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## Kempf's Custom Butchering is under new ownership

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**K**empf's Custom Butchering has been a staple in the local community since 1987. The shop has changed hands and is under new ownership but will retain its quality and well-known name.

Owners Lyn and Wendy Henderson, of Northwest Arkansas, purchased the shop last year and have several ideas to improve it while maintaining its former perfection. Lyn Henderson said Friday that the shop was initially opened in the late 1980s by Alvin Kempf, a local farmer of the Mennonite faith. He eventually sold the business to his son-in-law Keith Schrock. In 2000, the shop burned and was rebuilt at the current location in 2004. In 2013, Schrock moved to Arkansas, and the business was turned over to Vernon Kempf, Alvin's son.

In 2017, a significant remodeling of the facility took place. It is now around 11,000 square feet and has a retail store.

Henderson noted, with a laugh, he has spent 15 years in the IT field doing software development, management consulting, and warehouse distribution. Due to his job, he and his family traveled extensively. But, he added that he wanted to try something different, and the opportunity to purchase Kempf's came up.

"Someone asked me the

other day, 'Are you going through a midlife crisis?'" he said with a smile. "I said, 'I don't think so.' I never thought of it that way ... I'm just ready for something different.

"And this is about as different as I can get," he continued. "I've been an entrepreneur my entire life. I've opened several businesses, mostly online businesses."

He added he and his family opened an escape room in South Florida right before COVID hit. But unfortunately, due to the pandemic, they had to close the business.

"But I always wanted to be in business for myself," Henderson noted.

Henderson began looking for an existing business with employees and a customer base; he found Kempf's. They started making plans in July 2022 and closed on the deal on Jan. 30, 2023.

He added it's been a lot of work, and the transition was challenging. Although they are keeping the name of Kempf, they set up a new company. New vendor contracts had to be signed, and the Missouri state inspection had to be granted to the new company, which took four to six weeks.

"That's all done, and we are state inspected," he said.

Due to the state inspection, customers within Missouri who have meat processed at Kempf's can sell it to local grocery stores and markets.



Lyn Henderson and his daughter Haleigh Brunner stand in front of Kempf's Custom Butchering Friday morning in rural Pettis County. Henderson and his wife, Wendy, of Arkansas, purchased the well-known Kempf's recently and plan to retain the name and quality the shop is known for.

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"We have several customers who are farmers," he explained. "They've made relationships with their community, and they will resale it at the grocery store, or they'll sell to country stores like ours."

Henderson noted they have three main plans for the business in the future. The first is to open a larger retail store in Sedalia.

"Because we know it's a little bit of a drive out here," he added. "And we have so much more to offer than just custom butchering."

Kempf's also offers raw milk, which is raised on the farm on the shop's property. The shop's raw milk is tested

for an A2A2 protein level and is safe for lactose-intolerant people. Kempf's also carries other dairy products, deli items, outdoor furniture and play equipment, and hunting blinds.

Henderson said his second idea is to sell items online and across state lines. For example, selling beef across state lines would require the shop to be USDA inspected.

"Since we are not a USDA facility yet, that is something that will be on the horizon," he said.

Last, Henderson said he wants to add more "capacity." "We are a little bit limited; we can't offer long hang

yet," he noted. "We do offer a two-week hang on any of the beef. But we can't go over that because we just don't have the capacity."

Currently, Kempf's can process 40 beef and 40 hogs a week. The typical types of meat processed are beef, hogs, goats, sheep and lambs, and bison. They also process wild game such as deer and boar when in season. Henderson added last year, the shop processed 2,300 deer during hunting season.

Henderson said he's not making any significant changes to the company.

"My quick answer to them is I don't want them to

see any changes," he added. "We're not changing any recipes; the name is staying the same.

"The big thing is we're just trying to do better," he continued. "They've already done well; we're just trying to (improve)."

For more information on Kempf's Custom Butchering, 21612 Glenn Road, call Henderson at 660-826-2898 or email lyn@kempfmeats.com. The shop is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday.

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## Respect for Law Banquet honors first responders

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Thursday evening, May 11 at the Sedalia Country Club, first responders from seven different agencies were recognized for their excellent work protecting the community.

Jason Myers is the Secretary and Treasurer of the Noonday Optimist Club in Sedalia and told the Democrat the Noonday Optimists have been honoring the first responders of Pettis County for more than 35 years.

"It's our Respect for Law Banquet," Myers said, "but we do more than law enforcement, we honor all first responders. Fire departments, EMA, Highway Patrol, sheriff's departments, the Police



Sedalia Fire Chief Matt Irwin presents driver Christopher Magert an award at the Noonday Optimist Club's Respect for Law Banquet hosted Thursday evening, May 11 at the Sedalia Country Club.

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Department, we have seven agencies that we honor."

Sedalia Fire Chief Matt Irwin was proud to present one of his firefighters, driver Christopher Magert, with a top award.

"Chris is a driver/engineer with the city fire department," Irwin said. "He's been a member of the department for over 10 years. He came to us with a lot of experience."

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## Sheriff's Awards celebrate Pettis County heroes

**By Chris Howell**  
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The Pettis County Sheriff's Awards were presented Thursday, May 11 during a ceremony at Cornerstone Baptist Church.

"It was a great night with the recognition everyone deserved," Sheriff Brad Anders told the Democrat on Friday. "Staff, corrections officers, community members, and other first responder entities in the County."

Sheriff's department staff have been creating positive connections throughout central Missouri, and it was impressive to see the other agencies gathered to honor the Sheriff's staff members.

"It was an awesome

feeling," Anders said. "Having all those different entities represented. From PCAD, Pettis County Fire, all of them have just been phenomenal, the Sedalia Police Department. These last two years have been great for building those relation-

ships and getting to know those men and women and the dedication that they have."

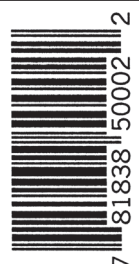
Anders was proud to announce Todd Asbury as Deputy of the Year to applause from his coworkers.

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Corrections officers Cheyenne Kessing and Michael Laster are congratulated by Sheriff Brad Anders at the Sheriff's Awards Thursday, May 11 at Cornerstone Baptist Church. Kessing and Laster saved an inmate who was attempting to hang himself in December.

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**Tiny Tees**  
Registration closes tomorrow, May 14  
Wednesdays, June 7-28  
Session Times:  
9am, 5:30pm, or 6:30pm  
Ages 3-4 years  
\$35 per player



**SUPER SMASH BROS E-SPORTS TOURNAMENT**  
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# OBITUARIES

## Anthony Jerome Townsend

Anthony Jerome Townsend, 67, of Columbia, passed away on Monday, May 8, 2023, at the Harry S. Truman VA Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at Memorial Funeral Home. Visitation will begin at noon. Interment will take place at a later date at the Missouri State Veteran's Cemetery, Jacksonville, Missouri.

He was born on October 2, 1955, at Whiteman Air Force Base to Vernice and Maseo Townsend and completed his journey on May 8, 2023. He lived his childhood in Sedalia, Missouri, and was educated in the Sedalia Public School System. He attended the City College of Chicago and Lincoln University, then later enlisted in the Army, where he completed training to be an Advanced Medical Specialist. He was very proud of his accomplishments in the service and was honorably discharged from the military after 13 years of service.

He was an avid chess player and enjoyed playing with other chess lovers online. He also enjoyed playing with friends and remains the undisputed champ in every game he played with cousin Don.

Anthony never met a stranger. He was a smooth man with a calm demeanor and a loving heart. He was loved dearly by his family, but everyone who knew him has fond memories of him. He was the ultimate girl dad and a grandfather who always rose to the occasion. He shared a strong bond with his favorite granddaughter,

Aatiyah.



He is survived by his daughters Torie, Helene and Teneya Townsend (Charles Cooper); his mother, Vernice Jordan, and stepfather, Isaac Jordan; his grandchildren, Aatiyah, Cairo, and Titus; his siblings Pamela Townsend, Nancy Black, Lela Jackson, Sharon Ross, Jim and Tamika Ross, Kathy Pryor, Sue Holmes and Donna Sherman; his significant other, Kimberly Rogers; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, aunts, uncles, and friends.

He is preceded in death by his father, Maseo Townsend; his stepmother, Laverne Townsend; his daughter Alicia Townsend; his brothers, Maseo Townsend Jr., Earl Townsend and Leonard Townsend; his sister, Amy Jordan; his former spouse, Lenora Townsend; his father-in-law, James Ross; two aunts, and one uncle.

He had a special place in his heart for his dogs Jedidiah and Rosey. Rosey preceded him in death as well.

Special Thanks  
The family would like to send a special thanks to Mark Ort, who was Anthony's friend til the end. The love you showed by caring for him and advocating for him will always be remembered.

Thank you to the family and friends who have provided comfort, prayers, and food.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at [www.memorialfuneralhomeandcemetery.com](http://www.memorialfuneralhomeandcemetery.com) for the Townsend family.

## Robin Lee Wallace

Robin Lee Wallace, 60, of Sedalia, MO, passed away Saturday, May 6, 2023, from the result of a motor vehicle accident in Sedalia.



She was born on October 25, 1962, in Tucson, AZ, the daughter of David West George, who preceded her in death, and Lois (Whitson) George, who resides in Branson, MO.

In 1983, she married Tommy Allen Wallace Sr. They were married for 15 years and blessed with four children.

From Tucson, Robin moved to Amarillo, where she met Tommy. She followed him as his job moved him to Kansas and later to Missouri. When she got to Missouri, they didn't have enough money for an apartment right away, so they lived in a campground in Warsaw (Berrybend). She never minded, though, because she loved the lake. She finally moved to Sedalia and started working at Country Kitchen and Rival, where she worked for years. When Rival shut down, she moved to Duke and later to Tyson, where she loved her job and was happy.

Robin loved being outdoors, camping, and kayaking. She loved her sundresses and pool and was always so proud of it. She had a hard life and many struggles but never let them bear her down. She was a two-time breast cancer survivor! She loved her grandchildren more than life. She was always so happy and always smiling. She would tell me, "No one can take that smile from you." She always put her heart into her work. She worked at Tyson and would always call and talk

about her day.

She embodied the spirit of the oak. Like an oak tree, the weather would buffet the tree. It would sway with what the world dealt, but the oak tree would stand until the day it couldn't. She weathered many storms and would still be there. Of course, it would affect her, but she still stood through the many storms.

In addition to her mother, Lois George, Robin is survived by a daughter Amber Wallace (Darrell Slaughter Jr.) of Marshall, MO; three sons, Tommy Allen Wallace Jr. of Sedalia, Ricardo Miguel Montoya (Teresa) of Sedalia, and Daniel Wallace of Sedalia; a stepson, Nick Wallace; 10 grandchildren, Sydney, Isaac, Angel, Izzabella, Brenden, Karlee, Elijah "George," Caitie, Beau, and Cameron; a soon to be great-granddaughter; and two brothers, Brian George of Sedalia, and Steven George of Branson, MO.

In addition to her father, Robin was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary George and Patti George, and a brother, David George.

A celebration of life service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at Rea Funeral Chapel with Pastor Rusty Thomas officiating.

The family will receive friends one hour before the service at the funeral chapel.

Honorary bearers will be Charles Pritchard, Bonnie Allen, Tom Horn, and Joyce Bennett.

Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

# DEATH NOTICE

## Marshall

Calvin L. Marshall, 70, of Columbia, formerly of Sedalia, died Thursday, May 11, 2023, at the University of Missouri Hospital in Columbia.

Funeral services will be at noon Saturday, May 20, 2023, at Rea Funeral Chapel in Sedalia. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

# FUNERALS

## Cindy Kathleen Mills

1 p.m. Saturday at the Calvary Episcopal Church Outdoor Columbarium. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home in Sedalia.

## Virginia "Ginny" Arnett

2 p.m. Saturday at Heckart Funeral Home in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home.

## Clarence Paul Luchini

11 a.m. Monday at Heckart Funeral Home in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home.

## John Nathan Turley

2:30 p.m. Monday at Christ and Trinity Lutheran Church in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel in Sedalia.

## Robin Lee Wallace

11 a.m. Wednesday at Rea Funeral Chapel in

Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

## Anthony Jerome Townsend

1 p.m. Wednesday at Memorial Funeral Home in Columbia. Arrangements are under the direction of Memorial Funeral Home.

## Janice Marie Summers

6 p.m. Thursday at Broadway Presbyterian Church in Sedalia. Arrangements are under

the direction of Heckart Funeral Home in Sedalia.

## Calvin L. Marshall

Noon Saturday, May 20 at Rea Funeral Chapel in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

## Robert "Bob" Paul Cranfill

11 a.m. Friday, June 2 at Rea Funeral Chapel in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

# POLICE REPORTS

This list is a sampling of crime in Sedalia and the surrounding area. Information is taken from official police reports, which do not necessarily contain statements from all parties involved in each case.

## Sedalia Police Department Arrests

**May 10**  
1:21 p.m.: Brittany N. Miller, 31, of the 1900 block of South Harrison Avenue, was arrested after officers conducted a vehicle stop at West 16th Street and South Vermont Avenue. Miller was arrested for felony driving with a suspended license and transported to the Pettis County Jail to be booked and released.

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12:07 a.m.: Gabriel Arthur LeClaire, 42, of Sedalia, was arrested after officers responded to a report of trespassing at a business in the 300 block of West Broadway Boulevard. LeClaire was transported to the Pettis County Jail, where he was booked and released after being issued a citation for municipal trespassing.

2:02 a.m.: Alden Joe Harding, 24, of the 2000 block of Twin Pines Drive, was arrested after traffic stopped near West 16th Street and Winchester Avenue on a vehicle that failed to maintain a lane of travel. The driver was transported to the Sedalia Police Department and refused

to provide a breath sample, so a search warrant was obtained and a blood draw was conducted. Harding was transported to the Pettis County Jail, where he was booked and released for driving while intoxicated.

## Incidents

**May 10**  
3:51 p.m.: Officers responded to the Sedalia Police Department lobby in reference to a forgery report. The victim stated a woman known to him transferred utility services that were in his name without his permission, resulting in a \$298 bill.

4:56 p.m.: An officer spoke with a victim on the phone in reference to a theft in the 1500 block of Thompson Boulevard.

The victim advised his wallet was stolen and the suspects charged several thousands of dollars to his credit and debit cards.

## May 11

9:56 a.m.: An officer took a report over the phone from a victim who said he ordered a Nintendo Switch and charger through Amazon. The tracking showed it was delivered to Sedalia instead of to the correct Marshall address.

## Pettis County Sheriff's Office Incidents

**May 10**  
7:59 a.m.: Deputies took a theft report in the 1000 block of South Oak Street in La Monte.

Compiled by Chris Howell.

# CRASH REPORTS

## California man in serious condition after ATV rollover

Donald F. Bolin, 76, of California, Missouri, sustained serious injuries at 4:40 p.m. Wednesday in a Moniteau County

accident. According to a Missouri State Highway Patrol report, Bolin was driving a 2015 Cadet ATV east on private property off Grayson Drive in California when he rolled

backward down a hill and struck a tree.

Bolin was not wearing a safety device and was transported by ambulance to Capital City Regional Hospital in Jefferson City. Information is taken

from preliminary Missouri State Highway Patrol reports, which do not necessarily contain statements from all parties involved.

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# Democrat Salutes



Sedalia Lions Club President Jason Knox presents Chanisty Lambert of the Center for Human Services with a \$500 donation. PHOTO COURTESY OF SEDALIA LIONS CLUB

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## CONTRIBUTING COLUMN

## Christians are living in a new age of signs, wonders and unity

Feb. 12, 2015  
Sirte, Libya  
"Ya Rabb Yeshua!"

The 20 Egyptian men kneeling on the beach called out to Jesus.

Their captors, members of the Islamic radical terrorist group ISIS, were making a video of their execution.

The terrorist leader spoke to the camera: "Oh people, recently you've seen us on the hills of Al-Sham and on Dabiq's plain, chopping off the heads that had been carrying the cross delusion for a long time, filled with spite against Islam and Muslims, and today we ... are sending another message: Oh crusaders, safety for you will be only wishes, especially when you're fighting us all together, therefore we will fight you all together until the war lays down its burdens and Jesus, peace be upon him, will descend, breaking the cross, killing the swine. The sea you've hidden Sheikh Osama bin Laden's body in, we swear to Allah we will mix it with your blood."

The men were given a choice: convert to Islam or be beheaded. The 20 Coptic Orthodox Christians chose death, calling upon the Lord. A 21st man, Ghanaian migrant worker Matthew Ayariga, also refused to convert. Some reports list his last words as "Their God is my God."

That was just eight years ago. This week, according to Catholic News Agency, these 21 men will be added to the Roman Martyrology, the official Roman Catholic list of saints.

"I am glad to announce today that, with the consent of Your Holiness, these 21 martyrs will be inserted into the Roman Martyrology as a sign of the spiritual communion uniting our two Churches," Pope Francis said in a speech to the head of the Coptic Orthodox Church of Alexandria, Pope Tawadros II.

This seemingly small act of recognition is actually something extraordinary, almost miraculous.

The Coptic Orthodox Church is an ancient Christian church with 4 million members, mainly in Africa and the Middle East. Copts are the main minority group in Egypt, and the most common type of Christian in the Middle East. They claim the Gospel writer St. Mark as their founder. Though Catholics and Copts share beliefs and even consider each other's sacraments valid, the two churches have been separated for more than 1,500 years.

So this new sign of Christian unity, made possible by the self-sacrifice of 21 prisoners who claimed the saving power of Jesus even unto death,



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is totally unprecedented in the modern world.

