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## No injuries in E. 4th St. structure fire

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — On Monday, Sept. 19, the Pittsburg Fire Department responded to a report of a residential structure fire at 1013 E. 4th St.

According to the fire department, the fire started in a shed attached to the north side of the home, and migrated to the attic space.

Upon arrival, firefighters encountered heavy fire conditions, but ultimately contained and extinguished the fire. Multiple adults were displaced due to the fire. The American Red Cross was contacted to provide relief efforts to



A firefighter from the Pittsburg Fire Department assists in putting out a fire at 1013 E. 4th St. on Monday afternoon. SAM KOMBRINK / THE MORNING SUN

the occupants. The Pittsburg Fire Department, Pittsburg Police Department, the City of Pittsburg building official, Crawford County Emergency Medical Services,

Evergy, and Kansas Gas Service all responded to the fire.

No injuries were reported. The cause of the fire remained undetermined as of Monday afternoon.

## Hooked on Scouting

*BSA hosts fishing event for new scouts*

**By Antjea Wolff**  
Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — With the promise of cooler weather in the coming months, the fall season will bring a little more comfort for outdoor activities such as fishing and camping, which is why this weekend, the Mo-Kan District of Boy Scouts of America and the Ozarks Trails Council hosted a fishing event at Lakeside Park in Pittsburg to welcome new members to the Cub Scout program.

The Hooked on Scouting event involved chil-



New Cub Scouts member Lorelei Hively waits patiently after casting her line at the Hooked on Scouting event in Lakeside Park on Saturday. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN

dren in grades kindergarten through fifth from five counties, Crawford, Cherokee, Bourbon coun-

ties in Kansas and Vernon and Barton counties in Missouri. **See SCOUTING, Page 5A**

## Pittsburg celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month

**By Antjea Wolff**  
Morning Sun Staff

PITTSBURG, Kan. — The Pittsburg community celebrated Hispanic culture with two events in the same week in order to honor National Hispanic Heritage Month, which officially began Thursday, Sept. 15 and is recognized through Oct. 15.

National Hispanic Heritage Month is annually dedicated as a time during which the U.S. highlights Hispanic Americans' culture and celebrates their history.

Pittsburg State University started National Hispanic Heritage Month off with a bang by hosting an event called "La Celebracion" last Thursday, Sept. 15.

The celebration was hosted by PSU Hispanics of Today. The event was held at Cleveland Plaza on campus and consisted



Four children dance "La Raspa," a dance originating in Mexico, during the Festival Hispano at Our Lady of Lourdes church on Saturday. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN

of food for sale, as well as music and dancing.

On Saturday evening, the Hispanic Ministry of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church hosted their second annual Festival Hispano, which featured many options for purchasing food.

The organizers of the event also showcased

choreographed dances from countries such as Mexico, Peru, Colombia, and Guatemala.

After the choreographed dances, live music was performed by Eligi2 and casual dancing was encouraged. Later in the evening fireworks were set off as an added bonus.

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## Sen. Moran visits SEK farms

**By Dustin R. Strong**  
Morning Sun Staff

SCAMMON, Kan. — Republican U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran spent the day Monday visiting different family farms in southeast Kansas as both chambers of Congress begin looking at constructing a new farm bill for 2023. Moran held a Q&A in a Scammon soybean field owned by Matthew and Marion Atkinson, of Atkinson Farms, LLC., wanting to know what local farmers are going to need to re-

main successful for the foreseeable future.

The Farm Bill, a legislative mainstay since 1933, was originally a commodity price support to provide income for farmers and ensure a steady domestic food supply for Americans during the Great Depression. It has been renewed every five years since then, with the current bill expiring in September of 2023.

Over the past 90 years, the bill has become a much bigger issue than just supporting farmers and

protecting the food supply. Numerous lobbyists and other groups try to influence the process. Ranging from environmental organizations, climate change experts, and agribusiness to poverty and religious organizations, everyone wants to have a say.

As a result, the basic farm bill of 1933 has grown exponentially more complicated. The current farm bill, the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, includes 12 titles, or chapters, and includes programs for commodity crops, nutrition, trade, crop insurance, forestry and rural development, conservation, biofuels, and renewable energy.

A few SEK farmers gathered in a soybean field near Scammon voiced their concerns to Sen. Moran, covering many of the previously mentioned topics as well as policy decisions made by the current and former administrations, and the importance of crop insurance.

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Sen. Jerry Moran talks with Matthew Atkinson and his grandfather, Marion, of Atkinson Farms, LLC, near one of their soybean fields in Scammon. Moran met with the Atkinsons and some other area farmers to get their input as Congress begins building a new farm bill that is due to take effect in October of 2023. DUSTIN R. STRONG / THE MORNING SUN

## Family Day in the Jungle



Children participate in an exercise course led by Pittsburg State University's ROTC as one of the activities for PSU's long-time tradition, Family Day, on Saturday. Besides the exercise course, other activities for the children and families included science experiments featuring the Nutty Professor, and learning about raptor birds by seeing them up close. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN

## Four vehicle crash injures one, leaves semi in ditch

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — One person was injured

and a semi ended up in the east ditch of the Highway 69 bypass between Quincy and 4th Street early Monday afternoon, according

to the Kansas Highway Patrol.

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A crash on the Highway 69 bypass early Monday afternoon involved four vehicles and left a semi in the ditch on the east side of the highway, but only resulted in one minor injury, according to the KHP. DUSTIN R. STRONG / THE MORNING SUN

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# COMMUNITY

## Obituaries

### Rose Mary Papish

Rose Mary Papish, 90, of Frontenac, died at 3:03 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022, at Medicalodges of Frontenac.

Ms. Papish was born April 14, 1932, in Pittsburg, Kansas, the daughter of Joe and Josephine Papish Bertalotto. She was raised by her grandparents, Joe and Jennie Papish, from the age of one. She was a lifelong resident of Frontenac. She graduated from Frontenac High School in the Class of 1949. Rose was employed by the Crawford County Courthouse from 1961 to 1966 and then the Kansas Department of Transportation in Pittsburg until retiring in 1989. She loved to travel. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Frontenac and the S.N.P.J. Lodge at Yale.

Survivors include several cousins.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, 2022, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Frontenac, with Father Josh Evans as the Celebrant. Rosary will be said at 9:30 a.m. Thursday prior to the mass. Burial of the remains will follow mass on Thursday at the Pittsburg Garden of Memories Cemetery. Donations are suggested to the Southeast Kansas Humane Society.

Donations may be sent to or left at the Bedene Funeral Home, 517 E. Washington, Box 621, Arma, Kansas 66712.



### Paul Benjamin Moore

Paul Benjamin Moore, 90, of Weir, passed away Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022, at his home, surrounded by love.

He was born on Dec. 30, 1931, to Dennis and Ruby (Kirk) Moore in Ft. Worth, Texas.

On Dec. 2, 1950, he married the love of his life, Patricia Fagg. They enjoyed 71 years together before her death on July 8, 2022.

Paul opened various businesses in his youth before serving in the Navy and landing in Kansas. In Pittsburg, he turned a small vacuum cleaner repair shop into a retail furniture store that he operated for over 60 years, along with his family, Moore's Furniture.

He is survived by a son, Mark (Cynthia) Moore of Pittsburg; a daughter, Rebecca (Greg) Keller of Weir; three grandchildren, Aubri Moore of Lawrence, Amanda (Misty) Moore of Kansas City, Kansas, and Wes (Brittany) Keller of Pittsburg; and seven great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife, a son, Erik K. Moore, and a grandson, Neil Sandlin Moore, his parents, and two brothers, Dan Moore, and Jack Moore.

A private family service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to Harry Hynes Hospice of Pittsburg. Friends may leave condolences online at [www.brennermortuary.com](http://www.brennermortuary.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of the Brenner Mortuary, 114 E. 4th St. Pittsburg, Kansas.



### Rodney Russell Landers

Rodney Russell Landers, age 71, passed away Saturday morning, Sept. 17, 2022, at the home of his stepdaughter, Katharyne Jane (Silva) Belew, in Girard. Rodney suffered from several chronic health conditions for most of his adult life. He was unable to care for himself following a surgery in 2016, which is when his family helped him move from Virginia Beach, Virginia, to Kansas, where Katharyne and her family took care of him.

He was a Vietnam Veteran who served 20 years in the US Navy, starting right after graduating high school in Gainesville, Missouri, in 1969.

Rodney had an associate's degree in accounting but typically worked in the hospitality and retail industry as a clerk. He also volunteered as a maintenance man and landscaper at his former condominium complex when he was more physically able. He kept in touch with a few friends from Virginia, Hosea and Juny Oldham, and Louise and Oliver Eaton.

Rodney never married but did have a child with his former girlfriend, Karen Jean (Eckles) Silva Butterfield. His only biological son, Jonathan William Landers, of Houston, Texas, surprised him with a visit last weekend, and the whole family went to Worlds of Fun in Kansas City. Rodney enjoyed riding the train, which was wheelchair accessible. He went peacefully in his sleep, hopefully dreaming about the happy final memories with his family.

Rodney was preceded in death by his parents, Roy Rex Landers and Alma Bernece (Taylor) Landers of Gainesville, Missouri, and two brothers, Jeffray Leland and Norman Gregory.

He was the oldest of six Landers boys, including Stephen Wayne of West Plains, Missouri, David Keith, living near Gainesville, Missouri, and Kenneth Jonathan Landers, of Gainesville.

Rodney's son, Jon, is not yet married and has no children. Jon's half-sister, Katharyne, lives with her husband, Brandon Belew, and their children, Bryce (age 9) and Hannah (age 4).

Due to most of his family living out of state, in lieu of a funeral, the family has decided to plan a gathering for the summer, close to Rodney's birthday, which was June 7. Special thanks to the wonderful staff at the VA Clinic in Fort Scott and Girard Medical Center.

Smith-Carson-Wall Funeral Home of Girard, Kansas, will be handling Rodney's cremation.



### Gerald Theodore Waggoner II

Gerald Theodore Waggoner II, 76, of Pittsburg, passed away on Sept. 14, 2022, in Columbus, Kansas.

Gerald was born on Sept. 14, 1946, to Gerald and Cecilia G. (Ensmann) Waggoner in Pittsburg, Kansas.

Jerry graduated in 1973 from Pittsburg State University with a degree in Physical Education. He married Ardith Mitchellson and had two children. They later divorced.

Jerry loved to go hiking and the outdoors. In recent years, he has enjoyed taking care of his cats. He was on the PSU School of Nursing advisory board. He also loved visiting his two sons and grandchildren.

He is survived by two sons, Patrick J. Waggoner of St. Louis, Missouri, and Eric A. Waggoner (Kelly) of Bentonville, Arkansas, and three grandchildren, Braden Waggoner, Tanner Waggoner, and Jolane Waggoner.

He is also survived by his bonus children, Neely (Phil) Evans, Jamie (Jeff) Purdon, and Reed Robinson; and additional grandchildren, Corbin (Georgie) Hamilton, Allie (Derrick) Weir, Garrett Evans, Blaike Johnson, Brady (Shaina) Dulin, Levi Burks, and Jaeden Dicker-son.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Patricia Brandon, and his fiancé, Jolene Zacarello-Robinson.

A Memorial Service will be on Friday, Sept. 23, 2022, at 11 a.m. in the Brenner Mortuary. Burial will take place at a later date in the Highland Park Cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the start of the service. Memorial donations can be made to Waggoner Family Scholarship at Pittsburg State University PO Box 4005, Pittsburg, KS 66762.

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## CLUB NOTES

### 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/](http://facebook.com/FrontenacRotary/) for more information.

### Thursday, Sept. 22

#### AI-Anon

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

#### TOPS Club Inc.

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

#### TOPS #1186

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

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# NEWS

## Bark in the Park planned for Oct. 15

### Staff Reports

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — Short's Trash Service and The SEK Humane Society have announced the return of their 8th Annual Bark In The Park event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at Schlanger Park.

The event will feature food, craft, and business vendors, a free community dog walk at 11 a.m., free public demonstrations by Good Boy Professional Dog Training at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., a dog show with medals at 2 p.m., a \$5 painted paw pads activity, K-State's dog agility course, free kids craft

zone, and more.

Excluding the dog show and painted paw pad entries, this is a free public event, however attendees can purchase a 2022 Bark In The Park Swag Bag that includes a limited edition 2022 Bark In The Frisbee, one free category entry into the dog show, one free entry for the painted paw pads activity, pet items, and more.

These swag bags will be on sale from Oct. 4 to 15 at the Doggie Bag Resale Shop (514 N. Broadway) and also the day of the event for \$25 each, while supplies last. But there are only a total of 100 swag

bags, so supplies are limited. You can reserve your swag bag in advance by mailing in a check (please make payable to "The SEK Humane Society") to PO Box 783 in Pittsburg. If mailing in a check, please include a note on whether you would like to pick up your bag at the Doggie Bag or the day of the event.

Event organizers are still looking for food, craft, and business vendors for Bark In The Park. Vendor spaces are \$25 each. Email SEK Humane Society Director Jasmine Kyle at jkyleseks@yahoo.com for more information.

## Obituaries

### Carroll I. Todd

Carroll I. Todd, 72, of Pittsburg, died on Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022, at Via Christi Hospital.

He was born Sept. 13, 1950, the son of Orlie and Frances (Spencer) Todd.

On Nov. 14, 1970, he was united in marriage to Sheldia Clayton at the La Russel First Baptist Church. She preceded him in death on April 9, 2016.

Over the years, Carroll worked as a Laborer in the shipping and receiving department at Leggett and Platt in Carthage, Missouri. He cherished spending time with his family, landscaping, and working on trucks.

Carroll is survived by his three daughters, Carol Morris and husband Frank of Marionville, Missouri, Janet Rice and husband Charlie of Pittsburg, and Christy Todd of Granby, Missouri; sister, Janice Jefferies of Arkansas; ten grandchildren; and thirteen great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, wife, three brothers, Doyle Todd, Dale Todd, Wendall Todd, and sister, Jean Burturm.

Carroll was entrusted to Bath-Naylor Funeral Home of Pittsburg for cremation. The family will schedule a Celebration of Life at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of Bath-Naylor Funeral Home, 522 S. Broadway, Pittsburg, Kansas.



### Clara Jane Robb Rubarth

Clara Jane Robb Rubarth passed away peacefully at age 88 on Sept. 13, 2022, in her home in Thomasville, North Carolina, surrounded by her children and her sister. Clara Jane was born on Dec. 1, 1933, to Ernest and Rachel Robb in Neosho, Missouri, and grew up in Pittsburg, Kansas.

Clara Jane was known for her wisdom and intellect. She loved school from the first time she stepped into a classroom and took so many classes that she graduated from her teaching high school early and was told to go upstairs and enroll in college. Clara Jane taught for 50 years in Kansas, Arkansas, and Texas, with her favorite subject being writing and rhetoric. She inspired countless students. She was also a lifelong learner, completing her Master of Arts in Rhetoric in 1994, and was continually looking for opportunities to take courses, workshops, and seminars. Clara Jane was a prolific reader, focusing on nonfiction but always interested in expanding her horizons between the covers of a good book.

Clara Jane lived a deeply spiritual life. She was a Benedictine Oblate at Subiaco Abbey in Arkansas, spending many a Holy Week and New Year's Eve at the monastery in prayer and fellowship. Clara Jane had many interests — gardening, sewing, traveling, art, theater, and was generous with her time and insight. She was committed to the conservation of nature and treading lightly on the earth. Clara Jane did not ever seek to be the center of attention but sought to allow others to shine in their own light. Ever humble, she identified herself as a "nice lady."

Of all the aspects of her life, the most important to her was family. From an early age, Clara Jane saw herself as a nurturer. She was an incredible mother, allowing each of her five children to be individuals but ensuring that they worked together as a team. Her goal as a mother was to work herself out of a job and encourage full independence. Her favorite times were when the family got together for reunions or took trips together. When she raised her glass for a toast, she also tapped the glass to the table to remember those she loved who were not in present company.

Clara Jane is survived by her children, James "Jim" and Anita Rubarth-Lay, John "Jack" Rubarth, Mary Jane and Mark Akerman, Anna Schodowski, and Julia Rubarth; her siblings, Gwen "Gendy" Hotchkiss, and John and Carole Robb; her grandchildren, Randy and Caitlin Akerman, Kate and Mariel Schneider, Liam Rubarth-Lay, Alanna Schodowski, Andy Rubarth, Jonah Weissman, Charlie Rubarth, Tim Weissman, and Oliver Rubarth; and one great-grandchild, Mark Akerman III.

She was preceded in death by her parents and older brother Ernest Robb, and her former husband, Robert Frank "Bob" Rubarth.

A Memorial Service to celebrate her life, officiated by Rev. John Heck, will be held on Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Memorial United Methodist Church, 101 Randolph Street, Thomasville, North Carolina.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Subiaco Abbey, 405 N. Subiaco Avenue, Subiaco, AR 72865, or subiaco@subi.org.



## CHCSEK to host Saturday drive-thru flu shot clinic

### Staff Reports

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PITTSBURG, Kan. — With flu season approaching, the Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas- Pittsburg is offering a "drive-thru" flu shot clinic from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 at the T.H. Rogers parking lot, 1701 N. Broadway.

There is no out-of-pocket cost for participants, and it only takes a few minutes to get vaccinated. To help keep the vaccination line moving, participants are asked to wear clothing where their shoulder is easily exposed.

A flu shot is recommended for everyone six months of age and older because any flu infection can carry a risk of serious complications, hospitalization, or death, even among otherwise healthy children and adults, CHCSEK said in a press release. Those particularly at risk from flu are young children, older adults, and people with certain chronic health conditions, such as asthma, heart disease or diabetes.

High-dose flu vaccine will be available for those aged 65 and older. Studies have shown that the high-dose vaccine is more

effective than the standard-dose vaccine in older adults.

CHCSEK offers an inactivated flu vaccine that cannot cause flu, the healthcare provider said in a press release. The vaccines are made with either a "killed" virus or by using a single gene from a flu virus. Both methods will trigger an immune response without causing the flu, according to CHCSEK.

The most common side effects from flu shots are soreness, redness, tenderness, or swelling where the shot was given. Low-grade fever, headache, and muscle aches also may occur. These reactions usually begin soon after the shot and last one to two days as your body builds immunity, CHCSEK said.

Flu vaccines and good hand hygiene are still the go-to recommendations for prevention, CHCSEK said; however, public health officials say it is just as important to contain the virus, which means staying home when you are sick.

If you wish to receive a flu shot and can't attend this drive-thru event, flu shots are available at any CHCSEK clinic on a walk-in basis or by appointment.

## Wilson Medical Center to host Neodesha Fall Festival in October

### Staff Reports

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NEODESHA, Kan. — The Wilson Medical Center Resource Development Team is hosting its annual Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 8, at Riverwalk Park in Neodesha. The second annual event has accrued more than 30 vendors along with several food trucks, youth activities, and big attractions.

