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PCAD approves items and hears Chief's report

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Pettis County Ambulance District Board of Directors met on July 11 at PCAD Headquarters. It approved updates to the Employee Handbook and Architect Request for Qualifications and heard a report by EMS Chief Eric Dirck.

Dirck noted under vehicle/equipment maintenance, PCAD has six vehicles that are reaching "geriatric age," — Units 04, 154,670 miles; 11, 163,560 miles; 03, 165,598; 10, 169,649; 09 184,252; and 08, 185,195.

"Of those, the rest are still in the green," he noted. "With Unit 1 being our newest one (22,655 miles). We've been referring to the old Unit 1 as Unit 13. It's been put back into service as an emergency reserve unit.

"We have one in the shop over at Rick Ball (Ford) waiting on a rear end to be rebuilt," he continued. "And then we just took one over to the Collision Center to have work done on one of the doors."

Dirck said PCAD is already preparing for the Missouri State Fair EMS Operations and that Assistant Chief Roy Pennington would have updates on the prep. Pennington said they would draw ambulances from Johnson County, Chillicothe Fire Department, Ray County Ambulance, and Saline County Ambulance District.

Under facilities, Dirck noted the AC was being replaced at the PCAD Education Center on July 11 and 12.

"The main unit is in, and the back coil is supposed to be in tomorrow (Wednesday)," he said. "So, hopefully, we'll get started tomorrow, that's the plan.

"In the meantime, we've taken a couple of portable AC units (to the building) ... they will help us limp through today and tomorrow," he added. "The original unit we

bought over there only had a one-year commercial warranty. So, I did make sure that we got a 10-year on parts and one-year labor warranty (on the new unit)."

Under vehicles, Dirck noted the new ambulance delivery has been pushed back from late 2023 to early 2024. He said supply chain issues are still affecting production.

"Pre-pandemic, lead times for new ambulances ranged from 90-120 days (from order to delivery)," he said. "Currently, it is now 24+ months."

The Kawasaki MULE was ordered last week and should be delivered by the end of the month and in time for the Missouri State Fair. Dirck noted EMS accessories and other attachments are currently being installed.

Under equipment, Dirck said some equipment bags are being replaced due to damage or general wear and tear. PCAD is consolidating the ambulance's main "jump bag" type and contents with Command Vehicle bags for uniformity and quicker turn-around of ambulances on specific calls concerning cardiac arrest, major medical, or trauma.

Presented to the Board for consideration, Dirck said during the Local 5229 Labor Management meeting last week, they discussed electronic patient care reports (ePCR) documentation and billing changes, gathering LAGERS information per union contract, changes to orientation including more extensive driving training and customer service. However, no official actions were taken.

Under Old Business, the Board discussed updates to the Employee Handbooks, approved the changes, and discussed and approved the Architect Request for Qualifications.

See PCAD | A5



Susie Howe's summer reading class at Heber Hunt Elementary invited Sedalia Police Cmdr. David Woolery, Mayor Andrew Dawson and Pettis County Sheriff Brad Anders to speak about their jobs. Questions were prepared to keep the speakers on their toes. PHOTOS BY CHRIS HOWELL | DEMOCRAT

Mayor answers tough questions in summer reading class

By Chris Howell
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At Heber Hunt Elementary School, Susie Howe teaches third and fourth grade students in the Summer reading camp.

"It's just a month in the summer," Howe said Friday. "Right before school starts, three weeks that kids get to be immersed in reading."

Each reading camp has a different theme to read, write and research

together. This year the students studied their home state of Missouri.

"We worked on learning about Sedalia and the important places and people this week and then Missouri the next two weeks," Howe explained. "We had Cmdr. David Woolery come in this week and we interviewed him about his job."

Prior to the guest speakers arrive, the students brainstorm an exhaustive list of questions for the want answered. See MAYOR | A6



Mayor Andrew Dawson answered a long list of questions about Sedalia government to eager kids in Susie Howe's summer reading program. Dawson said interaction with kids is one of his favorite parts about the job.

NTSB looking at risk parked semis posed to Greyhound bus crash



A worker helps clear the wreckage of a Greyhound bus that collided with tractor-trailers on the exit ramp to a rest area on westbound Interstate 70 in Highland, Ill., on Wednesday, July 12. AP PHOTO BY CHRISTIAN GOODEN | ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

By Jim Salter and Heather Hollingsworth
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Big rig driver David Chernow was hauling Jimmy Dean sausages on Interstate 70 when he had to stop for the night or risk violating federal regulations limiting driving time for truckers. An Illinois rest area was full, so Chernow parked on the wide shoulder of the exit ramp leading to it — a common practice for truck drivers.

Just before 2 a.m. Wednesday, Chernow was awakened to a frightening jolt that sent him airborne

into his dash. He got out and saw the horror: A burning Greyhound bus jammed into his trailer, passengers pushing and kicking at windows trying to get out.

The accident near St. Louis killed three of the 22 bus passengers and left 14 other people, including the driver, injured. The National Transportation Safety Board is trying to determine what caused the bus to strike three parked rigs and will look at factors such as driver fatigue. Investigators also are specifically looking at the safety risks posed by trucks parked on ramps.

See CRASH | A6

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OBITUARIES

Mary "Marie" Elizabeth Jones

Mary "Marie" Elizabeth Jones, 102, of Sedalia, MO, passed away on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at E.W. Thompson in Sedalia. She was born on January 22, 1921, in Clifton City, MO, the daughter of Frank Peter Gramlich and Emma (Whitman) Gramlich.



On January 23, 1943, in Sedalia, MO, she was united in marriage to Herbert D. Bodenhamer, who preceded her in death in 1973. Their two children are Dr. Fred Bodenhamer of Jefferson City and Patsy Pettit of Sedalia. On July 17, 1982, in Sedalia, MO, Marie was united in marriage to Vannie E. Jones, who preceded her in death.

Marie described herself as a pioneer — she was one of eight siblings and one of the few people who did walk over a mile to school through all kinds of weather because she valued her education. She graduated from Smithton High School. Marie was the first woman to be hired by the Sedalia Post Office and had her own income tax business. She loved company, was an avid card player, and could not miss a garage sale — she did

not know a stranger. Survivors include three grandchildren Barrett Wulf (Isabella) of Sedalia, Dr. Bret Bodenhamer (Emma) of Jefferson City, and Laura Landwehr (Louis) of Jefferson City. Five great-grandchildren, Natalie, Nicole, Brooks, Beau, and Brecklyn.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Pauline Johnson, Agnes Schuster, Carl Gramlich, Patty Felten, Ann Shugart, Margaret Schuster, Louise Stoecklin, and granddaughter Dr. Sally Bodenhamer.

A Catholic prayer service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 17, 2023, at Rea Funeral Chapel with Deacon Arvol Bartok officiating.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

The burial will be at St. Joseph Cemetery, Clifton City, MO.

Pallbearers will be Dr. Bret Bodenhamer, Dr. Fred Bodenhamer, Barrett Wulf, Rick Pettit, and Joe Whitlow.

Memorial contributions may be made to Meals On Wheels in the care of Rea Funeral Chapel.

Donna Louise Denny

Donna Louise Denny, 62, of Lincoln, MO, passed away on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at Lincoln Community Care Center in Lincoln. She was born on November 23, 1960, in St. Joseph, MO, the daughter of Dennis L. Denny, who resides in Lincoln, MO, and Velma L. (Illiff) Denny, who preceded her in death.



Donna worked off and on throughout her life as a CNA or cook in several areas. Donna enjoyed spending as much time as possible with family and friends. Children were her joy and made her face light up, especially her grandchildren. Donna lived life "pedal to the metal" and loved hard too. She would have two pennies and offer someone in need a place to stay or a spot at the table. She will be missed by all who loved her, but we can all rejoice she is now with her mother, brothers, and best friend; so many loved ones are celebrating in Heaven today with the Lord. Let us celebrate her life and hold her in our hearts.

In addition to her father, Donna is survived by five children, Karen M. Wiley, of Boonville, MO; Ronda L. Simmons, of Sedalia;

Jonathan D. Simmons, of Toronto, Ontario; Ron D. Simmons, of Jackson, MO; and Joe D. Simmons, of Jackson, MO; two brothers, Jerald (Doug) Douglas Denny of Green Ridge, MO, and Wallace (Wally) Leroy Denny, of Lincoln, MO; sixteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to her mother, Donna was preceded in death by three brothers, Floyd Eugene Denny, Carl Wesley Denny, and Ernest Mitchell Denny, and her best friend, Valerie Timmons.

A celebration of life service will be held at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at Rea Funeral Chapel, with Chaplain Maureen McNeil officiating.

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

Burial will be in Payne Cemetery in Dunksburg, MO, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the family to help purchase a monument at the cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

Dwight Richard Miller

Dwight Richard Miller, 76, of Sedalia, passed away Thursday, July 13, 2023, at Bothwell Regional Health Center.

He was born November 15, 1946, in Sedalia, son of Ed and Agnes (Young) Miller.

Dwight was drafted into the U.S. Army to serve during the Vietnam War. He worked for 42 years as a route driver for Pepsi. He had a tree trimming and stump grinding business, D&D



Tree Service. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, hunting, and was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Surviving are a sister, Laura Griffin, of Sedalia; nieces and nephews, Paul Baessler, Roger Miller, Kent Miller, John Miller, Joe Miller, Todd Griffin, Cynthia Reser, Lisa Scotten and Denise Swearingin; and his companion, Carolyn Rhoads.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son,

FUNERALS

Esther Annie Martha Kostis

11 a.m. on Saturday at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Sedalia. Arrangements under the direction of the Fox Funeral Home in Cole Camp.

