole time. Then we saw in the second game what we were supposed to look like the whole time, and that kind of finished up our night."

"That's what I was wanting to see. But if we go in there Saturday to that (Erie) tournament, there are no slow starts. So we'll be working on that."

Colgan also plays on Saturday at the Webb City tournament. Both tourneys start at 9 a.m.



BASEBALL  
MLB STANDINGS

American League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	87	56	.608	—
Toronto	81	63	.563	6½
Tampa Bay	80	63	.559	7
Baltimore	75	67	.528	11½
Boston	69	74	.483	18
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	76	66	.535	—
Chicago	74	70	.514	3
Minnesota	72	70	.507	4
Kansas City	57	87	.396	20
Detroit	54	89	.378	22½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	94	50	.653	—
Seattle	80	62	.563	13
Texas	62	81	.434	31½
Los Angeles	61	82	.427	32½
Oakland	52	92	.361	42

**Wednesday's Games**  
Cleveland 5, L.A. Angels 3  
Houston 2, Detroit 1  
Colorado 3, Chicago White Sox 0  
Seattle 6, San Diego 1  
Toronto 5, Tampa Bay 1  
Baltimore 6, Washington 2  
N.Y. Yankees 5, Boston 3  
Minnesota 4, Kansas City 0  
Oakland 8, Texas 7  
**Thursday's Games**  
Chicago White Sox 8, Cleveland 2  
Tampa Bay 11, Toronto 0  
Minnesota 3, Kansas City 2  
Houston 5, Oakland 2  
**Friday's Games**  
Baltimore (Voth 5-2) at Toronto (TBD), 6:07 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Giolito 10-9) at Detroit (Manning 2-2), 6:10 p.m.  
Kansas City (Heasley 3-8) at Boston (Wacha 11-1), 6:10 p.m.  
Minnesota (TBD) at Cleveland (McKenzie 10-11), 6:10 p.m.  
Texas (Pérez 11-6) at Tampa Bay (Kluber 10-8), 6:10 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees (Montas 5-12) at Milwaukee (Houser 6-9), 7:10 p.m.  
Oakland (Martinez 4-4) at Houston (Verlander 16-3), 7:10 p.m.  
Seattle (Ray 12-9) at L.A. Angels (Lorenzen 6-6), 8:38 p.m.

National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	90	55	.621	—
Atlanta	88	55	.615	1
Philadelphia	80	63	.559	9
Miami	59	85	.410	30½
Washington	49	94	.343	40
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	84	60	.583	—
Milwaukee	76	67	.531	7½
Chicago	61	82	.427	22½
Cincinnati	57	86	.399	26½
Pittsburgh	55	89	.382	29

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Los Angeles	98	44	.690	—
San Diego	78	65	.545	20½
San Francisco	69	74	.483	29½
Arizona	67	75	.472	31
Colorado	62	81	.434	36½

**Wednesday's Games**  
Pittsburgh 10, Cincinnati 4  
Colorado 3, Chicago White Sox 0  
San Francisco 4, Atlanta 1

Seattle 6, San Diego 1  
Philadelphia 6, Miami 1  
Baltimore 6, Washington 2  
Chicago Cubs 6, N.Y. Mets 3  
St. Louis 4, Milwaukee 1  
Arizona 5, L.A. Dodgers 3, 10 innings  
**Thursday's Games**  
Miami 5, Philadelphia 3  
N.Y. Mets 7, Pittsburgh 1  
Cincinnati 3, St. Louis 2  
San Diego at Arizona, 8:40 p.m.  
**Friday's Games**  
Colorado (Márquez 8-10) at Chicago Cubs (Stroman 3-7), 1:20 p.m.  
Miami (Luzardo 3-7) at Washington (Espino 0-7), 6:05 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (Keller 5-10) at N.Y. Mets (Walker 11-4), 6:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Suárez 9-5) at Atlanta (Fried 13-6), 6:20 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees (Montas 5-12) at Milwaukee (Houser 6-9), 7:10 p.m.  
Cincinnati (Dunn 1-3) at St. Louis (Flaherty 0-1), 7:15 p.m.  
San Diego (Snell 6-9) at Arizona (Bumgarner 6-14), 8:40 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (May 1-2) at San Francisco (Webb 13-8), 9:15 p.m.