The world of Christian social media was set ablaze over the news. A few people recoiled over the unusual decision to include non-Catholic Christians in the roll of Catholic saints, but many others pointed to the doctrine of "baptism by blood." This is the ancient idea, as old as the earliest Christians, that men and women who die confessing the Lord, killed in hatred of Jesus, are given the grace of justification. Online Christians both Catholic and Protestant were filled with joy and wonder as they contemplated both the martyrdom and its unexpected result.

"It is so amazing to me that this has happened in our time," said Marianne Wright, Anabaptist Christian and editor of the Christian quarterly magazine Plough.

"I think there's a lesson in that," replied Catholic author C.A. Shultz. "That the world hasn't changed as much as we might think. Even now, there are martyrs, heroes, saints, mighty figures, the doing of great deeds. The opportunity to be a great saint and glorify God is still here, for all of us to grasp."

I agree. We are living in a time of signs and wonders. Though it largely gets left out of American news, this is the era of worldwide Christian persecution, mostly in Africa and Asia. Crisis magazine reports, "it is estimated that there have been more Christian martyrs in the past hundred years than in all the preceding nineteen centuries combined."

All that sacrifice is not in vain. As the earliest Christians also believed, "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." There are amazing things happening all around us. Extraordinary tales of self-sacrifice and bravery. Hope and faith amid persecution and evil. Revival. Zeal. Charity. Even the healing of wounds and divisions almost as old as the Cross itself.

What an interesting time to be alive. May we all be worthy of living in it.

*Liz Schleicher lives in Green Ridge and is a wife, stay-at-home mother, writer and rare cancer survivor.*



## CONTRIBUTING COLUMN

## Making time for friends from the past

Becky was always one of my mother's favorites. Clever and intelligent, she lived in a huge house catty-cornered to the old Methodist Church in Thayer. Her dad was a doctor, her mom a homemaker, and her older sister, Elizabeth, taught ballet.

Aside: Elizabeth produced a dance recital every spring; we had cute costumes and tried valiantly to remember all the steps she had taught us. I recall a friend telling me, "My mom says that ballet has really helped you." What does that mean? Was it that I had been chubby, and ballet helped "reshape" me? Was it that I had been clumsy, and ballet helped me learn grace? Was it that I had no style and learned some "flash" with recital costumes?

Moving on. I've written about Becky's dad, who was, according to my mother, brilliant, but apparently had some mental health issues. He moved from one hobby to another: buying lots of photography equipment, and then forgetting about photography and taking up another hobby with enthusiasm, only to drop it soon afterward. One hobby was hunting. While most everyone I



**Deborah Mitchell**  
Contributing Columnist

knew hunted deer, he went on a hunting trip to Alaska and brought back a huge bear rug that Becky's mom kept in the attic, where we played. Libby swears that Becky and I locked her in the room with the bear one day, but I don't remember that (winks). Becky's dad was the first suicide I had to deal with, and I've never forgotten it.

Not long after that, Becky toyed with the idea of a career in medicine, but her talents lay elsewhere: creativity. She loved making quirky art; she invented fashions that everyone emulated. Two I remember particularly: She wore a pair of tights with her dress (girls couldn't wear pants to school back then) and then put different color fishnet tights on top of the tights, so she might be wearing red tights

that showed through navy blue fishnets. Then, in the spring, she nixed the solid color tights and wore two different colors of fishnets. That fashion statement looked like what we now know as tie-dying.

She had three close friends and wrote stories about the group, naming them "The Fat Four," which was ridiculous, because none of them was fat. One story turned the Fat Four into flying pigs who put peanuts in their Cokes at the drugstore after school.

Becky took her informative speech to state contest. She sat in a chair, left side toward the audience, looking in a mirror, and told them how to apply theater make-up to look old. She used the make-up on only one side of her face, so when she put on a scarf at the end of the speech and turned around, she looked like an old woman. The judges loved it.

We hadn't kept up after I left Thayer, but Lorraine, a friend from college, called me one day about 10 years ago with interesting news. She was in Becky's house in North Kansas City for a homes tour and saw a picture of the Thayer Marching Bobcat Band (Becky

was drum majorette; the marching band didn't need a bassoon, and by the way, Becky taught herself how to play the bassoon).

She had been in North Kansas City the whole time. So my BFF Susan and I went to KC to, as we said when we were little, "pend the night" with Becky. The years dropped away, and we had a blast, promising to do it again.

Time is running out, though, for that do-over, because a couple of years ago, Becky was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. She has done what she can to keep it at bay. She started a new drug regimen a couple of months ago, but that hasn't helped.

She tells her myriad friends in regular emails that she isn't unhappy or sick but feels as if she has, as she says, the best deck chair on the Titanic.

Becky and Christie (a Fat Four member), Susan and I, Elizabeth and another friend, Kay, are planning a trip to Bentonville this fall. We'll talk and laugh and reminisce, and then we will rue the inexorable march of time.

*Deborah Mitchell is a Sedalia attorney.*

## THIER VIEW

## Proposal would suppress Missourians' voices, not confront illegal voting

**By St. Louis Post-Dispatch**

The effort by Missouri's Republican-led Legislature to overhaul the process for changing the state constitution has nothing to do with non-citizens voting. But some voters are likely to think otherwise since the very first question in a proposed ballot referendum asks voters whether only U.S. citizens should be allowed to vote — even though this is already the law.

Beware: The confusion is intentional.

This is a brazen attempt to lull voters into approving the measure without understanding the real purpose, which is to make it harder to change the state constitution via ballot referendums in the future. This is how GOP lawmakers plan to prevent Missourians from using the referendum process to

roll back the draconian state abortion ban that went into effect last year. Democracy apparently is too frightening for them to bear.

Currently, ballot referendums seeking to amend the state constitution need a simple majority of those voting to pass. With the growing gap between the priorities of Missouri's increasingly radical Republican rulers and their constituents, that process has been used several times recently to do what lawmakers refused to, including expanding Medicaid and legalizing marijuana.

With polls showing that Missourians (like Americans generally) support some level of abortion rights, Missouri's almost total ban at all stages of pregnancy likely wouldn't survive a statewide up-or-down vote. Pro-choice advocates are already

gearing up for just such a ballot effort.

So the Legislature's Republicans aren't taking any chances. As the Post-Dispatch's Jack Suntrup reports, the measure passed by the state Senate last week would raise the bar for approving a constitutional amendment to 57% of the vote statewide. Alternatively, it would allow passage with 50% of the vote if there is also majority passage in at least five of the state's eight congressional districts — a caveat clearly designed to dilute the influence of Democratic voters, who are largely concentrated in the districts that encompass St. Louis and Kansas City.

As if that's not cynical enough, there's the ballot language itself, written into the legislative proposal. Before any mention of making it more difficult to approve constitutional amend-

ments, it would ask whether the constitution should be amended to allow "only U.S. citizens to vote on initiatives." Which is already the law.

Critics call it "ballot candy," designed to draw "yes" votes with the false and distracting suggestion that non-citizens are currently allowed to vote in Missouri. The measure's supporters can't even explain why it's on there. "I couldn't tell you," House Speaker Dean Plocher told the Missouri Independent in February.

By Republicans' logic, why not just top-load the ballot language with odes to apple pie and baseball? It wouldn't be any more irrelevant than this random non sequitur about citizenship. The fact that this referendum sleight of hand is specifically designed to fool voters should infuriate them.

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Smith-Cotton High School students recently toured the Heard Memorial Club House and the Pettis County Historical Museum.

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## S-C students tour Museum and Club House

Smith-Cotton High School teacher Lorin Blackburn Thiefelder and her Advanced Placement Language students recently visited the Pettis County Museum for a tour. The tour was narrated by Pettis County Historical Society board member Dr. Rhonda Chalfant.

The Museum dates to 1943 when the Pettis County Historical Society placed exhibits in the Pettis County Courthouse. In 2006, the dream of opening a formal museum was realized thanks to the donation of the former Jewish Temple Beth El, 228 Dundee St. in Sedalia. The museum reopens

from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 3.

Blackburn Thiefelder's students also toured the historical Heard Memorial Club House, 200 W. Broadway Blvd., once the home of Missouri Sen. John T. Heard and his wife, Lillian. Built in 1934, it was left in a trust to the Helen G. Steele Music Club and Sorosis, a cultural organization. The clubs rent and maintain the house for meetings and events. Board members Marty Graves, Pat Palmer, Becky Wimann, Kim Meyer and Stacey Beard were tour hosts.

*Release courtesy of the Pettis County Historical Society.*

# Federal government's \$1 billion effort to recruit next generation of doctors at risk

By Amanda Seitz

Associated Press

SALISBURY, Md. — Thousands of women living in rural, eastern Maryland have few options when they're looking for someone to deliver their babies.

The local hospital doesn't have an obstetrics doctor on staff so most women in this region, flanked by sprawling farm fields and antique stores, turn to the Chesapeake Health Care clinic.

Five of the 10 obstetricians and midwives at the clinic are there because of the National Health Service Corps, which promises to pay off \$50,000 in medical school debt for every two years that a doctor serves working in rural, urban or poor areas.

"OB is frightfully difficult to recruit, and I'm not real sure exactly why," said the clinic's chief medical officer Dr. Lee Jennings. "We're isolated, we're in an area where we're the only OB group in the entire area."

Over the last three years, millions of taxpayer dollars were pumped into the National Health Service Corps to hire thousands more doctors and nurses willing to serve the country's most desperate regions during the COVID-19 pandemic in exchange for forgiving medical school debts. Now, with the health emergency over, the program's expansion is in jeopardy — even as people struggle to get timely and quality care because of an industry-wide dearth of workers.

Funding for the program expires at the end of September, although President Joe Biden asked Congress to sign off an extra half-billion dollar for the project in his budget.

The number of nurses, physician, dentists, counselors, and midwives has ballooned thanks to an extra \$800 million the U.S. Congress kicked to the pro-

gram in stimulus packages unveiled as coronavirus raged. Last year, just over 20,000 people were corps members — up 50% from 13,000 people in 2019.

The program has placed medical professionals across a variety of disciplines — from occupational therapists in Ohio to counselors who treat drug and alcohol addictions in Alaska — in community health centers around the country. Those clinics receive federal funding to provide primary care for patients, regardless of their health insurance status or ability to pay.

The program has found rare bipartisan support from Republican and Democratic lawmakers who say they're grateful for the void corps members fill in rural and needy communities alike that are coping with shortages. The U.S. is short thousands of family doctors, OB-GYNs and nurses, a problem that is only expected to worsen over the next decade.

Sen. Bernie Sanders of Vermont, who oversees the powerful Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, has made the issue a top talking point in hearings. Sanders said in his state, people have complained to him about waits as long as five months just to get a physical with a doctor.

The situation would worsen, he told The Associated Press, if corps funding is not renewed and increased.

"People are going to struggle to find a dentist, to find a mental health counselor," Sanders said. "If it's bad now, it's only going to get worse."

Last month, a group of

House Republicans sponsored a bill that would continue funding for the corps program, but not give it the same cash infusion that Biden has requested.

"One of the most consistent issues I've heard in my district in Pennsylvania is the shortage of physician and health care workers," Republican Rep. John Joyce, who introduced the bill, said during a congressional hearing on the health care worker shortage last month.

Still, the program's future is hanging in the balance with a split Congress that's just weeks away from allowing the U.S. to default on its debts. Uncertainty around funding for the program also makes it difficult for health clinics to recruit providers, said Carole Johnson, who heads up the federal Health Resources and Services Administration that oversees corps funding.

"We're hopeful to continue to grow. We know there's a net demand out there," Johnson said. "All the conversations that we've had have been very positive; that doesn't make it easy."

One of the largest areas of growth for the program has been in mental health, with more than 2,000 additional counselors, social workers, psychologists, and substance abuse counselors being hired over the past four years.

At Chicago's largest, around-the-clock treatment center, about eight of the Haymarket Center's providers are corps members. The center sees roughly 12,000 patients every year, many of them homeless. The corps program allows the not-for-profit Haymarket Center to recruit health care workers

in a competitive market with a different benefit: as much as \$250,000 in student loan repayment, said Jeffrey Collord, the vice president of operations at the center.

"We might not be able to compensate staff at the highest levels so being able to be part of the program allows us to provide a benefit that other sites don't have access to," Collord said.

Student loan forgiveness allowed Dr. Stephen Robinson to be the family physician that he always hoped to be. He worried through medical school about the mountain of student loan debt that was piling up and watched as many of his classmates pursued more lucrative salaries as specialty doctors. But his dad researched alternatives and discovered the National Health Service Corps program.

"If more providers thought they could come out and still be able to pay off their debt, they'd go into primary services," Robinson said. "This has allowed us to do that."

His wife, Caitlin, is one of the coveted OB-GYNs that Chesapeake Health Care recruited through the program. Pregnant women drive as much as an hour to see her.

Both are now nearly debt-free after spending seven years in the program. But they don't plan on leaving this small Maryland town anytime soon. The Robinsons love raising their children close to the shore, fresh air and parks.

"We have no plans on going anywhere, even though we're done," Stephen Robinson said.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

### Burn ban lifted for Sedalia

On Friday, May 12, the City of Sedalia announced it will be lifting the burn ban due to recent rain. The ban initially went into effect May 2.

The city reminded citizens that any burning of brush piles still requires a burn permit. Recreational fire pits will also be authorized to be used.

The Sedalia Fire Department urged the community to use caution when burning and to never leave a fire unattended.

### Coin Club to host 63rd annual show

The Central Missouri Coin Club will host the 63rd annual Coin, Stamp & Hobby Show from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 19 and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 20 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1798 Elm Hills Blvd.

There are 27 tables for buying, selling and trading. There will be drawings for door prizes during the show. On Friday and Saturday, lunch will be provided by the Daughters of Isabella. Admission is free.

## The Primrose Story

Primrose Retirement Communities was founded by Jim Thares in 1989 in Aberdeen, SD. Jim's journey into the senior living industry began with his relationship with his grandfather, Andrew 'Grandpa Andy' Thares.

As time passed, Jim noticed that his grandfather was sitting at home doing very little and lacking the purpose he used to have. Grandpa Andy had been productive his entire life, raised a family, and contributed to society for many years. Jim thought, "Shame on us. Just because we get older doesn't mean we can't still enjoy life," and decided to look at solutions.



Founder Jim Thares with his Grandpa Andy

Jim began researching the senior living industry and decided to build a community that provided activities, healthy meals, fellowship opportunities, security and freedom for people so they had the opportunity to enjoy their retirement years to the fullest. This is what Primrose still strives to do today.

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Jedd Kempf, the son of former owner Vernon Kempf, processes pork summer sausage at Kempf's Custom Butchering Friday morning. PHOTOS BY FAITH BEMISS | DEMOCRAT



Kempf's Custom Butchering also has a retail shop filled with not only meats, but also gift items, Amish-made bread, pies, honey, and other food goods.

# Respect

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Maggert was a contract firefighter who went overseas to Iraq, came back, and now has almost every certification the State of Missouri offers.

"He is an Instructor II, an Investigator, a Fire Officer III, an incident safety officer," Irwin said. "He's done a lot of work with our new guys now and our new drivers, so we're very proud to honor him with Firefighter of the Year."

Department by department, leaders took to the podium to praise top employees picked for the evening's honors.

"We have to honor them for what they do every day to protect us," Myers said. "First, they're going to have a meal on us, they'll be presented plaques from our club, then we have a speaker from the State Emergency Management

Agency." State Emergency Management Agency Director James Remillard congratulated the award winners and had advice on remaining grounded while working at their stressful vocations.

Chief Mike Harding had high praise for the Optimists and young firefighter Austin Payne. "It's very nice for them to honor the first responders and show a little light on everybody that is doing a good

out at station 6 and he is helping cover that north area of Pettis County. Austin does a good job of checking trucks, keeping up with everything and anything that is asked of him, he does just a fine job."

Mayor Andrew Dawson and members of the Sedalia City Council were on hand at the Respect for Law Banquet to pay their respects to the paramedics, dispatchers, MSHP troopers and police.

"It's probably one of my favorites," Fourth Ward Councilwoman Rhiannon Foster said. "I think it's very important that we have all of them together, that's fantastic. I'm a little sad that we're missing our sheriff's deputies tonight, because they inadvertently had their awards, so that's a bummer, but I love that we can all be together it's nice we can be one big team."

Chris Howell can be reached at 660-530-0146.

# Award

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"Todd is currently assigned as a School Resource Officer at Smith-Cotton High School," Anders said. "He does a phenomenal job juggling that role as a resource officer and maintaining his status as a sworn deputy."

Asbury works closely with the school district taking multiple reports, and writes multiple reports with the Children's Division.

"His hard work needed to be recognized," Anders said. "We also had a Corrections Officer of the Year - Delta Lunsford is a phenomenal asset in her role as a court liaison for the jail."

Lunsford has proven indispensable as she works with bailiffs, court

staff and Pettis County Circuit Clerk Susan Sadler.

"Making sure things are improving and the people are being taken care of on the legal side in a timely manner." Anders said.

Awards of Commendation were given to deputies Kameryn Wassam, Nicolas Gooch and Capt. Skyler Viebrock.

Letters of Recognition were awarded to Deputy Caleb Jennings, Deputy Nick Gooch, Deputy Kameryn Wassam, Detective Mike Morgan, Deputy John Sook, Sgt. Mike Elwood of the Sedalia Police Department, and Trooper Chris Riley with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Dozens of Life Saving Awards were also presented.