To kick off the event, community members are invited to participate in a Turkey Trot 1-mile fun run/walk. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. and the race starts at 8 a.m. Participants will meet and conclude at the American Legion Baseball Field parking lot.

Kid-friendly activities include hay rides, bounce house zone, and lots of

food options for families to enjoy. Most activities will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be plenty of activities for adults too, including the Car Show & Shine, lots of shopping, and a beer garden that will be available throughout the day. Young and old alike can participate in the Cornhole Tournament and pumpkin decorating contest. Several local emergency vehicles and a Cobalt boats will also be on display.

After 4 p.m., the band Outlaw Reloaded will provide live music and entertainment. Then at dusk, community members can gather at the park to watch the famous Thunder on the Plain, hosted by Sizz-Boom Fireworks, powered by Kansas City Pyrotechnicians Association.

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## AREA EVENTS

### Tuesday, Sept. 20

#### Art Exploration Instruction

Join Gallery artists Pat Glick and Laura Wright every Tuesday afternoon for a fun time working on citizens' own projects or art from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at ArtForms Gallery. Participants are asked to bring their own materials. This event is free and open to the public.

#### Arma American Legion Bingo

Every Tuesday the Arma American Legion will have bingo at 512 E. Main Street in Arma. Doors open at 5 p.m. and bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. This week the High Roller Blackout will pay \$1200 for 56 numbers. Progressive Blackout will pay \$325 for 51 numbers. Each week \$25 is added to the Blackout if no one wins on those numbers.

#### Story Time at the Library

The Pittsburg Public Library invites kids and families to the library at 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays for a story time. The program is free and no registration is required. Story time takes place at the library at 308 N. Walnut Street.

#### Homeschool Tuesday

Girard Public Library is hosting a program open to homeschool families from 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20. All ages welcome. If children are under the age of 7, a parent/caregiver will need to be present during the program.

#### CHCSEK Services

CHCSEK will be available from 1 to 3 p.m. on Tuesday Sept. 20 at the Girard Public Library to provide information or assistance. CHCSEK Staff will be able to assist patrons with medical needs, getting insurance, finding food or supplies resources, transportation, isolation, or depression and other services offered through CHCSEK.

### Wednesday, Sept. 21

#### Story Time at the Library

The Pittsburg Public Library invites kids and families to the library at 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays for a story time. The program is free and no registration is required. Story time takes place at the library at 308 N. Walnut Street.

#### Building Strong Readers

Children up to age 5 are invited to Girard Public Library, 128 W. Prairie St. In Girard, for stories and a craft from 10 to 10:45 a.m. The ages 5 to 11 program will begin at 2:30 p.m. Call the library at 620-724-4317 for more information.

#### Teen Time

The Girard Public Library is hosting a Teen Time program for children in grades 6th through 12th at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21. Call the library at 620-724-4317 for more information.

#### Beginners Sign Language Class

Every Wednesday starting Aug. 3 the South Broadway Baptist Church in the Kennett Building, 1318 S. Broadway in Pittsburg. The class will be from 5 to 6 p.m. and participants will learn sign language through songs. There is no cost and everyone is welcome.

### Thursday, Sept. 22

#### 29th Annual Emmett Lecture featuring Hyeryung Hwang

Hyeryung Hwang, a multidisciplinary teacher-scholar with research and teaching experience in the fields of world literature and cinema, theories of imperialism and colonialism, and peripheral aesthetics and politics, will be lecturing at PSU. Her talk will be called "Barbaric Modernities" and will begin at 7 p.m. in the Governor's Room in the Overman Student Center. A reception will follow in the Heritage Room.

### Friday, Sept. 23

#### 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.

#### Pittsburg ArtWalk

The Fall Pittsburg ArtWalk will be held on from 5 to 9 p.m. in Downtown Pittsburg on Broadway Street between 4th Street and 7th Street. The ArtWalk features a variety of artists, vendors, and music, as well as a poetry and fiction reading. For more information, visit pittsburgartwalk.com.

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### OKIE IN EXILE

# Of weathermen and Queen Elizabeth II



**BOBBY NEAL WINTERS**  
Morning Sun Columnist

I liked going to Safeway when I was a little boy because they had automatic doors. They were like magic. They open even though you don't touch them. I still think they were pretty cool.

Once I had just stepped through those magical doors and looked up to see the weatherman from KTEN-TV (channel 10 in Ada, Oklahoma) right there in front of me. Had it been Jesus Christ himself, the shock could not have been greater.

Looking back, I consider myself lucky that I didn't wet my pants. As it was, I just ran off crying at the top of my lungs. There wasn't a puddle for anyone to mop up, but just a story my big brother could hold

over my head for YEARS. Now things are different. Until he moved, I walked past the house of the KOAM morning weather guy every day. When he was out in his front yard we would pass and repass. If he was on his phone, he'd nod his head and wave. Occasionally, I would thank him for the good weather we'd been having.

So I now, as a grownup man, know that these folks we see on TV every day are just people, just human beings, like us. No, not like us, they are us.

But there is something there, some special quality that the folks that “everyone knows” have. This is a place where I am running out of words. I am pretty sure someone knows them and that I will be told them — perhaps even nicely. I want to say they have power, but that's not precise enough. Would one use

either the word charisma or charism here?

I've run out of words, so as I am a teacher, let's do some examples.

As I write this, Queen Elizabeth II has just passed away at the age of 96. She arose to her position not out of merit, but out of birth because that's the way such things are done. That position gave her this quality I am talking about. Just because she was who she was being in her presence would have a certain effect on you depending who you are.

I wouldn't run crying from her presence now like I did for the KTEN weatherman. I would stand there like a grown up and wet my pants. Of this, I have no doubt. There would be a custodian there with a mop as the EMT's rolled my unconscious body off to the ER.

Others would be affected differently I'm sure.

While I said that Queen Elizabeth didn't rise to her position because of merit, she did fill that position as well as any could in this modern day. Others will speak of different things, but I most respected her quiet, but unapologetic, Christian faith. She expressed this faith not as a theologian nor a preacher, but as a simple professing member of the faith. This is something of a trick when you are the titular head of the Church of England.

Pastors have this quality to a lesser degree within the scope of their churches. Bosses at work have this quality. Politicians have it, God help us.

A word from them one way or the other can affect the way we feel. Recognition from them can make our spirits soar; retribution from them can crush us.

People who go to church

will skip church on days when the pastor is on vacation — even if they don't like the pastor. People who are often absent from Rotary will show up when a politician is there — even if they don't like the politician.

Not everyone who has this (quality/power/charism) acquits themselves well. The Kardashians who are famous for being famous use it as a cash cow. There are people who would swoon in their presence. They are like insects which the wind has lifted to a great height. Everyone can see them, and there is money to be made as long as people keep looking.

Queen Elizabeth was wise in the sense that she allowed tradition to protect her. She guarded her gift so that it could be a boon to her people. When she bestowed an honor upon someone, it meant

something to the person who received it. It lifted them up. It buoyed their spirit.

Those who share this quality would do well to follow her example.

Those who know sociology or psychology will understand this all better than I do. I am just a child, a child walking through magic doors looking in wonder upon it all.

You weathermen out there, you with all your power and charism. Be careful. And when you send a child screaming from your presence, be kind.

*Bobby Winters, a native of Harden City, Oklahoma, blogs at redneckmath.blogspot.com and okieinexile.blogspot.com. He invites you to “like” the National Association of Lawn Mowers on Facebook. Search for him by name on YouTube.*

### HELLO NEIGHBOR

# Let’s go to the Kansas State Fair!



**LOIS CARLSON**  
Morning Sun Columnist

Let's go to the Kansas State Fair! When I was growing up I heard about the state fair but I thought it was in Topeka, Kansas. That was where my parents went one time on a bus and they brought my sister and me a souvenir

from the fair. It was a big deal in the mid-late 1950s.

When I started working for the Kansas Cooperative Extension Service I soon learned I would be taking 4-H members and exhibits to two fairs... one in Topeka and one in Hutchinson. Each fair had 4-H exhibits and judging events. If 4-H'ers had exhibits to send they were almost always transported to and from the fair by the county extension agents.

The Topeka fair was smaller than the one at Hutchinson but both had a big carnival and the kids had lots of fun. For agents it meant September was a busy month with many hours and miles on the road between both fairs.

So how did Kansas come to have two such big fairs open to 4-H members across Kansas?

The oldest of the two fairs was the Topeka Free Fair in Topeka, Kansas.

The Kansas State Fair Association was organized in 1880 with a representative from each of the 105 counties. The purpose was to hold a statewide fair in Topeka. The first Kansas State Fair was held September 12 to 17, 1881. It was officially named the Kansas Free Fair in 1915 and remained so until 1958 when it was renamed to Mid America Fair. Then in 1977 it was renamed the Sunflower State Fair.

As I remember, the Sunflower State Fair was struggling financially and Topeka leaders wanted to use the fair grounds for more than the annual fair with its exhibits and contests, a midway, carnival and there was even a big grandstand where great musical shows were performed, car races and much more. It was the mid 1980s and by 1987 the Kansas Expo Center was opened and the fair melted

into Topeka and Kansas History. The Shawnee County Fair is still held annually on the grounds. Before all of these changes, there was a Kansas State Fair being held each year in Hutchinson, Kansas, so what happened? Why did Kansas have two fairs for so long? More on this bit of Kansas History next week.

### STOCK MARKET INSIGHTS

# Big drop

**By Dr. Richard Baker, AIF**  
Steadfast Wealth Management

"That was a big drop!" I was in the truck with my dad as he was backing our boat into the river at the Blunk's boat ramp. The passenger side back tire went off the concrete boat ramp and landed hard. This wasn't surprising because the upper side of that boat ramp frequently washed out, making a big hole. The sudden drop scared me but didn't bother my dad because he'd dropped off in a few holes

before and lived to tell about it. Sudden drops in the market can be scary.

The markets had a big single-day drop on Sept. 13, 2022. The Dow Jones index was -3.94%, S&P 500 Index -4.3%, and Nasdaq -5.5% making it the worst day in the market since June 2020, according to the WSJ.

This awful day in US stocks was because the release of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for August proved inflation had stayed high and wasn't going away soon. Consumer

prices went up in August even though Gasoline fell by 10%, according to LPL. The relief in gasoline prices wasn't enough to make up for higher prices in nearly everything else.

The CPI report showed that inflation is hotter than economists expected, making investors rethink the Federal Reserve's next move. Investors were hopeful that inflation was going down gradually and that the Federal Reserve wouldn't need to raise interest rates as aggressively as they have in the last few meetings.

Even though inflation has probably peaked, the Fed still has work to do, which might prove painful. They will probably

increase rates again by 75 basis points on the 21st to try to cool the inflation. The Fed has two more meetings after this week's meeting, and they are expected to continue to raise rates at those meetings as well. This is the price of their slow response to inflation.

Big single-day drops in the market are painful, but we must remember those are speedbumps, not destinations. The S&P 500 averages almost two daily drops of 4% or more each year, but these tend to happen more frequently around recessions. Stocks often perform above average on a midterm basis after big drops, with a 15% average one-year return

following -4% day, according to LPL.

These rate increases make things look more difficult in 2023 when the higher interest rates, which have a delayed effect, fully affect the economy. At this point, I think the market will gain momentum after the midterm elections, but there is now a 50/50 chance of a shallow recession in 2023.

After we launched the boat and tied it up on the riverbank, I asked my dad what we would do about the truck in the hole. He smiled and told me to lock the hubs into four-wheel drive. He put it in gear, and I watched the 4X4 slowly pull the truck out of the hole and back uphill. The

stock market doesn't have 4X4, but it does have profits and a long history of handling big drops. Like my dad that day, long-term investors shouldn't sweat a little drop.

Have a blessed week!

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# 60th anniversary looms with no acknowledgment from kids



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail Van Buren

**DEAR ABBY:** I have a good, if not terribly close, relationship with my adult son and daughter. We speak every few weeks. They live some distance away. There's no drama, no negative angst between us. My husband and I will soon be celebrating our 60th wedding anniversary. Neither our son nor our daughter has acknowledged the occasion nor asked if we wish to celebrate it. I assume they are somehow unaware of this milestone. Should I contact them about it? It's not like we're incommunicado or estranged, because we're not.

This anniversary is a BIG deal to us, yet they seem unaware. I'm blaming myself somehow. Their father has been treated for cancer and is, fortunately, deemed cancer-free now. What is your advice? -- READY TO CELEBRATE IN FLORIDA

**DEAR READY:** Your son and daughter may be so wrapped up in themselves and their own lives that it hasn't occurred to them to volunteer to host something or ask what you and their father would like. Call them and raise the subject. They may be waiting to be told what, if anything, you have planned for the occasion. If they are not available, do not let that stop you from having the celebration the occasion deserves.

**DEAR ABBY:** My boyfriend broke up with me. After a few weeks, I was OK with it. Then he wanted to visit me, but I was busy that day and, truth be told, I didn't want to see him. I was going to hang out with a guy friend when my ex showed up although I had told him not to. When I went out with my friend, my ex couldn't go in my house because I didn't want him there if I wasn't there. When I returned home, my ex was mad that we went out to eat and didn't get him anything. Was I supposed to buy him food if I didn't even want him there to begin with? This happened months ago and I'm still furious. -- DEE IN NEW YORK

**DEAR DEE:** Being furious is a waste of your time and energy. That your former boyfriend would force himself on you in

spite of having been told he was unwelcome was rude and boorish. You did exactly the right thing by not allowing him to insert himself into your plans. I hope you are now rid of him. If he keeps it up, it could be considered borderline stalking.

**DEAR ABBY:** I recently returned from an annual girls trip with my retired teachers' group. We all get along well and enjoy each other's company except for one "fly in the ointment" who refuses to leave decent tips for great restaurant service. I'm talking about \$2 on a \$20 tab. We all pay our own bills and tip 25% or more every time. We have mentioned the subject of tipping to her before. She says she thinks it's a "racket." Is there anything we can do? -- CHEAPSKATE'S FRIEND

**DEAR FRIEND:** The annual girls trip may be this woman's only splurge for the year, which may be why she's conservative when it comes to tipping. I will assume that you and the others have spoken to her about the wage scale for restaurant servers, and the fact that many of them have to share their tips with other staff. Because there's nothing you can do to change the behavior of another adult, either consider your own generous tips as balancing out her stingy ones or stop including her because she's an embarrassment.

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COMMUNITY

Nominating commission to interview district magistrate judge nominees

Staff Reports  
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PITTSBURG, Kan. — The 11th Judicial District Nominating Commission will convene at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, at the Crawford County Judicial Center in Pittsburg to interview nominees for the new district magistrate judge position in Crawford County.

The new magistrate judge position was among

several certified by Supreme Court Administrative Order 2022-JA-020 after the Kansas Legislature passed and the governor signed 2022 House Substitute for Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267 to fund them. The 11th Judicial District is composed of Cherokee, Crawford, and Labette counties.

The interview schedule is as follows: 10:30 a.m. — Elaine Bradshaw, Pittsburg, assistant to chief judge, 11th Judicial Dis-

trict; 10:50 a.m. — Michael Reese, Girard, sheriff deputy, Crawford County Sherri Department; 11:10 a.m. — Joe Gordon Gregory, Pittsburg, attorney, Wilbert and Towner P.A., and municipal judge, Frontenac City Court.

Public comment will be accepted before the interviews begin at 10:30 a.m. Interviews are open to the public. They will take place at the Jury assembly room at the Crawford County Judicial Center,

602 N. Locust, Pittsburg.

Any person with a disability who requires accommodation to access the nominating commission meeting should notify the judicial branch ADA coordinator as early as possible. Email ADA@kscourts.org, call 785-296-2256, or TTY at 711.

A nominee for district magistrate judge must be a resident of Crawford County at the time of taking office and while holding office; a graduate of a

high school, a secondary school, or the equivalent; and either a lawyer admitted to practice in Kansas or able to pass an examination to become certified within 18 months.

The commission will appoint a district magistrate judge following interviews with the nominees.

After serving one year in office, a new judge must stand for a retention vote in the next general election to remain in the

position. If retained, the incumbent will serve a four-year term.

The 11th Judicial District Nominating Commission consists of Justice Evelyn Wilson as the nonvoting chair; Sara Beezley, Pittsburg; James Cook and William Shane Adamson, Parsons; John Lehman, Girard; Oliver Lynch, Baxter Springs; and Angela Rippel, Scammon.

FESTIVAL

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WMC said in a press release that it would like to thank the volunteers and sponsors who have

contributed to the event. Proceeds from the Fall Festival will support the purchase of medical

equipment to help WMC provide the best care possible for its patients. If you would like to sup-

port or participate in this year's event, contact Erica Johnson at 620-325-8396 or ejohnson@wmrc.org. For

more information about the event, visit the Wilson Medical Center Facebook page.

Open house planned for newly renovated Sperry Herbarium

Special to the Morning Sun  
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PITTSBURG, Kan. — An open house is planned from 3 to 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, for the T.M. Sperry Herbarium at Pittsburg State University to celebrate its newly renovated space and facilities in

Room 212 Hartman Hall.

The event will feature a short presentation by Director Neil Snow, a professor of biology, on the recent completion of a grant from the National Science Foundation.

The herbarium was officially established in 1946 by Professor Theodore

M. Sperry, its namesake. Starting with some 100 specimens in 1946, under Sperry's direction the herbarium had grown to nearly 40,000 specimens by 1974.

Stephen Timme, a bryologist, took over the herbarium in 1989 until his retirement in 2011.

Today, it houses approximately 42,000 vascular plants and 6,000 bryophytes, with approximately 3,000 plants waiting to be logged. Nearly all of its specimens have been databased online.

The herbarium is fully equipped with digital and printed sources of data to

identify plants regionally and across North America. It is open to researchers during the academic year, August through April.

The vascular plants emphasize the flora of Kansas and the Four States but also include important specimens from elsewhere

in the U.S., Australia, Africa, Madagascar, and the Peruvian Amazon.

Bryophytes also are well represented, with collections from the southeastern U.S., the Peruvian Amazon, Costa Rica, and many other areas.

SCOUTING

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This was the first event for children from kindergarten through fifth grade who were new to the Scouts. Each participant received a new fishing pole and tackle kit before they visited different sta-

tions set up around the park. At each station, new Scouts learned the different aspects of fishing like how to set up their pole, how to bait their hook, how to tie different fishing knots, and identifying fish. There was also an area where the children could practice casting, and after they visited each station, they were able to put their

newly learned skills to the test by fishing in the lake in the park.

The event lasted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., allowing the children as much time as they wanted to fish, and when they were done, they were each given a fishing patch, and a lunch was provided for the families.

Mo-Kan District Specialist of Boy Scouts of Ameri-

ca Michelle Smith-Puckett said the Scouts had visited elementary schools in the area and hosted a special sign-up for Cub Scouts nights.

"This is really our first year coming back strong after the pandemic," Smith-Puckett said. "And so there's just a lot more participation. We've had a record turnout this fall for

scouts signing up for our program, which is good."

She said over 80 families showed up at the event.