Nedra L. Zimmerschied

11 a.m. Saturday at Broadway Presbyterian Church in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Sedalia.

Jean Evelyn Massengale

1 p.m. Saturday at Crown Hill Cemetery, in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home in Sedalia.

Mary "Marie" Elizabeth Jones

10 a.m. Monday at Rea Funeral Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

Shirley Dean Muller Hurst

10 a.m. Tuesday at First United Methodist Church in Warrensburg. Arrangements are under

the direction of Williams Funeral Chapel in Warrensburg.

Donna Louise Denny

6 p.m. Tuesday at Rea Funeral Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

Sandra S. Eichholz

10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Heckart Funeral Home in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home.

Christian George Weisz

3 to 7 p.m. Sunday, July 23 at Milestones Barn in Warrensburg. Arrangements are under the direction of Heartland Cremation & Burial Society in Raytown.

Cecil Warren Bohon Jr.

11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 12 at Calvary Episcopal Church in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Sedalia.

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 July 13

10:35 p.m.: Cynthia Dahman, 55, of the 500 block of West 18th Street, and Amanda L. Hill, 46, of the 1300 block of Sneed Avenue, were arrested after officers responded to KC Storage, 1526 W. Main St. for an assault report. Both subjects were issued

citations for assault.

July 14

2:28 a.m.: Severiano Figueroa Juanmiguel, 49, of Smithton was arrested after a traffic stop near West Saline Street and North Summit Avenue. The driver was arrested for driving with a revoked license and released at the scene with a municipal summons.

Incidents July 13

6:53 p.m.: Officers responded to 1400 South Limit Avenue for a theft report. The caller was met behind a business and stated he was doing some work on

the roof of the business and lowered his tool bag to the ground. When he returned, the tool bag was gone with an estimated \$2,500 in tools missing. There are no suspects.

Missouri State Highway Patrol Arrests July 13

7:17 p.m.: Crystal A. Atwell, 46, of Rogersville was arrested in Pettis County for driving while intoxicated. She was transported to the Pettis County Jail and placed on a 12-hour hold.

Compiled by Chris Howell

OBITUARIES

Shirley Dean Muller Hurst

Shirley Dean Muller Hurst, 88, of Knob Noster, Mo., died of heart failure on July 13, 2023, in Lee's Summit, Mo. She was born in Nashville, Tenn., the youngest of eight children of Frank and Florence Majors Muller. She was a graduate of Corrine L. Cohn High School in Nashville and Gulfport (Miss.) Business College.

She was married to George Martin Hurst for 46 years before his death in May 2002. They had three children: Emiley (Terry Davis) Hurst of Lee's Summit, Mo., Leslie Hurst of Shreveport, La., and Fort Myers, Fla., and Nancy (Christopher) Lozo of Brussels, Belgium.

During George's Army and Air Force careers, Shirley accompanied him to military bases in Kentucky, Turkey, California, Taiwan, Mississippi, France, Germany and Missouri. This was quite a change for a Tennessee girl whose only time out of the state before marrying George and flying off to Turkey was to take the train to Meridian, Miss., to see her brother graduate from pilot training. The Hurst family made its home in Knob Noster upon George's retirement from Whiteman Air Force Base.

Over the years, Shirley worked as a civil servant for the U.S. government in many different cities. During her time working for the Navy in Gulfport, Miss., she received an award for her work helping form the first Red Horse Squadron in the US Air Force

during the Vietnam War. She retired from federal government work in 1985 and went to work as a staff buyer in government contracting for AlliedSignal, Kansas City Division.

Shirley was a member of the Warrensburg First United Methodist Church and its Aldersgate Sunday School class.

She gave freely of her time and resources. She was a trustee of the Johnson County Community Health board for 16 years. She was a member of the Warrensburg Chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Business and Professional Women and the LLC Club of Knob Noster. She volunteered for her church, the Whiteman Air Force Base Pharmacy, Missouri Veterans Home, Habitat for Humanity and the Knob Noster Food Pantry.

Shirley was a fierce and generous friend and a gracious hostess, opening her home for delicious dinners, followed by spirited games of Trivial Pursuit or cards. She loved games of all kinds and did not like to lose! She also loved travel, gardening, baking and playing cards, as well as her church, friends and country. But her first love was her family. She was a supportive and loving mother to her three girls. She was known for her keen sense of design and the family home reflected her sensibility in its warm and welcoming atmosphere.

She was preceded in death

by her husband, parents, seven siblings and several nieces and nephews. She often said the one regret in her life was that her "girls" did not know her mother, to whom Shirley was particularly close; she died when Shirley was just 20 years old.

Shirley is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law and many nieces and nephews.

A service in Shirley's memory will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at First United Methodist Church, Warrensburg, Mo., with Rev. Peter Norton, senior pastor, officiating. Visitation will follow in the church fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers (although she did so love flowers), please consider a memorial contribution to the Warrensburg Missouri Veterans Home, Johnson County Community Health Services Hospice, Warrensburg Women's Shelter, Knob Noster Trails Regional Library or the Warrensburg First United Methodist Church building fund.

The family wishes to thank the staffs of Cross Creek Assisted Living in Lee's Summit, Mo., and Ascend Hospice Care for helping make her end-of-life experience comfortable and peaceful.

Mom, you've left a hole in our hearts, but we know you're standing tall, without pain, and skipping those golden sidewalks with your beloved George.

Sandra S. Eichholz

Sandra S. Eichholz, 71, of Green Ridge, passed away Thursday, July 13, 2023, at Fair View Nursing Home.

She was born November 30, 1951, in Sedalia, daughter of Denzil and Wanda (Trout) Eichholz.

Sandy was a 1969 graduate of Smith-Cotton High School. She retired from Inter-State Studios, where she worked for many years. She also worked at the Missouri State Fair. She was a member of Green Ridge Presbyterian Church.

Sandy liked movies, her cats, and watching

high school ball games. She especially enjoyed her nieces and nephews, and great-nieces and nephews.

Surviving are her siblings, Merle Ragar (Mike), of Sedalia, Terry Walz, of Lee's Summit, and Tom Walz (Ginger), of La Monte; nieces and nephews, Jamie Dove, Matt Dove, Tracy Schroeder and Joe Walz; and several great-nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; stepfather, Franklin Walz; and sister, Cheri Dove.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 19, 2023,

at Heckart Funeral Home, with Pastors Randy and Dianna Marcum officiating.

The family will receive friends from 9:30 a.m. until service time Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Casket bearers will be Jamie Dove, Matt Dove, Samantha Dove, Tracy Schroeder, Justin Schroeder and Joe Walz.

Memorials are suggested to Green Ridge Presbyterian Women's Circle, or to the Cheri Dove Memorial Scholarship at Green Ridge School.

Sweetener aspartame now listed as possible cancer cause

By Maria Cheng and Jonel Aleccia
Associated Press

The World Health Organization's cancer agency has deemed the sweetener aspartame — found in diet soda and countless other foods — as a “possible” cause of cancer, while a separate expert group looking at the same evidence said it still considers the sugar substitute safe in limited quantities.

The differing results of the coordinated reviews were released early Friday. One came from the International Agency for Research on Cancer, a special branch of the WHO. The other report was from an expert panel selected by WHO and another U.N. group, the Food and Agriculture Organization.

The Lyon, France-based cancer agency periodically reviews potential cancer hazards, but doesn't determine how likely they are to cause cancer in their evaluations which range from “possibly” carcinogenic to “probably” to cancer-causing.

Aspartame joins a category with more than 300 other possible cancer-causing agents, including things like aloe vera extract, Asian-style pickled vegetables and carpentry work.

The guidance on use of the sweetener, though, isn't changing.

“We're not advising consumers to stop consuming (aspartame) altogether,” said WHO's nutrition director Dr. Francesco Branca. “We're just advising a bit of moderation.”

Here's a look at the announcement:
WHAT IS ASPARTAME?

Aspartame is a low-calorie artificial sweetener that is about 200 times sweeter than sugar. It is a white, odorless powder and the world's most widely used artificial sweetener.

Aspartame is authorized as a food additive in Europe and the U.S. and is used in numerous foods, drinks such as Diet Coke, desserts, chewing gum, medications including cough drops and foods intended to help with weight loss. It's in tabletop sweeteners sold as Equal, Sugar Twin and NutraSweet.

Aspartame was approved in 1974 by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration with an acceptable daily intake of 50 milligrams per kilogram of body weight. According to the FDA, a person weighing 132 pounds (60 kilograms) would need to consume about 75 aspartame packets to reach that level.

U.N. experts evaluated the safety of aspartame in 1981 and set the safe daily limit slightly lower, at 40 milligrams of aspartame per kilogram.

David Spiegelhalter, an emeritus statistics professor at Cambridge University, said the guidance means that “average people are safe to drink up to 14 cans of diet drink a day ...

and even this ‘acceptable daily limit’ has a large built-in safety factor.”

WHAT DID THE TWO GROUPS SAY?

WHO's cancer agency, IARC, convened its expert group in June to assess the potential of aspartame to cause cancer. It based its conclusion that aspartame is “possibly carcinogenic” on studies in humans and animals that found “limited” evidence that the compound may be linked to liver cancer.

In a separate evaluation, experts assembled by WHO and the food

agency updated their risk assessment, including reviewing the acceptable daily intake. They concluded there was “no convincing evidence” at the currently consumed levels that aspartame is dangerous; their guidelines regarding acceptable levels of consumption were unchanged.