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## 2023 Respect for Law Banquet Award Recipients

- Nicklous Camirand, Sedalia Police Department
- Todd Asbury, Pettis County Sheriff's Office
- Nathan Ahern, Missouri State Highway Patrol
- Christopher Maggert, Sedalia Fire Department
- Austin Payne, Pettis County Fire Department
- Connie Koch, Sedalia-Pettis County EMA
- Bobbie Schieber, Pettis County Ambulance District

"Do something outside yourself, join a community service organization, coach Little League," Remillard advised. "I urge you to remember the one who directs you, sustains you, and blesses you, make time for him, take time to pray, it is the greatest power on earth."

Pettis County Fire

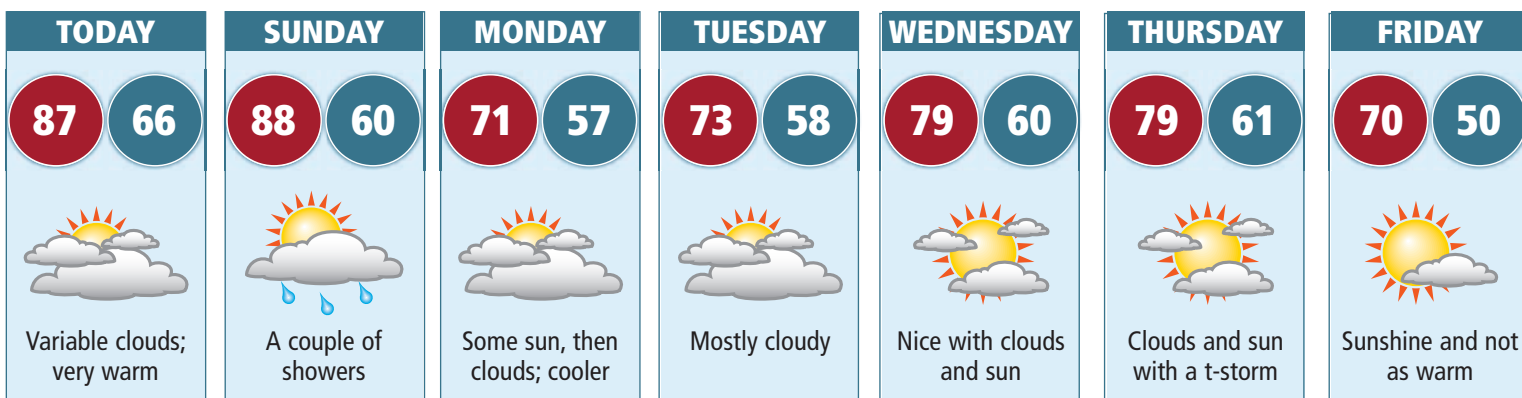
thing for the community," Harding said. "We get a group of officers and staff and that group voted for Austin and what he's done at the Pettis County Fire Department. Austin's been with the department since 2017 and he's worked himself up to rank of Lieutenant. Currently, Austin resides

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## SEVEN-DAY FORECAST



## SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	6:03 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:16 p.m.
Moonrise today	3:03 a.m.
Moonsset today	1:53 p.m.



## WEATHER HISTORY

The only documented hail-induced fatality in the nation in the 20th century occurred May 13, 1930. A farmer was struck down by hailstones when he was caught in a field 36 miles northwest of Lubbock, Texas.

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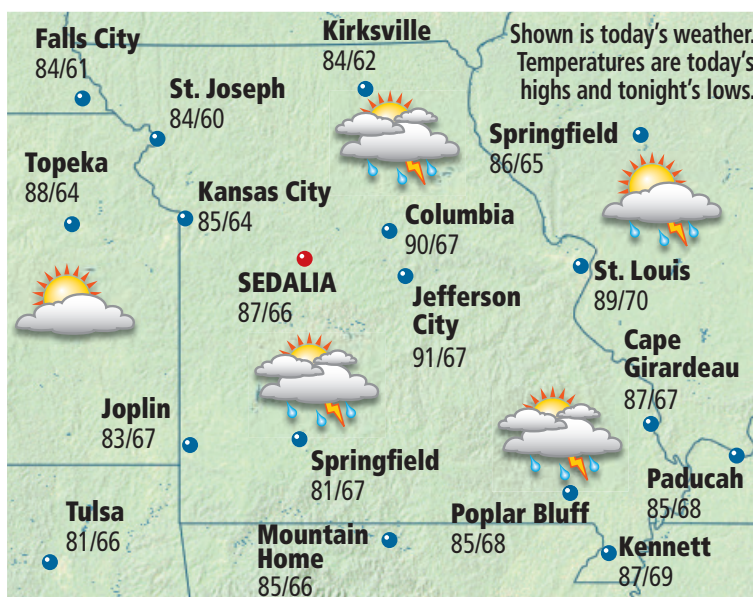
Sedalia Regional Airport Thursday

TEMPERATURES	
High	74
Low	63
Normal high	72
Normal low	51
Record high	91 in 2022
Record low	35 in 1981

PRECIPITATION	
Thursday	0.54"
Month to date	1.26"
Normal m-t-d	2.01"
Year to date	9.27"
Normal y-t-d	13.46"

COOLING DEGREE DAYS	
Thursday	4
Month to date	58
Year to date	76
Normal year to date	37
Last year to date	70

RIVER LEVELS			
In feet as of 7 a.m. Friday			
Blackwater	Stage	Chg	Fld Stg
Blue Lick	7.00	-0.07	24
Valley City	2.90	+0.05	22
Lamine			
Otterville	0.84	none	15
Missouri			
Boonville	6.26	+0.19	21



**BRANSON**  
High: 84. Low: 67. Variable cloudiness today with a stray thunderstorm; humid. Mostly cloudy tonight. A thunderstorm in one or two spots tomorrow afternoon.

**KANSAS CITY**  
High: 85. Low: 64. Sunshine and some clouds today. Partly cloudy and mild tonight. Clouds and sun tomorrow with a thunderstorm in spots in the afternoon.

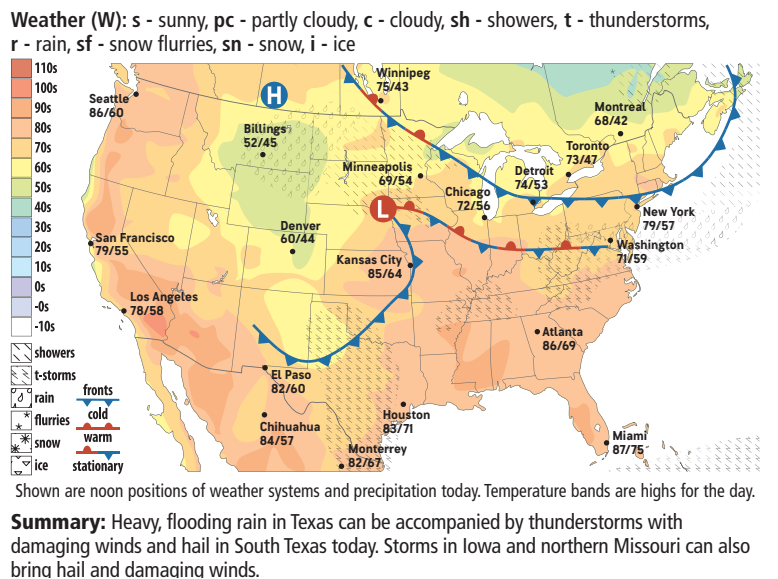
**ST. LOUIS**  
High: 89. Low: 70. Humid today with the temperature near the record of 91 with variable clouds; a thunderstorm around in the afternoon.

**NEW YORK CITY**  
High: 79. Low: 57. Clouds and sun today with a shower in the area; much of the day will be rain-free. Partly cloudy tonight. Partly sunny tomorrow.

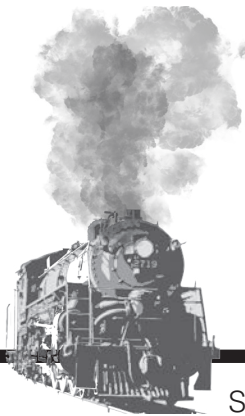
**LOS ANGELES**  
High: 78. Low: 58. Areas of low clouds early today, then sunny. Mainly clear early tonight, then areas of low clouds forming.

## NATIONAL WEATHER

	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sunday Hi/Lo/W		Today Hi/Lo/W	Sunday Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	86/69/t	88/68/t	Milwaukee	66/51/c	55/43/sh
Baltimore	72/59/r	76/56/pc	Nashville	85/67/t	87/66/t
Billings	52/45/r	65/46/c	New Orleans	88/72/s	87/73/c
Boston	75/53/pc	65/51/pc	Norfolk	81/63/t	70/58/pc
Buffalo	74/47/pc	62/45/pc	Oklahoma City	74/63/t	71/65/t
Charlotte	85/67/t	84/67/c	Orlando	90/68/pc	91/69/pc
Chicago	72/56/c	60/46/r	Phoenix	99/75/s	98/77/s
Cleveland	70/52/sh	65/48/pc	Pittsburgh	71/52/sh	70/50/pc
Dallas	82/67/r	80/65/t	Portland, ME	72/44/s	63/40/s
Denver	60/44/c	56/46/c	Portland, OR	93/63/s	91/62/s
Detroit	74/53/pc	68/45/c	Sacramento	93/59/s	89/57/s
Honolulu	83/69/r	81/72/sh	San Francisco	89/70/t	89/61/t
Houston	83/71/t	84/70/t	Seattle	79/55/pc	73/57/pc
Indianapolis	82/62/t	75/50/t	Washington	86/60/s	88/62/s
Las Vegas	93/71/s	95/72/s			







## Northwest-Leeton matchup looms as baseball playoffs begin

By Bryan Everson  
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No matter the size of the ball, the path to district titles for Northwest and Leeton always seem to run through one another. In boys basketball, the schools have played in all but one of the past five years. It's been three of the past four seasons in girls hoops. This past winter, both matchups took place in the district championship game. When it comes to baseball, last year's 2-0 district title win by Northwest over the Bulldogs was surprisingly the first postseason showdown between the pair since 2013. There have been plenty of regular season matchups otherwise, though, and they've almost got entirely the way of the Mustangs. Since 2016, Northwest (20-4) has won the past eight games in the

head-to-head series. That includes a 5-0 road victory on April 21 when senior Gavin Killion tossed a three-hitter, striking out 10 batters. Neither coach will admit to looking ahead past semifinal matchups — each will get a quarterfinal bye as the No. 1 and 2 seeds — but it would take a massive upset to avoid the inevitable. Northwest enters as the fourth-ranked team in Class 1, Leeton tied for sixth in the final MHSBCA Poll ahead of the District 10 Tournament, which got underway Thursday in Johnson County. On Monday, Northwest takes on fifth-seeded Kingsville (5 p.m.), and Leeton will face KC Lutheran, who beat La Monte 16-1 to end the Vikings season and advance into the other semifinal that follows the aforementioned game. **See PLAYOFFS | A11**



Northwest senior Gavin Killion makes contact with a pitch in the Kaysinger Conference Baseball Tournament semifinals on April 24, 2023. The Mustangs appear headed for another collision with Leeton, a rematch of last year's district title game. FILE PHOTO BY BRYAN EVERSON | DEMOCRAT



Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes looks to pass during the second half of an NFL divisional round playoff football game against the Jacksonville Jaguars, Saturday, Jan. 21, 2023, in Kansas City, Mo. FILE PHOTO BY CHARLIE RIEDEL | AP PHOTO

## Analysis: Only NFL can dominate headlines with schedule release

By Rob Maaddi  
AP Pro Football Writer

Only the NFL can turn a schedule release into a two-day event that dominates sports headlines in the middle of the NBA and NHL playoffs. Social media crews for the league's 32 teams outdid themselves with clever, hilarious ways to reveal the full slate of dates and opponents after the NFL released many of the spotlight games through their network partners Wednesday and early Thursday. It's probably only a matter of time before the league releases the schedule over a week-long stretch. Captivated football fans eat it up. It works. Here are the top 10 highlights from the NFL's 18-week, 272-game regular-season schedule: **LIONS at**

**CHIEFS, Sept. 7**  
The NFL's 104th season kicks off with its annual Thursday prime-time game featuring the Super Bowl champion Chiefs against the rising Detroit Lions at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City. Two-time NFL MVP Patrick Mahomes and Jared Goff lead high-powered offenses. The Lions went 8-2 in the final 10 games in 2022, knocked Aaron Rodgers and the Green Bay Packers out of the playoffs in the season finale and are favorites to win the NFC North. **BILLS at JETS, Sept. 11**  
Rodgers dons his new, green-and-white No. 8 Jets jersey for the first time in a Monday night matchup against Josh Allen and the AFC East champion Buffalo Bills. It'll be the first of six nationally televised games for the Jets, who became a media darling after acquiring Rodgers last month.

The future Hall of Famer aims to become the third quarterback in four years to win a Super Bowl in his first season with a new team after Tom Brady did it in 2020 and Matthew Stafford in 2021. But New York has to go through Buffalo first. **CHIEFS at JETS, Oct. 1**  
The first ever Mahomes-Rodgers matchup will be New York's first Sunday night game since 2011. **COWBOYS at 49ERS, Oct. 8**  
It's a double revenge game for Dallas, which was eliminated by San Francisco in the playoffs each of the last two seasons. Dak Prescott and the Cowboys are set to play six prime-time games, including this Sunday night contest. The 49ers could have Brock Purdy back for this one after the quarterback had offseason elbow surgery. **See NFL | A11**

## Craven, Busch recall 2003 Darlington thriller

By Pete Iacobelli  
Associated Press

DARLINGTON, S.C. — Ricky Craven wasn't sure what to expect at the Darlington Raceway starting line more than 20 years ago. By the end, he had his final NASCAR Cup Series victory, a lifelong friend in racing rival Kurt Busch and a place in the sport's history. Darlington will celebrate NASCAR's 75th anniversary at the Goodyear 400 on Sunday during the series' annual throwback weekend. The track "Too Tough To Tame" will also remember the edge-of-your-seat race from 2003 when Craven finished 0.002 seconds ahead of Busch in what remains the closest finish in NASCAR history. "It was a while after I hung up my helmet until I realized the impact that race had on my life," Craven recalled this week. "No matter where I go people associate me with that moment, that race." And for good reason. Craven and future NASCAR champ Busch were one-two at Darlington

on March 16, 2003, for the final few laps. Craven briefly swept in front of Busch with two laps left, but the Roush Racing driver crossed over to regain the lead. Craven made a final move for the front, going low out of the final turn when the cars locked against each other and went across the line with fans, crews and both competitors wondering who earned the checkered flag. Busch had a bad feeling he'd come up short. "When we locked, I looked through his window net and I looked at my window net," Busch said, "and thought, 'Oh, man, he's ahead of mine.'" The cars uncoupled on the way to turns one and two before finally coming to a stop after the frenetic finish with spectators throughout the venue on their feet. Timing confirmed Craven's razor-thin win by 0.002 seconds, matched only by Jimmie Johnson's victory over Clint Bowyer at Talladega in 2011. "Did you ever?" FOX

broadcaster Mike Joy said to the TV audience when it ended. "No, I never," analyst and NASCAR Hall of Famer Darrell Waltrip responded. Craven couldn't get any messages over his headset and when he finally stopped his car, looked up at the scoring tower "and saw No. 32 at No. 1," he said, chuckling. "That was my confirmation." Tyler Reddick was 7 years old and remembers watching the Craven-Busch finish — "As soon as my parents were OK with me watching racing and other sports on TV, it was NASCAR on Sundays," he said — and knowing he'd seen something special. "It's one of the most iconic finishes that we have," said Reddick, whose throwback Sunday is Busch's No. 97 Sharpie car. Craven was thrilled about his second — and what turned out to be his final — Cup Series win, but wasn't sure if a dust-up with Busch, a quick-tempered youngster, was ahead. **See NASCAR | A11**



Kurt Busch, right, and Ricky Craven (32) collide after the finish line during the NASCAR Carolina Dodge Dealers 400 auto race, Sunday, March 16, 2003, at Darlington Raceway in Darlington, S.C. Craven win by 0.002 seconds after covering the last 200 yards in a metal-crunching, side-by-side duel with Busch. FILE PHOTO BY GEORGE GARDNER | AP PHOTO



# SPORTS CALENDAR

**Saturday ON TAP**

**HIGH SCHOOL TRACK**

Smith-Cotton at Class 5 District 4 Meet (at Blue Springs South)

Green Ridge, Otterville, Northwest, Sacred Heart at Class 1 Sectional 4 Meet (at Adrian)

Cole Camp, Smithton, Stover, Tipton, Windsor at Class 2 Sectional 2 Meet (at South Callaway)

**ON AIR**

**AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL**

4 a.m. FS2 — AFL: Essendon at Brisbane

**AUTO RACING**

9:30 a.m. FS1 — NASCAR Cup Series: Qualifying, Darlington Raceway, Darlington, S.C.

12:30 p.m. FOX — NASCAR Xfinity Series: The Shriners Children's 200, Darlington Raceway, Darlington, S.C.

2:30 p.m. NBC — NTT IndyCar Series: The GMR Grand Prix, Indianapolis Motor Speedway Road Course, Indianapolis

9 p.m. USA — AMA Monster Energy Supercross: Round 17, Salt Lake City

**BOWLING**

11:30 a.m. FS1 — PBA: The Players Championship, Semifinal, Middletown, Del.

**BOXING**

8 p.m. SHO — Showtime Championship Main Card: Rolando Romero vs. Ismael Barroso (Super-Lightweights), Las Vegas

9 p.m. ESPN — Top Rank Main Card: Janibek Alimkhanuly vs. Steven Butler (Middleweights), Stockton, Calif.