FOOTBALL  
PREP SCHEDULE

**Thursday's Game**  
**CNC LEAGUE**  
St. Mary's Colgan 54, Riverton 14  
**Friday's Games**  
**INDEPENDENTS**  
Labette County at Pittsburg  
Parsons at Iola  
**CNC LEAGUE**  
Galena at Girard  
Frontenac at KC Bishop Ward  
Columbus at Coffeyville  
Baxter Springs at Afton (Okla.)  
**Southeast Kansas League**  
Labette County at Pittsburg  
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Kansas City 27, LA Chargers 24  
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Carolina at N.Y. Giants, noon  
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Miami at Baltimore, noon  
N.Y. Jets at Cleveland, noon  
New England at Pittsburgh, noon  
Tampa Bay at New Orleans, noon  
Washington at Detroit, noon  
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's Games**  
Tennessee at Buffalo, 6:15 p.m.  
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

# Chiefs rally past Chargers 27-24 in early AFC West showdown

By DAVE SKRETTA  
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Patrick Mahomes threw two touchdown passes, rookie Jaylen Watson returned an interception 99 yards for the go-ahead fourth-quarter score, and the Kansas City Chiefs held on to beat the Los Angeles Chargers 27-24 on Thursday night.

Mahomes finished with 235 yards passing, and Jerick McKinnon and Justin Watson hauled in the TD passes for the Chiefs (2-0), who fell behind 10-0 in the first quarter and spent most of the game playing catch-up.

Jaylen Watson finally put the Chiefs ahead after the Chargers (1-1), answering Matt Ammendola's tying field goal, marched to the Kansas City 3. Justin Herbert was eyeing tight end Gerald Everett when Watson, a seventh-round pick making his first start, stepped in front of the pass with 10:29 to go and ran nearly untouched the other way to the end zone.

Things became worse for the Chargers (1-1) two series later when Herbert was drilled by Mike Danna delivering a throw. He left the field clutching his side, returned one play later, then threw an incomple-

tion that forced the Chargers to punt.

Clyde Edwards-Helaire promptly split the defense on a 52-yard run to set up a field goal for Kansas City.

Herbert, who finished with 334 yards and three touchdown passes, gamely tried to keep the Chargers alive. He threw a 36-yard dart on fourth down to extend their ensuing possession, then found Joshua Palmer in the back of the end zone on fourth-and-goal to pull Los Angeles within 27-24 with just over a minute to go.

Kansas City recovered the onside kick and ran out the clock on a crucial AFC West win.

The highly anticipated showdown between two of the league's prolific young quarterbacks, each surrounded by premier playmakers, turned out early on to be a defensive slugfest.

The Chargers held the Chiefs to 13 yards in the first quarter, thanks to relentless pressure from Joey Bosa and Khalil Mack and the fact that Derwin James Jr. was just about everywhere, and kept a team that scored 44 points last week in Arizona off the scoreboard until Mahomes slung a sidearm pass to McKinnon early in the second quarter.

The Chargers fared



Kansas City Chiefs cornerback Jaylen Watson runs an interception back for a touchdown during the second half of an NFL football game against the Los Angeles Chargers on Thursday in Kansas City, Mo. (AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL)

better offensively, even though go-for-broke coach Brandon Staley opted to play conservatively, twice punting on fourth-and-2 near midfield. Dustin Hopkins kicked an early field goal before Mike Williams, dominating smaller Chiefs defensive backs, put the Chargers in position for Zander Horvath to catch a short TD pass.

Staley finally went for it on fourth down on the opening drive of the sec-

ond half. And one play after Austin Ekeler picked it up, Williams made a one-handed grab around Chiefs cornerback L'Jarius Sneed to give the Chargers a 17-7 lead.