New Cub Scout member Ryder Kaufman said he wanted to join because it sounded fun, and he already liked fishing.

Another new member, Mason Wilde, said he was really looking forward to camping.

"We have some tremendous scouting supporters in our communities around here," Smith-Puckett said. "People are wanting to get back to a sense of normalcy in their lives, and doing more outdoor events."

MORAN

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"This is a particularly good time to have this conversation because we've begun the process of what the next farm bill should look like," Moran said. "The problem we face is the cost of inputs, and with everything so expensive, it's harder and harder to eke out a living here."

Inflation has affected every input, from the rising cost of fuel, nitrates, and fertilizers, to equipment

maintenance and replacement, making production more expensive. Matthew Atkinson said nitrate has gone from \$80 per ton 15 years ago to almost \$800 per ton today. Matthew's grandfather Marion said his father could buy a brand-new tractor and planter for \$49,000 when he was 18 years old, adding that now, you can't even touch a planter for that price. Coupled with a drought, diminished harvests and dropping prices, it's all farmers can do to break even.

Crop insurance is key in keeping many farms

afloat. Marion Atkinson said he never bought insurance until 15 years ago because he couldn't afford it. Now, he said, "We couldn't survive without it."

Urban encroachment is another concern. People are moving from the city to the country, buying up ten acres for a house, but no farm. Others are buying up land for private hunting excursions by out-of-state big-wigs. This real estate boom has raised property values in the area, with one owner noting that there was a time when you couldn't

give a strip pit away. Now, it's worth over \$2,000 an acre.

Energy companies are also trying to buy up farmland, either for power lines, windmills or solar farms. The problem comes when the company typically wants the most valuable piece of land to build on. Matthew Atkinson pointed to high-voltage lines crossing his land, saying he had no say in their construction, and the power in those lines is not used locally, but goes to Oklahoma.

"We need to develop more markets," said

Dennis Hupe, director of field services for the Kansas Soybean Association. According to Hupe, roughly 60 percent of soybeans grown in the US are shipped overseas. "We aren't looking for another China," he said, referring to President Trump's trade embargo. "We don't want to put all our eggs in one basket."

By far, the largest concern of the farmers that gathered Monday is the current drought, and Moran said he wanted to be here to understand the severity of the drought and lack of rain firsthand.

What little rain the area gets is quickly soaked up and the ground is bone dry again within days.

"We're always 10 days away from a drought," said Marion.

Moran said there is always great value in visiting with farmers. "They are hugely important to our local economy. They are the people who create the wealth," he said. "The success of farmers and ranchers determines a lot about the future of Kansas."

Handmade Market



Local business Down to Earth held their 3rd Annual Handmade Market on Saturday. Over a dozen artists and makers put up booths to sell their items such as plants, dreamcatchers, paintings, crystals, jewelry, bath salts, and much more. For some of the vendors, this was their first time setting up shop, while others had been to every Handmade Market event.

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At approximately 1:11 p.m. Monday, a 2020 Freightliner truck was traveling southbound on U.S. 69 when a 2002 Honda Civic driven by Chadd Logan, 49, of Fort Scott, who was traveling northbound, crossed the center line and struck the semi, which was driven by Shammah Moultrie, 21, of Georgetown, South Carolina, according to the KHP crash report.

A 2005 Pontiac Grand Prix driven by Kaylee

Denton, 19, of Galena, then struck the rear of the Civic, and the semi collided with a northbound 2018 Ford F150 driven by Joseph Snedden, 34, of Vinita, Oklahoma, causing both the semi and the F150 to go into the east ditch, according to the KHP.

The only person reporting an injury from the crash, according to the KHP, was Logan, who was taken to Ascension Via Christi Hospital in Pittsburg for treatment of suspected minor injuries. All four drivers were wearing seat belts.

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# LOOKING BACK

FROM OUR HISTORY

## The moon appeared to have a miniature moon, later identified as a weather balloon

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

**100 Years Ago**  
Sept. 20, 1922  
Saturday's mine pay will amount to approximately half a million dollars, according to an estimate made yesterday at operators' headquarters. This will constitute the largest amount distributed among miners of the district in many months. It is asserted by businessmen that miners' pay of a week ago Saturday, a comparatively small one, served as a remarkable stimulus after the prolonged strike that started April 1.  
Enrollment figures for the city schools were given yesterday, the seventh day. The figures given by Supt. J. F. Bender, as compared with the seventh day last year, are as follows: Douglas, 88, last year 80; Lincoln, 561, last year 553; Eugene Field, 484, last year, 471; Central, 364, last year 390; Lakeside, 341, last year, 336; Forest Park, 327, last year 300; Washington, 292, last year 279;

Junior High, 663, last year 705; Senior High, 766, last year 695.  
Matt Maher, formerly of Kansas City, Kas., and Sam Brooker, Altoona, Kas., are dead as a result of having been overcome by white damp in a water well on the Maher farm, east of Neodesha yesterday. Maher and his two sons were cleaning out the well 40 feet deep, when one of the sons was overcome by the poisonous gas, the father and Booker going to their aid when they, too, were overcome. The two Maher boys will recover.

**50 Years Ago**  
Sept. 20, 1972  
The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is, to put it mildly, very optimistic about the construction of a proposed 5,000-acre lake southwest of Fort Scott on the Marmaton river. Kansas City District Engineer Col. William R. Needham told a gathering last night that the project "should be started in the near future." The dam about five miles west of the south edge of Fort Scott would cost \$31 million.  
The moon appeared to have picked up a miniature moon last evening as

a bright object appeared in the sky north of the lunar body. Telephone calls flooded the Headlight-Sun and the police station as residents reported the object and inquired what it was. Police later identified the object as a weather balloon. The object was pear-shaped and could be observed swinging in the wind.  
Dennis McComak was the "Man of the Hour" in Columbus yesterday, and from the reception prepared for the world's second best archer it is certain he will remain the No. 1 citizen. McComak was second in the world field archery competition in Italy last week. The previous week he had placed 11th in the Olympics in Munich, both events including competition of the world's finest archers.  
**25 Years Ago**  
Sept. 20, 1997  
If Ol' Mother Hubbard had lived in Pittsburg, Fido wouldn't have worried. Thanks to Pittsburg Middle School's Seventh Grade Food Pantry Legacy Program, needy families in Pittsburg USD 250 never have to find their cupboards completely bare.

"We've arbitrarily decided to provide this service for people within USD 250's boundaries, one time per month per family," said the project's organizer. "It's a supplement."  
The Crawford County budget will have to accommodate over \$90,000, only part of the fallout from the capital murder trial of Gary Kleypas. At the Crawford County Commission meeting yesterday, County Clerk Dan Brunetti presented expenses received so far from the agencies involved in holding the trial, but he cautioned, "I am assuming some other incidentals will come in."  
The season is far from finished but somehow seems to be slipping away for the Pittsburg Purple Dragons. A squad that began the season ranked No. 3 in Class 5A is searching for answers after it barged into its home opener last night at Hutchinson Field ready to make a statement. Instead, the No. 7 ranked Dragons were forced to watch the No. 6 Blue Valley Tigers high five out of town with a 24-21 win.

TODAY IN HISTORY

## In 1881, Chester A. Arthur was sworn in as the 21st president of the United States

Associated Press  
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Today is Tuesday, Sept. 20, the 263rd day of 2022. There are 102 days left in the year.  
**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On Sept. 20, 1973, in their so-called "battle of the sexes," tennis star Billie Jean King defeated Bobby Riggs in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3, at the Houston Astrodome.  
**On this date:**  
In 1519, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan and his crew set out from Spain on five ships to find a western passage to the Spice Islands. (Magellan was killed enroute, but one of his ships eventually circled the world.)  
In 1881, Chester A. Arthur was sworn in as the 21st president of the United States, succeeding the assassinated James A. Garfield.  
In 1946, the first Cannes Film Festival, lasting 16 days, opened in France.  
In 1962, James Meredith, a Black student, was blocked from enrolling at the University of Mississippi by Democratic Gov. Ross R. Barnett. (Meredith was later admitted.)  
In 1964, The Beatles concluded their first

full-fledged U.S. tour by performing in a charity concert at the Paramount Theater in New York.  
In 1967, the Cunard liner RMS Queen Elizabeth 2 was christened by Britain's Queen Elizabeth II in Clydebank, Scotland.  
In 1973, singer-songwriter Jim Croce died in a plane crash near Natchitoches, Louisiana; he was 30.  
In 1995, in a move that stunned Wall Street, AT&T Corporation announced it was splitting into three companies.  
In 2000, Independent Counsel Robert Ray announced the end of the Whitewater investigation, saying there was insufficient evidence to warrant charges against President and Mrs. Clinton.  
In 2001, during an address to a joint session of Congress, President George W. Bush announced a new Cabinet-level office to fortify homeland security and named Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge its director.  
In 2011, repeal of the U.S. military's 18-year-old "don't ask, don't tell" compromise took effect, allowing gay and lesbian service members to serve openly.  
In 2019, Three Mile Is-

land in Pennsylvania, the 1979 site of the nation's worst commercial nuclear power accident, was shut down by its owner after producing electricity for 45 years.  
**Ten years ago:** On a day when thousands of angry Pakistanis tried to make their way to the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, the embassy aired an ad on Pakistani TV showing President Barack Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton denouncing an anti-Islamic video produced in the United States. Space shuttle Endeavour, riding atop a Boeing 747, landed at Edwards Air Force Base in California en route to its eventual retirement home, the California Science Center in Los Angeles.  
Five years ago: Hurricane Maria, the strongest hurricane to hit Puerto Rico in more than 80 years, struck the island, wiping out as much as 75 percent of the power distribution lines and causing an island-wide blackout. Rescuers worked furiously at a collapsed school in Mexico City where a girl was believed trapped under debris in the aftermath of a deadly earthquake; it was later determined that no chil-

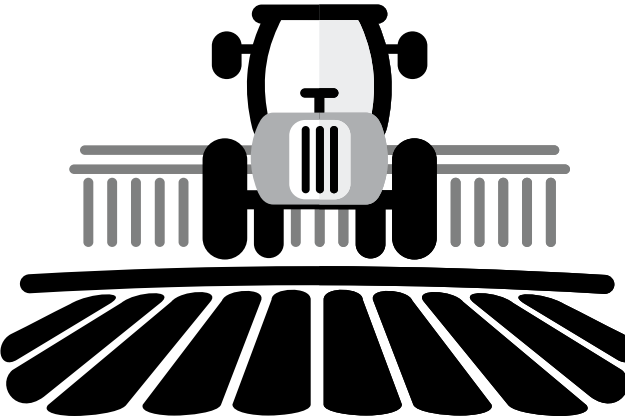
dren were still trapped in the debris.  
**One year ago:** Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau won his third straight election, but failed to get the majority in Parliament that he wanted; Trudeau had voiced the concerns of Canadians who were increasingly upset with those who refused to get vaccinated against COVID-19. Pfizer announced that its COVID-19 vaccine was effective for children ages 5 to 11; the vaccine was already available to anyone 12 and older. (U.S. health officials would approve the vaccine for children as young as 5 in November 2021.) In a major easing of pandemic travel restrictions, the White House said it would allow foreigners to fly into the country starting in November if they had vaccination proof and a negative COVID-19 test. U.S. officials said more than 6,000 Haitians and other migrants had been removed from an encampment at a Texas border town; the officials defended a response that included immediately expelling the migrants to their impoverished Caribbean country.

## COMMODITIES

Chicago Merchantile Exchange					
	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg
<b>CATTLE</b>					
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
Oct	145.72	146.27	145.55	145.72	+22
Dec	151.10	151.60	150.70	150.90	−07
Feb	155.10	155.77	155.02	155.25	+15
Apr	158.32	159.15	158.30	158.90	+50
Jun	154.42	155.17	154.37	155.05	+50
Aug	154.27	155.00	154.25	154.95	+53
Oct	157.75	158.50	157.75	158.47	+32
Dec	161.00	161.45	161.00	161.45	+25
Est. sales 47,944.Fri.'s sales 43,147					
Fri.'s open int 299,129, up 493					
<b>FEEDER CATTLE</b>					
50,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
Sep	179.45	180.02	178.90	179.95	+75
Oct	181.00	182.67	180.82	182.30	+1.05
Nov	182.77	183.92	182.37	183.52	+77
Jan	184.07	185.30	183.87	184.97	+72
Mar	186.75	187.97	186.75	187.80	+88
Apr	190.50	191.30	190.50	191.00	+80
May	193.00	193.57	192.82	193.35	+95
Aug	199.95	200.50	199.95	200.40	+1.00
Est. sales 15,994.Fri.'s sales 11,341					
Fri.'s open int 42,668,up 439					
<b>HOGS,LEAN</b>					
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
Oct	96.67	97.05	96.05	96.47	−43
Dec	88.32	88.72	87.32	88.15	+18
Feb	91.77	92.25	91.00	91.92	+27
Apr	95.87	96.07	95.12	95.95	+20
May	99.65	99.85	99.57	99.72	+27
Jun	104.87	105.12	104.40	105.07	+20
Jul	104.50	104.85	104.17	104.77	+20
Aug	102.77	103.42	102.75	103.22	+02
Oct	89.65	89.65	89.20	89.30	−40
Est. sales 28,015.Fri.'s sales 37,033					
Fri.'s open int 203,174, up 3,543					
<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	857¼	861¼	819¼	830½	−29¼
Mar	871	875	835¼	846½	−28¼
May	880¼	882	845¼	855¾	−28¼
Jul	873¾	873¾	839½	850¾	−25
Sep	870	870	843	853	−23¾
Dec	876	876	850¼	859	−23¼
Mar	873½	873½	849	858	−22½
May	851	−21¾			
Est. sales 64,804.Fri.'s sales 72,183					
Fri.'s open int 284,443					
<b>CORN</b>					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Dec	675¾	680	668¼	678¼	+1
Mar	681	686	674	683½	+½
May	681¼	686¼	675	684¼	+¾
Jul	675¾	680	670	678½	+1
Sep	634½	636	629½	635¼	+1¼
Dec	620	623¼	617	622	+2
Mar	629¾	629¾	625	628¾	+1¼
May	629	631	628½	631	+1¼
Jul	624¼	628	624¼	628	+1½
Est. sales 146,555.Fri.'s sales 193,433					
Fri.'s open int 1,320,567, up 3,162					
<b>OATS</b>					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Dec	396¼	406	396¼	402¼	+6¼
Mar	408¼	409	402½	405	+5
May	408	+5¼			
Jul	408¾	+5¼			
Sep	394	+5½			
Dec	394	+5½			
Mar	386¼	+5½			
May	383½	+5½			
Jul	371½	+5½			
Est. sales 222.Fri.'s sales 209					
Fri.'s open int 3,811,up 44					
<b>SOYBEANS</b>					
5,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel					
Nov	1446	1465¾	1438¼	1461¼	+12¾
Jan	1452¼	1472	1444¾	1467½	+12¼
Mar	1453¾	1472	1445½	1469¼	+13¼
May	1453	1472¼	1448¼	1471¼	+14¼
Jul	1455½	1469¾	1445¾	1469½	+15¼
Aug	1434¾	1447¼	1422¼	1447¼	+16½
Sep	1397¼	1402	1397¼	1402	+16¼
Nov	1364¼	1383	1359½	1382¾	+16¼
Jan	1374¾	1385¼	1373¾	1385¼	+16¾
Est. sales 132,852.Fri.'s sales 141,987					
Fri.'s open int 651,606					
<b>SOYBEAN OIL</b>					
60,000 lbs; cents per lb					
Oct	68.74	69.10	67.49	68.00	−66
Dec	66.02	66.39	64.67	65.16	−80
Jan	64.93	65.32	63.66	64.22	−67
Mar	63.88	64.20	62.56	63.17	−59
May	62.97	63.23	61.71	62.32	−57
Jul	62.07	62.25	60.86	61.39	−55
Aug	61.17	61.17	60.22	60.48	−54
Sep	60.34	60.34	59.62	59.66	−55
Est. sales 80,450.Fri.'s sales 116,398					
Fri.'s open int 400,224, up 3,228					
<b>SOYBEAN MEAL</b>					
100 tons; dollars per ton					
Oct	429.00	439.60	428.10	438.20	+8.60
Dec	421.00	430.80	420.20	429.30	+7.60
Jan	415.60	425.70	414.90	424.60	+8.20
Mar	407.50	417.90	407.40	416.80	+7.90
May	405.30	414.00	404.60	413.20	+8.00
Jul	405.80	413.10	405.20	412.40	+8.10
Aug	401.70	408.40	401.20	407.90	+8.30
Sep	394.90	401.50	394.90	401.50	+8.60
Oct	391.00	394.00	391.00	394.00	+9.20
Est. sales 87,331.Fri.'s sales 116,398					
Fri.'s open int 382,022, up 808					

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Soft wheat.....	\$7.76
Soybean.....	\$15.36
Yellow shell corn.....	\$7.58
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# STATE & REGION

## Judge orders ex-Kansas cop released for jail pending trial

By Margaret Stafford And John Hanna

Associated Press

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — A former Kansas police detective accused of preying on Black women and girls for decades will be released from jail pending his trial on charges involving two accusers who say he repeatedly sexually abused them, a federal judge ruled Monday.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Rachel Schwartz acknowledged the allegations against Roger Golubski represented “reprehensible conduct” and the underlying facts were “shocking,” but said he is not as much of risk as he would have been when the alleged crimes occurred. Prosecutors had also argued that he might try to flee, but Schwartz said his serious medical issues tie him to the community.

Golubski, 69, was arrested and charged Thursday on six counts of civil rights violations alleging that as an officer with

the Kansas City, Kansas, police department, he sexually abused a Black woman and a teenager more than two decades ago. Five counts allege that Golubski kidnapped or tried to kidnap the victims.

Schwartz ordered Golubski to remain at home except for religious services and medical care, to be monitored around the clock, and to have no contact with possible victims or potential witnesses.

Prosecutors filed a motion Friday that included graphic details of his encounters with the two accusers and that added complaints from seven other females who say Golubski harassed and abused them.

Golubski has not been charged in those seven cases, but prosecutors argued they provided more evidence that he is dangerous and has shown “nothing but utter contempt for the law.”

Several women who say they or their relatives were victimized by Golubski attended Monday’s

hearing.

Golubski, who retired in 2010, has pleaded not guilty. He faces a possible life sentence on each of the six counts.

The case is being tried in federal court, rather than state court, because federal law does not have a statute of limitations for civil rights violations, former U.S. Attorney Stephen McAllister said.

At the time of the alleged crimes, Kansas had a five-year statute of limitations for rape and aggravated sodomy. Kansas no longer has a statute of limitations for rape, but that doesn’t apply retroactively, McCallister said.

Golubski’s attorney, Tom Lemon, said Golubski needs medical care for diabetes and to recover from quintuple bypass heart surgery. He also said it would be difficult to provide an adequate defense if Golubski remains jailed. The case requires “intensive” work because it appears prosecutors have no physical evidence, just victim statements,

Lemon said.