**COLLEGE BASEBALL**

11 a.m. SECN — Kentucky at Tennessee

Noon ACCN — Georgia Tech at Duke

2 p.m. SECN — Auburn at Mississippi

3 p.m. ACCN — Louisville at Virginia

6 p.m. ACCN — Clemson at Virginia Tech

BTN — Penn St. at Nebraska

8 p.m. PAC-12N — Oregon St. at UCLA

9:30 p.m. ESPNU — UC Santa Barbara at Long Beach St.

**COLLEGE LACROSSE (MEN'S)**

11 a.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Richmond at Virginia, First Round

1:30 p.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Utah at Notre Dame, First Round

4 p.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Yale at Georgetown, First Round

6:30 p.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Army at Maryland, First Round

**COLLEGE SOFTBALL**

10 a.m. ESPN2 — American Athletic Tournament: TBD, Championship, Tampa, Fla.

Noon CBSN — Conference USA: TBD, Championship, Ruston, La.

ESPN2 — Atlantic Coast Tournament: TBD, Championship, South Bend, Ind.

2 p.m. ESPN — Big 12 Tournament: TBD, Championship, Oklahoma City

3 p.m. BTN — Big Ten Tournament: TBD, Championship, Urbana, Ill.

FS2 — Big East Tournament: TBD, Championship, Game 1, Storrs, Conn.

4 p.m. ESPN2 — Southeastern Tournament: TBD, Championship, Fayetteville, Ark.

6 p.m. FS1 — Big East Tournament: TBD, Championship, Game 2, Storrs, Conn. (If Necessary)

9 p.m. ESPN2 — Pac-12 Tournament: TBD, Championship, Tucson, Ariz.

**COLLEGE TRACK AND FIELD**

2:30 p.m. PAC-12N — Pac-12 Tournament: Women's Hammer, Walnut, Calif.

5 p.m. PAC-12N — Pac-12 Tournament: Men's Long Jump, Walnut, Calif.

SECN — Southeastern Tournament: Championships, Baton Rouge, La.

**FISHING**

6:30 a.m. FS1 — Bassmaster Elite Series:

The 2023 Whataburger Bassmaster Elite at Lay Lake, Shelby County, Ala.

2 p.m. CBSSN — SFC: The Bluewater Tournament, St. Augustine, Fla.

**GOLF**

6:30 a.m. GOLF — DP World Tour: The Soudal Open, Third Round, Rinkven International Golf & Country Club, Schilde, Belgium

Noon CW — LIV Golf League: Second Round, Cedar Ridge Country Club, Tulsa, Okla.

GOLF — PGA Tour: The AT&T Byron Nelson, Third Round, TPC Craig Ranch, McKinney, Texas

2 p.m. CBS — PGA Tour: The AT&T Byron Nelson, Third Round, TPC Craig Ranch, McKinney, Texas

GOLF — PGA Tour Champions: The Regions Tradition, Third Round, Greystone Founders Course, Birmingham, Ala.

4 p.m. GOLF — LPGA Tour: The Cognizant Founders Cup, Third Round, Upper Montclair Country Club, Clifton, N.J.

**HORSE RACING**

11:30 a.m.

FS2 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races

**IIHF HOCKEY (MEN'S)**

4 a.m. NHLN — World Championship Group Stage: Switzerland vs. Slovenia, Group B, Riga, Latvia

8 a.m. NHLN — World Championship Group Stage: Hungary vs. Denmark, Group A, Tampere, Finland

Noon NHLN — World Championship Group Stage: Germany vs. Finland, Group A, Tampere, Finland

4 a.m. (Sunday)

NHLN — World Championship Group Stage: U.S. vs. Hungary, Group A, Tampere, Finland

**MIXED MARTIAL ARTS**

10:30 a.m. ESPN — UFC Fight Night Prelims: Undercard Bouts, Charlotte, N.C.

2 p.m. ABC — UFC Fight Night Main Card: Jairzinho Rozenstruij vs. Jailton Almeida (Heavyweights), Charlotte, N.C.

**MLB BASEBALL**

Noon MLBN — Regional Coverage: Tampa Bay at NY Yankees OR Seattle at Detroit

3 p.m. FS1 — Texas at Oakland

6 p.m. FOX — Regional Coverage: Houston at Chicago White Sox OR San Diego at LA Dodgers

9 p.m. MLBN — Regional Coverage: San Francisco at Arizona OR Philadelphia at Colorado (Joined in Progress)

**NHL HOCKEY**

6 p.m. ESPN — Western Conference Semifinal, Dallas at Seattle, Game 6

**RODEO**

8 p.m. CBSSN — PBR: The World Finals, Day 2, Fort Worth, Texas

**RUGBY (MEN'S)**

9:30 a.m. CNBC — Premiership Tournament: Northampton at Saracens, Semifinal

1 a.m. (Sunday)

FS2 — NRL: Cronulla-Sutherland at Manly-Warringah

**SOCCER (MEN'S)**

6:25 a.m. CBSSN — SPFL: Celtic at Rangers

6:30 p.m. USA — Premier League: Newcastle United at Leeds United

9 a.m. USA — Premier League: Nottingham Forest at Chelsea

6 p.m. ESPN2 — USL Championship: Miami FC at Louisville City FC

FS2 — CPL: HFX Wanderers FC at Calvary FC

8 p.m. FS1 — Liga MX: Santos Laguna at Monterey, Quarterfinal, Leg 2

8:30 p.m. FS2 — CPL: Atletico Ottawa at Vancouver FC

**SOCCER (WOMEN'S)**

8:50 a.m. FS2 — The French Cup: Olym-

pique Lyonnais vs. Paris Saint-Germain, Final, Orléans, France

**TENNIS**

4 a.m. TENNIS — Italian Open-ATP/WTA Early Rounds

5 a.m. TENNIS — Italian Open-WTA Early Rounds

4 a.m. (Sunday)

TENNIS — Italian Open-ATP/WTA Early Rounds

5 a.m. (Sunday)

TENNIS — Italian Open-WTA Early Rounds

**TRIATHLON**

1 p.m. CNBC — Pto Tour: The European Open, Ibiza, Spain (Taped)

**USFL FOOTBALL**

11:30 a.m. USA — Pittsburgh at Michigan

3 p.m. FOX — Houston at Birmingham

**XFL FOOTBALL**

7:15 p.m. ABC — XFL Championship: Arlington vs. D.C., San Antonio

**Sunday ON AIR**

**AUTO RACING**

2 p.m. CNBC — FIM MotoGP: The French Grand Prix, Le Mans, France (Taped)

FS1 — NASCAR Cup Series: The Goodyear 400, Darlington Raceway, Darlington, S.C.

NBC — IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship: The Motul Course de Monterey, WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca, Salinas, Calif.

**BOWLING**

Noon FOX — PBA: The Players Championship, Finals, Middletown, Del.

**COLLEGE BASEBALL**

11 a.m. ACCN — Miami at Pittsburgh

BTN — Minnesota at Maryland

ESPN2 — Penn St. at Nebraska

Noon SECN — Georgia at Missouri

2 p.m. ACCN — Clemson at Virginia Tech

BTN — Northwestern at Michigan

3 p.m. SECN — Alabama at Texas A&M

**COLLEGE LACROSSE (MEN'S)**

11 a.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Bryant at Johns Hopkins, First Round

1:30 p.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Michigan at Cornell, First Round

4 p.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Delaware at Duke, First Round

6:30 p.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: Princeton at Penn St., First Round

**COLLEGE ROWING**

11 a.m. PAC-12N — Pac-12 Tournament: Women's Championship, Lowell, Ore.

11:50 a.m. PAC-12N — Pac-12 Tournament: Men's Championship, Lowell, Ore.

**COLLEGE SOFTBALL**

6 p.m. ESPN2 — NCAA Softball Selection Show

**COLLEGE TRACK AND FIELD**

6:30 a.m. ACCN — Atlantic Coast Tournament: Championships, Raleigh, N.C. (Taped)

3 p.m. PAC-12N — Pac-12 Tournament: Championships, Walnut, Calif.

**COLLEGE WATER POLO (WOMEN'S)**

9 p.m. ESPNU — NCAA Tournament: TBD, Championship, Stockton, Calif.

**FISHING**

7 a.m. FS1 — Bassmaster Elite Series: The 2023 Whataburger Bassmaster Elite at Lay Lake, Shelby County, Ala.

**GOLF**

6:30 a.m. GOLF — DP World Tour: The Soudal Open, Final Round, Rinkven International Golf & Country Club, Schilde, Belgium

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**HORSE RACING**

11:30 a.m. FS2 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races

**IIHF HOCKEY (MEN'S)**

4 a.m. NHLN — World Championship Group Stage: U.S. vs. Hungary, Group A, Tampere, Finland

8 a.m. NHLN — World Championship Group Stage: Norway vs. Switzerland, Group B, Riga, Latvia

Noon NHLN — World Championship Group Stage: Sweden vs. Austria, Group A, Tampere, Finland

**MLB BASEBALL**

10:30 a.m. PEACOCK — LA Angels at Cleveland

12:30 p.m. MLBN — Regional Coverage: Atlanta at Toronto OR Cincinnati at Miami

3:30 p.m. MLBN — Regional Coverage: San Diego at LA Dodgers OR San Francisco at Arizona (Joined in Progress)

6 p.m. ESPN — St. Louis at Boston

**NBA BASKETBALL**

TBD

ABC — Western Conference Semifinal: LA Lakers at Golden State, Game 7 (If Necessary)

TBD

ABC — Eastern Conference Semifinal: Philadelphia at Boston, Game 7

**NHL HOCKEY**

TBD

Eastern Conference Semifinal, Toronto at Florida, Game 6 (If Necessary)

TBD

Western Conference Semifinal, Vegas at Edmonton, Game 6

**RODEO**

Noon CBS — PBR: The World Finals, Top 15, Fort Worth, Texas

1 p.m. CBSSN — PBR: The World Finals, Day 3, Fort Worth, Texas

**RUGBY (MEN'S)**

9 a.m. CNBC — Premiership Tournament: Leicester at Sale, Semifinal

3:30 p.m. CNBC — HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series: Day 1, Toulouse, France (Taped)

**SOCCER (MEN'S)**

8 a.m. CBSSN — Serie A: Napoli at Monza

USA — Premier League: Manchester City at Everton

10:30 a.m. USA — Premier League: Brighton & Hove Albion at Arsenal

1:55 p.m. ESPN — La Liga: FC Barcelona at Espanyol

5 p.m. FS2 — CPL: York United FC at Pacific FC

8:30 p.m. FS1 — MLS: San Jose at LA Galaxy

**SOCCER (WOMEN'S)**

5:55 a.m. CBSSN — Bundesliga: Wolfsburg at Eintracht Frankfurt

**TENNIS**

4 a.m. TENNIS — Italian Open-ATP/WTA Early Rounds

5 a.m. TENNIS — Italian Open-WTA Early Rounds

4 a.m. (Monday)

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5 a.m. (Monday)

TENNIS — Italian Open-WTA Early Rounds

**USFL FOOTBALL**

11 a.m. NBC — New Jersey vs. Philadelphia, Detroit

2 p.m. FOX — Memphis vs. New Orleans, Birmingham, Ala.

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## HOROSCOPES

By Georgia Nicols

**Moon Alert:** After 1 a.m. EDT today, there are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions. The Moon is in Pisces.

**Happy Birthday for Saturday, May 13, 2023:**

You have energy, willpower and imagination, which is a wonderful combination for success. You are also disciplined and reliable. This is a year of learning and perhaps teaching. Explore philosophies and belief systems that will get you closer to the true meaning of your life.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**

★★★ You'll be happy to do something to make your home more attractive today, because this will please you. This might even spur you to invite the gang over for good food and drink so you can show off your efforts. Let's face it, you're great with your hands. Tonight: Peaceful solitude.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**

★★★★ This is a fantastic day to schmooze with others, because you are friendly, affectionate and genuinely interested in what others are doing, especially neighbors, siblings and relatives. Because you show this sincere interest in them, they will naturally respond in kind. (What goes around, comes around.) Tonight: Be friendly.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**

★★★ Look for ways to boost your income today (or down the road), because this is entirely possible. For starters, listen to the advice of someone older or more experienced, perhaps a boss or parent. Purchases made today will also please you now and in the future. Tonight: Look good.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**

★★★★ This is an excellent day to discuss problems, especially with people from different backgrounds or other cultures. It's also a good day to ask the advice of someone older, perhaps a parent, boss or mentor-like figure. It's wise (and time-saving) to stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before you. Tonight: Learn.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**

★★★ Secret love affairs are taking place for some of you, which is not surprising, because you're such a romantic sign! Nevertheless, be aware that people notice you now. Fortunately, they admire you. (This also means it will be tough to keep a secret.) Tonight: Check your finances.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**

★★★ A long-term friendship will be a rewarding experience for you today, which is why you might want to discuss any problems that exist. It's reasonable to ask someone to live up to their obligations, especially if you're doing your share. Hey, what's fair is fair. Tonight: Listen.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**

★★★★ You make a fabulous impression on bosses, parents and important people today. Not only do they see you in favorable terms, they also admire your conscientiousness and reliability. They see you as someone to respect. Actually, you can take this to the bank. Use this to your advantage! Tonight: Work.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**

★★★★ This is a productive day to make long-range travel plans, because you're eager to explore interesting places. However, you're also ready to deal with the practical details and challenges of working out how to do something. It's also a productive day for medical and legal matters, as well as higher education. Tonight: Play!

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**

★★★ Sit down today and finalize details about wills, inheritances and shared property. Today is a productive day to do this. People will be amenable and agree to your suggestions. However, everyone will also be serious and respectful because they want to protect their resources. Tonight: Cocoon.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**

★★★ Relationships that begin at this time will be characterized by sobriety and stability. They might not be demonstrative, but there will be a steadiness of feeling that it is something you can count on. There also might be an age difference. Tonight: Share ideas.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**

★★★ This is a good time to discuss problems that have arisen related to your work or perhaps even your health. People are polite and supportive and yet, at the same time, they are willing to address practical matters in a serious, respectful way. Tonight: Maintain your possessions.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**

★★★★ Romance with someone older might begin for some of you today. What you seek now is a reliable, stable relationship. Furthermore, you won't make unrealistic demands on someone. This is also a good day to hone a skill or practice a sport. Tonight: You win.

**BORN TODAY**

Singer-songwriter, musician Stevie Wonder (1950), writer, director, actress Lena Dunham (1986), TV host, comedian Stephen Colbert (1964)



Jason Dufner celebrates after winning the PGA Championship golf tournament at Oak Hill Country Club, Sunday, Aug. 11, 2013, in Pittsford, N.Y. The PGA Championship returns to Oak Hill for the fourth time on May 18-21, 2023.

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## Oak Hill unlikely to look, feel the same for PGA

By Doug Ferguson

AP Golf Writer

Major golf championships are nothing new at Oak Hill. The Donald Ross gem in upstate New York already has hosted three U.S. Opens, three PGA Championships and the Ryder Cup. And yet the PGA Championship's return to Oak Hill feels like a debut.

Part of that is because of the fabled East Course.

Oak Hill kept getting so far away from its Ross roots — the club dates to 1901 — that it finally took on a restoration project so thorough it's a wonder any of the 32 players who have played it in the last two PGA Championships will recognize the place.

Three holes were not there when the PGA Championship was last at Oak Hill in 2013. Trees were removed, creating more vistas and recovery options. The bunkers are steep and penal, similar to what Ross had in mind.

And part of the newness to this PGA Championship is the calendar.

The PGA of America announced in 2017 it would be moving its premier championship to May, a decision that would eliminate northern courses from future consideration. Oak Hill, however, was already locked in for 2023, the last hurdle before a lineup of courses in warmer climates.

Imagine a major in May on a course located about an hour east of Buffalo.

Kerry Haigh, the PGA's chief championships officer, recently has started most conversations with the Oak Hill staff by asking a question on everyone's mind: How's the weather?

"The last six weeks there have been more conversations with the superintendent than normal — to your point, checking on

the weather, checking on what's growing and what's not," Haigh said, noting the Rochester area had some 45 inches of snow this winter.

Mother Nature, always the unknown factor in golf, appears to have cooperated.

There was a week of unseasonable warmth, weeks of rain, a combination that led to enough grass on the ground and leaves in the trees. Temperatures are expected to be in the 60s when the 105th PGA Championship starts Thursday. It should be pleasant enough for players not to have to bundle up in pursuit of the Wanamaker Trophy.

That would be thrilling news to Scottie Scheffler.

"I've never played Oak Hill," he said. "I've been to Rochester once before for an amateur tournament, and it was in June. And I remember it was really cold."

What hasn't changed is the nature of the field.

The PGA Championship is known for having the strongest field of the four majors, and this year was no exception with 99 of the top 100 players from the world ranking expected at Oak Hill. The exception is Will Zalatoris, out for the season after back surgery.

Also missing is Tiger Woods, who had surgery on his ankle last month and is likely to miss the other two majors this year.

The 156-man field includes 18 players who are part of the Saudi-funded LIV Golf League, the same number that played in the 89-man field at the Masters last month.

One question going into the year was how LIV Golf players would fare against more than just a 48-man field and stronger competition from top to bottom. If the Masters was any indication, that's no longer a concern.

Brooks Koepka, a four-time major champion, had the 54-hole lead at Augusta National until Jon Rahm tracked him down in the final round. Koepka was a runner-up with 52-year-old Phil Mickelson, who only two years ago became golf's oldest major winner in the PGA Championship at Kiawah Island. Patrick Reed tied for fourth.

Was that the familiarity of Augusta National for Mickelson, a three-time Masters champ? Oak Hill might be the place to validate that.

Koepka, who recently revealed his wife is pregnant with their first child, would appear to have his major mojo back. When he won at Bellerive in 2018 and Bethpage Black in 2019, he joined Woods and Padraig Harrington as the only back-to-back PGA champions in stroke play.