The game appeared to be getting away from the Chiefs when Mahomes was intercepted by Asante Samuel Jr. on their next possession. But replays showed Samuel didn't control the ball and the call was overturned, and Mahomes capitalized on his second chance by throwing a 41-yard strike to Justin Watson for a touchdown.

The Chiefs tied it 17-all on the first play of the fourth quarter when Ammendola, who was signed earlier this week to replace the injured Harrison Butker, knocked through a chip shot on fourth down at the goal line.

That set up Jaylen Watson's pick-6 and the first lead that Kansas City had all night.

**INJURIES**  
Chargers C Corey Linsley (knee) and RT Trey Pipkins III (ankle) left in the third quarter. ... Chiefs WR Mecole Hardman hurt his ankle in the third quarter but returned to the game. Danna left in the fourth quarter with a calf injury.

## DRAGONS

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versatile offense last week, showcasing its ability to advance the ball both through the air and on the ground.

Quarterback Eric Erbe completed 10-of-16 passes and finished with 175 total yards and two touchdowns.

Halfback Ty Leedy rushed for 92 yards and two touchdowns.

"It's the things that we have been preaching throughout the season," said Lattimer.

"It comes down to blocking, tackling, and ball security. We did a better job with ball security, only having one turnover that came in the last two minutes of the game, but we're still missing our blocks and missing some tackles. The effort and the passion aren't the issue. It's the little fundamental things that we're going to keep getting better at."

## Reds beat Cardinals 3-2

By WARREN MAYES  
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Nick Senzel and Aristides Aquino hit solo home runs and the Cincinnati Reds beat the St. Louis Cardinals 3-2 Thursday night to snap a six-game losing streak in the opener of a five-game series.

The loss cut the Cardinals' lead in the National League Central to 7 1/2 games over the idle Milwaukee Brewers.

"We'll put it together," St. Louis manager Oliver Marmol said. "It's been a stretch where there's no offense certain days. We just came up short tonight. We ran out of time there. We're not overly concerned."

St. Louis made it interesting in the ninth against rookie reliever Alexis Diaz, loading the bases with one out on two singles and walk before pulling within a run on a sacrifice fly by Albert Pujols, giving him 123 in his career and tying him with Hall of Famer Robin Yount for third most in MLB history since 1954.

Diaz then got pinch-hitter Cory Dickerson to ground out to end the game and earn his seventh save.

"That's what this game is all about," Cincinnati manager David Bell said. "It's never easy. It was a little stressful but that's what makes the game great. Diaz did a great job."

Aquino and Spencer Steer each had two hits for the Reds.

Pujols finished 0 for 3 and remained at 697 career home runs. He is fourth on the all-time list behind Barry Bonds (762), Hank Aaron (755) and Babe Ruth (714).

Miles Mikolas (11-12) had allowed four or more runs in three of his past four starts before giving up three runs in six innings against the Reds. He allowed six hits and three walks in his 30th start of the season.

"I didn't have great stuff but I got through," Mikolas said. "I tried to work through it the best I could. I can get better in my next start. I feel great. I'm in the best shape of my life."

## Twins finish sweep over Royals

By DAVE CAMPBELL  
AP Sports Writer

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Carlos Correa's solo home run in the first inning and Nick Gordon's two-run shot in the second gave the Minnesota Twins enough to hang on for a 3-2 victory to finish a three-game sweep of the Kansas City Royals on Thursday night and gain ground in the AL

Central race.

The Twins (72-70) pulled within four games of first-place Cleveland. The Guardians (76-66) had their six-game winning streak stopped with an 8-2 loss to Chicago in the afternoon. The White Sox (74-70) are in second place, three games out.

Entering a last-ditch five-game series at Cleveland this weekend, the

Twins salvaged some badly needed momentum. Trevor Megill (4-3), who threw the first of five scoreless innings by five Twins relievers, picked up the victory with a perfect fifth.

Jhoan Duran recorded his seventh save in as many attempts with a tense ninth, retiring his last three batters on a sacrifice bunt and two strikeouts after the first two men reached.