“Now that he is sick and infirm, now the claim is that he is dangerous,” Lemon said. “I don’t see how he is a danger to anyone.”

Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen Hunting argued that Golubski’s medical care could be worked out.

“Mr. Golubski has terrorized a community for a long, long time,” Hunting said.

The motion filed Friday alleges Golubski displayed his gun while demanding sex and told the victims he would have them or their relatives imprisoned or killed if they ever told anyone what he did, prosecutors said.

The charges accuse Golubski of sexually assaulting a girl more than 10 times over about three years. He repeatedly told the girl, who was 13 when the abuse allegedly began, that he would kill her or her grandmother. He told her he would throw her in a river and sang a version of childhood song with the phrase, “where they won’t

find her until she stank,” according to the motion.

The other victim in the charged case, Ophelia Williams, was raped and sexually assaulted several times over two or three years, according to the motion. He initially abused Williams shortly after her two sons were arrested, prosecutors said.

The Associated Press generally does not name alleged victims of sexual assault, but Williams has told her story publicly.

The seven other victims were abused or threatened by Golubski between 1980s and 2004, prosecutors said.

One woman said she called the Kansas City, Kansas, police internal affairs department to report her encounter with Golubski but was told “there was nothing they could do because it was (her) word against the defendant’s,” prosecutors wrote.

The police department said Monday that Chief Karl Oakman would not have any comment on the motion. Mayor Tyrone Garner has said he

is committed to pushing for improvements in police-community relations to restore trust.

Another victim said Golubski sexually assaulted and raped her periodically between the mid-1990s and 2004 while threatening to take away her children, prosecutors said. In 2016, the woman was in the hospital when Golubski showed up and said, “Long time no see,” according to the indictment, prompting her to change hospitals, according to the motion.

Civil rights groups for years sought an investigation into Golubski. The allegations gained attention after Lamonte McIntyre, who spent 23 years in prison for a double murder he didn’t commit, sued Golubski and other Kansas City, Kansas, officers. McIntyre and his mother, Rose McIntyre, alleged that Golubski framed Lamont in 1994 because she refused the detective’s sexual demands.

The local government agreed in June to settle the lawsuit for \$12.5 million.

## New Mexico man, cousin arrested in Kansas in a homicide case

TOME, N.M. (AP) — A New Mexico man and his cousin have been arrested in Kansas in connection with the shooting death of a woman that is being investigated as a homicide, authorities said Monday.

Valencia County Sher-

iff’s officials said 37-year-old Karla Aguilera of Tome was reported missing by family members on Sept. 6.

A body was found Wednesday in Torrance County and an autopsy confirmed it was Aguilera,

authorities said.

According to a criminal complaint, the victim was shot four times.

An arrest warrant was issued for 50-year-old Rosalio Aguilera-Gamboa and authorities said he was arrested Saturday in

Garden City, Kansas along with his cousin Maria Guadalupe Nevarez Aguilera.

Valencia County officials said Aguilera-Gamboa is facing multiple charges including an open count of murder and tam-

pering with evidence.

Sheriff’s officials didn’t not disclose any information about Nevarez Aguilera’s arrest or what charges she could be facing during Monday’s news conference.

But they said Aguil-

era-Gamboa and his cousin would be extradited to New Mexico as soon as possible.

It was unclear Monday if the two suspects had lawyers yet who could speak on their behalf.

## Three Oklahoma high school students killed in vehicle crash

SAND SPRINGS, Okla. (AP) — Three northeastern Oklahoma high school students were killed when the vehicle they were in crashed into a tree Thursday, police said.

Ethan Gibson, 17; Cyra Saner, 16; and Kylee Weaver, 16; died in the crash in

Sand Springs, police Capt. Jody Fogelman said in a statement Friday. Two 16-year-olds who were also in the vehicle were hospitalized with undisclosed injuries.

Gibson, Saner and Weaver were all riding in the rear of the vehicle,

police said, and the other two were in the front, according to Fogelman.

The cause of the crash remained under investigation Friday, Fogelman said.

Deputy Police Chief Todd Enzbrenner said Thursday that the five

Charles Page High School students were apparently going to lunch when the crash occurred about a mile from the school in the west Tulsa suburb.

“Our community has suffered a devastating loss,” the district said in a social media post.

“Words cannot express the profound grief and heartbreak felt in our district tonight. Our deepest sympathies go to the families and loved ones of those involved,” the post said.

The district said it will offer counseling services

to students throughout the district.

In March, about 135 miles (217 kilometers) south, six Tishomingo high school students age 15 to 17 died in a two-vehicle collision as they returned to the school from lunch.

## Missouri couple charged after toddler shoots himself in head

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A Missouri couple has been charged with child endangerment after a 21-month-old St. Louis boy found a gun that had been left down on a television stand and fatally shot himself in the head.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reports that prosecutors say the boy’s mother Alea Little, 24, and her boyfriend Donnell Straughter, 30, were lying in bed when Khori Patterson crawled out of bed on Aug. 31 and left the room.

According to court documents, Little told investigators that a few minutes later she heard a gunshot and found Khori slumped over in a pool of blood.

Little told police that she knew the gun was where Khori could reach it and

neither she nor Straughter moved it.

After Khori was found, Straughter told Little he didn’t want police to know he had a gun or that the boy used it to shoot himself. Then Straughter fled and left Little at home

with Khori.

The boy died as police rushed him to the hospital while being held by his grandfather.

“I kept telling him to breathe, and he would take a breath,” the boy’s grandfather, Lee Little,

said to the Post-Dispatch. “I said, ‘Khori, if you hear me, hug me.’ He wrapped his arm around me and he took a breath — and he never took another one.”

# Oklahoma inmate charged with raping handcuffed female inmate

By Ken Miller

Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — An Oklahoma jail inmate, after being booked into jail, was able to leave the booking area unsupervised and raped a handcuffed female inmate who was awaiting release, according to charges filed Thursday.

The victim “was handcuffed to a bar attached to a wall in the receiving area of the Oklahoma

County jail and unable to escape” when Donta Ramone Thomas, 44, was able to remove her pants and rape her on July 19, according to charging documents submitted by District Attorney David Prater.

Jail surveillance video of the incident showed Thomas ignored orders to stand with his back to the wall and wait for other inmates to be processed after he was booked into jail on assault charges.

“Thomas disregarded these instructions and walked away from the area,” according to an affidavit. “He walked down the hallway toward the old medical screening area, where (the victim) was sitting, handcuffed to a bar.”

The video showed Thomas eventually groping the woman, forcing her to stand, then raping her, the affidavit stated.

Court documents say a warrant for Thomas’ arrest has been issued, but

jail records do not show that he was in custody as of Friday afternoon.

The court documents do not list an attorney who could speak on Thomas’ behalf and the attorney who represented him on the previous assault charges did not return a phone call for comment.

The incident is the latest at the jail, where a nine-member trust took over the jail from the sheriff’s office in 2020, tasked with managing its

operation and finances. Oklahoma County’s Board of Commissioners unanimously approved of the trust the previous year.

“This is yet another example of the jail trust’s complete disregard for those they are responsible for protecting,” Prater said in a text to The Associated Press.

Since taking over jail operations, the trust has come under fire because of inmate deaths, escapes and other incidents. Those

incidents include cruelty charges against two former jail employees and a supervisor after investigators found they forced inmates to stand handcuffed for hours and listen to the children’s song “Baby Shark” on repeat.

The criticism intensified after an inmate was shot and killed by police after taking a detention officer hostage last year.

## Court rules for officer in Oklahoma teen’s death lawsuit

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — An appeals court ruling could mean the end of a federal lawsuit filed by the parents of a Black teenager who was naked and unarmed when he was shot and killed by suburban Oklahoma City

police in 2019.

Police said 17-year-old Isaiah Lewis was naked when he broke into an Edmond home in April 2019 and attacked two officers. He was fatally shot after a stun gun didn’t stop him, Edmond police said.

Attorneys for Lewis’ parents said the teenager was experiencing a mental breakdown when the officers “unjustifiably” shot him.

But a three-judge panel of the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Den-

ver on Friday ruled in favor of Officer Denton Scherman, who fired the fatal shots, saying he was entitled to qualified immunity for his actions, the Oklahoman reported on Saturday.

Attorneys for Lewis’

parents could ask the full appeals court to reconsider the ruling.

An autopsy found Lewis sustained gunshot wounds to his face, thighs and groin. Toxicology tests showed he had detectable amounts of a common

antihistamine called diphenhydramine and THC, the active ingredient of marijuana, in his system.



NEWS

Beyond Meat exec accused of biting man’s nose outside a game

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — An executive of a vegan food products company has been charged

with felony battery and making a terroristic threat after a fracas outside a football game in which he’s accused of biting a man’s nose, officials said. Beyond Meat Chief Operations Officer Doug Ramsey has been accused of a road rage attack outside Saturday’s game between the Arkansas Razorbacks and Missouri State Bears in Fayetteville, Arkansas, according to Fayetteville television station KNWA. A police report says the 53-year-old Fayetteville man attacked another man who tried to inch in front of him in a parking garage traffic lane and made contact with a wheel on Ramsey’s sport utility vehicle. A police officer responding to the reported disturbance arrived

to find “two males with bloody faces,” the report states. After speaking with Ramsey, the other man and a witness, the officer determined that Ramsey had gotten out of his SUV and “punched through the back windshield” of the other car. The driver of the other vehicle said he emerged from his car and Ramsey “pulled him in close and started punching his body” and also “bit the owner’s nose, ripping the flesh on the tip of the nose,” the officer reported. That man and the witness also reported hearing Ramsey “threaten to kill” the man. Beyond Meat has not responded to messages from the station and The Associated Press seeking comment.



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Academician of the Week

Emily Reams

Pittsburg High School


As she prepares to graduate at the end of this school year, Emily Reams, daughter of Julie and Brad Reams and a senior at Pittsburg High School, says her advice to younger students is to have fun, and not be afraid to try new things. An All-A Honor Roll student and MVP forward for two consecutive years for PHS Girls Soccer, Reams is also Key Club president, a National Honor Society Officer, and a member of the Spanish Club. When she is not busy with those activities, her interests include traveling, writing, and painting. Reams’ favorite class is psychology and her favorite high school memory, she says, is winning PHS’s first ever soccer game in school history. Her future education plans are to attend the University of Arkansas with a major in graphic design. Her most challenging tasks as a senior, she says, is working on scholarship applications. Her favorite music is pop, favorite movie is Inside Out and favorite TV show is The Office. Her favorite food is teriyaki chicken and rice. A celebrity she would like to meet is Alex Morgan. Her dream destination is Japan, she says, and she could not live without her cat. The best advice she has received, Reams says, is “If an issue will not matter one month or one year from now, it isn't worth worrying about.” The thing she is most grateful for is her family, because they have been her biggest supporters since day one and she can always count on them.



Emily Reams

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Weir Homecoming



This year’s Weir Homecoming activities included a pie baking contest, chili and bean feed, raffle prize drawing, and turtle races. One highlight of the celebration on Saturday was the annual Homecoming Parade. MORNING SUN STAFF

HERITAGE

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Pittsburg State will continue to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month this week with a performance by Isaac Hernandez, a PSU graduate student in piano performance from Mexico. Hernandez will perform a recital of work by Latin American composers from Venezuela, Colombia, Cuba, Argentina, and Mexico from 5 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, in McCray Hall.



Three ladies perform the “La Pollera Colora,” a dance which originated in Colombia, at the Festival Hispano on Saturday. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN



“Ferrocarri de los Altos,” the second performance at the Festival Hispano, featured a dancer with the Guatemalan flag. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN



“La Anaconda,” one of the dances performed at Festival Hispano, is a traditional folk dance known in the Amazon area of Peru as a tribute to the water snake that lives there. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN



A variety of foods such as gorditas, tacos, enchiladas, rice, horchata, budin, tres leches cake, and many others were served at the Festival Hispano on Saturday. ANTJEA WOLFF / THE MORNING SUN

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# Quick scores ignite Gorillas past NSU

By Jim Henry  
Sports Editor

Pittsburg State's offense watched from the sideline for the first time, the Gorillas owned a 14-0 lead.

When it took the field for the first time, the Gorillas owned a 14-0 lead. Ignited by an interception return and blocked punt return for touchdowns, the No. 16 Gorillas rolled past Northeastern State 49-14 Saturday night on Family Night at Carnie Smith Stadium.

Caleb Lewis rushed for a career-high 153 yards, and Chad Dodson threw two touchdown passes as the Gorillas (3-0) retained a share of the MIAA lead with Northwest Missouri.

On the RiverHawks' second play, quarterback Jacob Frazier rolled to his right, then circled back to his left near the goal line as he was being chased by linebacker Dubem Okonkwo. Frazier's off-balance throw toward the left sideline was intercepted by Antione Nunn -- PSU's first of the season -- and returned 26 yards to the end zone.

"The play was going away from me, and then he started rolling back," said Nunn. "I saw that (the pass) was short, so I'm like 'I have to go get this.' I just caught it, and I saw the end zone, and my D-line started blocking. So I scored."

The RiverHawks (0-3) went three-and-out on their next series, and the Gorillas' Kaizer Newell rushed up the middle, stuck out his left arm to block Tyler Crawford's punt and then



**PSU sophomore running back Caleb Lewis stiff arms NSU senior defensive back John Joseph as he rushed for a career-high 153 yards and one touchdown in Saturday's 49-14 victory over the Riverhawks.** SETH POTTER/MORNING SUN STAFF

picked up the ball at the 6-yard line before going into the end zone.

"It was slow motion," Newell said. "I knew I'm supposed to go get it, and I'm the only one. I knew that he being a left-footed kicker, he's going to roll out to his left a little bit. So I tried to slip around the (blockers) a little bit. Somehow I got through there, the ball hit my hand and I picked it up and scored."

The Gorilla offense finally took the field and promptly went three-and-out. But on its second possession, a 24-yard run by Lewis and 17-yard pass from Dodson to Kolbe Katsis set up a seven-yard touchdown toss to tight end Dallas Bond, giving each phase a score to contribute to a 21-7 lead.

"We made it a point this week that we needed a good start in the football game," Gorillas coach Brian Wright said. "Coming

off a big road win the week before, we wanted to make sure we set the tone early here."

The RiverHawks used some trickery to score early in the second quarter. Quarterback Frazier handed off to wide receiver Malik Antwine, and Antwine stopped and hit Dashawn Williams near the right side at the 20. Williams then cut back to the left and scored, cutting PSU's lead to 21-14.

The RiverHawks gained 127 yards while scoring their 14 points in the first 16 minutes. But they were held to 99 yards in the final 44 minutes.

The Gorillas scored three times in the final eight minutes of the half -- runs of 1 yard by Lewis and 14 yards by Christian Carter and Dodson's five-yard pass to tight end Lawrence Harris -- for a 42-14 halftime lead.

"I thought in the second quarter we were playing

complementary football like you'd like to see with good defensive stops and then putting the ball in the end zone on offense," Wright said.

The Gorillas' Jamahl Horne scored on a four-yard run late in the third quarter for the lone second-half TD.

Lewis had 19 carries for his 153 yards as the Gorillas rolled up a season-best 232 yards on the ground.

"We started off this season a little shaky, but we finally picked it up," Lewis said. "Hopefully we can keep it (going) and have some great games ahead for the offense. The O-line is playing great, lights out. It all started up front."

"It was good to see," Wright said. "We hadn't had it like that the first two weeks. We needed to be better than that, and I was pleased with how we executed the base run game."



**Sophomore tight end Dallas Bond catches a pass for seven yards during Saturday's MIAA showdown at Carnie Smith Stadium between the Northeastern State Riverhawks and Gorillas.** SETH POTTER/MORNING SUN STAFF

Dodson hit 9-of-22 passes for 151 yards, and Darius Bowers completed 3-of-4 attempts for 33 yards in the fourth quarter. The 12 completions were spread among 11 receivers.

P.J. Sarwinski led the PSU defense with five tackles, one more than Brandon Mlekus, Onkonkwo and Trent Thompson.

The Gorillas are on the road at 1 p.m. Saturday against Emporia State.

Northeastern St. 7 7 0 0 -- 14  
Pittsburg St. 21 21 7 0 -- 49

**First Quarter**  
PSU--Antione Nunn 26 interception return (Cross Holmes kick), 14:05  
PSU--Kaizer Newell

6 blocked punt return (Holmes kick), 11:48

NSU--Malik Antwine 5 pass from Jacob Frazier (Tyler Crawford kick), 5:54

PSU--Dallas Bond 7 pass from Chad Dodson (Holmes kick), 1:30

**Second Quarter**  
NSU--Dashawn Williams 45 pass from Malik Antwine (Crawford kick), 13:40

PSU--Caleb Lewis 1 run (Holmes kick), 7:53

PSU--Christian Carter 14 run (Holmes kick), 3:01

PSU--Lawrence Harris 5 pass from Dodson (Holmes kick), 0:32

**Third Quarter**  
PSU--Jamahl Horne 4 run (Holmes kick), 1:49  
A--9,692

## Girard's Ulbrich finishes second at MSSU Stampede

By Jim Henry  
Sports Editor

JOPLIN, Mo. -- Tanner Ulbrich of Girard headlined local high school performances last Saturday in the 33rd Missouri Southern Stampede on the Tom Rutledge Golf Course.

Ulbrich finished second in the Boys Gold Division with a time of 16 minutes, 31 seconds for the 5,000-meter course. Ulbrich finished 14 seconds behind winner Sean Walker of Buffalo and six seconds ahead of third-place finisher Jeremiah Tangren of Regent Preparatory School.

Coach Matt Logue's Trojans had two more runners in the top-20 as Houston McGown took 15th place (17:27), and Gavin Dubrava was 17th (17:30). The Trojans were seventh in the team standings with 250 points.



**Tanner Ulbrich of Girard finishes second in the boys Gold Division race in the Missouri Southern Stampede last Saturday. Ulbrich's time was 16 minutes, 31 seconds for the 5,000-meter course.** JIM HENRY/MORNING SUN STAFF

Southeast was 17th with 404 points and had four runners in the top-100 -- Drake Guymon 64th, Colton Jameson 93rd, Emery Wilbert 99th and Zayne Gabern 100th.

Tallon Bonine of Frontenac came in 90th place, and Alex Brake was Colgan's top finisher at 103rd.

**GIRLS**  
Frontenac finished in 11th place with 283 points and St. Mary's Colgan was 12th with 289 in the Girls Gold Division race.

The Panthers' Lily Brown led local runners with a time of 21:55 to place 26th. Kalan Polona was 45th (22:40), Leyna Ortega 88th (24:38) and Gianna Constantini 97th (24:56).

"We had eight run today, and six of the eight did pretty well," Panthers coach Scott Cichon said. "Lily

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## St. Mary's Colgan announces 2022 Football Homecoming Court



**St. Mary's Colgan recently announced candidates for the 2022 Football Homecoming Court, which will be announced before kick-off of the Panthers Friday, Sept. 23 game against Southeast. Senior queen candidates (front) are Ali Scripsick, Kinley Crossland, and Greta Ison. Ladies-in-waiting (back) are juniors Mahni McLaughlin, Lily Brown, and Polona Kalan.**

## PSU women finish second at MSSU Stampede

By Jim Henry  
Sports Editor

JOPLIN, Mo. -- No doubt Pittsburg State's women's cross country team has high hopes for this season.