The move comes weeks after the WHO said that non-sugar sweeteners don't help with weight loss and could lead to increased risk of diabetes, heart disease and early death in adults.

CRASH REPORTS

Edwards man hurt in Benton County accident

Lance T. Lunsford, 21, of Edwards sustained minor injuries at 3:55 p.m. Thursday in a Benton County accident.

According to a Missouri State Highway Patrol report, Lunsford was driving a 2007 Pontiac G8 east on Poorboy Road and failed to negotiate a curve,

running off the right side of the road overturning, and striking a tree.

He was wearing a seat belt, and was transported to Bothwell Regional Medical Center by private vehicle.

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

Compiled by Chris Howell

LOCAL BRIEFS

Tent Revival continues this weekend

A multi-denominational large Tent Revival continues this weekend at North U.S. Highway 65 and Eagle View Drive. Service times are 7 p.m. for Saturday, July 15 and 11 a.m. for Sunday, July 16.

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Prizeweek Puzzle

This week's puzzle is worth:

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Entries must be received by Noon on Wednesday
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ACROSS:

3. Chatting to friend as she plays computer chess, pal becomes concerned about friend's _ and advises her not to ignore it.
5. Skeptical colleague isn't optimistic about co-worker's chances and wonders how she'll _ asking boss for a raise.
7. “Just ignore him,” says boy whose attention-seeking brother attempts surprise _ as way of getting playground children's interest.
8. “You've always been impetuous, so I'm not surprised,” says wife when husband admits he's being blamed at work for making _ decision.
10. Foreign student who knows nothing about seafood is told by fisherman that oysters have a certain _ that helps identify them.
12. Man says, “Don't interrupt me because I don't want to stop _; I hate picking up where I've left off.”
14. To keep your _ when others around you are losing theirs is the best way to succeed in extreme climbing competition, says expert.
15. Expire.
18. Important.

DOWN:

1. Pottery instructor tells hobbyists, “Once you're confident about how to _ your sculpture, you're just about ready to display it.”
2. During championship tournament, coach stops assistant from telling player urgent personal news, worried he'll _ it and react erratically.
3. Nurse attending patient alerts supervisor after hearing unidentified man in next bed talking intensely about _ on phone.
4. When asked how to make _, woman explains it isn't difficult if you really focus on key skills.
6. Regarding marriage, mother wonders why sons are choosing not to make a commitment in terms of _, preferring long-term dating instead.
9. Psychology teacher explains, “It's quite normal to find there are those who _ to be the focus of attention at times.”
11. “My ex-fiance was like so many of those who _ adventurous lives and are hard to pin down,” says woman.
12. Movie poster of majestic animal _ grabs son's attention, and he immediately asks parent to take him to the film.
13. At petting zoo, when boy is asked what he was swatting at, he replies, “A _ was bugging me.”
16. When demoralized marathon runner collapses on route, she mutters, “I give up,” having realized that she's probably _.
17. A pain.

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OFFICIAL RULES

1. Solve the PRIZE WEEK PUZZLE (PWP) by filling in the missing letters to make the words that you think best fit the clues. Read the clue carefully, for you must think them out & give every word its true meaning.
2. Check the word list given. It has all the contest answers, plus some that you will have to eliminate.
3. You need not be a subscriber to the Sedalia Democrat in order to enter PWP, but you must be a resident of our circulation area. You may submit as many entries as you wish on the entry blank printed in the Sedalia Democrat. (MECHANICALLY PRODUCED OR CARBON DUPLICATE FACSIMILES OF ANY TYPE WILL BE REJECTED. PUZZLES IN 2 OR MORE PIECES WILL BE REJECTED.)
4. Anyone is eligible to enter PWP meeting the above requirements except employees of the Sedalia Democrat and family members of their household.

5. All entries must be received by mail at the Sedalia Democrat or deposited as instructed above by Noon Wednesday following the date of publication. The Sedalia Democrat will award prize money to the contestant who sends in an all-correct solution. In the event of more than one all-correct solution the prize will be divided equally among the winners. If no all-correct solution is received, the weekly grand prize will be increased by \$50.00 to Sedalia Democrat subscribers, \$25 to non-subscribers & added to the following week's PWP.
6. There is only one correct solution to each PWP & only the correct answer can win. The decision of the judges is final & all contestants agree to abide by the judges' decision. All entries become the property of the Sedalia Democrat. Only one prize will be awarded to a family unit.
7. The winner & answers will be published in the Following Friday's

8. The Sedalia Democrat reserves the right to correct any typographical errors which may appear during the PWP game. ERRORS OR CROSS OUTS WILL VOID ANY ENTRY.
9. PWP clues may be abbreviated & such words as AN, THE & A omitted.
10. In fairness to all, the Sedalia Democrat cannot answer questions or respond to phone calls or letters regarding the Prizeweek puzzle.
11. When you've completed your PWP, CUT IT OUT & BRING IT OR MAIL IT TO THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW.
12. Players can only win one (1) time in a 12 month period. One winner per household during a 12 month period allowed.

CONTRIBUTING COLUMN

Stupid Meets a Celebrity

I like to think of myself as pretty eloquent, in print. I can write a good poem or a witty turn of phrase. I easily switch between humorous and charming, or stern and strident, or filled with pathos. God seems to have given me some small talent for the written word.



Liz Schleicher
Contributing Columnist

But all that skill is trapped between the pen and the page. If you meet me out on the street, I tend to be awkward. Lovably awkward, I hope, but not at all witty or charming. I have a SpongeBob-esque eager earnestness that more sarcastic and worldly individuals tend to find off-putting. I'm a born rule-follower, so I'm not much fun at parties. I am a nerd with very specific niche interests that most people don't care to talk about. And I repeat myself in conversation.

This contrast is never more apparent than when I get the chance to meet someone famous. My husband is a musician who worked in radio for several years, so I've had more opportunities than most to meet celebrities and rockstars.

It's never gone well.

First there was the time my husband (then boyfriend) scored me a backstage pass to meet Blake Shelton. As we stood in line, I watched the hyperventilating female fans in front of me with scorn.

"I am NOT going to act like THAT!" I vowed.

We rounded the corner behind the partition and there he was. Blake Shelton is six foot five. And extremely handsome. Also he's six foot five.

"Hello darlin'," he said, smiling down on me.

"Huh-huh-huh-huh-huh-hYUCK," I giggled, red-faced and speechless except for my best Goofy impression. I did not manage to say anything at all to Mr. Shelton. Did I mention he's six foot five?

Then there was the time I accompanied my husband to a jam session at a bar in Knob Noster. I got up on stage to sing a few, and the guy on stage behind me asked what I wanted him to play.

"Amie by Pure Prairie League," I said.

"Ughhhhhhh," he replied, rolling his eyes at me. "You owe me a dime."

That's how I found out I inadvertently performed "Amie" with a former member of Pure Prairie League, who are extremely tired of being asked to play that song. Needless to say, I did not get an autograph.

Both these incidents were years ago, so as I grew older and more confident I started to believe I was less awkward, like it was something I could grow out of. I started to think I was more intuitive, a better conversationalist, a little less earnest.

But yesterday I was at the guitar store with my kids, looking for an anniversary present for my husband. There were a few friendly older guys there, picking on the guitars and lounging around. One of them turned out to be a former member of REO Speedwagon, one of my favorite classic rock bands of all time.

I did not get an autograph.

I did not get a picture.

I did not even remember to tell him I loved his band's music so much that the first dance at my wedding was to an REO song.

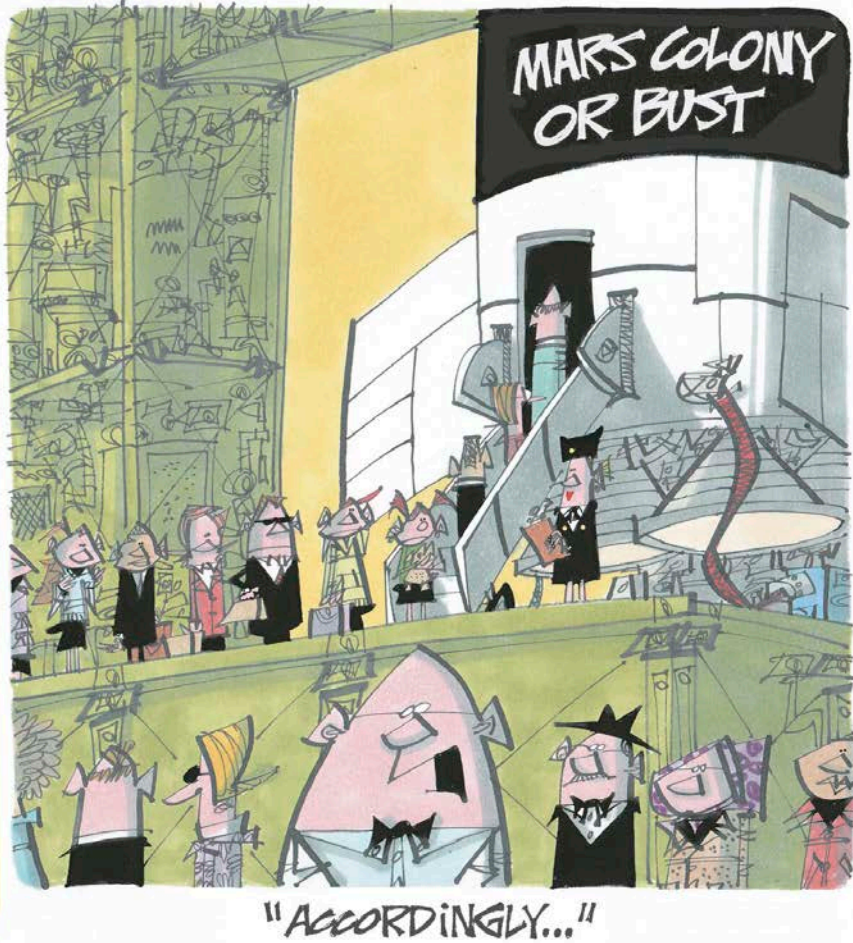
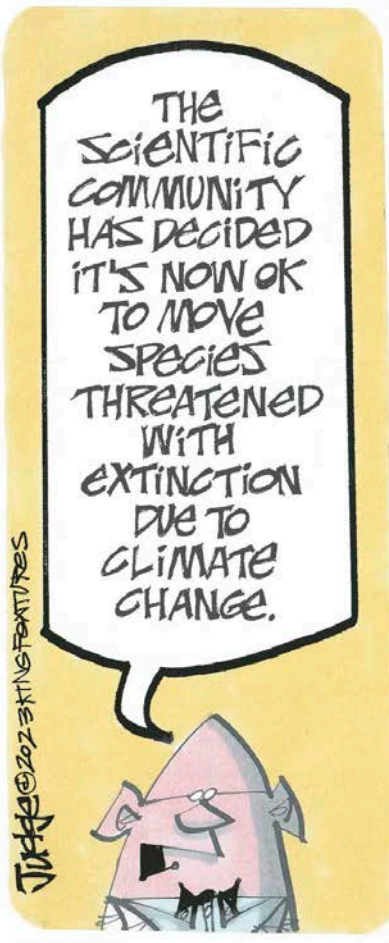
We did talk about the former state capital of Illinois. And American Indian artifacts.