After losing nine of 11, including a three-game sweep here last weekend by division-leading Cleveland, the Twins snapped to life against the ready-for-next-year Royals. This was their second sweep of Kansas City in four weeks. Minnesota has a 12-4 advantage in the season series, with three games remaining on the road.

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# Roger Federer says he is retiring from pro tennis at age 41

By **HOWARD FENDRICH**  
AP Tennis Writer

Roger Federer has announced that he is retiring from professional tennis at the age of 41 after winning 20 Grand Slam titles. Federer has not competed since Wimbledon in July 2021. He has had a series of knee operations. Federer posted his news on Twitter. He says his farewell event will be the Laver Cup in London next week. That is a team event run by his management company. This announcement news comes just days after the end of the U.S. Open. That tournament was expected to be the last of 23-time major champion Serena Williams' career.

Roger Federer is retiring from professional tennis at age 41 after a series of knee operations, closing a career in which he won 20 Grand Slam titles, finished five seasons ranked No. 1 and helped create a golden era of men's tennis with rivals Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic. Federer posted what he called a "bittersweet decision" via both a written statement and an audio clip on Thursday, less than two weeks after 23-time major champion Serena Williams played what is expected to be the last match of her career.

Combined, the exits by two of the greatest athletes



Switzerland's Roger Federer plays a return to Poland's Hubert Hurkacz during the men's singles quarterfinals match on day nine of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships in London on July 7, 2021. Federer announced on Thursday he is retiring from tennis. (AP PHOTO/KIRSTY WIGGLESWORTH)

in their sport's history represent a significant turning of the page.

"As many of you know, the past three years have presented me with challenges in the form of injuries and surgeries. I've worked hard to return to full competitive form," said Federer, who is home in Switzerland. "But I also know my body's capacities and limits, and its message to me lately has been clear."

Federer has not competed anywhere since Wimbledon in July 2021, and so, in that sense, his news is not all that surprising.

But he had appeared at an event marking the 100-year anniversary of Centre

Court at the All England Club this July and said he hoped to return to play there "one more time."

He also had said he would return to tournament action in his home country at the Swiss Indoors in October.

In Thursday's announcement, Federer said his farewell event will be the Laver Cup in London next week. That is a team event run by his management company.

"I knew a few weeks ago that his rehabilitation with his knee wasn't going as well as he had hoped. A few weeks after Wimbledon, he informed me that the knee was not reacting as well as it should and that he was

thinking about figuring out a way to end his career," Tony Godsick, Federer's agent since 2005, said in a telephone interview Thursday.

"I had suggested to him years ago that he should stop. Not many tennis players at his level push into their 40s. But he was always interested in challenging himself," Godsick said. "And at the end of the day, after 1,500-plus matches, the tires finally wore out. And he's got things to do in his next stage."

Federer and his wife, Mirka — a tennis player, too; they met as athletes at an Olympics — have two sets of twins, girls who are

13 and boys who are 8. Federer leaves the sport with a total of 103 tour-level titles on his substantial resume and 1,251 wins in singles matches, both second only to Jimmy Connors in the Open era, which began in 1968. Federer's records include being the oldest No. 1 in ATP rankings history — he returned to the top spot at 36 in 2018 — and most consecutive weeks there (his total weeks mark was eclipsed by Djokovic).

The dominance Federer displayed at the height of his powers is unrivaled, including reaching 10 consecutive Grand Slam finals, winning eight, from 2005-07, a run that also extended to 18 of 19 major finals into 2010.

In a sport where changes in surface and other conditions can make even the best players thrilled with a showing here or there into the second week of a Slam, Federer compiled streaks of 36 quarterfinals in a row and 23 semifinals in a row from 2004 to 2013.

"Roger Federer is a champion's champion. He has the most complete game of his generation and captured the hearts of sports fans around the world with an amazing quickness on the court and a powerful tennis mind," Hall of Famer Billie Jean King said. "He has had a historic career with memories that will live on and on."

When Federer won his first Grand Slam title at Wimbledon in 2003, the men's record for most major trophies was held by Pete Sampras, who had won his 14th at the U.S. Open the year before in what turned out to be the last match of the American's career.