But the Gorillas exceeded their own expectations last Saturday in the 33rd Missouri Southern Stampede on the Tom Rutledge Cross Country Course.

With three runners in the top-10, the Gorillas scored 91 points to finish second in the 26-team field. Arkansas led the pack with 34 points, and Southwest Baptist was third with 117.

"We were hoping for two in the top-15, and we actually put three in the top-10," PSU sophomore Lara Murdock said. "We definitely surprised ourselves a little, and we're looking forward



**Pittsburg State's Jentrie Alderson (left) and Lara Murdock finish second and fourth, respectively, in the Missouri Southern Stampede last Saturday.** COURTESY PHOTO/MIKE GULLETT

to the rest of the season."

"We have big goals, but I think we exceeded our goals," Marissa Dick said. "We are all so happy."

Distance coach Ben Barrows wasn't surprised by

the second-place team finish.

"That was our goal coming in," he said. "Even though it was Arkansas'

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## Northeast falls to 0-3

By Sam Kombrink  
Morning Sun Staff

Northeast football traveled Friday night to face Quapaw and lost 41-12, but despite the rough start to the season, head coach David Pitts credits his team for their effort.

"They (Quapaw) had six personal fouls in the first half," Pitts said. "But I was pretty proud of our kids."

Pitts noted that Quapaw had the size advantage over Northeast.

"Compared to us, it's night and day," he said. "And they threw their bodies at them. We made a couple of stops and were able to create a lit-

tle bit of offense, not a lot but a little. So, I was pleased with our effort."

On offense, Pitts said the Vikings are still trying to get things right.

"You know we just have so many kids that don't know football," he said. "And they are still learning, but we were able to execute some stuff."

He added that Quapaw put in its bench for the second half, and the Vikings were able to make plays.

"We were able to move the ball a little bit more, but realistically we are a JV (junior varsity) squad," Pitts said. "We got a few guys that are ready to play on Friday nights, and the rest are

still learning the game.

"We had our opportunities. We opened up holes, and they closed fast, but when we blocked things right, we did, and our kids competed."

On defense, Pitts noted that the Vikings were flying around making tackles.

"I was more impressed with us attacking them," Pitts said. "Did we do everything right? No, but we didn't shy away. We didn't just stop and say run us over. We went after them and I was very pleased with that."

Northeast will play their next game at 7 p.m. on Friday at Erie High School (0-3).



BASEBALL  
MLB STANDINGS

American League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	88	58	.603	—
Toronto	83	64	.565	5½
Tampa Bay	82	64	.562	6
Baltimore	76	69	.524	11½
Boston	71	75	.486	17
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	80	67	.544	—
Chicago	76	71	.517	4
Minnesota	73	74	.497	7
Kansas City	58	89	.395	22
Detroit	55	91	.377	24½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Houston	96	51	.653	—
Seattle	81	65	.555	14½
Los Angeles	64	83	.435	32
Texas	63	83	.432	32½
Oakland	53	94	.361	43

**Sunday's Games**  
Chicago White Sox 11, Detroit 5  
Tampa Bay 5, Texas 3  
Minnesota 3, Cleveland 0  
Baltimore 5, Toronto 4  
Boston 13, Kansas City 3  
Houston 11, Oakland 2  
N.Y. Yankees 12, Milwaukee 8  
L.A. Angels 5, Seattle 1

**Monday's Games**  
Cleveland 11, Minnesota 4  
Seattle 9, L.A. Angels 1  
Houston at Tampa Bay, 5:40 p.m.  
Detroit at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m.

**Tuesday's Games**  
Boston (Bello 1-6) at Cincinnati (Lodolo 4-6), 5:40 p.m.  
Houston (Javier 9-9) at Tampa Bay (McClanahan 12-5), 5:40 p.m.  
Toronto (Stripling 8-4) at Philadelphia (Gibson 10-6), 5:45 p.m.  
Detroit (Wentz 1-2) at Baltimore (Voth 5-2), 6:05 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (TBD) at N.Y. Yankees (Cortes 10-4), 6:05 p.m.  
L.A. Angels (Mayers 1-1) at Texas (Ragans 0-2), 7:05 p.m.  
Cleveland (Civale 2-6) at Chicago White Sox (Cease 14-7), 7:10 p.m.  
Minnesota (Bundy 8-7) at Kansas City (Greinke 4-9), 7:10 p.m.  
Seattle (Castillo 7-5) at Oakland (Sears 5-2), 8:40 p.m.

National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	93	55	.628	—
Atlanta	91	55	.623	1
Philadelphia	80	66	.548	12
Miami	60	87	.408	32½
Washington	51	95	.349	41
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	87	61	.588	—
Milwaukee	78	68	.534	8
Chicago	62	84	.425	24
Cincinnati	58	89	.395	28½
Pittsburgh	55	92	.374	31½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Los Angeles	101	44	.697	—
San Diego	81	66	.551	21
San Francisco	69	77	.473	32½
Arizona	68	78	.466	33½
Colorado	64	82	.438	37½

**Sunday's Games**  
Miami 3, Washington 1  
Atlanta 5, Philadelphia 2  
Cincinnati 3, St. Louis 0  
N.Y. Mets 7, Pittsburgh 3  
Colorado 4, Chicago Cubs 3  
N.Y. Yankees 12, Milwaukee 8  
San Diego 6, Arizona 1  
L.A. Dodgers 4, San Francisco 3, 10 innings

**Monday's Games**  
Chicago Cubs at Miami, 5:40 p.m.  
Washington at Atlanta, 6:20 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets at Milwaukee, 6:40 p.m.  
San Francisco at Colorado, 7:40 p.m.  
Arizona at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

**Tuesday's Games**  
Arizona (Davies 2-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Grove 0-0), 2:10 p.m., 1st game  
Boston (Bello 1-6) at Cincinnati (Lodolo 4-6), 5:40 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs (Sampson 2-5) at Miami (López 9-10), 5:40 p.m.  
Toronto (Stripling 8-4) at Philadelphia (Gibson 10-6), 5:45 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (TBD) at N.Y. Yankees (Cortes 10-4), 6:05 p.m.  
Washington (Corbin 6-18) at Atlanta (Morton 8-6), 6:20 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets (Carrasco 15-6) at Milwaukee (TBD), 6:40 p.m.  
San Francisco (Rodón 13-8) at Colorado (Freeland 9-9), 7:40

p.m.  
St. Louis (Wainwright 11-9) at San Diego (Clevinger 5-7), 8:40 p.m.  
Arizona (TBD) at L.A. Dodgers (Anderson 15-3), 9:10 p.m., 2nd game

FOOTBALL  
COLLEGE GLANCE

**MIAA**  
Pittsburg St. 49, Northeastern St. 14  
Emporia St. 36, Missouri Western 12  
Neb.-Kearney 21, Washburn 13  
NW Mo. St 24, Central Mo. 7  
Mo. Southern St. 40, Central Okla. 21  
Fort Hays St. 51, Lincoln 14

**EAST**  
Army 49, Villanova 10  
Boston College 38, Maine 17  
Brown 44, Bryant 38, 2OT  
Columbia 38, Marist 3  
Dartmouth 35, Valparaiso 13  
Delaware 42, Rhode Island 21  
Delaware St. 35, Va. Lynchburg 19  
Fordham 48, Albany (NY) 45  
Holy Cross 38, Yale 14  
Howard 31, Morehouse 0  
Maryland 34, SMU 27  
Monmouth (NJ) 45, George-town 6  
Morgan St. 24, Sacred Heart 9  
NC Central 45, New Hampshire 27  
Penn 25, Colgate 14  
Richmond 30, Lehigh 6  
Rutgers 16, Temple 14  
St. Francis (Pa.) 27, Wagner 7  
Syracuse 32, Purdue 29  
Umass 20, Stony Brook 3  
West Virginia 65, Towson 7  
William & Mary 34, Lafayette 7

**SOUTH**  
Alabama 63, Louisiana-Monroe 7  
Alcorn St. 30, McNeese St. 19  
Appalachian St. 32, Troy 28  
Austin Peay 28, Alabama A&M 3  
Charlotte 42, Georgia St. 41  
Chattanooga 41, North Alabama 14  
Clemson 48, Louisiana Tech 20  
Coastal Carolina 38, Buffalo 26  
Cornell 28, VMI 22  
Davidson 56, St. Andrews 6  
Delta St. 28, MVSU 17  
Duke 49, NC A&T 20  
E. Kentucky 40, Charleston Southern 17  
East Carolina 49, Campbell 10  
Elon 30, Gardner-Webb 24  
Florida 31, South Florida 28  
Furman 27, ETSU 14  
Georgia 48, South Carolina 7  
Hampton 17, Norfolk St. 7  
Jackson St. 66, Grambling St. 24  
Kentucky 31, Youngstown St. 0  
LSU 31, Mississippi St. 16  
Memphis 44, Arkansas St. 32  
Mercer 17, The Citadel 0  
Middle Tennessee 49, Tennessee St. 6  
Mississippi 42, Georgia Tech 0  
Morehead St. 49, Kentucky Christian 14  
NC State 27, Texas Tech 14  
Penn St. 41, Auburn 12  
Princeton 39, Stetson 14  
SE Louisiana 70, CCSU 6  
Samford 33, Tennessee Tech 28  
Southern Miss. 64, Northwestern St. 10  
Tennessee 63, Akron 6  
UAB 35, Georgia Southern 21  
UCF 40, FAU 14  
Virginia 16, Old Dominion 14  
Virginia Tech 27, Wofford 7  
W. Carolina 77, Presbyterian 21  
Wake Forest 37, Liberty 36

**MIDWEST**  
Ball St. 31, Murray St. 0  
Bowling Green 34, Marshall 31, OT  
Cent. Michigan 41, Bucknell 0  
Cincinnati 38, Miami (Ohio) 17  
Dayton 46, Kentucky 31  
Illinois St. 35, E. Illinois 7  
Indiana 33, W. Kentucky 30, OT  
Iowa 27, Nevada 0  
Iowa St. 43, Ohio 10  
Kent St. 63, LIU Brooklyn 10  
Michigan 59, Uconn 0  
Minnesota 49, Colorado 7  
Missouri 34, Abilene Christian 17  
Montana 49, Indiana St. 14  
Notre Dame 24, California 17  
Ohio St. 77, Toledo 21  
Oklahoma 49, Nebraska 14  
Pittsburgh 34, W. Michigan 13  
S. Dakota St. 45, Butler 17  
S. Illinois 31, Northwestern 24  
S. Utah 17, W. Illinois 10  
SE Missouri 42, Nicholls 16  
Sacramento St. 37, N. Iowa 21  
South Dakota 38, Cal Poly 21  
Tulane 17, Kansas St. 10  
Vanderbilt 38, N. Illinois 28  
Wisconsin 66, New Mexico St. 7

**SOUTHWEST**  
Arkansas 38, Missouri St. 27  
Baylor 42, Texas State 7  
Incarnate Word 31, Prairie View 14  
Kansas 48, Houston 30

N. Colorado 21, Lamar 14  
Oklahoma St. 63, Ark.-Pine Bluff 7  
Rice 33, Louisiana-Lafayette 21  
Sam Houston St. 27, Texas A&M Commerce 17  
Texas 41, UTSA 20  
Texas A&M 17, Miami 9  
Texas Southern 24, Southern U. 0  
Tulsa 54, Jacksonville St. 17

**FAR WEST**  
Arizona 31, N. Dakota St. 28  
Boise St. 30, UT Martin 7  
Cent. Arkansas 31, Idaho St. 16  
E. Michigan 30, Arizona St. 21  
Hawaii 24, Duquesne 14  
Idaho 42, Drake 14  
New Mexico 27, UTEP 10  
Oregon 41, BYU 20  
Oregon St. 68, Montana St. 28  
Southern Cal 45, Fresno St. 17  
UC Davis 43, San Diego 13  
UCLA 32, South Alabama 31  
UNLV 58, North Texas 27  
Utah 35, San Diego St. 7  
Washington 39, Michigan St. 28  
Washington St. 38, Colorado St. 7  
Weber St. 44, Utah Tech 14

**NFL GLANCE**  
**Thursday's Games**  
Kansas City 27, L.A. Chargers 24

**Sunday's Games**  
Detroit 36, Washington 27  
Jacksonville 24, Indianapolis 0  
Miami 42, Baltimore 38  
N.Y. Giants 19, Carolina 16  
N.Y. Jets 31, Cleveland 30  
New England 17, Pittsburgh 14  
Tampa Bay 20, New Orleans 10  
L.A. Rams 31, Atlanta 27  
San Francisco 27, Seattle 7  
Arizona 29, Las Vegas 23, OT  
Dallas 20, Cincinnati 17  
Denver 16, Houston 9  
Green Bay 27, Chicago 10

**Monday's Games**  
Tennessee at Buffalo, 7:15 p.m.  
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 8:30 p.m.

# Week 2 provides a Comeback Sunday NFL hasn't seen in years

By Rob Maaddi  
AP Sports Writer

Call it a Comeback Sunday the NFL hasn't seen in years.

The Dolphins and Cardinals made history by overcoming 20-point half-time deficits to win on the same day while the Jets rallied from a 13-point deficit in the final two minutes.

Two other teams almost joined the club.

The Falcons fought back from a 28-3 third-quarter deficit — that score sounds familiar in Atlanta — only to fall short against the defending Super Bowl champion Los Angeles Rams when Jalen Ramsey picked off Marcus Mariota's pass intended for Bryan Edwards in the end zone, sealing a 31-27 victory.

Joe Burrow helped the Cincinnati Bengals erase a 17-3 halftime deficit in Dallas but Brett Maher kicked a 50-yard field goal as time expired to give the Cowboys a 20-17 win that dropped the reigning AFC champions to 0-2.

Two weeks into the season, close games and wacky finishes are a common theme. It's great news for the league, giving viewers who have no fantasy football or gambling interest reason to stick around until the end.

There have been 12 games decided by three points or fewer already, the most through the first two weeks of a season in NFL history.

Eight teams have overcome a deficit of at least 10 points to win or tie, the second-most through Week 2, trailing only the 1987 season when nine teams did it.

Tua Tagovailoa's performance was most impressive. He tossed six touchdown passes to lead Miami to a 42-38 win at Baltimore after trailing Lamar Jackson and the

# AP Top 25: Washington moves in; Penn State, Oregon move up

By Ralph D. Russo  
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Washington made its season debut in The Associated Press college football on Sunday at No. 18, and Penn State and Oregon moved into the top 15 after all three had decisive nonconference victories.

A weekend filled with blowouts by highly ranked teams kept the top 10 almost unchanged.

No. 1 Georgia picked up six more first-place votes in the AP Top 25 presented by Regions Bank. The Bulldogs are up to 59 first-place votes and 1,569 points.

No. 2 Alabama received three first-place votes and No. 3 Ohio State got one.

No. 4 Michigan, No. 5 Clemson, No. 6 Oklahoma and No. 7 Southern California all held their spots. The one change in the top 10 was No. 8 Kentucky flip-flopping with No. 9 Oklahoma State. Arkansas stayed at No. 10.

The top 10 teams, most playing overmatched non-conference opponents, won their games Saturday by a combined 521-120.

The shuffling came in the next 10.

No. 11 Tennessee moved up four spots. Penn State jumped eight to No. 14 after routing Auburn on the road. No. 15 Oregon moved up 10 spots after handily defeating BYU, which slipped seven places to No. 19.

Washington beat previously ranked Michigan State 39-28 to earn a ranking for the first time since the 2021 preseason poll. Washington has had two brief stays in the AP Top 25 the last two seasons but has been mostly



Oregon head coach Dan Lanning leaves the field after an NCAA college football game against BYU on Saturday in Eugene, Ore. AP PHOTO/ANDY NELSON

unranked since the early part of the 2019 season.

"To get this win now is just going to continue to put this belief in our guys. It's only going to get better for us as we go to work in practice," first-year Washington coach Kalen DeBoer told reporters after the game.

Michigan State dropped all the way out after being No. 11.

Mississippi moved up four spots to No. 16 and No. 20 Florida slipped a couple of spots after barely getting by South Florida at home.

At the bottom of the rankings, Miami dropped 12 spots and landed at No. 25 after losing at Texas A&M. The Aggies went up one to No. 23.

**POLL POINTS**

The 10-0 weekend from the top 10 was the first since they all played and won in Week 2 of the 2019 season.

Overall, the AP Top 25 teams won 22 games, the most since 24 teams won in Week 1 of 2019.

Washington's leap into the poll from unranked to

No. 18 was the best for the program since September 1989, when the Huskies beat Texas A&M and went from outside the rankings to No. 15.

**CONFERENCE CALL**

The Pac-12 has its most ranked teams since the first regular-season poll of 2021, when it had five. SEC — 8 (Nos. 1, 2, 8, 10, 11, 16, 20, 23). ACC — 5 (Nos. 5, 12, 21, 24, 25). Big 12 — 4 (Nos. 6, 9, 17, 22). Pac-12 — 4 (Nos. 7, 13, 15, 18). Big Ten — 3 (Nos. 3, 4, 14). Independents — 1 (No. 19).

**RANKED vs. RANKED**

No. 5 Clemson at No. 21 Wake Forest. For the first time since 1950, the Tigers and Demon Deacons will meet as ranked teams.

No. 20 Florida at No. 11 Tennessee. For the first time since 2017, the teams that used to own the SEC East are both ranked when they play.

No. 10 Arkansas vs. No. 23 Texas A&M at Arlington, Texas. It's not getting any easier for the Aggies.



Miami Dolphins wide receivers Tyreek Hill, foreground, and Jaylen Waddle (17) celebrate at the end of an NFL football game against the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday in Baltimore. AP PHOTO/NICK WASS

Ravens 35-14 going into the fourth quarter.

"We basically had to play perfect complementary football to come back from a deficit like that, and this is a really good team so I couldn't be happier with him, and his teammates know," Dolphins coach Mike McDaniel said of Tagovailoa.

"His teammates learned a lot about him, and I think he learned something about himself."

Tagovailoa improved to 8-1 vs Super Bowl-winning head coaches, the highest win percentage league history with a minimum six starts.

His critics should be silent for at least another week.

"Mike told us in our team meeting that this is going to be a great opportunity for us that if we do ever get down against these guys, we know that you're not looking to put your head down," Tagovailoa said. "We're always going to be in the game and just play one play at a time. And Mike is always going to say this. This is kind of like the mind-set for our team, that adversity is opportunity. And, that's how we played."

Kyler Murray put on a spectacular display of his own to help Arizona overcome a 20-0 halftime deficit in Las Vegas. Murray ran in from the 3 on the final play of regulation and made a perfect throw into a tight window through traffic for the 2-point conversion to send the game into overtime.