Sigh.

I am who I am, I guess.

(If you want to talk about American Indian artifacts and listen to REO Speedwagon, drop me a line. We could start a club. The Awkward Sedalians Alliance. All six of us.)

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CONTRIBUTING COLUMN

There should be no social castes

Perhaps the most disappointing ruling from this year's Supreme Court term is — oh, for heaven's sake. Many were disappointing — but predictable. Well, I was disappointed in the Court's decision regarding a person's expression of "religious freedom" when it comes to not serving a group of people. The case centers around a web designer who doesn't want to design wedding web sites for gay couples, as the idea of same-sex marriage goes against her religious beliefs. She sued the State of Colorado, stating that the state's law against discrimination against LGBTQ people infringed on her First Amendment rights of free speech and freedom of religion.

The case has some problems. First, Lorie Smith had never designed a wedding web site prior to her filing the lawsuit, although she doesn't really say that in her petition. Second, she used a fictitious "customer" in her petition, according to NPR. The "customer" has come forward to say that he has never been in touch with Lorie Smith about a wedding web site, and further, has been happily married to a woman for over 15 years. He says he knows nothing about the web site, the designer, or the controversy (<https://www.npr.org/2023/07/01/1185632827/web-designer-supreme-court-gay-couples>).

So the Court has given business owners, at least some business owners, who use their words and creativity, to tell certain groups of people that they will not serve them because, in essence, they are religiously opposed to the groups. Additionally, this decision was based not on actual harm (no gay couple had asked Lorie Smith to design a wedding web site before she sued) but was instead based on a hypothetical situation — a "what if."

While this decision does not directly address the Civil Rights Act, but instead relies on the First Amendment, I think we must look at this from a Civil Rights point of view as well. In 1964, in *Katzbach v. McClung*, 379 U.S. 294 (1964), the Court told Ollie's Barbecue in Birmingham, Alabama, that the business could not continue its practice of denying in-person service to Black people, a violation of the Civil Rights Act.

The restaurant had said that it was just a small,



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local business, was exempt from federal control under the Interstate Commerce Clause in the Constitution, and therefore could choose not to serve Black people. The Court disagreed and said that the Civil Rights Act "... commands that all persons shall be entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of the goods and services of any place of public accommodation without discrimination or segregation on the ground of race, color, religion, or national origin ..."

In 1964, sexual orientation was not a protected class as was race and religion, but in the past 60 years that

has changed. Laws have changed, the public's perception of sexual orientation has changed, and, in 2015, the Court decided that people should be able to marry who they want, regardless of gender, thereby legalizing same-sex marriage. Today, 71% of Americans support same-sex marriage (<https://news.gallup.com/poll/506636/sex-marriage-support-holds-high.aspx>). Anyone who has a business that deals with weddings should expect that they will encounter a same-sex couple somewhere along the way, and those couples have civil rights.

The decision in Lori Smith's case, a case based on a hypothetical situation, supports the idea of discrimination against protected classes, and may give legitimacy to other "what-ifs?"

What if the designer says that Judaism is against her religious beliefs and will not design for Jews? Or Muslims? Or couples living together without the current benefit of marriage? Or have children "out of wedlock?" Or divorced people who are remarrying — for the second or third time? Or Black people because of the Bible's teachings? Or people proclaiming no religion whatsoever?

Lawfully excluding one group under the guise of protection of "religious freedom" will allow some who profess to be religiously devout to use the idea of "love your neighbor" as a cudgel against those with whom they disagree. Justice Sotomayor said this: "The lesson of the history of public accommodations laws is ... that in a free and democratic society, there can be no social castes. ..."

The Court has now established one. I imagine, sadly, others aren't far behind.

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GUEST COLUMN

Fairs I have known

The Missouri State Fair must be uppermost in a lot of people's minds at this time of the year, as it was in mine most of my growing up years. In 1955, however, I was living with my aunt and uncle in Kansas for the summer. That year what was uppermost in my mind was the Kansas State Fair in Hutcheson, Kansas. Wait-no, what was uppermost in my mind was the Kansas girls I was meeting thanks to my good fortune of having two teen age girl cousins to introduce me to all their girlfriends.

The fair was actually second in my thoughts that year. I had turned 16 the year before, and my future brother-in-law, Sam Sanders, and I hitchhiked to Kansas to spend time with my aunt and uncle, and their four children, my cousins. The two teenage



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Guest Columnist

girl cousins in the family bracketed my age, with one a year younger, and one a year older. The set up was perfect. But of course, I was 16, which meant I was oblivious when it came to girls, and I managed to blow every date my cousins set up for me. So, I guess I could just as well have been thinking about the fair.

Even though I spent most of my time in pursuit of the girls however, I do

remember that fair in Kansas very well especially one of the rides that had just made its way to the United States from Europe. The ride was called the Rotor and was like a big screened in wheel that would spin the wheel fast enough to plaster the occupants against its walls, and then drop the floor away so you were suspended in the air. I must admit that my cousins rode it several times, but once was enough for me. The improved version is called the Graviton, and is a popular ride at fairs today, even I suppose at the Missouri State Fair.

I also recall a memorable street fair that took place in downtown Sedalia, during my early teens. I overcame my fear of a ferris wheel at that fair thanks to a little black-haired girl I liked who asked me to go on that

ride with her. I had always been afraid of heights but when she grabbed my hand, and led me to the ticket booth, I was like the cowardly lion, who found his courage. (Just for one ride, though.)

The only other fair I remember attending was in Italy when I was a young sailor, but when I saw the condition of some of the rides, I doubt that even that black haired girl could have gotten me on them. I am sure things have improved for the Italian fairs, over the past 50+ years, but those gut-wrenching rides no longer hold any appeal, for me, with or without a black-haired girl beside me.

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House Republicans push through defense bill limiting abortion access

WASHINGTON — The House passed a sweeping defense bill Friday that provides an expected 5.2% pay raise for service members but strays from traditional military policy with Republicans add-ons blocking abortion coverage, diversity initiatives at the Pentagon and transgender care that deeply divided the chamber.

Democrats voted against the package, which had sailed out of the House Armed Services Committee on an almost unanimous vote weeks ago before being loaded with the GOP priorities during a heated late-night floor debate this week.

The final vote was 219-210, with four Democrats siding with the GOP and four Republicans opposed. The bill, as written, is expected to go nowhere in the Democratic-majority Senate.

Efforts to halt U.S. funding for Ukraine in its war against Russia were turned back, but Republicans added provisions to stem the Defense Department's diversity initiatives and to restrict access to abortions. The abortion issue has been championed by Sen. Tommy Tuberville, R-Ala., who is singularly stalling Senate confirmation of military officers, including the new commandant of the Marine Corps.

"We are continuing to block the Biden administration's 'woke' agenda," said Rep. Lauren Boebert, R-Colo.

Turning the must-pass defense bill into a partisan battleground shows how deeply the nation's military has been unexpectedly swept up in

disputes over race, equity and women's health care that are now driving the Republican Party's priorities in America's widening national divide.

During one particularly tense moment in the debate, Democratic Rep. Joyce Beatty of Ohio, a former chairwoman of the Congressional Black Caucus, spoke of how difficult it was to look across the aisle as Republicans chip away at gains for women, Black people and others in the military.

"You are setting us back," she said about an amendment from Rep. Eli Crane, R-Ariz., that would prevent the Defense Department from requiring participation in race-based training for hiring, promotions or retention.

Crane argued that Russia and China do not mandate diversity measures in their military operations and neither should the United States. "We don't want our military to be a social experiment," he said. "We want the best of the best."