"I like the majors. I like the disciple, the mental grind that comes with it," Koepka said.

He made his PGA Championship debut at Oak Hill in 2013, memorable for reasons that went beyond his scores. Koepka had friends from the Boston area drive across to watch him. One problem. He was paired with Woods and his massive gallery.

"They were all (ticked) off because they couldn't see anything," Koepka said.

Koepka is among those 32 players who have played Oak Hill at either the 2003 or the 2013 PGA Championship — eight have played both years — and he's in for a surprise. This doesn't look anything like it once did.

Robert Trent Jones tweaked the Ross design to make it tougher as Oak Hill began landing majors. Lee Trevino won the second U.S. Open there in 1968, becoming the first player to break 70 all four rounds

(it was 25 years before that happened again in a U.S. Open). So the club brought in George and Tom Fazio for more upgrades. Finally, the club hired architect Andrew Green to restore the spirit of Ross.

"I think Andrew Green's done a really good job," Rory McIlroy said. "I think the renovation has hopefully restored the East Course back to its former glory. I'm just hoping for a good weather week."

McIlroy has more experience than most. He's a member at Oak Hill, an area with which he has become familiar because wife Erica grew up in Rochester.

"My connection to Rochester has got a lot stronger," McIlroy said. "So I'm excited to go and play a major championship in what feels like almost a second home to me."

Whether that's enough to help end his drought remains to be seen. McIlroy put so much into the Masters — the missing major for his career Grand Slam — only to miss the cut. He has played only one tournament since then.

McIlroy has been No. 1 in the world for 82 weeks and has won 18 tournaments worldwide since he last won a major in the 2014 PGA Championship at Valhalla. Oak Hill is his next chance to end 31 majors without winning one.

The stakes also are high for Jordan Spieth, who lacks only the PGA Championship to join golf's most elite group with a career Grand Slam.

Just getting to Oak Hill might be his biggest challenge. Spieth injured his left wrist and had to sit out his hometown AT&T Byron Nelson this week near Dallas, opening the possibility of missing his first major due to injury.

## Canadian diver charged with University of Utah dorm room rape

By Sam Metz

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A University of Utah diver has been arrested and charged with raping a young woman in her dorm room during the first week of the school year last fall.

Prosecutors have charged Ben Smyth, a Canadian diver in his second year at Utah, with sodomy, sexual abuse and rape. In an indictment filed this week, detectives say Smyth went to a woman's dorm room after confirming she was alone last August. He asked her to play "truth or dare" and then allegedly raped her while she resisted physically, said she "did not

want to do that," shook her head no and told him she was in pain.

Salt Lake County District Attorney Sim Gill said Smyth was arrested upon returning to the United States this week.

"It is our understanding that he is in custody in Seattle," Gill said.

Scott Wilding, Smyth's attorney, declined to comment on the charges or whether he had returned to surrender voluntarily or was caught when his return to the country triggered the warrant.

The indictment, which does not name the woman, also says that when detectives went to serve Smyth with a protective order

to keep him away from the woman, a roommate said he had moved out. A private investigator later told detectives that Smyth had returned to Canada upon learning he was under investigation for rape.

Court documents say when detectives interviewed Smyth, he initially denied knowing the woman but later acknowledged having sex with her and that she was in pain. Detectives also write that Smyth's friends described him as bragging "about the number of women he has sex with," which he compiled into a list to show others.

The University of Utah athletic department said in

a statement that Smyth was suspended from the men's swimming and diving team when the school was made aware of the allegations in February, before the Pac-12 Championships. Smyth did not compete this year but as a freshman took second in platform diving.

"We were made aware of a serious allegation involving a member of our men's swimming and diving program. Upon being notified by the University's Office of Equal Opportunity of a pending investigation, Ben Smyth was immediately suspended," the department said.







# Playoffs

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“We have to focus on Kingsville,” Northwest head coach Tanner McKee said. “They’re a solid team with a good arm on the mound and ballplayers that swing it. I went and watched them against Midway, and they’re a sound ballclub that you don’t want to sleep on. Our boys know that, and we’ll prepare for the best of our ability to get past them.”

Cole Wallace threw for Leeton in the April meeting against the Mustangs, but it should be the Bulldogs’ No. 1 that Northwest sees if things go chalk in the semifinals.

“I think we’ll see [freshman Chase] Stout from Kingsville, and if we get by that I’d imagine we see [Cody] Shackelford,” McKee said. “As far as our game-plan, we have decent arms that pound the zone, and hopefully they continue that for us and we don’t have too many freebies behind [them fielding] to give us a chance to win the ball game.”

“It’s the most fun time of the year, and hopefully we can have a good ride.”

The anticipated district final in Leeton is set for Wednesday at 5 p.m.

## CLASS 1 DISTRICT 9

Sacred Heart finished the regular season 17-9, good for a No. 8 ranking in the Class 1 Poll. That was also enough to earn top-seed billing in the Gremlins’ district.

Their reward earned them the bye, and the Gremlins will play the winner of Monday’s open-round game between Prairie Hill with Bunceton, and Otterville (4-16), who closed the regular season with a win over Stover.

The Gremlins will play that semifinal and Wednesday, and whoever emerges on that side is likely to face either Pilot Grove or Jamestown in the district championship on May 17.

## CLASS 2 DISTRICT 13

Kaysinger teams dominate the top seeds in this district. Up top, Drexel with Miami or Osceola will advance to play top-seeded Windsor (17-6) on Monday (4 p.m.).

Second-seeded Lincoln (15-10), the district host, already owns a victory this season over No. 3 Archie, its potential semifinal opponent.

A district final game between the Cardinals and Greyhounds would represent the third meeting of the season between the sides. Windsor got the win, 3-2, in Henry County on April 12, but the Cards came out on top 3-1 in a Kaysinger Tournament consolation game on April 27.

## CLASS 2 DISTRICT 14

Fifth-seeded Smithton (4-17) kicks off action in Concordia on Monday, taking on Crest Ridge at 4:30 p.m.

The winner of that game advances to take on the top-seeded hosts on Tuesday, and in the other semifinal, Tipton (12-12), the 2-seed, awaits the winner of St. Paul Lutheran and Sweet Springs with Malta Bend to play later that evening.

That district will be

decided on Wednesday night at 5 p.m.

## CLASS 3 DISTRICT 13

Warsaw is the No. 1 seed for the district in Cole Camp (10-15), where the third-seeded hosts play a quarterfinal Monday at 4 p.m. against No. 6 Stover (4-13). The Bluebirds were 13-7 winners in Benton County on April 13 when that regular season matchup took place.

No. 2 Adrian awaits the Cole Camp-Stover winner later Monday evening, and that district’s final will be played Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

## CLASS 6 DISTRICT 5

Smith-Cotton, the 8-seed, has a daunting task in its postseason opener on Wednesday.

The Tigers travel to meet the district host, Blue Springs South, not only the bracket’s top-seeded side, but the No. 1 team in Class 5. There is no recent meeting between the two schools according to MSHSAA’s website.

S-C (5-28) enters the post-season having beaten Clinton 9-2 on May 9, when its top four batters in the lineup combined for nine hits, followed by losses to Lebanon and Helias.

# NFL

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## TEXANS at PANTHERS, Oct. 29

Bryce Young and C.J. Stroud, the first two picks in the draft, could go head-to-head for the first time when Carolina hosts Houston. The Panthers chose Young, the 2021 Heisman Trophy winner over Stroud with the No. 1 overall pick. The Texans quickly snatched up Stroud and traded for the No. 3 pick to get edge rusher Will Anderson. Both teams play in wide-open divisions, so their rookie QBs could make an immediate impact.

## DOLPHINS vs. CHIEFS in Frankfurt, Germany, Nov. 5

All-Pro receiver Tyreek Hill faces his former team when Miami meets Kansas City in the NFL’s second regular-season game in Germany.

## EAGLES at CHIEFS, Nov. 20

A Super Bowl rematch on “Monday Night Football.” Mahomes rallied the Chiefs to a 38-35 victory

over Jalen Hurts and Philadelphia. There are plenty of other storylines, including (Travis) Kelce vs. (Jason) Kelce and Andy Reid coaching against his former team again.

## DOLPHINS at JETS, Nov. 25

The NFL follows up a Thanksgiving tripleheader with Rodgers and the Jets hosting Tua Tagovailoa and Miami in the league’s first game on Black Friday — because football is better than shopping.

## 49ERS at EAGLES, Dec. 3

The NFC championship game rematch is back on Philly’s turf. The Eagles knocked Purdy out of the conference title game on their way to a dominant 31-7 win. Several 49ers have said the outcome would’ve been different if Purdy didn’t get hurt. They’ll get a chance to prove it.

## BENGALS at CHIEFS, Dec. 31

Joe Burrow leads Cincinnati back to Arrowhead Stadium for a rematch of the AFC championship game. This one could determine the AFC’s No. 1 seed.

# NASCAR

From Page A7

Someone tapped Craven on the shoulder in victory lane and told him Busch was on his way. “He’s not going to be happy,” Craven remembered thinking.

When Busch arrived, he immediately stuck out his hand, hugged Craven and told him “that was incredible.”

The two became instant admirers and often celebrate their shared moment of NASCAR history. “We’ve cemented a friendship that is eternal,” said Craven, who left NASCAR racing in 2006.

Busch, a sure-fire NASCAR Hall of Famer with 34 career wins and the 2004 series title, stepped away from full-time driving after last season when the effects of a head injury in a Pocono crash made it impossible to compete. He’s currently a consultant for his last race team, 23XI.

Neither Craven nor Busch go very long without a race fan asking them about that Darlington finish.

“It’s like a high five,” Busch said. “It’s why we’re true race fans.”

The two are honorary starters for Sunday’s race — “Kurt will wave the green flag two-thousandths of a second after Ricky,” raceway president Kerry Tharp quipped — and will keep treasuring their moment.

“I’m going to tell the story two thousand times and when I tell the story the 2000th time,” Busch says, “I think I’m going to win it one day.”

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This image provided by Hope Edelman, shows a motherless group being led by Edelman and Claire Bidwell Smith. There are many kinds of support today for children who have lost their parents.

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## Daughters without moms find support in each other's grief

By Tracee M. Herbaugh

Associated Press

When my mother died suddenly 30 years ago, I was 13. I'd spend the next 20 years attempting to understand what it means not to have a mother.

And I did this basically alone.

Mostly, this was because my mother's parents, who raised me, were old-fashioned folks who lived through the Dust Bowl. They didn't discuss feelings, good or bad. I never once saw my grandfather shed a tear after his daughter died. Plus, our town was in the rural plains of Colorado, hours away from any city with services like a grief therapist, even if my grandparents had been open to that.

But the silence around grief also was a product of the times. I am encouraged to see that now a mom's death is generally not handled the same way it was in 1993.

There are many kinds of support today, from the organized to the grassroots. Grief can be talked about and shared more publicly, experts say, and is acknowledged to last a long time.

Motherless children can attend special summer camps, for instance, or Mother's Day retreats like those hosted by the Massachusetts-based non-profit EmpowerHer, which works with girls whose mothers have died. They also link girls with mentors so they can see an older version of themselves. The group recently started working with boys and nonbinary children, too, who have lost either parent.

"There isn't a perfect ending," said Cara Belvin, who founded EmpowerHer. "You can cry and scream but you can't give up, and we hold space for a kid who is grieving."

Podcasts on the topic of parent loss, and support groups both virtual and in-person, have proliferated.

"It really grew exponentially over COVID," said Hope Edelman, author of several grief books, including the bestseller "Motherless Daughters: The Legacy of Loss," published in 1994.

Edelman has led motherless daughters' groups, and her books have helped usher in a new way to live with loss. "The death of a

mother affects a daughter profoundly, but what comes after can affect her as much or more," she said.

Edelman was 17 when her mother died in 1981, a time she has called the "dark ages" of grief, when mourning often wasn't discussed much outside the stale office of a therapist.

The prevailing wisdom today tends to be the "continuing bonds" theory, which says grief is to be carried, and relationships continue and change with a loved one, even after their death.

This more engaged approach to grief has been furthered by the internet and social media.

Ontario native Janet Gwilliam-Wright, 46, started "The Motherlove Project," a blog and corresponding Instagram account, in 2020 to honor the 25th anniversary of her mother's death. It has since become a place where women from around the world share stories about their late mothers; nearly 300 people have shared so far.

"I didn't have anywhere to grieve her — she didn't have a grave — so I decided to make a place on the internet," Gwilliam-Wright explained.

"I have enormous gratitude for every woman who reaches out to me. It helps me in my grieving and has brought me a community of people I feel so connected to."

Mother's Day can feel particularly isolating, said Julia Morin, 36, of Nashua, New Hampshire, who created her Instagram account "Girl\_meets\_grief" on Mother's Day 2021 to connect with others who felt the same way.

Before the internet, even though the prevailing attitude toward grief might have been less supportive, still there was often more community and family around than there is now, when many Americans lack built-in support networks.

"And so the widespread online support gives people a broader space to share in that grief and meet people with similar experiences," said Megan Kelleher, a historian who has studied grief and bereavement practices.

Writing is another way motherless daughters are connecting.

Sasha Brown-Worsham of Acton, Massachusetts, has written about losing



Custodian and chess coach David Bishop challenges 6th-grader Owen Isenhour during after-school practice, Tuesday, April 25, 2023, in Hampden, Maine. Under Bishop's tutelage, the Reeds Brook Middle School chess team has gained national recognition.

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## Real-life 'The Queen's Gambit' Custodian leads school chess teams in Maine

By David Sharp

Associated Press

HAMPDEN, Maine — David Bishop spends the school day as a mild-mannered custodian, but before the final bell rings, he grabs his chess boards and pieces and begins his second role.

"The Queen's Gambit" is playing out in real life in Maine, where this custodian is coaching his schools' chess teams to acclaim.

Bishop, a part-time chess coach and full-time custodian, led his elementary and middle school teams to state championship titles this year, drawing comparisons to the Netflix series about a chess prodigy inspired by a janitor.

Some of his players are good enough to beat their coach, proudly declaring "checkmate!"

"Initially, it was humiliating and demoralizing, but it didn't take long for me to realize that's a good thing. They're getting stronger," the 61-year-old said.

Nationwide, chess is riding a new wave of popularity, and it's not just because of the popular Netflix mini series based on the 1983 book by Walter Tevis.

During the pandemic, a growing number of kids forced to stay at home for extended periods turned to Chess.com to relieve their boredom. The website and app allows



Members of the Reeds Brook Middle School chess team practice at the Hampden Academy library, Tuesday, April 25, 2023, in Hampden, Maine.

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visitors to learn the game, to play against each other or against a computer, and to get chess news.

The website had 1.5 million daily users in February 2020 — just before the pandemic hit the U.S. in full force — but it grew to 4.5 million by the end of 2020. It had hit 10 million by January of this year. The total number of registered users has nearly quadrupled to 123 million, the company said.

Chess fans are also watching videos of grandmasters teaching strategies and livestreams of high-profile chess players facing off.

"What we are seeing is an unprecedented period of boom, like nothing before," said Leon Watson, spokesperson for Chess.com. "It definitely feels

like chess is having a moment."

In Hampden, Bishop's coaching success followed a happy twist of fate.

He was burned out from his job in the telecommunications industry and took an early retirement package at age 50. He was exploring new opportunities in the field — and not having much luck — when someone told him about a school custodial job. He figured it would be mean less stress.

He didn't even know there was a chess club until after he'd begun work in 2013. He began volunteering with the chess club at Reeds Brook Middle School, and later at George B. Weatherbee Elementary School, as well.

Bishop learned chess

the old-fashioned way, with a family chessboard and by experimenting with the board pieces: pawns, bishops, knights, rooks, queens and kings. He played with his brothers, sometimes in the family's barn, learning the moves to checkmate his opponent's king, the object of the game. At age 10, he followed with keen interest the match in which American grandmaster Bobby Fischer defeated the Soviet Union's Boris Spassky in 1972.

While Bishop enjoyed chess and was good at it, he didn't join his high school chess club, worrying he would be typecast as a nerd. He regrets that now.

These days, thanks to its growing appeal, those stereotypes no longer apply.

On a recent day, there was a buzz in the air at the Reeds Brook Middle School library where the chess club meets. Bishop's team had just represented Maine at the national championships in Texas, and they came in eighth place out of 52 teams. The elementary school team competes this weekend in its national championship in Maryland.

The students quickly tossed their backpacks aside, sat down at library tables and launched into matches. Those who weren't actively playing watched others' moves intently.

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Custodian David Bishop cleans pencil marks from desks in the Hampden Academy library, Tuesday, April 25, 2023, in Hampden, Maine. In addition to his custodial duties, Bishop also serves as the chess coach for district's nationally recognized middle school chess team.

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## OLSON ANNIVERSARY

Wendell and Myrna Olson, of Concordia, will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 21 at the Tri-City Country Club in Emma.

Myrna Pape and Wen-

dell Olson were married May 10, 1958, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Concordia by the Rev. Oscar Heilman.

Friends and relatives are invited to the celebration. The couple requests no gifts.

## POPULAR BOOKS

### Boonslick Regional Library Fiction

"The Guest," by Emma Cline.

"Ozark Dogs," by Eli Cranor.

"Bad, Bad Seymour Brown," by Susan Isaacs.

"To Die Beautiful," by Buzzy Jackson.

"Can't I Go Instead," by Geum-yi Lee.

"Killing Moon," by Jo Nesbo.

"A History of Burning," by Janika Oza.

"The 23rd Midnight," by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro.

"All the Days of Summer," by Nancy Thayer.

"Fourth Wings," by Rebecca Yarros.