Then, Byron Murphy Jr. returned Hunter Renfrow's fumble 59 yards for a touchdown to give the Cardinals a 29-23 win over the Raiders.

"There were so many do-or-die plays, I lost count, where we had to have this stop, had to have this 2-point conversion, had to score, had to have this fourth down, and guys just kept fighting," Cardinals coach Kliff Kingsbury said. "Nobody blinked. At halftime, it was 'Hey, we have to settle in and do what we do.' We played about as bad as you could in the first half, didn't play great the second half, but the effort was incredible."

Multiple teams had not rallied from 20-point half-time deficits to win on the same day in NFL history until the Dolphins and Cardinals both did it

Sunday. It was the first time that two teams overcame a deficit of at least 20 points at any point in a game to win in the same week since Week 4 of the 2011 season.

Of the three teams who blew big leads, the Browns should be most bitter. They would've won if Nick Chubb had stayed in bounds instead of run into the end zone for his third touchdown with 1:55 remaining. That score gave Cleveland a 30-17 lead but the extra-point was missed.

Joe Flacco tossed two TD passes in a 60-second span sandwiched around a recovered onside kick as the Jets pulled off an improbable victory. Teams had won 2,229 consecutive games when leading by at least 13 points in the final two minutes before the Browns blew it.

The three comebacks by the Dolphins, Cardinals and Jets — all on the road, too — marked the second time in league history three teams overcame a fourth-quarter deficit of at least 13 points to win on same day.

The way this season has started, expect to see plenty more comebacks.



# Southeast volleyball finishes third in Dexter Tournament

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The Southeast girls volleyball team finished 3-2 over the weekend at the Dexter Tournament.

The weekend tournament featured several unfamiliar foes, including Sedan, Argonia, Flint Hills and Oxford. Playing five matches in one day, the Lancers improved to 6-11 overall.

“I was proud of the girls for coming back and defeating Oxford for the third-place win since we had lost to them prior,” coach Maya White said. “We were able to keep the errors down, stay focused, and have fun. The girls showed some mental toughness to be able to compete to the end, even when they were tired.

“I was proud of them because we have been working on getting stronger mentally. Overall, I was proud of our girls continuing to improve throughout the day and how our bench had excellent support the whole day.”

Senior Malia Vinson led the way for the Lancers with 36 kills, 32 perfect serve receive passes, 20 digs, 10 aces and two blocks. Sophomore Charlee Gideon also provided 12 kills, four blocks and one dig.

Junior Kinzey Cassidy



The Southeast Lancers volleyball were all smiles after finishing third over the weekend in the Dexter Tournament, which featured eight teams. COURTESY PHOTO

shined as well, compiling 23 digs, 23 perfect serve receive passes, 20 kills and six aces, while senior Zoey Tavernaro had 39 digs, 21 perfect serve receive passes, three aces, and one kill.

“Today (Saturday), there were a lot of ups and downs,” Tavernaro said. “We have been getting out of our comfort zone recently, and I’m really proud of us for that. There were times where we did really well, and there were times where we weren’t focused and in it as much as we should have.”

“We also had really good energy for the majority of the games we played today. But, overall, I’m proud of us today for getting third place!”

Opening the weekend, the Lancers faced off against Oxford, narrowly falling in three sets; 25-16, 26-28, 23-25. The Lancers then followed with back-to-back victories over Central (25-5, 25-17) and Dexter (25-21, 25-21). After that, however, Southeast fell to Flint Hills; 9-25, 15-25.

“We came out flat and made a lot of errors in serve receive,” White

said. “Our passes were inconsistent, so we could never get our offense going. Flint Hills was a strong team that moved the ball very well and ran a quick offense. We gave a lot of free balls back to them and they were able to run their offense and convert them to points.”

Closing the tournament, the Lancers once again battled Oxford prevailing in two sets; 25-15, 25-23.

The Lancers look to follow the win on Tuesday at 5 p.m. when they take on Marmaton Valley and Jayhawk Linn in Moran.

# Agada’s 2 goals help Sporting KC beat Minnesota United 4-1

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — William Agada scored two goals to help lead Sporting Kansas City to a 4-1 win over Minnesota United.

Agada scored his first goal for Sporting KC (10-15-7) in the 45th minute, assisted by Ben Sweat. He added a goal in the 81st minute, assisted by Daniel Salloi.

Sporting KC also got one goal from Erik Thommy.

Mender Garcia Torres scored for United (13-13-6).

Sporting KC outshot United 14-7, with eight shots on goal to two for United.

John Pulskamp saved one of the two shots he faced for Sporting KC. Dayne St. Clair saved five of the nine shots he faced for United.

Sporting KC plays at home on Sunday against the Seattle Sounders, while United will visit the San Jose Earthquakes on Saturday.

# Pittsburg finishes fourth at Chanute Invitational

Staff Reports  
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Pittsburg’s Alyssa Cosens led the Pittsburg girls golf team to a fourth-place finish on Monday at the Chanute Invitational.

Cosens shot a total score of 100 to place ninth on the individual leaderboard. Teammate Ava Steier finished with a total score of 106, placing in a tie for 18th with Independence’s Hadley Hines. As a team, Pittsburg finished with a 424 overall score.

Caney Valley finished

first in the event, with a team score of 392. Chanute (401) and Independence (412) finished in second and third place, respectively. Caney Valley’s Talynn Thornton captured the individual championship, with an 88 total score.

Pittsburg’s Jacqueline Hall finished in 21st with a total score of 108. Waverly Kafka tallied a total score of 110, slotting behind Hall in 22nd place. Macy Farington finished with a total score of 125 and Akela Hawkins notched a total score of 143.

# Gorillas sweep Missouri Western 3-0

By Jim Henry  
Sports Editor

This time Pittsburg State battled from behind to win the first two sets and swept Missouri Western 3-0 (25-21, 27-25, 25-20) in an MIAA volleyball match Saturday afternoon at John Lance Arena.

One day earlier the Gorillas saw late leads disappear in sets during a 3-1 setback to No. 16 Central Missouri.

But against the Griffons, Pittsburg State (8-5, 2-2 MIAA) rallied from deficits of 17-13 in the first set and 21-19 in the second set. Janae Thurston’s kill gave PSU a 19-18 lead -- its first since it was 2-1 -- in the first set to ignite a 7-3 set-ending spurt. In the second set Phoenix Bailey’s block tied it at 25-25, and an ace by Meg Auten and tip by Jayden Sanford over two blockers provided the final two points.

“The biggest thing we talked about after (Friday) was making sure that we’re attacking the other team, not waiting for them to make the errors,” Auten said. “That’s something we did very well (Saturday) was being the aggressor in situations instead of letting them get the kills. We controlled our side of the court today.”

The third set saw the Gorillas score the first eight points -- three of them on Bri Richard aces -- and two Kate Bandre kills gave PSU its biggest lead at 19-11.

“Playing together on our home court always gives us some confidence,” Auten said. “We have our fans,

and we know we have the support of the community behind us.”

“I wasn’t sure what we were going to get out of those kids (Saturday),” PSU coach Jen Gomez said. “They came in and they were positive, fired up to play it seemed like. Even though they got down, they play better when their backs are against the wall sometimes. Instead of being in the lead and having it comfortable, they’d rather fight and claw their way out of a hole I guess.”

Auten finished with 12 kills, and Bandre and Lexi Miller each had 10. Bandre hit .500 with zero errors in 20 attacks, and Auten had one error in 31 swings for a .355 percentage. Miller led the Gorillas with three blocks, and Bandre had two.

Richard handed out 33 assists plus three aces and 13 digs. Marissa Bates made 18 digs, and Jayden Sanford had 10.

The Griffons received eight kills from Jessica Hendrix, 16 assists from Nessa Johnson, five blocks from Lily Kurz and 15 digs from Lia Graham.

“We competed at a high level (during the weekend),” Gomez said. “We know we can play with the top teams in our conference and the country obviously. Playing with them and beating them are two different things. Now we have to learn how to win against them.”

The Gorillas entertain Missouri Southern at 6 p.m. Friday.

# Bulldogs battle in Basehor



On Saturday, the New Hope Bulldogs competed in the annual Special Olympics Kansas Metro Regional Softball Tournament at the Field of Dreams in Basehor. The Bulldogs closed the tournament claiming the first place title. COURTESY PHOTO

# Fans prove timely, assist Broncos with play-clock countdown

By Pat Graham  
AP Sports Writer

DENVER (AP) — Russell Wilson didn’t even need to glance at the play clock late in the fourth quarter of Denver’s 16-9 win over Houston. The city’s newest quarterback had the fans counting it down for him.

The Broncos needed some help with their clock management again, and the crowd did its part on Sunday.

Fans chanted “5, 4, 3, 2, 1 ...” as if they were watching a basketball game. Wilson said he appreciated the crowd’s assist on the late drive that ended with Brandon McManus’ 50-yard field goal for the final margin.

“I guess that was helpful,” Wilson said with a chuckle. “That was great our fans were into it.”

Through a series of missed assignments and late-arriving play calls, the Broncos (1-1) used up all of their timeouts with more than seven minutes

remaining in the fourth quarter. That included one when they didn’t have enough men on the field for a punt return — and that missing player happened to be rookie punt returner Montrell Washington.

The crowd went from booing the Broncos early on to shouting out timely reminders of the play clock. Running back Melvin Gordon said he’d never heard anything quite like it.

“It was different,” he said of the countdown. “I don’t know if that’s a good or bad thing or what it is, but let’s see if they continue to do it.”

Penalties are becoming a troubling trend for the Broncos under rookie coach Nathaniel Hackett. They led the league with a dozen infractions in their opener and among their 13 penalties for 100 yards against the Texans (0-1-1) were three false-start calls and two delay-of-game penalties. Those are typically uncommon at home.

“We’re just going to have to be sure we evaluate everything, whether it’s getting the personnel out there — or lack thereof — and making sure the plays are coming in nice and clean,” Hackett said. “We’ve just got to keep talking about that. I’ll talk with Russ, find out anything that I can do to help him make it better.

“That’s inexcusable,” Hackett added. “That’s on us. That’s us hurting ourselves.”

It was a pedestrian home opener for Wilson, who completed 14 of 31 passes for 219 yards, along with one touchdown and an interception. He also was sacked three times.

“There’s so much good there,” said Wilson, who completed just six of his first 20 passes. “But there’s also some bad that we’ve got to get rid of.”

Like all those yellow flags. The Broncos also had 12 penalties for 106 yards in a 17-16 loss at Seattle.

“We’ve just got to be



Denver Broncos quarterback Russell Wilson (3) is pressured by Houston Texans defensive end Jonathan Greenard (52) during the second half of an NFL football game on Sunday in Denver. AP PHOTO/DAVID ZALUBOWSKI

sharper, man,” Gordon said. “We know what to do. But guys are antsy to make

plays and sometimes you get too locked into your assignment. That’s usually

the cases for jumping off-sides.”



GIRARD

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PR'd (personal record) for the course and just missed a medal. She medaled last year, and to run faster this year is pretty impressive.

“This meet helps get us ready for the state meet. There are a lot of runners -- almost 200 in this race -- and they are very talented girls. It's a step up in a level of competition for us. Hopefully we're trying to build for the right time of the season. We're a few weeks away from the postseason.”

Frontenac also had two runners in the top-50 -- Alexa Reddick in 34th in 22:05 and Maggie Payne in 48th in 22:44 -- and two more in the next 50 -- Cera Schneck 63rd in 23:16 and Grace Jones 70th in 23:32.

Girard's Claire Stevens and Johanna Walker placed 57th and 60th, respectively, and Audrey Jacobs of Southeast came in 81st.

PITTSBURG

The Purple Dragons had three runners in both Green Division races for the larger schools.

Athenna Jones led the Dragons in the girls race with a time of 24:20 (264th place), and Carter Bailey led the boys team in 20:52 (No. 309).

PREP RESULTS  
MSSU Stampede  
GIRLS

Green Division  
Team Leaders

Blue Springs 110, Deer Creek 126, Cor Jesu 135, Raymore-Peculiar 168, Owasso 183

Individual Leaders

1, Abigail Brackenburg, Blue Springs, 18:27. 2, Adrienne Luna, Cor Jesu, 18:30. 3, Abigail Street, Webb City,

18:39. 4, Tabitha Fox, Deer Creek, 18:45. 5, Mary McKenzie, Cor Jesu, 18:48.

Pittsburg Results

264, Athenna Jones 24:20. 291, Allison Frech 25:13. 318, Sara Gandolfi 31:22.

Gold Division  
Team Leaders

Rogers 70, Regent Prep 81, El Dorado Springs 108, Summit Christian 185, Joplin 201

Local Teams

11, Frontenac 283; 12, St. Mary's Colgan 289; 19, Southeast 480

Individual Leaders

1, Gabbie Bishop, Providence, 17:59. 2, Ilene Limberg, Owensville, 19:44. 3, Olivia Davis, Rogers, 20:16. 4, Allie Keizer, Joplin, 20:18. 5, Micah Dickens, Regent Prep, 20:22.

Local Results

Frontenac -- 34, Alexa Reddick 22:05. 48, Maggie Payne 22:44. 63, Cera Schneck 23:16. 70, Grace Jones 23:32. 130, Trinity Lohrmeyer 27:11. 142, Bailey Walker 28:58.

St. Mary's Colgan -- 26, Lily Brown 21:55. 45, Kalan Polona 22:40. 88, Leyna Ortega 24:38. 97, Gianna Costantini 24:56. 102, Ava Glover 25:26. 105, Mimi Fleming 25:32. 106, Merly Lara 25:33. 139, Hope Treiber 28:17.

Southeast -- 81, Audrey Jacobs 24:08. 116, Chloe Guymon 26:15. 121, Kilynn Banke 26:40. 133, Kassidy Fox 27:35. 143, Sandra Robinson 29:02. 151, Macie Heron 30:52. 152, Lyla Ohme 31:11. 158, Storm Minor 33:39. 165, Kiyva Dickenson 41:39.

Girard -- 57, Claire Stevens 23:00. 60, Johanna Walker 23:09.

BOYS

Green Division  
Team Leaders

Kickapoo 96, Liberty North 105, Deer Creek 120, Liberty 264, Owasso 264

Individual Leaders

1, Sage Wilde, Liberty North, 14:55.75. 2, Tyler Harris, Kickapoo, 15:18. 3, Hobbs Campbell, Joplin, 15:24. 4, Evan Stevens, Webb City, 15:38. 5, Grant Musick, Kickapoo, 15:39.

Pittsburg Results

309, Carter Bailey 20:52. 340, Kaleb Cronister 23:32. 347, Blake Loughmiller 26:29.

Gold Division  
Team Leaders

Rogers 83, El Dorado Springs 124, Hermitage 143, Regent Prep 155, Springdale 192

Local Teams

7, Girard 250; 17, Southeast 404; 24, Frontenac 652

Individual Leaders

1, Sean Walker, Buffalo, 16:17. 2, Tanner Ulbrich, Girard, 16:31. 3, Jeremiah Tangren, Regent Prep, 16:37. 4, Justin Horn, Hermitage, 16:44. 5, Spencer Mumford, KC Christian, 16:45.

Local Results

Girard -- 2, Ulbrich 16:31. 15, Houston McGown 17:27. 17, Gavin Dubrava 17:30. 138, Seth Wilson 20:52. 139, Izaiah Adolph 20:58. 168, Leo Bass 21:58. 195, Tye Humble 23:46. 199, Mason Adolph 24:18.

Southeast -- 64, Drake Guymon 18:48. 93, Colton Jameson 19:49. 99, Emery Wilbert 19:51. 100, Zayne Gabern 19:52. 111, Easton Renn 20:04. 169, Zack Whitenburg 22:00. 194, Logan Bois 23:41. 198, John Turpen 24:11. 200, Hayden Galindo 24:19.

Frontenac -- 90, Tallon Bonine 19:42. 156, Dayton Hutchison 21:32. 186, Evan Zafuta 23:01. 202, Max Cook 25:24. 206, Gavin Caldwell 27:42. 207, Austin Safely 28:54.

St. Mary's Colgan -- 103, Alex Brake 19:58. 160, Ethan Paulie 21:39. 175, Michael Vacek 22:17. 193, Curtis Dickman 23:41.

PSU

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B squad, we knew those were some fantastic runners and it would be pretty unrealistic to beat them.

“But I saw the girls had a chance for second place, and it happened.”

Freshman Jentrie Alderson finished second for the Gorillas in 16 minutes, 53 seconds, three seconds behind Katie McCune of Arkansas. Murdock took fourth in 17:04, and Dick was ninth in 17:27.

“The race went really good,” Alderson said. “I came in and I didn't really know what I was doing. It was my first actual college race. I just wanted to stay with my teammate (Murdock). We were planning to push each other the entire time, which ended up working out really well. We hit our first mile at about 5:35 ... the plan worked. I did not have any personal goals or time goals because I didn't know what to expect at all. My main goal was to just make everyone satisfied.”

“I had a stress fracture last season, so I was really just excited to get back out,” Murdock said. “It was really fun to run with Jentrie because she's amazing. It was great competition.”

“I was just trying to stay comfortable the first mile,” Dick said. “When the first mile hit, I was just trying to keep the team and me to keep going. I felt really good today. The weather is beautiful. I love this course. It's one of my favorite courses.”

Marissa Dick has established herself as a great No. 3 and has really made

up that gap,” Barrows said. “And those first two are amazing. At 4-5-6, we have good depth that has a lot of room to improve as well.”

The Gorillas' other scoring runners were Hannah Honeyman (36th) and Erin Hammeke (40th). Kate Dawson was three seconds behind Hammeke in 43rd place.

MEN

Braden Zaner finished ninth to lead the Gorillas' men's team to a seventh-place finish with 195 points.

Missouri Southern, with Gideon Kimutai and Ryan Riddle finishing 1-2, won the team title with 48 points, and Washburn was second with 88.

Zaner's time was 24:45, and Mason Strader was PSU's No. 2 runner in 22nd place in 25:23. Carson Eve took 56th, Bryce Kaufman 66th and Marlon Williams 67th.

“We knew it wasn't going to look great coming in because of the top guys we were sitting out,” Barrows said. “We have some really good newcomers that we are redshirting. It was a really promising race from the young guys that were racing.”

“Braden Zaner had a rough last cross country season. This is his first collegiate cross country season ever, and this is his third year of college now. He established himself as a great cross country competitor (Saturday) and set the tone for the year.”

PSU freshmen Tyler Atkins and Dylan Sprecker ran unattached to maintain their redshirt status and finished 13th and 14th, respectively, in just over 25 minutes for the 8K course.

“That's a great start for

them,” Barrows said.

COLLEGE RESULTS

MSSU Stampede  
WOMEN

Team Leaders

Arkansas 34, Pittsburg State 91, Southwest Baptist 117, Rogers State 137, Fort Hays State 166

Individual Leaders

1, Katie McCune, Arkansas, 16:50. 2, Jentrie Alderson, PSU, 16:53. 3, Gracie Hyde, Arkansas, 17:04.38. 4, Lara Murdock, PSU, 17:04.70. 5, Nyah Hernandez, Arkansas, 17:05.