When Crane used the pejorative phrase "colored people" for Black military personnel, Beatty asked for his words to be stricken from the record.

Friday's vote capped a tumultuous week for House Speaker Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., as conservatives essentially drove the agenda, forcing their colleagues to consider their ideas for the annual bill that has been approved by Congress unflinchingly since World War II.

"I think he's doing great because we are moving through — it was like over

1,500 amendments — and we're moving through them," said Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene, R-Ga. She told reporters she changed her mind to support the bill after McCarthy offered her a seat on the committee that will be negotiating the final version with the Senate.

Democrats, in a joint leadership statement, said they were voting against the bill because Republicans "turned what should be a meaningful investment in our men and women in uniform into an extreme and reckless legislative joyride."

"Extreme MAGA Republicans have chosen to hijack the historically bipartisan National Defense Authorization Act to continue attacking reproductive freedom and jamming their right-wing ideology down the throats of the American people," said the statement from Reps. Hakeem Jeffries of New York, Katherine Clark of Massachusetts and Pete Aguilar of California.

The defense bill authorizes \$874.2 billion in the coming year for the defense spending, keeping with President Joe Biden's budget request. The funding itself is to be allocated later, when Congress handles the appropriation bills, as is the normal process.

The package sets policy across the Defense Department, as well as in aspects of the Energy Department, and this year focuses particularly on the U.S. stance toward China, Russia and other national security fronts.

Republican opposition to U.S. support for the war in

Ukraine drew a number of amendments, including one to block the use of cluster munitions that Biden just sent to help Ukraine battle Russia. It was a controversial move because the weapons, which can leave behind unexploded munitions endangering civilians, are banned by many other countries.

Most of those efforts to stop U.S. support for Ukraine failed. Proposals to roll back the Pentagon's diversity and inclusion measures and block some medical care for transgender personnel were approved.

GOP Rep. Ronny Jackson of Texas, who served as a White House physician, pushed forward the abortion measure that would prohibit the defense secretary from paying for or reimbursing expenses relating to abortion services.

Jackson and other Republicans praised Tuberville for his stand against the Pentagon's abortion policy, which was thrust into prominence as states started banning the procedure after the Supreme Court decision last summer overturning the landmark Roe v. Wade law.

"Now he's got support, he's got back up here in the House," Jackson said.

But it's not at all certain that the House position will stand as the legislation moves to the Senate, which is preparing its own version of the bill. Senate Democrats have the majority but will need to work with Republicans on a bipartisan measure to ensure enough support for passage in their chamber.

PCAD

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"I guess the biggest questions I had are project dates," Dirck said of the Architect Request. "I estimated the project would begin in 2023 and phase into 2024 unless some miracle happens."

"The whole budget for this new building is estimated to be roughly \$1 million," he continued. "That also is just a placeholder because I don't have the hard number."

Board member Kim Graves added for the purpose of planning, he believed it would be better for accuracy to "strike" the word "may" and say "will" as far as the project going into 2024.

"Because it will go into 2024," he noted. "We need to plan for 2024 because there's no way we'll get it done this year."

The Board also discussed whether to estimate \$1 million or use the connotation of not less than \$1 million for the project.

PCAD Board member and Treasurer Steve Davis added that the cost per square foot was a "little light."

"(It's) 6,000 square feet and a million dollars," he noted.

Dirck replied he had yet to specify the cost per square foot.

"The ones I found that were similar to our project went anywhere from \$800,000 to \$1.2 million," he said.

Board members agreed the project would easily be \$1 million noting it the cost would be \$300 per square foot.

After much discussion, the Board approved the Architect Request with "may" changed to "will" clause and the price of \$1 million for the new facility.

With no New Business to discuss, the Board went into a closed session about leasing, purchasing, or selling real estate.

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Mayor

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"We have Mayor Dawson coming in today," Howe said. "So we have questions brainstormed and the kids will get to interview him as well."

The Mayor met the group of children and patiently answered a slew of their questions, such as, What is your job like? What do you have to do as the mayor? What are your work hours? What caused you to become the mayor? How long have you been the mayor? How did you come the mayor? What was your reaction when you became mayor? What was your job before mayor? What other jobs have you had? Was it your dream to become the mayor?

While Dawson admitted he never saw himself becoming mayor, it is a very interesting and rewarding job, but can also sometimes be stressful.

"It is stressful, but it's enjoyable stress," Dawson told the kids.

"I don't know if that's a good thing or a bad thing to enjoy that kind of stress, but it is stressful. There's bid issues that come up and there's some nights where you don't get a lot of sleep."

"Do you like being Mayor?" one student asked.

"I love being mayor," Dawson said. "It is a very rewarding job. Let's say there's a trash situation where somebody is trash didn't get picked up, I'm able to address those little problems and that's a very rewarding for me."

Dawson told the Democrat afterwards the class hit him with some great questions.

"It's great to see the kids are interested in local city government," Mayor Dawson said. "This is one of my favorite things to do with regards to my mayor job, being able to come out and interact with some kids in a positive way. We went into some interesting subjects."

Nine-year-old Riley Rangere is enjoying reading camp and has seen improvement in her



Mayor Dawson explained the inner workings of Sedalia's government to the third and fourth graders in Susie Howe's summer reading program. The class has been studying Sedalia. PHOTO BY CHRIS HOWELL | DEMOCRAT

reading skills.

"I've been doing pretty good, and my teacher Mrs. Howe is very nice," Rangere said. "Now that I'm in reading camp I'm doing a lot better. I've been starting to go to the Public Library."

Rangere has taken to reading chapter books now and is studying frontier Missouri. As she reads on Sedalia's history, she learns more about her hometown.

"Once we get more deeper it's kind of fun

knowing that's how Missouri was back then."

A book the class is reading together describes life in an earlier time.

"You get to read, and you get to do 'Sarah Plain and Tall,'" 10-year-old Kaitlyn Wisdom said. "It

was really hard, Sarah Plain and Tall cut her own hair."

Next week Pettis County Sheriff Brad Anders will speak with the summer reading class.

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Crash

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"It's absolutely an issue," NTSB board member Tom Chapman said.

An estimated 13 million trucks operate on U.S. roadways, and there aren't nearly enough overnight parking places at rest areas, truck stops or elsewhere to accommodate them. Meanwhile, federal regulations require electronic monitoring that tracks the driver's hours behind the wheel.

Violations of "Hours of Service" regulations can result

in fines, sometimes reaching thousands of dollars.

As a result, truckers nearing their hourly limits are often forced to find alternative spots to pull off for the night. Many opt for highway off-ramps, especially those at rest areas. The practice is illegal in Illinois and most states but police often look the other way, aware of the plight truckers face. Illinois State Police also are investigating they Greyhound crash and it isn't clear if truckers who were parked near the ramp could be ticketed.

Cherno told The Associated Press that he had hoped

to make it to Troy, Illinois, to stop Tuesday night, but was at the end of his allowable 11 hours on the road.

"I was 15 minutes from Troy, but these electronic logs will violate you for driving 10 extra minutes to find a parking space," Cherno said.

Some trucking industry advocacy groups say the electronic monitoring has created a situation that compromises safety.

"Drivers run out of time on their clocks and have to find a safe place to park their rigs, and in most cases truck stops are full or they do not have enough time to make

it to another location," said Michael Boston, president of the 35,000-member National Owner Operators Association.

Collin Long, director of government affairs for the Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association, said truckers are often faced with parking on a ramp or finding a remote location off the highway, a spot that has its own dangers.

"We've had instances of drivers assaulted, murdered, robbed because they're parking in places they shouldn't be," Long said. "It puts them in a real no-win situation."

But others say electronic monitoring has helped make roadways safer by requiring rest for truckers. As much as it inconveniences Cherno, he fears that large trucking companies would take advantage of drivers if monitors were removed.

Executive Director Zach Cahalan of the Truck Safety Coalition, which seeks to reduce deaths and injuries resulting from accidents involving trucks, said that before electronic monitoring, paper log books "were referred to as comic books commonly in the industry because they were fiction" and easy to falsify.

"The rules were always there and to blame people holding you accountable for rules that keep you and other people safe is absurd," Cahalan said.

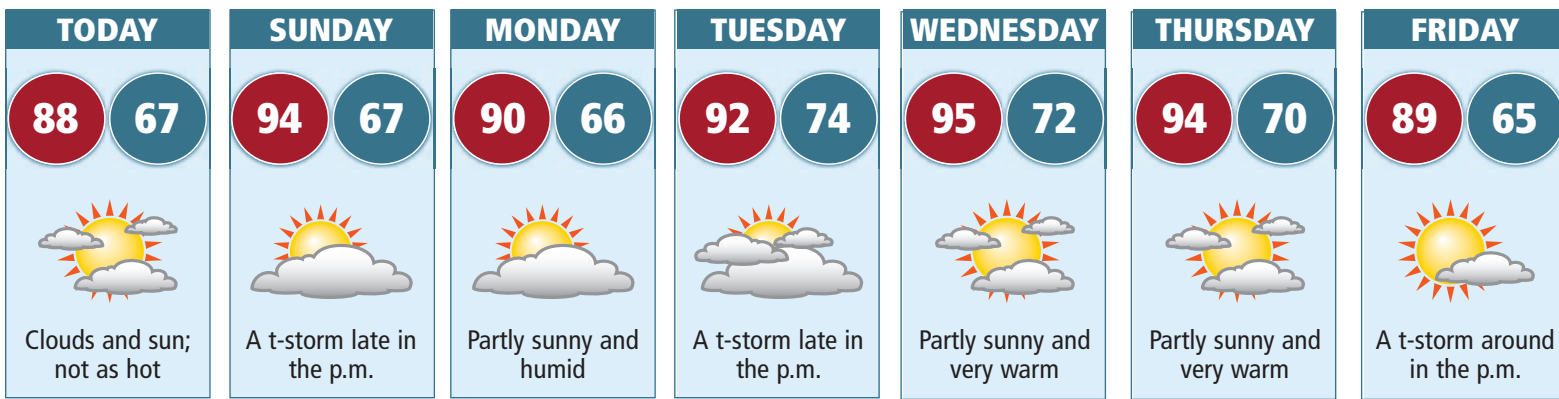
Still, the number of people killed in accidents involving large trucks increased 10% in the first half of 2022 compared to the previous year, according to estimates released in January by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

It isn't known how many accidents nationally involve parked trucks. Studies in two states found alarming numbers.