### Nonfiction

"Life Sentence: The Brief and Tragic Career of Baltimore's Deadliest Gang Leader," by Mark Bowden.

"The Watchdog: How the Truman Committee Battled Corruption and Helped Win World War II," by Steve Drummond.

"The Search: Finding Meaningful Work in a Post-Career World," by Bruce Feiler.

"Allergic: Our Irritated Bodies in a Changing World," by Theresa MacPhail.

"Women We Buried, Women We Burned," by Rachel Louise Snyder.

## Sedalia Business Women install 2023-24 officers



The Sedalia Business Women installed new officers for the 2023-24 year on Thursday, May 4 at a meeting at the Sedalia Shrine Club. On the back row from left are Robin Balke, director; Della Schnakenberg, treasurer; Rachel Monaghan, 1st vice president; and Debbie Ulmer, secretary. On the front row are Janice Cones, president elect; Julie Slocum, president; and Joyce Grinstead, 2nd vice president.

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Newly elected Sedalia Business Women President Julie Slocum, right, presents outgoing President Robin Balke a token of the Business Women's appreciation for her two years of service Thursday evening at the group's installation meeting. Slocum will keep Balke's motto, "Encourage, Inspire, Empower."



Sedalia Business Women member and Missouri Business Women President Michelle Sparks addresses the SBW members during the installation meeting Thursday, May 4. Sedalia Business Women is the largest Business Women's club in the state and has gained around 24 new members in the last two years.

## CLUB NOTES

### Beta Alpha Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa

The Beta Alpha Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, international honorary sorority for women educators, met Monday, April 24 at Christ & Trinity Church and via Zoom.

Before the business meeting, Cara Barth-Fagan, sponsor of the Student MSTA chapter at State Fair Community College, and three students talked about the sixth annual SMSTA Literacy Event on May 4. The event is for preschool kids ages 3 through 5 and their families. There is a free meal, a goodie bag, and a book for each preschooler.

President Mary Beatty called the meeting to order. Thirty-two members were present.

Dr. Kristee Lorenz, chaplain, shared in-

spirational words from Max Lucado and a prayer.

Minutes from the March meeting were approved. The treasurer's report was given by Andrea Eppenauer. The donation this month went to the Sedalia Area Literacy Council.

Cathy Roesch and Lorin Blackburn Thierfelder reported for the Ways and Means Committee. The annual rummage sale is Friday, June 9, at Our Savior Lutheran Church on West U.S. Highway 50. A bake sale and plant sale will be included.

Julie Sobaski announced the two recipients of the ADK scholarships: Lauren Grupe and Jones Knight, both students at Smith-Cotton.

Tara Akin reminded the group the next Community Café ser-



At the April meeting of the Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority, students in the Student Missouri State Teachers Association explained the activities that would take place during their sixth annual SMSTA Literacy Event. Pictured from left is sponsor Cara Barth-Fagan, Caleb Brittain (dressed as an astronaut), Maddi Marksmeier, and Loren Cunningham.

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vice day is July 28.

Louise Rouchka reported for the Relay for Life Committee. Thanks was expressed to those who contributed to the fundraiser activity at the Heckart Community Center in April by exercising and working at the table. Karen

Twenter reported \$700 was raised for Relay for Life from the teachers in Cole Camp for Jeans Week. Forms for sponsorships are available. Also, luminaries are \$5 each.

The door prizes were won by Charlie Neth and Marty Graves.

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## BRL2GO SCHEDULE

### Boonslick Regional Library Monday

9 to 11:45 a.m.: Hous-tonia.

1:15 to 4 p.m.: La Monte City Park.

### Wednesday

9:30 to 11:45 a.m.: Cole Camp City Park.

1:15 p.m.: Lincoln City Hall.

1:30 to 3:45 p.m.: Lincoln City Park.

### Friday

9:15 a.m.: Boonville, Lakeview Health Care.

9:20 a.m.: Bristol Manor.

9:25 a.m.: Boonville, YMCA Early Childhood

Learning Center.

9:30 to 11:45 a.m.: Boonville, Walmart.

1 p.m.: Blackwater Post Office.

1:15 to 3:30 p.m.: Blackwater Main Street.

4 to 4:15 p.m.: Stony Ridge Village Residential Care.

## MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels is a nonprofit organization that delivers meals to seniors, the homebound and handicapped citizens of Sedalia. The food is prepared by Superior Vendall and is delivered by volunteers. Meals cost \$4. For more information on receiving meals or becoming a volunteer, call

660-826-5039.

Meals will be delivered by Broadway Presbyterian Church.

**Monday:** Chicken and noodles, green beans, applesauce and milk.

**Tuesday:** Meatloaf, posh potatoes, tomato and cucumber salad, cookie and milk.

**Wednesday:** Pulled pork on bun, cottage cheese, potato chips, banana and milk.

**Thursday:** Ham and beans, cornbread, coleslaw, tropical fruit and milk.

**Friday:** Pork fritter on bun, macaroni salad, baked beans, orange and milk.



# Community Calendar MAY

To have your event or meeting listed or changed, send details to fbemiss@sedaliademocrat.com or call 660-826-1000 ext. 1481.

## SUNDAY

Each day: AA meets at 417 E. Pettis St.

Noon and 7 p.m.: Alcoholics Anonymous 12x12 Non-smoking group, Sunday through Saturday; at 417 W. Pettis St., sedalia12x-12aa@gmail.com.

1:30 p.m.: Open Door Soup Kitchen, 417 W. Pettis St. Call 660-827-1613.

7 p.m.: Narcotics Anonymous Because We Care and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday; First Christian Church, 200 S. Limit Ave.

## MONDAY

Each day: AA meets at 417 E. Pettis St.

8 a.m.: Courthouse Prayer Group meets on the lawn of the Pettis County Courthouse, Monday through Friday. During the winter months, the group meets at Panera.

10 a.m.: Show-Me Mad Tatters, University Extension Office Conference Room, 1012A Thompson Blvd.

11:30 a.m.: Open Door Soup Kitchen, 417 W. Pettis St. Call 660-827-1613.

Noon: Sedalia Rotary Club, Best Western State Fair Inn, 3120 S. Limit Ave.

1:45 p.m.: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter 0102 Sedalia meets at the Boonslick Regional Library, 219 W. Third St., in the lower level meeting room. All are welcome to attend. The first meeting is always free. Call 660-525-4142.

5:30 p.m.: The Dream Factory meeting. Call 660-827-1561 for location.

6 p.m.: Altrusa International, Inc., Sedalia, at the Katy Trail Com-

munity Health Center, 305 W. Main St.

6 p.m.: Cornerstone Celebrate Recovery. A Bible-based 12-step program for Hurts, Habits and Hangups; Cornerstone Baptist Church, 660-827-4833.

6 p.m.: Pettis County Democrat Club meets in the basement of Boonslick Regional Library, 219 W. Third St.

6 p.m.: Smithton Senior Citizens Group Pitch and Pool, Smithton Senior Center on Washington Street.

6:30 p.m.: Bingo at VFW Post 2591, 121 S. Ohio Ave. Bonanza blackout starts at 6 p.m.

6:30 p.m.: Show Me Sound, Sweet Adelines International, rehearsals at Wesley United Methodist Church basement, 1322 West Broadway Blvd. All women who like to sing are welcome. For more information, call 660-851-2205.

7 p.m.: Al Anon, at 417 W. Pettis. For more information, call 660-473-0855

7 p.m.: Sedalia Chorale Rehearsal, rehearsal room 67 in the Stauffacher Center at State Fair Community College.

## TUESDAY

Each day: AA meets at 417 E. Pettis St.

8 a.m.: Central MO Business Builders (BNI), at Heckart Family Center, 903 S. Ohio Ave.

8:30 a.m.: Sedalia Literacy Council, basement meeting room, Boonslick Regional Library, 219 W. Third St.

11 a.m.: Diabetes Support Group, Bothwell Education Center, 600 E. 14th St.

11:30 a.m.: Open Door Soup Kitchen, 417 W. Pettis St. Call 660-827-1613.

11:30 a.m.: Show-Me Ladies with Hatitudes for lunch. For location

information, call Maryann at 660-826-8138.

Noon: Sedalia Optimist Club, in Room C at the Heckart Community Center, 1800 W. Third St.

12:30 to 4:30 p.m.: Birthright Pregnancy Center, 1810 W. 11th St., Tuesday through Friday; and other hours by appointment. The office number is 660-826-9060.

1 to 3 p.m.: Baby Grace is open at Wesley United Methodist Church, 1322 W. Broadway Blvd., for those who need diapers, pull-ups or wipes.

1 p.m.: B.Y.O.L. (bring your own lunch movie event) at Cole Camp Boonslick Library, with popcorn and drinks. Event is free and for all ages.

3 to 6 p.m.: Sedalia Area Farmers' Market, in Nucor Pavilion on Missouri State Fairgrounds by Centennial Gate along South Limit Avenue.

4:30 p.m.: Crossroads Hospice, a monthly discussion grief group, at the Heckart Family Center, 903 S. Ohio Ave. For more information, contact Beth Hunt at 660-422-5804.

6 p.m.: NarAnon meetings at LifePointe Church, 2921 W. Broadway Blvd.

6 p.m.: Sedalia Runners Club-Track at Smith-Cotton Track.

7 p.m.: Co-Dependents Anonymous (CoDA) is a 12-step fellowship of men and women at the First United Methodist Church Celebration Center, 1701 W. 32nd St.; for more information, call Barbara at 660-827-6522.

7 p.m.: Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary, Lincoln.

7 p.m.: Loyal Order of Moose, Sedalia Lodge 1494, at the lodge, 119 Winchester Ave.

7 p.m.: Masonic Granite Lodge 272 meeting, 601 W. Broadway Blvd.

7 p.m.: MidMo Toastmasters Club, Boonslick Library, 219 W. Third St. Toastmasters

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7 p.m.: OIC Studios will present the SpoFest Open Mic Poetry and Prose event streaming live via Zoom, Facebook and OIC Radio. Signup and event guidelines at www.oicstudios.com/spofest-online.

## WEDNESDAY

Each day: AA meets at 417 E. Pettis St.

10 a.m.: Community Retired Teachers meeting, Christ and Trinity Lutheran Church, 3201 Southwest Blvd.

10 a.m.: TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter 958, First Baptist Church, 200 E. Sixth St. First visit is free; 816-916-6237.

11:30 a.m.: Open Door Soup Kitchen, 417 W. Pettis St. Call 660-827-1613.

Noon: Sedalia Lions Club, Heckart Community Center, 1800 W. Third St.

3:30 p.m.: Sedalia Photo Club at Sacred Heart Parish Center in Sedalia

5:30 p.m.: Amigos de Cristo, Teen Mom Classes at 3003 W. 11th St., 660-826-2788.

6:30 p.m.: Friends of the Cole Camp Library meeting at Cole Camp Boonslick Library.

6:30 p.m.: Sedalia-Pettis County National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for executive committee; 7 p.m., meeting, Anthony Buckner Community Center, 500 Welch Ct.

7 p.m.: Elks Lodge 125, Elks Lodge, 320 S. Kentucky Ave.

## THURSDAY

Each day: AA meets at 417 E. Pettis St.

7:45 a.m.: 40 & 8 Voiture 333, Knights of Columbus Hall, 1708 Elm Hills Blvd.

11:30 a.m.: Open Door Soup Kitchen, 417 W. Pettis St. Call 660-827-1613.

Noon: Kiwanis of Sedalia, at Lamy's, 108 Pacific St.

1 p.m.: Sedalia Duplicate Bridge Club at First Christian Church, 200 S. Limit Ave.

1 p.m.: The Whiteman Area Piecemakers in the meeting room of the Knob Noster Branch of the Trails Regional Library, 202 N. Adams. For more information, call 660-647-3367 or 660-563-5247.

4:15 p.m.: Birthright, volunteer meeting at offices, 1810 W. 11th St.

6 p.m.: Pettis County Democrat Club at Lincoln Hubbard Apartments, 711 N. Osage Ave. The meeting is a potluck, all interested are invited.

6 p.m.: Women in Crisis Group, call 660-827-5555 for location.

6:30 p.m.: Sedalia Cadet Squadron Civil Air Patrol, Civil Air Patrol building, U.S. Highway 50.

7 p.m.: Central Missouri Coin Club, Knights of Columbus Hall, 1708 Elm Hills Blvd.

7 p.m.: Gamma Epsilon Master Chapter. For location information, call 660-827-2299.

7 p.m.: Sedalia Bible Academy, Boonslick Regional Library, 219 W. Third St., Sedalia. For more information, call 660-826-9988. It is free and open to the public.

7:30 p.m.: Central Missouri Harley Owners Group Sedalia Chapter, Yeager's Cycle Sales,

3001 S. Limit Ave.

## FRIDAY

Each day: AA meets at 417 E. Pettis St.

11:30 a.m.: Open Door Soup Kitchen, 417 W. Pettis St. Call 660-827-1613.

Noon: Pettis County Pachyderms, Room C at the Heckart Community Center.

3 to 6 p.m.: Sedalia Area Farmers' Market, in Nucor Pavilion on Missouri State Fairgrounds by Centennial Gate along South Limit Avenue.

6 p.m.: Bingo, Sedalia Moose Lodge, 119 Winchester Dr., doors open at 4 p.m.; Kitchen opens at 5 p.m.; early-bird bingo at 6 p.m.; regular bingo at 6:30 p.m.

7 p.m.: Bunceton Senior Dance Melody Makers Band will perform. Bring finger food. Dance at Bunceton Lions Club. Cost is \$4 per person.

## SATURDAY

Each day: AA meets at 417 E. Pettis St.

7 a.m.: Sedalia Runners Club-Group Run every Saturday at Clarendon and Katy Trail.

11:30 a.m.: Open Door Soup Kitchen, 417 W. Pettis St. Call 660-827-1613.

1 p.m.: Missouri State Fair Bikers Against Child Abuse, American Paramedical Service classroom, 400B Industrial Road.

5 to 8 p.m.: Family Night at the Cole Camp Library. Tabletop Gaming, VR games and experiences, family escape room games and full access to the library after hours. Light refreshments will be provided. Call 660-668-3887 for reservations.

## NEW BOOKS AND MOVIES

### Sedalia Public Library Fiction

"With My Little Eye," by Joshilyn Jackson (suspense).

"In the Lives of Puppets," by T.J. Klune (science fiction).

"Breakneck," by Marc Cameron (suspense).

"Hopefully Ever After," by Beth Wiseman (Christian fiction).

"Mastering the Art of French Murder," by Colleen Cambridge (mystery).

"The Last Word," by Taylor Adams (suspense).

"Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club," by J. Ryan Stradal (fiction).

"Life and Other Love Songs," by Anissa Gray

(romance).

### Nonfiction

"It Goes. So. Fast.," by Mary Louise Kelly (nonfiction).

"Honey, Baby, Mine," by Laura Dern and Diane Ladd (nonfiction).

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# Mommy blogger Heather Armstrong, known as Dooce to fans, dead at 47



This image released by Peter Ashdown shows a selfie of mommy blogger Heather Armstrong in Salt Lake City on April 1, 2023. PHOTO BY PETER ASHDOWN VIA AP

**By Leanne Italie**  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The pioneering mommy blogger Heather Armstrong, who laid bare her struggles as a parent and her battles with depression and alcoholism on her site Dooce.com and on social media, has died at 47.

Armstrong's boyfriend, Pete Ashdown, told The Associated Press that he found her Tuesday night at their Salt Lake City home.

She had two children with her former husband and business partner, Jon Armstrong, began Dooce in 2001 and built it into a lucrative career. She was one of the first and most popular mommy bloggers, writing frankly about her children,

relationships and other challenges at a time that personal blogs were on the rise.

She parlayed her successes with the blog, on Instagram and elsewhere into book deals, putting out a memoir in 2009, "It Sucked and then I Cried: How I Had a Baby, a Breakdown and a Much Needed Margarita."

That year, Armstrong appeared on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and was on the Forbes list of the most influential women in media.

In 2012, the Armstrongs announced they were separating. They divorced later that year. She began dating Ashdown, a former U.S. senate candidate, nearly six years ago. They lived together with Armstrong's children, 19-year-old Leta and 13-year-

old Marlo. He has three children from a previous marriage who spent time in their home as well.

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — This story includes discussion of suicide. If you or someone you know needs help, please call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255.

Ashdown said Armstrong died by suicide. He told the AP that she had been sober for more than 18 months, and recently had a relapse. He did not provide further details.

Armstrong didn't hold back on Instagram and Dooce, the latter a name that arose from her inability to quickly spell "dude"

during online chats. Her raw, unapologetic posts on everything from pregnancy and breastfeeding to home-work and carpooling were often infused with curses. As her popularity grew, so too did the barbs of critics, who accused her of bad parenting and worse.

One of her posts on Dooce spoke of a previous victory over drinking.

"On October 8th, 2021 I celebrated six months of sobriety by myself on the floor next to my bed feeling as if I were a wounded animal who wanted to be left alone to die," Armstrong wrote. "There was no one in my life who could possibly comprehend how symbolic a victory it was for me, albeit ... one fraught with tears and sobbing so violent that at one point I thought my body would split in two. The grief submerged me in tidal waves of pain. For a few hours I found it hard to breathe."

She went on: "Sobriety was not some mystery I had to solve. It was simply looking at all my wounds and learning how to live with them."

In her memoir, she described how her blog began as a way to share her thoughts on pop culture with faraway friends. Within a year, her audience grew from a few friends to thousands of strangers around the world, she wrote.

More and more, Armstrong said, she found herself writing about her personal life and, eventually, an office job for a tech start-up, and "how much I wanted to strangle my boss, often using words and phrases that would embarrass a sailor."