Federer would go on to blow way past that, ending up with 20 by winning eight championships at Wimbledon, six at the Australian Open, five at the U.S. Open and one at the French Open. His 2009 trophy at Roland Garros allowed Federer to complete a career Grand Slam.

His serving, forehand, footwork and attacking style will all be remembered. Also unforgettable were his matches against younger rivals Nadal, 36, and Djokovic, 35, who both equalled, then surpassed, Federer's Slam total and are still winning titles at the sport's four biggest tournaments.

"I wish this day would have never come," Nadal said. "It's a sad day for me personally and for sports people around the world. I said it to you when we spoke and now it's here. It's been a pleasure but also an honor and privilege to share all these years with you, living so many amazing moments on and off the court."

## Trojans look to continue strong run

By **Aaron Pyle**  
Morning Sun Staff

The Girard Trojans football team has been continuing to build off the strong start it had in 2021.

Since the start of the 2021 season, the Trojans have been one of the more successful teams in Kansas, posting a 12-1 record. In addition, for the eighth time in 25 years and the second year in a row, the Trojans are 2-0 to start the season.

The Trojans relished the 38-12 victory over St. Mary's Colgan for a bit last week, but immediately shifted focus to Galena, which will be hungry for a bounce-back win when it visits Frank Jameson Field at 7 p.m. Friday.

Girard is battling Galena for the first time in three seasons. In the last meeting, the Bulldogs

handled the Trojans 48-14.

"I think we need to be physical," Girard coach Neal Philpot said. "They know what they're going to do and they have an identity. ... We're going to have to tackle well on defense and read our keys. I think we match up OK with them. We are just going to have to play a good game for us going out there and taking care of business."

In Friday's matchup, the Bulldogs are expected to power the ball on the ground against the Trojans. In Galena's season opener against Riverton, the Bulldogs ran the ball 47 times for 334 yards and four touchdowns. The Bulldogs are led by 6-foot-5, 240-pound all-state and all-league tight end Tyler Little.

Defensively, the Trojans will look toward junior linebacker An-

thony Pike, who has provided energy with his big hits. Last season, Pike finished with three solo tackles, one fumble recovery and seven assisted tackles.

Galena will also have its hands full against the Trojans' aggressive run, pass, option attack, led by senior running back Alex Coester. Through two games, Coester has compiled six touchdowns. Against St. Mary's Colgan, he compiled 86 yards and four touchdowns on 15 attempts, averaging 5.7 yards per carry.

Senior quarterback Luke Niggemann has also provided a spark for the Trojans through the air and on the ground. Against the Panthers, Niggemann collected 71 yards rushing and one touchdown on 10 attempts. He also passed for 42 yards.

## Lancers seek bounce-back victory over Central Heights

By **Aaron Pyle**  
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For the first time since 2017, Southeast has started the football season with two losses.

However, the Lancers look to bounce back this week at home against Central Heights (0-2) as kickoff is at 7 p.m.

Held scoreless through two games, coach Nick Cheney noted that the Lancers need to move the chains to gain confidence.

"We just have to get first-and-10s," he said. "You have to get one before you get two, and then we have to get on the scoreboard. I know this sounds crazy, but once we score, I think mentally, it will help a bunch, and we just need

to get some drives."

Senior running back Landon Cole currently leads the Lancers in rushing yards, carrying the ball 25 times for 81 yards, averaging 3.2 yards per carry. Sophomores Aden Smith and Braxton Hudson have gained 75 yards on 21 attempts.

"I mean, we are used to driving the ball six-to-eight minutes at a whack and this year, we just have to get better," Cheney said. "You can't just drop your offense that you believe in. We're going to stick with it. We're going to change some blocking assignments and move some kids around, but we are not going to change offenses or defenses. Both of them are good."

The Lancers will look to establish their ground game against Central Heights, which has been outscored 65-16 through two weeks, falling to Council Grove and West Franklin.

Defensively for Southeast, Cole leads in tackles (12), while senior defensive end Jace Fowler has nine tackles, three assisted tackles and two recovered fumbles.