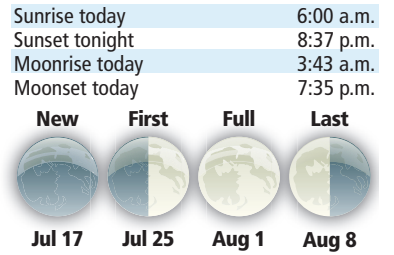
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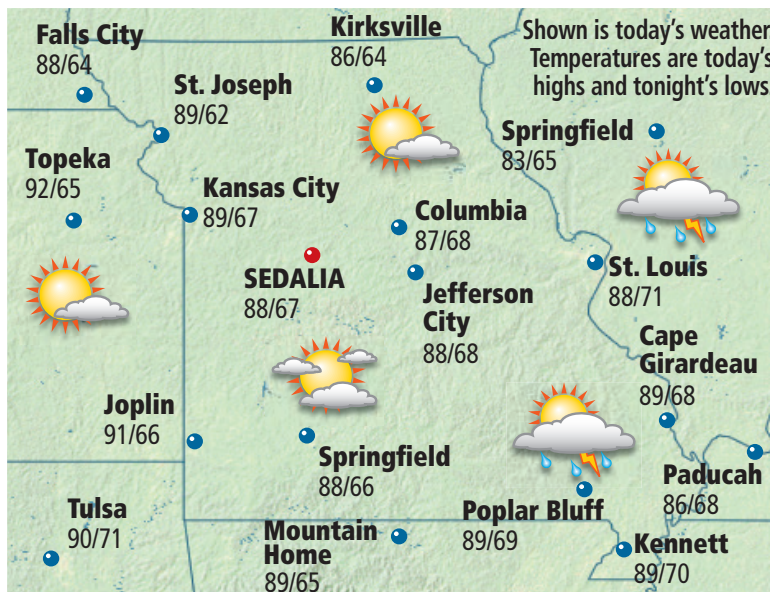


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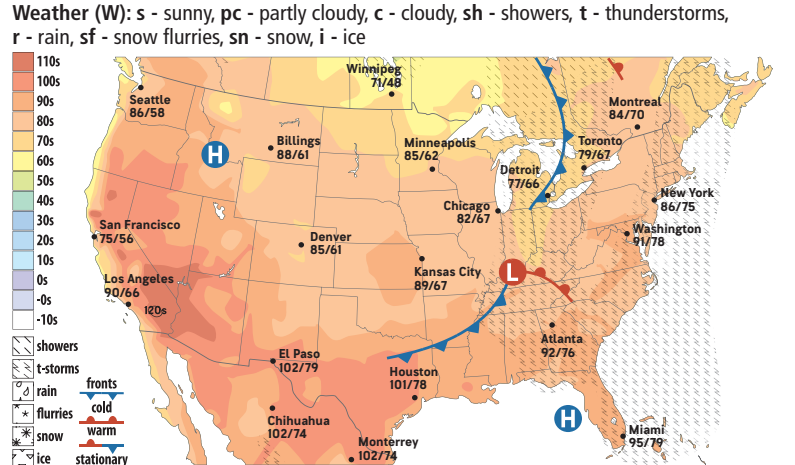
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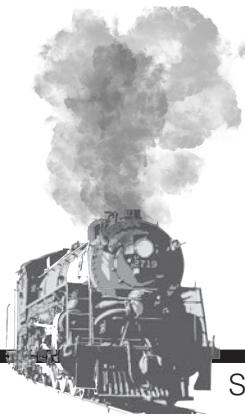
NATIONAL WEATHER

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Summary: Thunderstorms, some packing high winds and flash flooding, will focus on the Midwest today. However, locally drenching storms are also in store for the Atlantic coast as heat builds over the interior West.

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Tennessee fined over \$8 million for 200+ football infractions

By The Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The NCAA fined Tennessee more than \$8 million on Friday and issued a scathing report outlining more than 200 infractions during the three-year tenure of former football coach Jeremy Pruitt. The Volunteers escaped a postseason ban.

The sprawling report over 80 pages long said Tennessee committed 18 Level I violations, the most severe, and said most involved recruiting infractions and direct payments to athletes and their families — benefits that totaled approximately \$60,000.

Kay Norton, head of the panel that ruled on Tennessee, called the violations “egregious and expansive.”

“It’s one of the largest cases this committee has ever adjudicated,” she said.

The NCAA praised Tennessee for its cooperation and the Vols

escaped the postseason ban, but the infractions panel noted that decision was a difficult one given the circumstances.

“The panel encountered a challenging set of circumstances related to prescribing penalties in this case,” it said in its decision. “The panel urges the Infractions Process Committee and the membership to clearly define its philosophy regarding penalties — which extends beyond postseason bans — and memorialize that philosophy in an updated set of penalty guidelines.”

Four former staffers were given show-cause orders, including one spanning six years for Pruitt, who was fired in early 2021.

The NCAA report said the school failed to monitor its football program. “Additionally, due to his personal involvement in the violations, the former head coach violated head coach responsibility rules,” according to the document.

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Sedalia Post 642 AUX’s Talon Timmermeier makes contact with a pitch in Friday night’s AA Legion Zone Tournament game against Blue Springs Fike Post 499 at Liberty Park Stadium.

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Weather delays apparent Post 642 AUX win

By Bryan Everson
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The wind picked up enough in the bottom of the fourth inning Friday afternoon that Blue Springs Fike Post 699 pitcher Ryan Clements’ hat blew all the way into foul territory at Liberty Park Stadium.

Sedalia Post 642 AUX stormed home plate both before and after inclement weather rolled into the area, enough to postpone a 6-1 contest just two outs short of its conclusion on Day 2 of the Junior Legion Zone Tournament.

Wind began to pick up about an hour into the game, which started at 4:30 p.m. Officials decided as Cooper Woolery reached his pitch limit in the top of the seventh

to halt the game and that if there was a break in the lightning that would allow it to get at least 15 miles away again, the last two outs would be played after press deadline Friday and the rest of the tournament will conclude on schedule. If not, action would pick up Saturday.

“Our pitching was good, Cooper gave us 6 1/3, and our defense really played well behind him in turning two big double plays up the middle to take them out of some scoring chances,” Sedalia head coach Alex Lang said.

The Zone hosts got immediate production from the top of the lineup as leadoff hitter Hayden Zeiler walked, then after he advanced on an error and a wild

pitch, Zeiler came home on an RBI single by Caden Homan, who had three base knocks before the delay. The lead extended to three as two runs scored in the second for Sedalia, including one after Keaton Frey bunted and an error allowed Elliot Nieters to score.

An infield error brought home Corbett Tanner, whose came with two outs, in the fifth to eventually make it a five-run advantage for Post 642 AUX. Sedalia turned a double play and got an outfield assist out of Talon Timmermeier in the late innings to help keep Fike off the scoreboard.

Sedalia picked up its first win of the tournament Friday evening by defeating the Gladstone Post 626 Owls, 10-6.

Post 642 AUX jumped on the scoreboard immediately after Zeiler doubled and Homan singled to put runners at the corners in the bottom of the first. Zeiler scored and Homan and advanced to second on a wild pitch, then Woolery doubled to score Homan, all before an out was recorded. Both Woolery and Frey scored later in the inning on wild pitches.

In the second, Sedalia added three more runs, and the hosts added a run in each of the three innings that followed, including one on Jacob Wise’s steal of home in the fourth. Post 642 AUX led by as many as nine runs before Gladstone nicked into the lead with three runs each in the fifth and seventh frames.

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Then-Tennessee NCAA college football head coach Jeremy Pruitt speaks during Southeastern Conference Media Days in Atlanta, July 18, 2018. The NCAA fined Tennessee more than \$8 million on Friday, July 14, 2023, and issued a scathing report outlining more than 200 infractions during the three-year tenure of former coach Jeremy Pruitt. The Volunteers escaped a postseason ban.

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Djokovic, Alcaraz to meet in Wimbledon final

By Howard Fendrich

AP Tennis Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — This was the moment. If Novak Djokovic was going to be stopped in the Wimbledon semifinals, if his much younger and harder-hitting opponent, Jannik Sinner, was going to turn things around Friday, the monumental comeback required would need to start immediately.

Djokovic knew it. Sinner knew it. The 15,000 or so Centre Court spectators knew it.

After taking the first two sets, Djokovic trailed 5-4 in the third, and a flubbed forehand made the game score 15-40 as he served. Two chances for Sinner to finally break. Two chances for him to actually take a set. Djokovic hit a fault, which drew some sounds of approval from the stands. Djokovic sarcastically used his racket and the ball to applaud the noise-makers, then flashed a thumbs up.