Her employer found the site and fired her, she wrote. She took it down but started back up again six months later, writing about her new husband, Armstrong, and how unemployment had forced them to move from Los Angeles to her mother's basement in Utah.

She was soon pregnant. The pregnancy offered "an endless trove" of content, she wrote, "but I truly believed that I would give it all up once I had the baby."

She didn't, going on to chronicle her highs and lows as a new mother.

"I don't think I would have survived it had I not offered up my story and reached out to bridge the loneliness," she wrote.

At its peak, Dooce had more than 8 million monthly readers, a healthy following that allowed her to monetize her online presence.

Armstrong was raised in Memphis, Tennessee, in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints but left the faith after graduating from Brigham Young University and moving to Los Angeles. She suffered chronic depression for much of her life but wasn't diagnosed and treated until college, according to her book.

In 2017, after the unraveling of her marriage, the internet star dubbed "the queen of the mommy bloggers" by The New York Times Magazine took a tumble in popularity as social media came into its own.

Her depression grew worse, leading her to enroll in a clinical trial at the University of Utah's Neuropsychiatric Institute. She was put in a chemically induced coma for 15 minutes at a time for 10 sessions.

"I was feeling like life was not meant to be lived," Armstrong told Vox. "When you are that desperate, you will try anything. I thought my kids deserved to have a happy, healthy mother, and I needed to know that I had tried all options to be that for them."

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- Exceed.
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# Gift Guide: For cooks with a craving for sustainability

By Katie Workman  
Associated Press

This time of year can be a big gift-giving moment, with Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduations, weddings and more. And whatever the occasion, if the recipient enjoys spending time in the kitchen, then food and kitchen-related gifts are a natural place to start.

More and more of us are shopping and cooking with an eye toward sustainability and eco-consciousness. So here are some cooking gifts and tips that fit that bill:

You can start by doing a little homework on the company you're purchasing from. That job has been done for you if the company has gotten a B Corp certification. It shows that a business is meeting high standards in supporting a variety of community and environmental markers, with measurable metrics. The certification lasts three years before needing to be renewed.

Another accreditation to look for is 1% for the Planet, which means the company has committed to donate 1% of annual sales to environmental causes, and is transparent in its efforts to operate sustainably. Climate Neutral is an organization that measure carbon accountability.

Beyond such designations, visit a company's website and see what they have to say about their practices and how the product was made. Customers are increasingly demanding transparency and accountability in companies they buy from.

## FOOD

Pantry staples like olive oil are a great present. Companies like Bona Furtuna are paying attention to nurturing their regions' biodiversity. Their farm is fertilized entirely with organic matter, including compost created through the production of their olive oils. California Olive Ranch has com-



This combination of photos shows a variety of organic snack, left, upcycled storage containers by Loopy Products, center, and botanically infused papers from The Fresh Glow Co., which are designed to keep foods fresher longer, and are organic and compostable. PHOTO BY KATIE WORKMAN VIA AP

mitted to transparency and sustainable practices in both growing and packaging.

Brightland partners with small, family-run olive farms in California that grow without pesticides or chemicals and pay fair wages to farmworkers. The brand is helping to convert land use from water- and chemical-intensive crops to drought-resistant, low-impact olive production.

McEvoy Ranch has a wide range of flavor-infused olive oils and likewise aims to create a self-sufficient and balanced ecosystem. That includes tending orchards in accordance with organic regulations, and converting all ranch waste products, including spent olives, into compost that then nurtures the soil.

Buying meat and fish in a responsible way has become important to many of us. Luckily, there are companies like ButcherBox, which makes use of the whole animal. ButcherBox delivers grass-fed beef, free-range organic chicken, humanely raised pork and wild-caught seafood to your door. Crowd Cow, Porter Road and Good Chop are similar options, with no added hormones or

antibiotics.

Awareness of how fragile our oceans have become has been heightened. Organizations like SeaChoice and the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch are good places to start investigating the sustainability of a particular kind of fish.

Think about buying a gift box or perhaps a monthly subscription to a company verified by one of these organizations. Vital Choice Wild Seafood & Organics says all its fish and shellfish are vetted and approved by a reputable third-party sustainability organization. Their orders are shipped with dry ice in corrugated cardboard boxes that are fitted with thermal liners made from recycled denim, which can then be recycled again. Offerings include a Wild Fish Monthly Subscription.

If you'd like to reduce food waste and also save money, consider another cool subscription gift: Misfits Market, which delivers produce and other healthy foods saved from going to waste.

How about a gift basket? Clif Family offers assortments of their small-production organic wines and specialty foods inspired by the flavors of Napa Valley,

with a mission of bringing high quality with the lowest impact to the planet. Think honeys, wines, preserves and nuts. Frog Hollow Farm has lovely gift boxes filled with fresh fruits, sun-dried fruits, fruit spreads and more.

Or buy some pretty reusable jars and package up an assortment of granolas. Check out One Degree Organics from Canada (their motto is "all ingredients from farmers we know") and Grandy Organics, made in small batches in a solar powered factory in Maine.

## KITCHEN GOODS

There are companies producing beautiful and functional cookware and tabletop items with a focus on sustainability.

Tag Home Décor uses natural and sustainable materials in many of their products, such as a handwoven sustainable jute rug and upcycled, salvaged-cotton kitchen rug made on traditional pit looms. It cozies up a space and provides cushioning for a tired cook's feet. They also have a hand-crafted, onyx-marble board made from natural stone.

Goodee works with artisans who exclusively use naturally occurring materials, and works to enable them to earn

a sustainable living through their crafts. The company offers many items for cooking and dining, including lovely Oaxaca-made tumblers using locally sourced recycled glass and alternative energy. There's also a beautiful pepper grinder made from sustainably sourced teak wood.

Loopy Products makes products from upcycled agricultural waste; their sustainable coffee mug, made with waste from coffee manufacturing, was a Global Innovation Award Finalist at the Inspired Home Show this year. Their coffee, flour and tea storage containers are an eco-friendly way to store staples.

For the cook who wants to compost, there's the very affordable Bamboozle compost bin. The filtered lid helps to absorb any smells caused from off-gassing. It's made from biodegradable bamboo fiber and dishwasher safe.

Need items for a little basket of eco-friendly items for a kitchen refresh? Consider botanically infused papers from The Fresh Glow Co., which are designed to keep foods fresher longer, and are organic and compostable.

Everyone can use a spiffy new portable

drink container. Klean Kanteen makes a ton of them, and the company a long-standing B Corp. and is certified by Climate Neutral (a carbon-accountability designation). Their products are made with 90% post-consumer recycled stainless steel, which results in a significant reduction in steel greenhouse gases.

Dish towels are always in short supply in an avid cook's kitchen, and are a smart, reusable alternative to paper towels. Tag makes textured dish cloths in lots of colors, so you can add a bright spot to cleaning up. Atelier Saucier makes lovely table linens, all sustainably sourced, rescued or repurposed.

Material Kitchen's reBoards are BPA-free cutting boards made of kitchen plastic scraps and renewable sugar cane. They come in a variety of beautiful colors.

Sustainability means different things to different people, but these days it's easier than ever to shop with purpose and give gifts with meaning.

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# 'BlackBerry' film hails the must-have gadget that turned into relic

By Michael Liedtke  
AP Technology Writer

Almost everyone knows Steve Jobs' uncanny vision, relentless drive and technological wizardry hatched the iPhone, a breakthrough that continues to reshape culture 16 years after the late Apple co-founder introduced the device to the world.

But when Jobs unveiled the first iPhone in 2007, another smartphone was the must-have gadget. It was the BlackBerry, a device so addictive that it became known as the "CrackBerry" among tech nerds and power brokers hunched over a tiny keyboard that was best operated with both thumbs clickety-clacking.

Now the BlackBerry is "that phone people had before they bought an iPhone," a relic so irrelevant that the Canadian company that made it is now valued at \$3 billion — down from \$85 billion at its 2008 peak when it still controlled nearly half of the smartphone market.

But its legacy is worth remembering — and au-

diences will get a chance to learn more about its origins in the new film, "BlackBerry." The film out Friday in theaters is the latest movie or TV series to delve into technology's penchant for groundbreaking innovation, blind ambition, ego clashes and power struggles that turn into morality tales.

That formula has already spawned two Academy Award-nominated movies written by Aaron Sorkin, 2010's "The Social Network" delving into Facebook's founding and 2015's "Steve Jobs," dissecting the Silicon Valley icon. Then came last year's flurry of TV series examining the scandals enveloping WeWork ("WeCrashed"), Uber ("Super Pumped") and disgraced Theranos CEO Elizabeth Holmes ("The Dropout"), which won Amanda Seyfried an Emmy for her turn in the starring role.

Unlike any of those biopics, "BlackBerry" is told as a dark comedy revolving around two amiable but bumbling nerds, Mike Lazaridis and Doug Fregin, who can't

seem to execute their plan to create a "computer in a phone" until they bring in a hard-nosed, foul-mouthed businessman, Jim Balsillie.

Although "BlackBerry" is based on a meticulously researched book called "Losing the Signal," director and co-star Matt Johnson acknowledged taking more liberties in the movie during an interview with *The Associated Press*. Among other changes, Johnson cited shifting some timelines, shaping the company culture through his view of the 1990s and infusing the key characters with "our own personalities and our own ideas."

"But our lawyers wouldn't let us put anything in the film that was an outright fabrication," Johnson stressed.

Johnson had to do a lot of guesswork in his role as the enigmatic Fregin, who sold all his stock in BlackBerry's holding company — then known as Research In Motion, RIM — around the same time Apple released the first iPhone and has kept a low profile ever since.

"Doug is true cipher,

he has never done a taped interview," said Johnson, which led him to portray Fregin as a "kind of mascot figure who is tying the culture of the office together."

Ironically, Johnson got a lot of his idea on how to depict Fregin from one of RIM's early employees, Matthias Wandel, who posted a YouTube video critiquing inaccuracies that he saw in the "BlackBerry" trailer. Before that, Wandel talked extensively to Johnson about RIM's history and even provided diaries that he kept while during the BlackBerry's development.

"I think when he sees the film he is going to be quite charmed by how much of his original notes are in the film," Johnson said of Wandel. "It's so funny that he has released that video (because) so much of my character is based on him. I stole everything from that dude. I owe him huge."

Balsillie, RIM's co-CEO with Lazaridis, emerges as the film's most intriguing character. Actor Glenn Howerton (best

known for his role in the TV series, "It's Always Sunny In Philadelphia") portrays Balsillie in a way that casts him as both the story's chief antagonist and protagonist dropping f-bombs in tyrannical temper tantrums at the same time he is making savvy moves that turned the BlackBerry into a cultural sensation.

"It always felt like this was a guy who weirdly felt a little outside of sort of what people would consider to be sort of a titan of technology or business," Howerton said of Balsillie during an AP interview. "I played him as someone who had something to prove at almost all times, that he could play with the big boys."

Balsillie eventually became entangled in legal problems tied to improper changes to the pricing of stock options — a tactic known as "backdating" that also ensnared Apple's former general counsel and former chief financial officer in 2007 for their handling of compensation packages awarded Jobs. Both Balsillie and Lazaridis left

RIM in 2012.

Now that BlackBerry has faded from the public consciousness, Balsillie seems to be welcoming the renewed attention from the new film even though he quibbled with some aspects of his character during a recent interview with *The Canadian Press*.

Unlike Lazaridis and Fregin, Balsillie attended a recent showing of the film in Toronto and even walked the red carpet with Johnson and Howerton.

"In many ways, (Jim) was the hero, he was the character who changed for the better (in the film)," Johnson said. "The audience was just with him. It was almost a psychedelic experience to be in theater watching the movie with Jim, with Jim being the person who was laughing the loudest."

Balsillie, who is mocked in one of the film's scenes for having never seen "Star Wars," confided to Howerton that he enjoyed watching "BlackBerry" so much that it was the first movie he had ever seen twice in his life.





Owen Isehour whispers advice to Eli Marquis during a Reeds Brook Middle School after-school chess practice, Tuesday, April 25, 2023, in Hampden, Maine. Part-time chess coach and full-time custodian David Bishop led his elementary and middle school teams to state championship titles this year. PHOTO BY ROBERT F. BUKATY | AP PHOTO

## Chess

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Eli Marquis, 12, said the chess players are constantly learning new skills and tactics — like opening and closing moves — allowing them to improve and ensuring they don't get bored.

"You can never run out of things to learn and to practice and to do, and you can just keep on getting better as long as you practice. There's no end to it. Really," he said.

Eddie LaRochelle, 13, compared chess to other competitive team sports. A strong work ethic and practice improve individual skills, and those individuals work together to achieve victory.

"You don't need to work out every single day in the gym. To get stronger, you can exercise your brain with puzzles, chess and other things," he said.

Lessons from the chess board often carry into life.

Team members said chess has taught them to think ahead, be strategic and consider the ramifications of decisions. And it helps with keeping on task and staying organized.

"Chess is so good for them, and most of them don't know it," their coach said. "They're just playing chess, but it's like a workout



Custodian David Bishop holds the trophy recently won by the Reeds Brook Middle School chess team in a national competition, Tuesday, April 25, 2023, in Hampden, Maine. Bishop coached his schools' chess team to an 8th place finish out of 52 schools in the 2023 National Middle School Championships in Round Rock, Texas. PHOTO BY ROBERT F. BUKATY | AP PHOTO

for the brain."

Bishop understands comparisons to the janitor in "The Queen's Gambit" — William Shaibel, played by actor Bill Camp — and he thinks it's an entertaining series. The chess play is accurate and exciting, he said.

Camp, the actor, has heard of the team's success and hopes to pay a visit to the school to offer his congratulations. He had high praise for Bishop.

"What he's doing is about as noble as one can do — he's a teacher," Camp said from Los Angeles. "He's doing the greatest service."

Unlike the Netflix series's

janitor, Bishop is helping not just one girl in an orphanage, but dozens of kids of all skill levels and socioeconomic backgrounds.

His one worry is that there aren't as many girls taking up chess.

Chess continues to be dominated by men and boys from the top level of grandmasters down to the grade school level. There's only one female on his middle school champion team right now, but he's hoping to change that by getting kids hooked at earlier ages, starting in kindergarten.

For now, Bishop looks forward to seeing how far

his teams can go. As the teams get better, he's getting used to losing chess matches more frequently.

Riley Richardson, who placed 14th out of 386 competitors at the nationals, said the first time he beat his coach, he thought Bishop was letting him win. But now, he has beaten his coach a few times.

He's watching for vulnerabilities.

"A while ago, I actually beat him because I just started learning his weaknesses," Richardson said. That weakness? He smiled and said: "Sometimes, he's overthinking."

## Signed in purple ink, Minnesota dedicates highway to Prince

By Trisha Ahmed

Associated Press/Report for America

CHANHASSEN, Minn. — The late pop superstar Prince is being honored in Minnesota as the state renames a seven-mile stretch of highway after him, one that runs past his Paisley Park home and recording studio.

Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz used purple ink on Tuesday to sign the bill dedicating the roadway formerly known as Minnesota Highway 5. Now, the path through in the Minneapolis suburbs of Chanhassen and Eden Prairie will be called the Prince Rogers Nelson Memorial Highway.

Purple road signs will soon go up along the highway declaring the new name, paid for by Prince's friends and fans.

The governor described Prince as a "global icon" and "creative genius." Waltz and other lawmakers toured the cavernous rooms at Paisley Park which showcase sleek guitars and a purple piano from the artist's career. The sights and sounds of Prince performing under shimmering lights add to the atmosphere.

After the tour, the governor said this was the "coolest bill signing" he's ever done.

"Like so many Minnesotans, I'm just proud that Prince called Minnesota home," Walz said, adding that the highway dedication is just "a small recognition" of the singer, songwriter, arranger and instrumentalist.

Waltz said Prince is part of the state's "shared cultural identity, that really does transcend generations."

Paisley Park, where Prince lived and recorded, draws visitors from around the world to suburban Chanhassen. It's also where Prince died on April 21, 2016, of an accidental fentanyl overdose at age 57. The

65,000-square-foot complex is now a museum run by his estate as well as an event venue and recording studio.

Prince broke through in the late 1970s and was inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2004. His music — which includes hits like "Purple Rain," "Let's Go Crazy," "When Doves Cry" and "1999" — has sold more than 100 million records worldwide.

Prince's cousin, Charles Smith, called the highway dedication "a beautiful thing."

The symbolic gesture's official status makes it different from other tributes, Smith said. "The governor signed it and put his dot on it. It's heavy. It's real powerful."

The Minnesota Senate approved the legislation 55-5 on Thursday and sent it to the governor's desk. The bill passed the House unanimously last month on the seventh anniversary of Prince's death.

Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan showed her long-time appreciation for Prince by wearing purple pants and matching earrings with a photo of the singer from his "Purple Rain" performance at the Super Bowl.

"He encouraged everybody to be themselves, to love each other, to be supportive and to have fun, right?" Flanagan said. "He was an icon."

Flanagan said she hopes people will drive on the seven-mile stretch, turn on their favorite Prince song — possibly "Little Red Corvette" — and remember the musician as they pass his home.

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## Displaced Ukrainians flock to Eurovision contest

By Jill Lawless

Associated Press

LIVERPOOL, England — This weekend's Eurovision Song Contest is taking place in a city brimming with Ukrainian flags, Ukrainian food, Ukrainian musicians and Ukrainian fans: Liverpool.

The English port city that gave the world The Beatles is using the contest to offer displaced Ukrainians a taste of home — free from war, and glittering with sequins and sparkle.

Britain is hosting the glitzy pan-continental music competition for the first time in 25 years after stepping in to hold it on behalf of last year's winner, Ukraine. Organizers have vowed to make the event a celebration of Ukrainian spirit and culture.