Pittsburg State Results

2, Alderson 16:53. 4, Murdock 17:04. 9, Marissa Dick 17:27. 36, Hannah Honeyman 18:05. 40, Erin Hammeke 18:14. 43, Kate Dawson 18:17. 52, Kelsey Bruening 18:30. 61, Claire Bruening 18:37. 90, Annie McCord 19:12. 91, Hailey Secrest 19:13. 99, Cami Roy 19:20.17. 100, Kaci Singer 19:20.44. 136, Rachel Bycroft 19:45. 224, Kaitlynn Franks 21:43.

MEN

Team Leaders

Missouri Southern 48, Washburn 88, East Central 99, Central Missouri 129, St. Mary (Kan.) 157

Local Team

7, Pittsburg State 195

Individual Leaders

1, Gideon Kimutai, MSSU, 23:37. 2, Ryan Riddle, MSSU, 23:53. 3, Grant Bradley, Fort Hays St. 24:17. 4, Andrew Amor, New Mexico Highlands, 24:20. 5, Collen McLain, Washburn, 24:23.

Pittsburg State Results

9, Braden Zaner 24:45. 22, Mason Strader 25:23. 56, Carson Eve 26:03. 66, Bryce Kaufman 26:17.34. 67, Marlon Williams 26:17.42. 83, Craig LaBrue 26:33. 92, CJ Kneisler 26:42. 94, Andrew Early 26:44. 138, John Bear 27:25. 212, Riley Hedges 29:10.

Chiefs starting LB Willie Gay suspended 4 games by NFL

By Dave Skretta

AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Chiefs linebacker Willie Gay was suspended by the NFL for four games Monday for violating its personal conduct policy.

Gay was arrested in January in the Kansas City suburb of Overland Park, Kansas, and charged with misdemeanor criminal property of damage of less than \$1,000. Gay's representative, Maxx Lepselter, said at the time that Gay broke a vacuum that belonged to the mother of his son during an argument in which nobody was harmed.

Gay agreed to a diversion program in June to resolve the criminal case.

There was no appeal of the penalty, so Gay will miss Sunday's game in Indianapolis along with games against Tampa Bay, Las Vegas and Buffalo.

NFL rules prohibit him from interacting with the team during the first two



Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Willie Gay greets fans after an NFL football game against the Los Angeles Charger on Thursday in Kansas City, Mo. AP PHOTO/CHARLIE RIEDEL

weeks.

The Chiefs, who parted with veteran Anthony Hitchens after last season, are counting heavily on Gay to help solidify the linebacker spot alongside second-year pro Nick Bolton. Gay started their first two games against the Cardinals and Chargers and is tied for second on the team in tackles, tackles for loss and passes defended.

“I definitely feel like my role has increased,” Gay acknowledged during training camp.

“I feel like me and Nick, we have bigger roles to fill and to lead this defense, to lead this team on the defensive side and just do what we need to do to make sure we're in position to lead.”

Third-round pick Leo Chenal is the likeliest candidate to replace Gay in the lineup. The Chiefs also have Elijah Lee and Darius Harris, who play primarily special teams, and undrafted rookie Jack Cochrane on the roster.

Bucs' Evans suspended for dust-up with Saints' Lattimore

By Fred Goodall

AP Sports Writer

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Tampa Bay receiver Mike Evans has been suspended without pay for one game for his role in a scuffle that resulted in him and New Orleans cornerback Marshon Lattimore being ejected from the Buccaneers-Saints game.

The NFL said Monday that Evans violated unnecessary roughness and unsportsmanlike conduct rules by knocking Lattimore to the ground when the Buccaneers star intervened in a confrontation that initially involved Lattimore and Bucs teammates Tom Brady and Leonard Fournette.

“After a play had ended, you were walking toward your sidelines. When you noticed your teammates engaged in a confrontation with Saints' players, you ran toward that area on the field and violently threw your body into and struck an unsuspecting opponent who was part of that confrontation,” league vice president of football operations Jon Runyan wrote in a letter informing Evans of the discipline.

“You knocked your opponent to the ground and a melee ensued involving players from both teams,” the letter said. “Your aggressive conduct could have caused serious injury to your opponent and clearly does not reflect the high standards of sportsmanship expected of a professional.”

Evans, who can appeal the decision, was suspended for next Sunday's home game against the Green Bay Packers. It's not the first suspension of Evans' career. The other, a one-game ban in 2017, also involved Evans knocking Lattimore to the ground during a Bucs-Saints matchup at the Superdome.

The suspension figures to leave the Bucs shorthanded at receiver against the Packers, especially considering Chris Godwin (hamstring) and Julio Jones (knee) are nursing injuries that kept



Tampa Bay Buccaneers wide receiver Mike Evans leaves the field after being thrown out of the game against the New Orleans Saints during the first half of an NFL football game in New Orleans on Sunday. AP PHOTO/BUTCH DILL

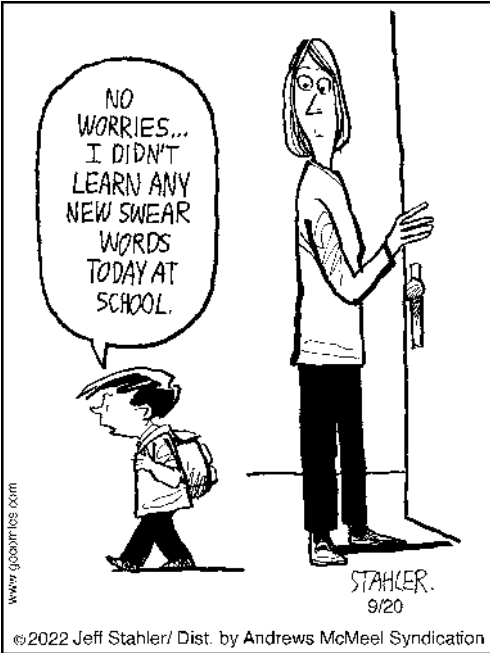
them from playing last week.

Coach Todd Bowles was disappointed by news of the suspension.

“Like I said, the fighting alone, losing a player for the next game, it hurts our team because we lose a very good ballplayer,” Bowles said.

“We don't want that, we don't condone it and we've got to move forward and find a way to win without him,” the coach added. “But that should be a lesson to all our other players.”

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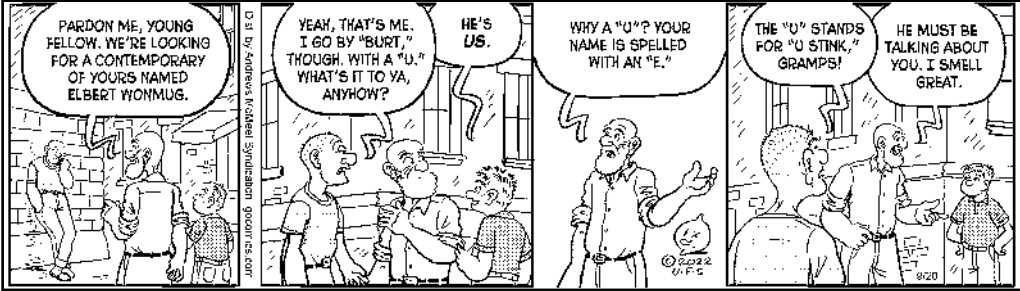
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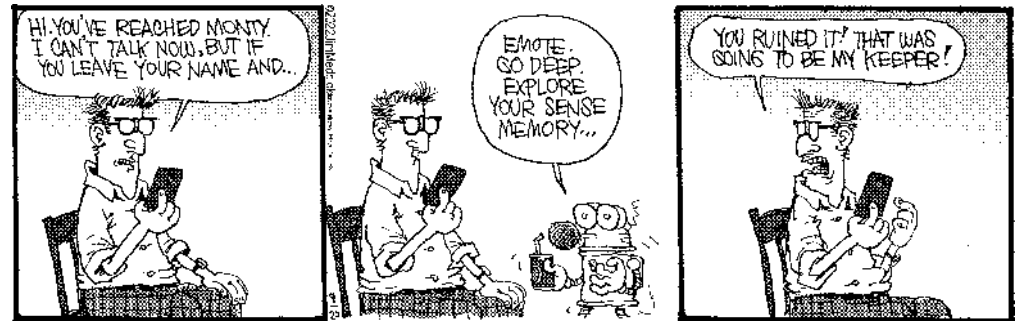
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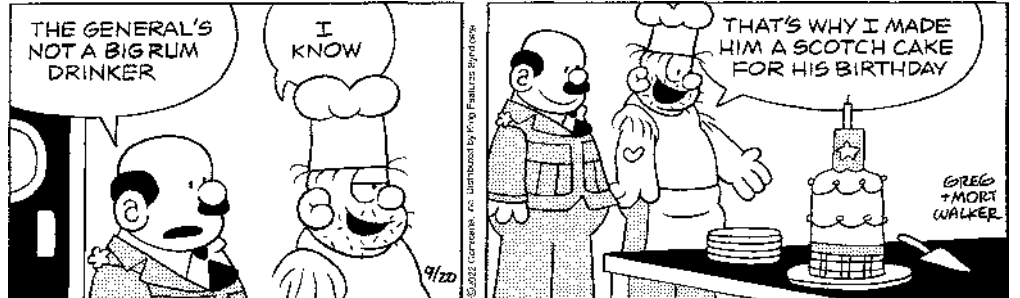
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## ASTROGRAPH by Eugenia Last

You can incorporate some of your ideas into your plans, but don't take a risk that might cost you your reputation or health this year. Proceed carefully and set up alternative plans just in case you need to switch gears and head in a different direction. Diversification will help you overcome setbacks and encourage you to take advantage of opportunities.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Trust and believe in yourself, and everything else will fall into place. Look at the possibilities, use your imagination and find new ways to use your skills to further your plans.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Oversee people's actions, and compensate for any mistakes. Don't put emotional pressure on yourself or others, but prepare to pick up the slack to ensure you get the desired results.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Express your concerns and make suggestions. A passionate plea will affect how others treat you. Don't waste money on entertainment when investing in yourself or your home will lower your stress.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- After some reflection, alter how you live and do things to suit your current needs. Don't listen to someone trying to push you in a direction that suits them instead of you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Look for a financial opportunity. Cutting back where you can and investing more time, effort and cash into something that interests you will improve your life. A lifestyle change will pan out.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Don't accommodate others when you need to follow your heart and give your plans a chance to develop properly. Home improvements will enrich your life and your relationship with a loved one.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Put your energy where it can do some good. Anger won't solve anything or help you win favors or respect. Compromise, make positive suggestions and help others see what you want.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) -- Socializing will pay off. Follow through with the promises you make. Your words count only if they turn into something tangible. A last-minute change will lessen risk.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) -- Stick to what you know. Consistency will be your ticket to success. Take care of responsibilities,

and you'll avoid disappointment. Personal gain and self-improvement are favored.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) -- Say what's on your mind, reveal how you feel, and discover where you stand and what you can expect from others. Listen attentively, ask questions and verify information.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) -- Use your insight, dedication and originality to help you develop a surefire plan. Play it safe and leave nothing to chance. Put your ideas in place and get things done.

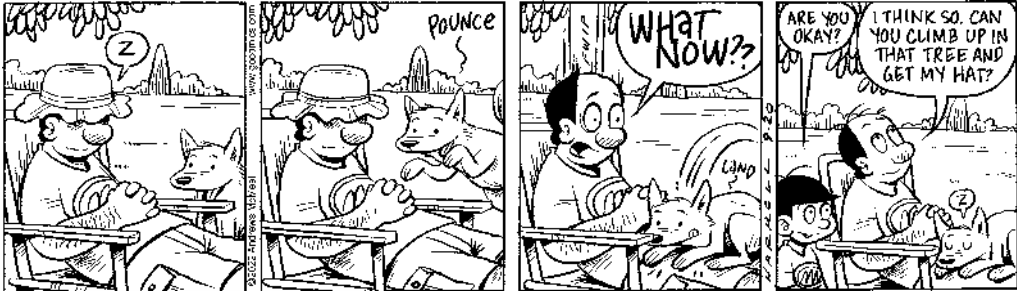
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Keep your plans secret until you are ready to put them into play. Approach someone who can offer a different perspective on something that interests you. Avoid all forms of risk.

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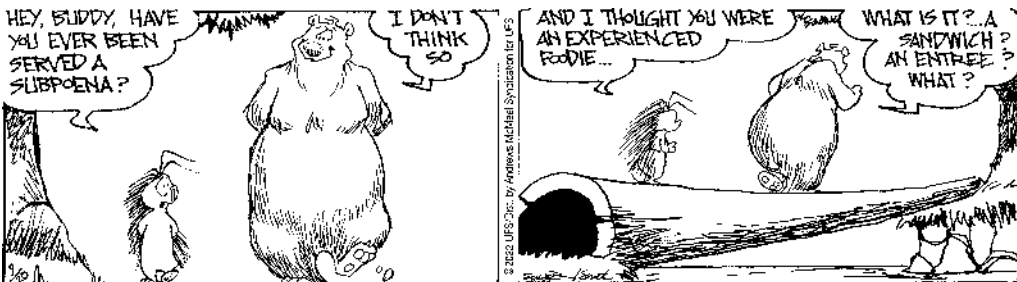
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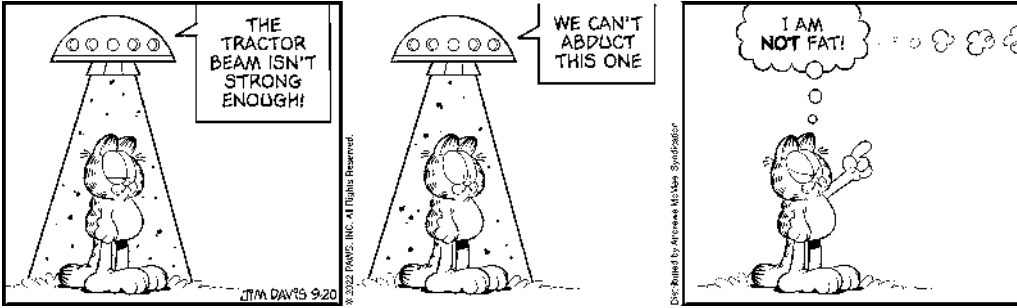
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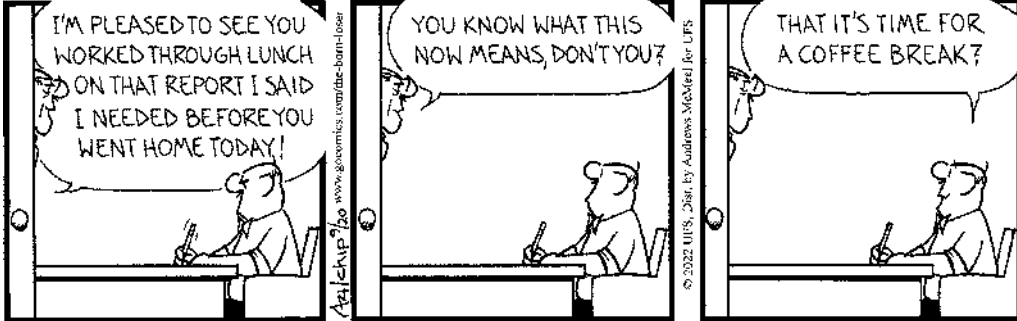
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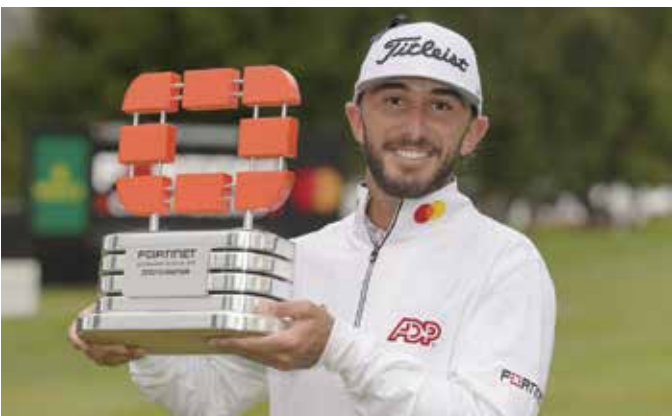
# Homa a surprise winner in Napa, Smith gets 1st LIV Golf win

NAPA, Calif. (AP)—Max Homa chipped in from nearly 33 feet for birdie on the closing hole, then watched as Danny Willett shockingly three-putted from inside 4 feet on Sunday to give Homa his second straight title at the Fortinet Championship.

Homa high-fived his caddie when his ball hit the flagstick and dropped. His previous shot from a nearby bunker came up short of the green at the par-5 18th hole. Willett, meanwhile, had a one-shot lead at the rain-soaked PGA Tour season opener and stuffed his third shot to 3 feet, 7 inches.

He rammed his first putt 4 feet, 8 inches by, then missed the comebacker to hand Homa his fifth victory on tour.

Homa closed with a 4-under 66 for a total of 16-under 272 and now heads to Charlotte, North Carolina, as a captain's pick for the Presidents Cup with three wins in the past 12 months. Willett shot 69. Taylor Montgomery was alone in third at 13 under after a closing 64.



Max Homa poses with his trophy on the 18th green of the Silverado Resort North Course after winning the Fortinet Championship PGA golf tournament in Napa, Calif. on Sunday. AP PHOTO/ERIC RISBERG

### LIV GOLF

SUGAR GROVE, Ill. (AP)—British Open champion Cameron Smith made his decision to leave the PGA Tour for LIV Golf pay off when he closed with a 3-under 69 for a three-shot victory in the LIV Golf Invitational-Chicago.

Smith was only briefly threatened in the third and final round. One of the key moments was a 10-foot par putt on the 13th hole, and neither Dustin Johnson

nor Peter Uihlein could do enough to catch him.

Smith won \$4 million from the \$20 million purse for individual play.

Johnson (70) and Uihlein (69) each made birdie on the par-5 18th hole at Rich Harvest Farms and tied for second, each earning \$1,812,500.

Johnson's birdie enabled his team to win for the fourth straight time, which was worth an additional \$750,000 for Johnson,

Talor Gooch, Patrick Reed and Pat Perez. In the five events Johnson has played, he now has made just over \$12.5 million.

### LPGA TOUR

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Andrea Lee recovered from two early bogeys and pulled away with five birdies on the back nine to close with a 6-under 66 and win the AmazingCre Portland Classic for her first LPGA Tour title.

Lee took the lead for good with an 18-foot birdie putt on the 16th hole and then hit a superb bunker shot from left of the 17th green to save par and keep a two-shot lead.

She was in the middle of the 18th fairway when she watched Daniela Darquea of Ecuador finish with a third straight birdie for a 66 to pull within one shot. Lee drilled her approach to 15 feet and lagged her putt to within inches to tap in for the win.

It was quite a turnaround for Lee, a former No. 1 amateur from Stanford whose game got off track to the point her LPGA status suf-

fered and she started the year on the developmental Epson Tour.