He can back up any such bravado. Djokovic simply does not lose at the All England Club lately. Or at any Grand Slam tournament, for that matter. So he calmly collected the next four points to



Serbia’s Novak Djokovic returns to Italy’s Jannik Sinner in a men’s singles semifinal match on day twelve of the Wimbledon tennis championships in London, Friday, July 14, 2023.

PHOTO BY KIRSTY WIGGLESWORTH | AP PHOTO

claim that game, looked toward the crowd and mockingly pretended to wipe away a tear. Twenty minutes later, the match was over, and the 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 (4) victory over Sinner allowed Djokovic to close in on a record-tying eighth title at Wimbledon and fifth in a row.

“The third set could have gone his way,” said Djokovic, who will meet No. 1-ranked Carlos Alcaraz for the trophy on Sunday. “It was really, really, just a lot of pressure.”

Alcaraz showed off every bit of his many talents, including winning 17 of 20 points when he served-and-volleyed, while beating No. 3 Daniil Medvedev 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 on Friday to

make his way to his first final at the grass-court major tournament.

While Djokovic, a 36-year-old from Serbia, is pursuing a 24th Grand Slam singles championship, Alcaraz, a 20-year-old from Spain, seeks his second after winning the U.S. Open last September.

“What can I say? Everybody knows the legend he is,” Alcaraz said about Djokovic. “It’s going to be really, really difficult. But I will fight. ... I will believe in myself, I will believe that I can beat him here.”

No one has managed to beat Djokovic at Wimbledon since 2017. And no one has managed to beat him at Centre Court since 2013.

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Big 12 brings Malzahn, Holgorsen back into Power Five with league’s new teams

By Stephen Hawkins

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — Gus Malzahn is back in a Power Five conference with UCF prepping for its first season in the Big 12, where Houston coach Dana Holgorsen is again overseeing a team’s transition into the league like he did just more than a decade ago at West Virginia.

While BYU is giving up its football independence, coach Kalani Sitake has past experience with a program moving up to the highest level. And Scott Satterfield’s first season with Cincinnati — and the Bearcats’ debut in the Big 12 — comes after four seasons in the ACC as Louisville’s coach.

They are the four new coaches, for the four new teams, in the expanded Big 12.

“It’s just the excitement of playing some of the best teams in college football week in and week out and that grind that goes with it,” former Auburn coach Malzahn said Thursday as the Big 12 wrapped up its football media days. “That’s what excites me.

Just the profile of our program taking that next step.”

Malzahn is going into his third season at UCF, which followed his eight consecutive winning seasons in the SEC. The Tigers made it to the BCS championship game in his 2013 debut season, the year before the start of the four-team College Football Playoff.

UCF proclaimed itself national champion after going undefeated in 2017 and beating Malzahn’s Auburn squad in the Peach Bowl while one-loss Alabama won the CFP title game. The Knights, who left the American Athletic Conference with

Cincinnati and Houston, have gone 18-9 overall under Malzahn with a 2-3 record against Power Five teams.

The Big 12 media days were at AT&T Stadium, the home of the NFL’s Dallas Cowboys and its conference championship game. It is also where two seasons ago Cincinnati lost to Alabama in the Cotton Bowl after becoming the first Group of Five team to make the four-team CFP.

“I do think all four schools will be competitive in this league,” Satterfield said. “The thing that as a newcomer into the league, you don’t know the makeup of the teams.

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UCF head football coach Gus Malzahn answers questions from reporters at the NCAA college football Big 12 media days in Arlington, Texas, Thursday, July 13, 2023.

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SPORTS CALENDAR

Saturday ON TAP HIGH

SCHOOL BASEBALL
4:30 p.m. AA Legion Baseball Zone Tournament (at Liberty Park Stadium)

ON AIR AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL

4 a.m. FS2 — AFL: Essendon at Geelong
1:30 a.m. (Sunday) FS2 — AFL: Richmond at West Coast

AUTO RACING

7:30 a.m. CBSSN — ABB FIA Formula E: Round 13, Rome
11 a.m. USA — NA-SCAR Cup Series: Practice and Qualifying, New Hampshire Motor Speedway, Loudon, N.H.
2 p.m. USA — NA-SCAR Xfinity Series: The Ambetter Health 200, New Hampshire Motor Speedway, Loudon, N.H.

BIG3 BASKETBALL
2 p.m. CBS — Week 4: Trilogy vs. 3 Headed Monsters, Triplets vs. 3's Company, Power vs. Ball Hogs, Ghost Ballers vs. Bivouac, Tri-State vs. Killer 3's, Aliens vs. Enemies, Memphis, Tenn.

BOXING
9 p.m. SHO — Showtime Championship: Frank Martin vs. Artem Harutyunyan (Lightweights), Las Vegas

CFL FOOTBALL
6 p.m. CBSSN — Calgary at Saskatchewan

CYCLING
5:55 a.m. PEACOCK — UCI: The Tour de France, Stage 14, 94 miles, Annemasse to Morzine Les Portes Du Soleil, France

1 a.m. (Sunday) USA — UCI: The Tour de France, Stage 14, 94 miles, Annemasse to Morzine Les Portes Du Soleil, France (Taped)

FISHING
3 p.m. CBSSN — SFC:

The Oak Bluffs Bluewater Classic — Day 3, Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

GLOBL JAM BASKETBALL (MEN'S)
12:30 p.m. CBSSN — GLOBL JAM FIVES: Africa vs. U.S., Toronto

GOLF
9 a.m. GOLF — DP World Tour/PGA Tour: The Genesis Scottish Open, Third Round, The Renaissance Club, East Lothian, Scotland
11 a.m. CBS — DP World Tour/PGA Tour: The Genesis Scottish Open, Third Round, The Renaissance Club, East Lothian, Scotland

GOLF — PGA Tour
Champions: The Kaulig Companies Championship, Third Round, Firestone Championship South Course, Akron, Ohio
1:30 p.m. NBC — American Century Championship: Second Round, Edgewood Tahoe Resort, Lake Tahoe, Nev.

3 p.m. GOLF — DP World Tour/PGA Tour: The Barbasol Championship, Third Round, Keene Trace Golf Club, Nicholasville, Ky.
7 p.m. GOLF — LPGA Tour: The Dana Open, Third Round, Highland Meadows Golf Club, Sylvania, Ohio (Taped)

HORSE RACING
Noon FS1 — Saratoga Live: From Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
2:30 p.m. FS2 — Saratoga Live: From Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

9 p.m. FS1 — Saratoga Live: From Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

LACROSSE (MEN'S)
5 p.m. ESPN2 — PLL: Chrome vs. Cannons, Fairfield, Conn.

MIXED MARTIAL ARTS
6 p.m. ESPN — UFC Fight Night Prelims: Undercard Bouts, Las Vegas

9 p.m. ESPN — UFC Fight Night Main Card: Holly Holm vs. Mayra Bueno Silva (Bantamweights), Las Vegas

MLB BASEBALL
Noon MLBN — Regional Coverage: San Diego at Philadelphia (Game 1)

3 p.m. FS1 — Cleveland at Texas

6 p.m. FOX — Regional Coverage: Chicago White Sox at Atlanta OR LA Dodgers at NY Mets

9 p.m. MLBN — Regional Coverage: Detroit at Seattle OR Houston at LA Angels (Joined in Progress)

NBA BASKETBALL
1:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: Charlotte vs. Minnesota, Consolation Game, Las Vegas
2 p.m. ESPN — Summer League: Golden State vs. Toronto, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

3:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: Milwaukee vs. Sacramento, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

4 p.m. ESPN — Summer League: Washington vs. Chicago, Consolation Game, Las Vegas
5:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: Boston vs. Orlando, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

7:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: Denver vs. New York, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

9:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: Memphis vs. Phoenix, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

RUGBY (MEN'S)
Noon CNBC — World U-20 Championship: Ireland vs. France, Grand Final, Cape Town, South Africa (Taped)

9 p.m. CBSSN — Premier Sevens: Western Conference Finals, San Jose, Calif.

10:55 p.m. FS2 — NRL: Cronulla-Sutherland at New Zealand

SOCCER (MEN'S)

6:30 p.m. FS1 — MLS: Orlando City SC at Atlanta United

9 p.m. ESPN2 — USL Championship: Oakland Roots F.C. at Monterey Bay F.C.

TENNIS
8 a.m. ESPN — WTA: Wimbledon, Championship, London

10:30 a.m. ESPN — ATP: Wimbledon, Doubles Championship, London

2 p.m. ABC — WTA: Wimbledon, Championship, London (Taped)

WNBA BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m. ABC — WNBA All-Star Game: Team Stewart vs. Team Wilson, Las Vegas

Sunday ON TAP COLLEGE BASEBALL
7 p.m. St. Joseph Mustangs at Sedalia Bombers

ON AIR AUTO RACING
7:30 a.m. CBSSN — ABB FIA Formula E: Round 14, Rome

9 a.m. CBSSN — FIM Motocross: The MX2, Loket, Czech Republic

9:30 a.m. FS1 — NHRA: Qualifying, Bandimere Speedway, Morrison, Colo.

10 a.m. CBSSN — FIM Motocross: The MXGP, Loket, Czech Republic

11 a.m. USA — AMA Pro Motocross: Round 7, Millville, Mich. (Taped)

1:30 p.m. USA — NA-SCAR Cup Series: The Crayon 301, New Hampshire Motor Speedway, Loudon, N.H.

3 p.m. FOX — NHRA: The Dodge Power Brokers NHRA Mile-High Nationals, Bandimere Speedway, Morrison, Colo.