The Lancers aim to halt the ground game of the Vikings. Last week against West Franklin, senior Carson Wood compiled 79 yards and two touchdowns. Junior quarterback Jose Velez also collected 40 yards on the ground and 97 through the air.

## PSU cross country opens season at MSSU

By **Jim Henry**  
Sports Editor

Pittsburg State's cross country teams make their season debut on Saturday morning at the Missouri Southern Stampede.

The women's 5,000-meter race starts at 8:30 at the Tom Rutledge Cross Country Course on the MSSU campus, and the men's 8K begins at 9:45.

"I feel really good about this year's groups," distance coach Ben Barrows said. "We have some pretty strong incoming freshmen. Some will make an impact right away on the women's side, and on the men's side we have some impact freshmen who are actually redshirting this year."

"We have a strong group of returners on both sides that have a lot of experience at the conference and national level. We're excited to see where we stack up and see how they fare against other teams

in the conference because almost everybody in the conference will be here.

"On the men's side we're sitting a few of our top guys at this first (meet), but we are running a couple of our top guys to actually gauge how we stack up against everybody. Training has been going well so far, but we're trying to stay patient and keep our eyes on the prize, which is later than normal this year because it's a (NCAA Division II) festival year. Our conference championship isn't until Nov. 5. We really have to stay patient and look at the big picture."

Pittsburg State's men won this Stampede last year for the first time, and the Gorillas later earned their first MIAA championship. Bryce Grahn and Connor Southard are the only two runners missing from last year's team.

The Gorillas are No. 12 -- one spot higher than their preseason spot -- in the

USTFCCA Division II poll released this week.

Redshirt sophomore Matthew Oglesby finished third in the MIAA and Central Region meets. Senior Diego Contreras placed seventh and sophomore Mason Strader 20th in the conference meet, and senior Ben Kahnk and sophomore Braden Zaner also return.

The Gorillas' women's team finished third in the conference meet last year, led by sophomore Lara Murdock (eighth) and senior Hannah Honeyman (14th).

More veterans are senior Cami Roy and sophomores Kate Dawson, Marissa Dick and Erin Hammeke. Freshman Gentrie Alderson joins the lineup this season and won the three-time race in the Alumni Meet.

The Gorillas are No. 30 in this week's women's Division II poll.

## Raiders tackle unbeaten Bishop Ward

By **Sam Kombrink**  
Morning Sun Staff

Frontenac kicks off Week 3 with a road matchup against Bishop Ward in Kansas City. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. at Bishop Ward High School.

"Bishop Ward has had two impressive wins to start the year," said Frontenac coach Mark Smith.

The Cyclones are led by senior running back Brice Johnson Jr., who tallied 38 yards on 15 carries last week at Olpe and 78 yards on 17 carries in Week 1 against Independence.

"They are very aggressive and fast on both sides of the ball," Smith said. "They do a very good job of getting their skill players the ball in space and creating big plays. We must limit the big plays."

Junior linebacker Peyton McDonald leads the Raiders defense with 14 tackles after recording nine last week at Riverton along with three tackles for a loss and one pass breakup.

Senior captain linebacker Jack Lusker has eight tackles this season, after having four last week. Senior safety Alex Williams made seven solo tackles, one forced fumble and four tackles for a loss last week.

"We must be balanced on offense and we cannot turn the ball over," Smith said. "We must finish drives as well."

Senior running back Mario Menghini has led the Frontenac offense this season with 580 yards. Last week Menghini rushed for 288 yards on 33

attempts and had 10 receptions for 129 yards and one touchdown.

Senior quarterback Kal Terlip has thrown for 633 yards in the first two weeks, with three touchdowns and five interceptions.

Last week Terlip was 18-of-32 for 213 passing yards, three touchdowns and three interceptions. Trey Cramer had five receptions for 109 yards and a touchdown.

"We must come out aggressive," Smith said. "We must control the line of scrimmage, be efficient in the running game, and stop No. 22 (Brice Johnson Jr.) from having a big game."

"We stayed healthy last week in the varsity game, and we are ready to roll this week."

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