And then she climbed her way out of it, winning on the Epson Tour, taking advantage of sponsor exemptions with solid play and finally cashing in at Columbia Edgewater Country Club for her first win.

### EUROPEAN TOUR

GUIDONIA MONTE-CELIO, Italy (AP)—Robert MacIntyre closed with a 7-under 64 and then beat U.S. Open champion Matt Fitzpatrick with a birdie on the first playoff hole to win the Italian Open on the Marco Simone course that will host the Ryder Cup next year.

MacIntyre won for only the second time on the European tour, and this was the biggest for the 26-year-old Scot. The field included Fitzpatrick, European tour leader Rory McIlroy and Viktor Hovland.

McIlroy was right in the mix until hit his tee shot into the water on the reachable par-4 16th. He shot 68 and finished fourth. Victor Perez of France had a 66

and finished one shot out of the playoff.

Fitzpatrick was just short of the par-5 18th in two when he used putter from about 100 feet to within a foot of the hole for birdie and a 67 to force a playoff.

Back to the 18th, Fitzpatrick went into the left rough and his third shot ran into the fringe to about 15 feet. He missed the birdie putt. MacIntyre chipped from the edge of the green to 3 feet for birdie and the win.

### PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP)—Steve Stricker won his second straight PGA Tour Champions event, closing with a 6-under 64 and beating Robert Karlsson with a birdie on the first playoff hole in the Sanford International.

Stricker won The Ally Challenge two weeks ago and didn't play last week. He won for the third time this year, becoming the fifth player on the 50-and-older circuit with at least three victories this season.

Stricker and Karlsson, who shot a 66, finished at 14-under 196.

# Buescher wins Bristol; Harvick, Busch, RCR out of playoffs

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP)—Chris Buescher closed out a bizarre first round of NASCAR's playoffs in which none of the title contenders won a race by becoming the 19th winner this season with his victory Saturday night at Bristol Motor Speedway.

The second win of Buescher's career marked the first time in this format of NASCAR's postseason that a playoff driver failed to win a race during a round. Erik Jones won the opener and Bubba Wallace won last week.

Buescher won for RFK Racing, the longtime Jack Roush-owned team that took on Brad Keselowski in the ownership group this season, to give the organization its first win in a points-paying Cup race in over five years. Buescher and Keselowski both won a

pair of exhibition races for RFK at Daytona in February.

"This is so special, this team does such a good job," said Buescher, who won with a late call for two tires on the final pit stop. "It's special to get RFK into victory lane for the first time."

Keselowski, who left a long successful career at Team Penske to become an owner and driver at re-branded RFK, won the first stage for his first stage victory of the season. He congratulated Buescher both on-track and in victory lane.

It was the first points-paying win for RFK — then called Roush Fenway Racing — since Daytona in 2017, and the first non-superspeedway win on an oval since Carl Edwards won at Bristol in 2014.

The showdown on the



Chris Buescher jumps from the top of his car to the arms of his crew after winning a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Bristol Motor Speedway on Saturday in Bristol, Tenn. AP PHOTO/MARK HUMPHREY

Bristol short track was the first elimination race of NASCAR's playoffs and it was a nail-biter to the very end as at least a dozen of the 16 title contenders had some sort of problem.

There was a rash of flat tires for Ford drivers, mechanical problems for Toyota, an engine failure for Kyle Busch and Richard Childress Racing's two drivers were both involved

in a crash.

The 16-driver field was cut by four, and eliminated from the playoffs were Kevin Harvick, Busch and RCR teammates Austin Dillon and Tyler Reddick.

Harvick, Busch and Dillon were all below the cut-line headed into the race, but Harvick had a shot at the win until a wheel fell off his Ford during the final pit stop. He'd inherited a near-clear path to the victory — and an automatic berth into the next round — when Keselowski got a flat tire and hit the wall while leading.

Austin Cindric barely advanced because he was one of the early Ford drivers to run into trouble with a flat tire. There was a rash of tire problems for Ford drivers, and it would have eliminated many of them if so many playoff drivers didn't

have problems.

Among those who had no problems were Hendrick Motorsports teammates Chase Elliott and William Byron, who finished second and third in Chevrolets.

Christopher Bell finished fourth in a Toyota for Joe Gibbs Racing and was followed by Kyle Larson and Ross Chastain of Trackhouse Racing. Non-playoff drivers AJ Allmendinger and Cole Custer finished seventh and eighth.

The 19 winners in a season has been done a record four other times in NASCAR history and Elliott, who cycled back to the points lead for the start of the second round of the playoffs, noted the first three races showed what a crapshoot the process is this year.

# 62 and 700: Judge, Pujols closing in on home run milestones

By Noah Trister

AP Sports Writer

Aaron Judge and Albert Pujols could make this a milestone week for home runs.

Judge hit two more Sunday, raising his season total to 59, two shy of Roger Maris' American League record. Now the slugger returns to Yankee Stadium, where New York plays its next six games. Pujols, meanwhile, is somewhat improbably closing in on the 700-homer mark after hitting 12 since the start of August.

Judge's pursuit of Maris has stirred debate over how to put this AL record in context, should he break it. He's unlikely to threaten Barry Bonds' major league record of 73, but that mark, as well as the exploits of Mark McGwire and Sam-

my Sosa around the same time, have become complicated by performance-enhancing drug suspicions.

There's one way in which Judge likely will surpass both Bonds and Maris, no matter how many more homers he hits. Right now, he has an incredible 20-homer lead over Kyle Schwarber, who is second in the majors. Nobody has led baseball in homers by at least 20 since Babe Ruth finished with 54 in 1928 and nobody else had more than 31.

Maris led the majors by only seven when he hit 61, and Bonds led by nine when he hit 73.

Judge is also in the mix for the AL Triple Crown — he's leading big in homers and RBIs and just one point behind batting leader Luis Arraez — but that won't sort itself out until closer to the end of the season.

The 42-year-old Pujols, who is retiring at the end of the season, is trying to become the fourth major leaguer to reach 700 homers, following Bonds, Hank Aaron and Ruth. Unlike Judge, he won't be going for his milestone at home this week. St. Louis' next eight games are on the road against the Padres, Dodgers and Brewers.

### CUTTING IT CLOSE

Is it possible the Padres won't even make the playoffs after pulling off the blockbuster trade for Juan Soto? San Diego holds the second wild card in the National League at the moment, but the Padres are only a half-game ahead of Philadelphia and 2 1/2 ahead of Milwaukee.

San Diego is 24-20 since the start of August for a .545 winning percentage — after going 57-46 (.553) before that. Soto has hit only .221

since joining the Padres.

San Diego did win the last three games of a series with Arizona, with Soto hitting his first homer this month Sunday.

### LINE OF THE WEEK

While Schwarber is second in the majors in home runs with 39, Houston's Yordan Alvarez is second to Judge in the AL with 37. He homered in his first three at-bats Friday night in the Astros' 5-0 victory over Oakland.

Honorable mention: In that same game, Justin Verlander came back from the injured list for Houston and threw five no-hit innings before being removed.

### COMEBACK OF THE WEEK

It's actually a double dose this week.

On Tuesday night, Texas trailed Oakland 7-2 in the fifth inning before rallying for an 8-7 victory. Mark



St. Louis Cardinals' Albert Pujols hits a foul ball during the seventh inning in the second baseball game of the team's doubleheader against the Cincinnati Reds on Saturday in St. Louis. AP PHOTO/SCOTT KANE

Mathias homered twice, including a solo shot in the ninth to win it. The Athletics had a 94.8% chance to win in the fifth inning, according to Baseball Savant.

The next night, the script was flipped. Oakland beat Texas 8-7 after the Rangers

were up 5-1 after four. The win probability for Texas peaked at 93.2%. The A's completed their comeback with two runs in the top of the ninth, with the go-ahead run coming in on an error by shortstop Corey Seager.

# 49ers QB Trey Lance out for season with broken ankle

By Josh Dubow

AP Sports Writer

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP)—San Francisco 49ers quarterback Trey Lance will miss the rest of the season after breaking his right ankle Sunday.

Lance went down after running the ball on the second drive of a 27-7 win over the Seattle Seahawks. A cart came out on the field and Lance's leg was put into an air cast before he was taken off.

Coach Kyle Shanahan said after the game that Lance would need to undergo season-ending surgery, raising immediate questions about using Lance as a runner between the tackles so often early this season.

"Any time a guy gets hurt, I wish I didn't call that," Shanahan said. "But no, that's something we were going to do and something we would continue to

do. It's a football play we believe in and something that gives him a real chance to be successful."

Lance's teammates and several Seahawks players paid him respect before he left the field and was replaced by former starter Jimmy Garoppolo, who threw a touchdown pass on his first full drive and passed for 154 yards.

Lance spent his rookie season mostly on the bench watching Garoppolo as the Niners went all the way to the NFC title game before losing to the Rams.

But now he was supposed to get his chance as a starter for the first time since 2019 at North Dakota State. Lance only played one game in college the following season because of the pandemic.

San Francisco planned to trade Garoppolo this off-season, but was unable to after he underwent shoulder surgery in March.



San Francisco 49ers quarterback Trey Lance (5) lies on the field after being tackled during the first half of an NFL football game against the Seattle Seahawks in Santa Clara, Calif., Sunday. AP PHOTO/JOSIE LEPE

Garoppolo remained on the roster but didn't practice with the team at all during training camp,

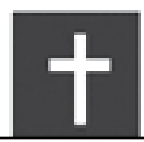



throwing on his own on a side field, before agreeing to return as a backup on a reduced contract.



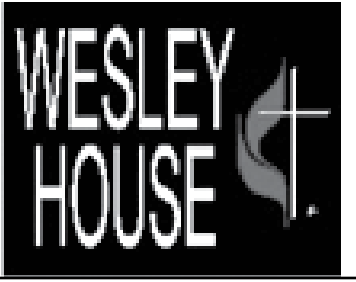
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### LEGALS

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#### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINN COUNTY, KANSAS JUVENILE DIVISION

"In the Interest of:  
S.B.,  
a Minor Child Under the Age of 18 Years."  
Case No: LN-2022-JC-000011

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

To: Larry James Brown II, father of S.B., and any other interested parties:

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Date: September 16, 2022

/s/ Burton Harding  
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#### N THE DISTRICT COURT OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, KANSAS

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Eugene F Strasser (Deceased), et al.  
Defendants.

Case No. CRP22CV88  
K.S.A. 60  
Mortgage Foreclosure  
(Title to Real Estate Involved)

#### NOTICE OF SUIT

THE STATE OF KANSAS to: John Doe Unknown Spouse of Martha Ann Strasser and Unknown Heirs, Devises & Legatees of Martha Ann Strasser, Defendants, and all other persons who are or may be concerned:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED: That a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Crawford County, Kansas, Case No. CRP22CV88 by NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, praying for foreclosure of a mortgage executed by Eugene F Strasser, Martha Ann Strasser on 12/17/2007 and recorded in Book 0580 Page 0696 in the real estate records of Crawford County, Kansas, related to the following property:

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LOT NUMBER 144 IN THE "2ND FOREST PARK ADDITION TO PITTSBURG" (KANSAS) ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

You are hereby required to plead to the Petition on or before October 31, 2022, in the court at Crawford County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

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#### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estates of

Case No. CRP-2022-PR-000111  
Carol L. Shay, also known as

Carol Lynn Shay, Deceased

(Pursuant to K. S. A. Chapter 59)

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Bobby J. Lavender, son and an heir of Carol L. Shay, also known as Carol Lynn Shay, deceased, requesting: Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Crawford County, Kansas: Lot Twenty Five (25), Block One (1), Perry's East Addition to the City of Girard, According to the recorded Plat thereof.

and other interests in real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that property and other interests in real property owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession. You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before the 12th day of October, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., in the District Court of Crawford County, Kansas, sitting at Pittsburg, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Bobby J. Lavender  
Petitioner

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# Police investigating allegations fan struck Kyler Murray

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Police in Las Vegas said Monday they’re investigating allegations that a fan in the stands struck Cardinals quarterback Kyler Murray amid celebrations of Arizona’s 29-23 overtime victory over the Raiders.

Murray was high-fiving front-row spectators at Allegiant Stadium following Byron Murphy Jr.’s game-ending fumble return on Sunday when a man appeared to reach out and smack Murray in the face with an open hand.

Video showed Murray appear stunned, but not injured, then attempted to identify the attacker in the mostly happy crowd.

Officer Larry Hadfield, a Las Vegas police spokesman, confirmed that a battery complaint was made about 6:30 p.m. at the stadium. The report was not immediately available.

Hadfield did not name Murray as the reporting person, but confirmed the allegation was that “a



Arizona Cardinals quarterback Kyler Murray (1) throws against the Las Vegas Raiders during the first half of an NFL football game on Sunday in Las Vegas. AP PHOTO/JOHN LOCHER

spectator at the stadium struck a professional football player.”

Hadfield said a suspect was not immediately identified and an investigation was ongoing.

Cardinals spokesman Mark Dalton declined to comment Monday.

Murray had an outstanding game, leading the Cardinals (1-1) to

two touchdowns and two 2-point conversions in the final 8:13 of regulation to force overtime.

The victory was Arizona’s first since Murray agreed to a \$230.5 million, five-year contract extension. He was the No. 1 overall pick in the 2019 draft after winning the Heisman Trophy at Oklahoma in 2018.

# Girard volleyball goes 4-2 in weekend tournament

## Staff Reports

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The Girard High School volleyball team will have plenty of talking points after a busy weekend, getting in six matches at the Erie Red Devil Classic Tournament held during the weekend.

The Trojans went 4-2 with losses to Chanute and Neodesha High School and wins over Chanute, Erie, Jayhawk-Linn and Parsons High School. With the four victories, the Trojans improve to 15-3 overall.

Girard first battled Jay-

hawk-Linn early in the morning, prevailing in two sets (25-10, 25-20).

The Trojans carried their momentum into the next match against Erie, beating the Red Devils in the first set 25-12. Girard then claimed the second set 25-11. Emmaline Senecat highlighted the match against the Red Devils, compiling 12 kills, six digs, three blocks and one ace.

Parsons then faced Girard as the Vikings fell in two sets to the Trojans (25-17, 25-16).

Girard kept the momentum rolling against Cha-

nute in its fourth match, narrowly beating the Blue Comets in two sets (25-22, 25-20). Senior Sara Goble shined with 11 assists, four digs, two kills and one ace.

The four-game tournament streak then came to an end as Girard fell in its fifth match against Neodesha as the Blue Streaks beat the Trojans in three sets (27-25, 23-25, 17-25). Senior Lea McGown and Senecat collected 28 kills, while senior Bailey Troike had 18 digs.

Girard followed the loss by battling Chanute once again. However, the Trojans fell to the Blue Comets in two sets (22-25, 24-26). Despite the loss, Goble provided a spark collecting 16 assists, four digs and one kill.

The Trojans travel to Riverton for their next matchup at 5 p.m. on Thursday for a triangular against the Rams and Columbus Titans.

# Nebraska fires defensive coach 1 week after ousting Frost

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A week after Nebraska fired head coach Scott Frost, the team’s defensive coordinator is out.

Interim head coach Mickey Joseph said Sunday that defensive coordinator Erik Chinander was fired a day after Nebraska gave up 580 yards and 49 points in lopsided loss to No. 6 Oklahoma.

Chinander had led Nebraska’s defense since Frost took over the team in 2018, but his unit floundered this year as the Cornhuskers fell to 1-3. A week before the 49-14 loss to Oklahoma, Nebraska gave up 642 yards in a 45-42 upset by Georgia Southern that preceded Frost’s firing.

“We appreciate Erik and the work and dedication he has given to our football program,” Joseph said in a statement. “At t ahis time, I feel that it is in the best interest of the Nebraska football program to take the leadership of the defense in another direction.”

Special teams coordinator Bill Busch was



Nebraska interim head coach Mickey Joseph watches from the sidelines during the second half of an NCAA college football game against Oklahoma Saturday in Lincoln, Neb. Oklahoma defeated Nebraska 49-14. AP PHOTO/REBECCA S. GRATZ

promoted to defensive coordinator.

Athletic director Trev Alberts said after Joseph was named interim head coach that he

would have the power to make any changes he thought were needed. Alberts fired Frost after he went 16-31 in a little more than four seasons.

# Aces poised to capture multiple WNBA tiles with Wilson, Gray

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A’ja Wilson and the Las Vegas Aces look to be a safe bet to win a few more WNBA titles over the next several years, a realization that can’t be ignored even though they haven’t had very much time to celebrate their organization’s first championship.

“I think we found ourselves in this league where everyone has their standard of how they’ve won, and we are creating that,” Wilson said not long after the franchise won its first title on Sunday with a 78-71 victory against Connecticut in Game 4 of the WNBA Finals. “Our journey is just beginning.”

The Aces have several of their core players signed to deals that will keep them in Las Vegas for the next few years.

None is bigger than Wilson, who has already won two MVPs and is entering her prime at just 26 years old. She also was named defensive player of the year for the first time too this season and will be the centerpiece in which the Aces hope will be a title defense next year.

Las Vegas will be attempting to do something that hasn’t been done in the WNBA in 20 years. No team has won consecutive championships since the Los Angeles Sparks did it in 2001 and 2002.

“You see it. You see it,” Wilson said. “This is what we’re building. This is what we’re doing.



Las Vegas Aces’ A’ja Wilson holds up the championship trophy as she celebrates with her team their win in the WNBA basketball finals against the Connecticut Sun on Sunday in Uncasville, Conn. AP PHOTO/JESSICA HILL

This is it. I’m so happy right now.”

Wilson has been the face of the franchise since she was drafted No. 1 by the Aces in 2018. She led the team to the WNBA Finals in 2020 before they were swept by Seattle.

Now she has a WNBA championship to go along with a NCAA title she won while starring for South Carolina as well as an Olympic gold medal.

Besides their MVP, other key players the Aces have signed for the next few seasons included WNBA Finals MVP Chelsea Gray and back-court mate Kelsey Plum.

“Knowing that we have commitment for next season is special,” Gray

said. “We’re doing it for each other and it’s created a bond.”

That bond starts at the top with Las Vegas Aces owner Mark Davis. He’s invested heavily in the team on and off the court since he bought it in 2021. He lured Becky Hammon from the NBA by making her the first WNBA coach to have a \$1-million-a-year contract and is building a brand new practice facility.

“In Vegas, we are trying to build a culture that players want to come and take part in something special, something bigger than themselves,” said Hammon, named coach of the year as she led the Aces to the title in her first year.

Hammon became the first rookie coach to win a WNBA championship.

She knows the history of the franchise, starring as a player from 2007-14. The team was swept in the 2008 WNBA Finals. Now the organization is celebrating a championship.

“I don’t know, it’s actually hard to put into words right now,” Hammon said. “A little surreal. You know, when I took the job in December, I thought when I started kind of breaking down their rosters that I could do something with it. I had a vision of what I wanted to do with this team.”

Hammon’s vision culminated with a title this year and there could be more on the horizon.

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