"I want all life to be like this — whole life Eurovision village, and whole life Eurovision celebration," said Daryna Borodaikivych, 29, one of more than 200,000 Ukrainians who have moved to Britain since Russia invaded its neighbor

almost 15 months ago.

"Whole life united by music," she added, echoing the motto of this year's Eurovision competition.

The contest's live final show at the Liverpool Arena on Saturday was planned to have a distinctly Ukrainian flavor. Co-hosted by Ukrainian singer Julia Sanina, it will feature a performance by last year's Eurovision winner, Kalush Orchestra, and other Ukrainian performers. Images of Ukraine will precede each of the 26 performances by acts representing nations from across Europe and beyond.

Sanina said Friday that she hoped "that in these dark times we bring some joy and some light to Ukrainian homes and families."

Eurovision is Europe's biggest musical party, and tens of thousands of music fans have flocked to Liverpool, which won a competition among U.K. cities to stand in for Ukraine. The city on the River Mersey has thrown itself into the party spirit, with many

pubs and venues holding Eurovision parties.

Businesses fly blue and yellow Ukrainian flags, and a Ukrainian village inside the waterfront Eurovision fan zone dishes out borsch soup and varenyky — potato-filled dumplings — alongside lessons in Ukrainian art and history.

"We feel like (we're) at home in Ukraine," said Iryna Scherbuk, 30, of Kyiv, who came from her new home in southeast England to watch Thursday's Eurovision semifinal. "It's a very beautiful atmosphere."

One thing missing will be Ukraine's leader, President Volodymyr Zelenskyy. Eurovision organizers say they turned down his request to make a video address to Saturday's contest final. The European Broadcasting Union, a grouping of national public broadcasters that runs Eurovision, said that letting Zelenskyy participate would breach "the non-political nature of the event."

Zelenskyy's request "to address the audience at the Eurovision Song Contest,

whilst made with laudable intentions, regrettably cannot be granted by the European Broadcasting Union management as it would be against the rules of the event," the organization said.

Zelenskyy spokesman Sergii Nykyforov denied that the president had asked to speak to the event, which will be watched by an estimated 160 million people.

"The Office of the President of Ukraine did not address the organizers of the Eurovision Song Contest to offer (Zelenskyy's) online performance during the finals or at any other stage of the contest," Nykyforov said on Facebook.

During Russia's invasion and war, Zelenskyy has addressed dozens of global gatherings to promote his country's cause. He has spoken to legislatures around the world by video — and a few times in person — and appealed to crowds at the Glastonbury music festival, the Grammy Awards and the Berlin Film Festival.

## Grief

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Sasha Brown-Worsham of Acton, Massachusetts, has written about losing her mom as a teenager. She penned a viral essay and followed it up with a memoir, "Namaste the Hard Way." When Brown-Worsham turned 45, the same age her mother was when she died of breast cancer, she sought out a virtual support group of mothers without moms.

"My daughter turned 16 at the same time, and that's how old I was when my mom died," she said.

The group is a collaboration between Edelman's Motherless Daughters and the Twin Cities-based non-profit She Climbs Mountains.

"There's this sense of being seen for possibly the first time in my whole life," Brown-Worsham said.

Life's milestones — such as getting married or having a baby — can trigger grief. By the time I was 30, I had tricked myself into believing I was adept at ignoring

my mother's loss. That was, of course, far from true.

It was when I had my first baby that I felt grief rise to the surface. Jealousy cropped up in unexpected ways, particularly when I saw my new mom friends with their mothers.

It turns out, this is normal.

"Having kids ripped me open" emotionally, said Katie Paradis, 42, of Rockport, Massachusetts, who has two girls and no mother.

Susanna Gilbertson's mom died a year before her daughter was born.

"I looked around and didn't see any support I could access," said Gilbertson, 47, of Philadelphia.

Along with another motherless mom, she posted fliers for a book group, reading Edelman's "Motherless Daughters." After the initial meeting, the women in the group wanted to keep going. They ended up meeting for seven years.

"You get to experience, rather than be told, that you're not alone," said Gilbertson, now a full-time grief coach.



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**Pettis County**

**2nd Annual Multifamily Yard Sale** May 13th, 8-2  
**On the corner lot of 102 West Henry near Ohio in Sedalia**  
Household items, food and drinks.

**Pettis County**

**Bargain Hunter's Garage Sale** 2891 Southgate Loop Sedalia Fri May 12th 8-? Sat May 13th 8-12

Gently used name brand clothes, shoes, purses, household items, dishes, cook ware, small appliances, books, games, sheets, jewelry, decorative items. Everything cheap and price is always negotiable!! Rain or shine.

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Fishing equipment, furniture, electronics, cabinet hardware, tools, car cover, toys, auto parts, kitchen items, brand new Kitchen Aid Toaster Oven, books, some vintage items, lots of miscellaneous.

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Curtains, shoes, pictures, women's, men's & girls clothes, scrub tops, toys, books, bakers rack, upper cabinets, end table & lots of miscellaneous.

**GARAGE SALE** 301 W 24TH SATURDAY ONLY 7AM-NOON

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**Pettis County**

**Garage Sale** 5330 Pin Oak Lane Sedalia Saturday Only 7:30-Noon

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**Garage/Estate Sale** 1111

**S Merriam Ave** Saturday May 13 8-7 Rain or Shine.

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**Multi Family Garage Sale** 2506 Wing Ave., Sedalia Today Only!

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**Pettis County**

**Yard Sale On** Friday, Saturday, Sunday May 12, 13, 14 1209 S Kentucky Ave., Sedalia

7:30am-? Lots of different size clothing, misc. items.

**Legal Notice**

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
A default has accrued on a certain note secured by a deed of trust executed by, Martin Thomas Baughman dated 11/3/2020 and recorded on 11/4/2020 in Instrument Number 2020-5861, in the Recorder's office for Pettis County, Missouri. The successor trustee will on June 6, 2023 between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, more particularly at 12:00 PM, at the West Front Door of

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PETTIS COUNTY MISSOURI JUVENILE DIVISION IN THE INTEREST OF: L.G., CASE NO. 22PT-JU00062 T.M., CASE NO. 22PT-JU00063 and L.G. CASE NO. 22PT-JU00065

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION The State of Missouri to Luis Diego Govea. You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of Pettis County, State of Missouri, the object and general nature of which is termination of parental rights. You are further notified, pursuant to Section 211.462, RSMo., of your right to have counsel, and if you request counsel and are financially unable to employ counsel, counsel shall be appointed by the court. The suit has been brought by Pettis County Children's Division, and the name and address of the attorney for the plaintiff is Meghan E. Woolery, 808 Westwood, Sedalia, Missouri, 65301. You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleadings or shall otherwise appear and defend against the petition within forty-five (45) days after the 13th day of May, 2023, judgment by default will be rendered against you. It is ordered that copy hereof be published according to law in the Sedalia Democrat, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Pettis, State of Missouri. Witness my hand and seal of the Circuit Court this 11th day of May, 2023.

Susan Sadler, Circuit Clerk By: /s/Mary Eberling, Deputy Clerk 4x-5/13, 20, 27, 6/3, 2023

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Legal Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI AT SEDALIA IN RE: The Matter of KORY ROBERT LOCKARD-BOHLE, Case No. 23PT-CC00068

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME Notice is hereby given that, the Circuit Court of Pettis County, Missouri in Case Number 23PT-CC00068, is changing the name of Kory Robert Lockard-Bohle to Kory Robert Bohle. /s/Douglas B. Harris DOUGLAS B. HARRIS (No. 46458) Harris and Harris and Sommer, LLC 206 North Holden Street Warrensburg, Missouri 64093 Telephone: (660) 747-8131 Facsimile: (660) 747-8149 doug@warrensburglaw.com ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER 3x-4/29, 5/6, 13, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI Millsap & Singer, P.C. Plaintiff(s) vs. Judith L. Myers, et al. Defendant(s) Date: 5/8/2023 Case No.: 23PT-CC00009

Legal Notice

Division: Koffman NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION The State of Missouri to respondent/defendant: LVNV Funding, LLC: You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of Pettis County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which: Petition for Interpleader and which affects the following described property: LOT NUMBER TEN (10) IN BLOCK NUMBER THREE (3) OF IRA L. DEJARNETTE'S SECOND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEDALIA, PETTIS COUNTY MISSOURI. The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption and the name(s) and address(es) of the attorney(s) for petitioner(s)/plaintiff(s) are Adam G. Breeze, 612 Spirit Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63005 You are further notified that unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within 45 days after the date of first publication of this notice, which date is May 13, 2023 or judgement by default will be rendered against you. Witness my hand and the seal

of the Circuit Court this 11th day of May, 2023. PREPARED BY: Susan Sadler, Circuit Clerk By: /s/Rebecca Campbell, Deputy Clerk /s/Adam G. Breeze SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY REQUESTING PUBLICATION 4x-5/13, 20, 27, 6/3, 2023

Legal Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI In Re The Matter of: T.Z.D.W.; by next friend, LONDYN L. WRIGHT and LONDYN L. WRIGHT individually, Petitioners, vs. MELVIN L. WARD Respondent, Case No.: 23PT-DR00208

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: You are hereby notified that an order was entered on the 9th day of May, 2023, in the Circuit Court of Pettis County, Missouri, whereby the name of Ta'Kiyah Zantiona DeLeona Ward was changed to Ta'Kiyah Zantiona DeLeona Wright. Susan Sadler, Circuit Clerk By: /s/Cindi Ross, Deputy Clerk 3x-5/13, 20, 27, 2023

PUBLIC AUCTION Benton County Sheriffs Auction Benton County Court House, Warsaw Mo. 65355 Recovered property & surplus, we will sell the following at public Auction on: Saturday May 20th 10:00am 2023 W-W 16' bumper hitch stock trailer (solid), bumper hitch Tandem axle two door enclosed aluminum trailer, 16' fiberglass bass boat & trailer w/85hp. Evinrude & Motor Guide trolling motor, 2 - 7'x10' bumper hitch utility trailers (one tilt, other has ramp gate), 5'x8' bumper hitch tilt bed utility trailer, Suzuki DR 250 dirt bike, 5 - four wheelers (Yamaha, Honda, Kodiac, Honda & Kawasaki), Millermatic 130 wire welder, Miller 225 "Thunderbolt" stick welder, Klutch flux core wire welder, Troy-Bilt 5550watt generator, Wacker WPI550 walk behind compactor, Husqvarna X13 walk behind concrete saw, Bomag 11" concrete tamper, Loncin walk behind tamper, 3/4 hp concrete vibrator, wheelbarrow style portable air compressor w/Honda motor, Craftsman 2700psi pressure washer, Ferret 40 battery load tester, Craftsman & Cub Cadet chipper/shredders, Yard Machines 26" snow blower, Craftsman & stack-on roll around toolbox, All-Pro 150,000 BTU salamander, 20ton pneumatic / hydraulic truck jack, GREENLEE roll around (60"x33") job box, KNAACK model 89 & 42 job boxes, 3pt high lift scissor type bale spike, Craftsman rear tine tiller, Husqvarna string trimmer, 2 - sets alum. ATV ramps, LARGE lot electric hand tools, LARGE lot mechanics hand tools, Lot air tools, Lot small portable toolboxes & chest, 5 - Ryobi cordless brad nailers, lot log chains & boomers, 3 - Hitachi & Rockwell portable contractor table saws, Vector XLC walk behind string trimmer, lot extension cords, 3 - safety harnesses, Air bubbles, Milwaukee right angle 1/2 inch drill, 2 - power miter saws, Stihl MS 250C, 026 & 015 chainsaws, John Deere 3816 chainsaw, Poulan 2075 chainsaw, porta-power, 30' fiberglass & alum. extension ladders, Lot misc. shop vacs, Lot gun grease, lot plastic sawhorses, lot misc. long handled tools, drill bits, Lot drywall hand tools & stiffs, 4' levels, 6pc. Rigid & Makita cordless tools, bench top drill press, 3 - 6' Werner fiberglass step ladders, pair oxy/acetylene bottles, airless paint sprayer, DeWalt 20gal. upright compressor, 8 - ATV tires, 6" bench grinder, calf puller, lot gas cans, lot DeWalt cordless 18v & 20v tools, misc. pancake compressors, 2 - Lincoln 18v grease guns, 4'x8' hand painted Schroder "Phillips 66" service sign, Budweiser light, 75+ Goose decoys, Coleman Powermate generator, Scott-Atwater 7.5hp outboard boat motor, lot tackle boxes, metal gun cabinet, 10 - metal wall lockers, iron & wood coffee & end table set, kitchen table w/4 chairs, camo ground blind, lot camo clothes, lot DVDs, assorted sb chevy intakes, push mower, West Coast fat tire bicycle, Quest & Murray BMX bike, 2 - electronic poker machines, 2 - institutional prison toilet / sink combo, 2 - military 12gun locking gun racks, HD pallet racks, 11 file cabinets, 2 - park benches, Many More Items Too Numerous to Mention \*Statements made day of sale take precedence over printed material. Auctioneer Note: We are extremely proud to assist Sheriff "Eric Knox" & the Benton County Law Enforcement officers by conducting this Auction. There is truly something for everyone. All titled items will be sold with department of revenue transfer document for title. Concessions provided by the Award Winning "Benton County Good Ole Gals" JOHNSON AUCTION SERVICE Third Generation Family Tradition Since 1942 Russell "Rusty" Johnson (660)221-4067 Phillip Yoder (660) 723-3389

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REAL ESTATE, CATTLE & EQUIPMENT AUCTION 1877 POTTERS FORD DRIVE, FLORENCE, MO ~ HOME ON 80 ACRES FARM We will sell the following described real estate & equipment at public auction located: From the junction of Highway 50 and Potters Ford Road (1.4 miles east of 50 Hwy & 135 South), take Potters Ford Road south 3.2 miles to Potters Ford Drive. Turn right on Potters Ford Drive and go 1/2 mile to the property on the left. Watch for the orange sale signs: SATURDAY MAY 20TH, 2023 @10AM HOME & POULTRY OPERATION ON 80 ACRES M/L HOME This spacious raised ranch home was built in 2006. The mail level is 2,500 square feet, and includes 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, an office, a large kitchen, big pantry, mud/laundry room, and a sizeable dining area. The full basement is partially finished adding another bedroom and bathroom. The remainder of the basement is open and provides considerable storage space but could also be finished and provide quite a bit more living space. The home has large covered concrete porches on the front and back. The home boasts a highly efficient geothermal HVAC system, a Culligan water softening system, 2 water pressure tanks, 2 hot water heaters, 2 septic tanks, and access to Co-Mo connect... all in the Ottentown R-VI School District! POULTRY OPERATION The poultry operation is currently under Cargill contracts with barns built in 1993. The 50'x360' brooder barn has a 20'x50' control room and 2 16-ton bins. The 50'x660' finish/grow-out barn has 2 18-ton bins and is connected to the brooder barn by a concrete & steel walkway on the east end. The barns have Hostetler trusses, a new Rotem computer system (2020), new heating (2019), new water & feed lines (2020), and new curtain machines & side vents (2020). There is a 50'x60' stack shed with a 10'x50' section of composting bins and a 40'x60' metal (steel-frame) shop with I-beam trusses and concrete floors that was built in 1998. The shop is even insulated & heated and will sell with a 500gal LP tank. ACREAGE The 80 acre farm is 80% open improved pasture with the residual in timber that provides important wind-block and cover for cattle. The farm has some perimeter fencing as well as cross-fencing that is mostly new. There are 2 wells on the property; one that serves the home and a freeze-proof waterer, and another that serves the poultry operation. The property has plenty of access with 1/2 mile gravel road frontage along the western boundary via Potters Ford Drive in addition to 1/4 mile gravel frontage along the northern boundary via Potters Ford Road. AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Javon has cleared a good deal of the farm and put up some new perimeter fencing. The property is versatile with a nice home, poultry operation and plenty of good improved pasture! Please join us for the property viewing and see all of its potential firsthand on May 11th. You just can't find farms like this, and I a confident it will sell... so be prepared! TERMS: The opening bid on the property will be \$590,000. Any bid at or over that amount and the farm will sell to the high bidder! We will require \$50,000 down on sale day, with the balance due at closing to be held on or before Friday, July 7th, 2023. Seller will provide owner's title policy; Buyer is responsible for any lender's title insurance. Taxes prorated at closing; closing fee at the title company split 50/50. Be sure to visit AUCTIONARROWS.COM For more pictures TRUCK, SKID STEER & UTV 1 - New Holland TN70 2WD open station tractor, synchro command, good rubber, 2 rear remotes, 3425 hrs 1 - John Blu 500gal barn washer 1 - Cosmo 3pt spreader 1 - New Holland 165 manure spreader (PTO) 1 - Lewis Poultry Housekeeper model #3 1 - Windpower PTO 45kw generator 1 - 8 foot 4-way V-plow blade AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: It's hard to find young cow/calf pairs like this, and you will like them! The machinery will sell first, followed by the farm and then the cattle. There is NO small stuff... so please BE ON TIME! Owners: Javon & Delphine Zimmerman AUCTIONEER: DICK HUTCHISON AUCTION & REAL ESTATE LLC (573) 378-8822 CELL (660) 347-5656 OFFICE DICKHUTCHISONAUCTION@ME.COM • TOBY BROWN (660) 473-6008 OR SAM TRELLOW (660) 281-7710 As always, No buyer's premium or fees... What you bid is what you pay! Not responsible for accidents. Statements made day of sale take precedence over all printed material. The Auctioneer and owner deem all above information to be reliable but make no guarantees either stated or implied.

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