CYCLING
5:55 a.m. PEACOCK — UCI: The Tour de France, Stage 15, 110 miles, Les Gets Les Portes Du Soleil to Saint-Gervais Mont Blanc, France

1 a.m. (Monday) USA — UCI: The Tour de France, Stage 15, 110 miles, Les Gets Les Portes Du Soleil to Saint-Gervais Mont Blanc, France (Taped)

GLOBL JAM BASKETBALL (MEN'S)
7 p.m. CBSSN — GLOBL JAM FIVES: TBD, Gold-Medal Game, Toronto

GOLF
9 a.m. GOLF — DP World Tour/PGA Tour: The Genesis Scottish Open, Final Round, The Renaissance Club, East Lothian, Scotland

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HORSE RACING
Noon FS2 — Saratoga Live: From Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

2:30 p.m. FS1 — Saratoga Live: From Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

MLB BASEBALL
11:05 a.m. PEACOCK — San Francisco at Pittsburgh

12:30 p.m. MLBN — Regional Coverage: LA Dodgers at NY Mets OR San Diego at Philadelphia

3:30 p.m. MLBN — Re-

gional Coverage: Detroit at Seattle OR Minnesota at Oakland (Joined in Progress)

6 p.m. ESPN — Houston at LA Angels

NBA BASKETBALL
2:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: TBD, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

3 p.m. ESPN — Summer League: TBD, Semi-final, Las Vegas

4:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: TBD, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

5 p.m. ESPN2 — Summer League: TBD, Semi-final, Las Vegas

6:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: TBD, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

7 p.m. ESPN2 — Summer League: TBD, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

8:30 p.m. NBATV — Summer League: TBD, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

9 p.m. ESPN2 — Summer League: TBD, Consolation Game, Las Vegas

SOCCER (MEN'S)
7 p.m. FOX — CONCACAF Gold Cup: Mexico vs. Panama, Final, Inglewood, Calif.

TENNIS
8 a.m. ESPN — ATP: Wimbledon, Championship, London

11 a.m. ESPN — WTA: Wimbledon, Doubles Championship, London

2 p.m. ABC — ATP: Wimbledon, Championship, London (Taped)

TRACK AND FIELD
9 a.m. CNBC — IAAF World Athletics Diamond League: The Kamila Skolimowska Memorial, Silesia, Poland

YOUTH BASKETBALL
11:30 a.m. NBATV — Jr. NBA Girls Showcase Game: TBD, Las Vegas
1 p.m. NBATV — Jr. NBA Boys Showcase Game: TBD, Las Vegas

Mom-daughter duo rare example of a woman coaching a woman at Wimbledon



Caty McNally stands on court as her and playing partner Ashlyn Krueger, not in photo, of the United States play against Caroline Garcia of France and Luisa Stefani of Brazil in a first-round women's doubles match at Wimbledon on July 8, 2023.

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By Howard Fendrich

AP Tennis Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Caty McNally was one of the few female entrants at Wimbledon with a female coach: Her mother, Lynn Nabors McNally.

Mom does not travel full-time on tour with Caty — someone else she's worked with for six years, Kevin O'Neill, does — but they use a two-coach setup at the biggest events, including Grand Slam tournaments.

McNally, a 21-year-old from Ohio who was the runner-up in women's doubles at the U.S. Open each of the past two years, once alongside Coco Gauff and once alongside Taylor Townsend, wishes female coaches weren't so rare at the pro level. There are just 13 women ranked in the Top 200 with a female coach; four of those coaches are the player's mother.

It would be nice, McNally says, if there were more women around. She looks at her male counterparts — every man who was in the singles field at the All England Club is coached by a man — and thinks, "Why can't it be that way for us?"

"There's a different vibe because of it. A different environment. On the men's side, the coaches are always in the locker room with the players, just hanging out. On the women's side, you don't see that; it's only the players in the locker room," McNally

said last week after a session at the All England Club's Aorangi Park practice courts with her mother and O'Neill.

"It might let the guys be more loose. The coaches are right there to help take things off their shoulders. On the women's side, after a loss, a lot of the girls are like, 'I don't want to talk to anyone. I want to be by myself. You don't see any female coaches hanging around in the locker room,'" said McNally, who missed the French Open with a torn right hamstring and wore athletic tape on the back of that leg during first-round exits in singles and doubles at Wimbledon. "I do wonder what it would be like if there were more females coaches. Maybe the players and coaches would hang out and have group dinners more."

McNally, a successful junior who is now 67th in singles and 26th in doubles in the WTA rankings, was one of just six of the 128 women in the singles bracket at Wimbledon with a female coach. The WTA is hoping to increase the number of women in that role at the highest levels of tennis, in part through a Coach Inclusion Program that is in its first full year.

"It's embarrassing how few of us there are, to be honest with you," Nabors McNally said, sitting next to her daughter on a wooden bench near the practice courts. "It's going to take a lot more time and effort to see the numbers where they

should be."

Nabors McNally, a teaching pro after being a professional player in the 1980s and 1990s, and her daughter have been a tennis tandem for nearly all of Caty's life. She started at age 2 by hitting a balloon over the couch at home with her older brother, John, who went on to earn all-Big Ten honors at Ohio State.

The next step was hitting balls in the driveway. Then there would be Sunday night all-in-the-family matchups: Caty and Mom against John and Dad.

"I would say, 'Just make contact, Sweetie.' And all of a sudden, she did," Nabors McNally recalled. "And then we had rallies. And then we played points."

From the time Caty was 7 or 8, she would spend 12 or more hours a day at the The Club at Harper's Point in Cincinnati, where Mom has given lessons seven days a week for years.

"I liked being around the sport," Caty said. "I liked being around her."

Katherine Sebov, a Canadian player who lost in qualifying at Wimbledon, has always been coached by her mother, too. Sebov picked up the sport after watching her parents play tennis and deciding to join in — uninvited.

"I 100% crashed the party," Sebov said. "Then they stopped playing, and it was all me."

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HOROSCOPES

By Georgia Nicols

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping or making important decisions from 8:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. EDT today (5:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. PDT). After that, the Moon moves from Gemini into Cancer.

Happy Birthday for Saturday, July 15, 2023:

You appreciate art, beauty and intellectual discoveries. You sometimes have a strong effect on people, whether you know it or not. This is a slower-paced year. Take time to focus on relationships, especially those that will benefit you and help you. Take time to rejuvenate yourself.

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)

★★★★ It's Saturday, and this weekend is an excellent time for family discussions. Be open to listening to the advice of someone older or more experienced, because, let's face it, you don't have to reinvent the wheel. It's also a lovely day to schmooze and enjoy playful times with kids and sports. Tonight: Advice.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Short trips, errands, appointments and interactions with siblings, relatives and neighbors will make this a lively day. Someone older or more experienced, perhaps a friend or a member of a group, might have excellent advice for you. Meanwhile, grab invitations to socialize! Tonight: Learn.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ If shopping today, which is likely, please be aware of the restrictions of the Moon Alert. This is a good day to discuss financial matters, including a possible raise, with bosses and VIPs. You also might make improvements to where you live. Tonight: Budgets.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ This is a fine day (especially this afternoon) to make long-range travel plans. You will also enjoy study of any kind, as well as discussions about philosophy, politics and profound subjects. You have lots of energy today to go after what you want! Tonight: You're confident.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ If you work alone or behind the scenes, you can accomplish a lot, especially with research or coming up with solutions about financial matters, inheritances and shared property. Something might motivate you to see ways to boost your income. Tonight: Solitude.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Discussions with friends, groups or organizations will be lively today. In particular, you might deal with athletics or a physical competition. An older friend or colleague might have some valuable input for you. (It never hurts to listen.) Tonight: Network.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Today you are high-viz, which means people notice you more than usual. In fact, they might be aware of personal details about your private life. Nevertheless, it's a good day to make practical plans about your health, a pet or something related to your work, especially if you want practical future results. Tonight: Show respect.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Do something different to break free of your routine, because today you need stimulation and adventure! It's a great day to make travel plans or to blow town. You also might be involved with friends from another culture or an international organization. Tonight: Study.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Financial discussions, especially regarding taxes, debt, shared property or inheritances, will go well today. You're planning for your future. These discussions might involve a parent or an older family member. For sure, you can position yourself to get what you want. Tonight: Check your finances.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ A discussion with a partner or close friend will be lively today. It might involve politics, travel plans or something to do with religion or racial issues. One thing is certain, you want practical results and a plan for the future. Listen to the advice of someone older or more experienced. Tonight: Cooperate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ This will be a productive day for you, especially later in the day. You will make prudent decisions about finances and earnings. In fact, someone older might help you. You're happy that you have the energy to get things done today, because you want to make a difference. Tonight: Get organized.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ This is a playful day, especially regarding children's activities, social outings and anything to do with sports. This is also an excellent day to practice something or hone your skills or technique in the performing arts or a particular sport. Listen to the advice of someone more experienced or older. Tonight: Socialize.

BORN TODAY

Author, columnist Arianna Huffington (1950), singer-songwriter Linda Ronstadt (1946), actor Forest Whitaker (1961)

Fines

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University of Tennessee Chancellor Donde Plowman said the school recognized the seriousness of the wrongdoing and resolved the case with integrity.

"Most critically, the Committee did not impose a postseason ban, which has been a central principle that we advocate for through this entire process," she said in a statement.

The NCAA found most of the violations were related to a paid unofficial visit scheme that was used consistently by the football program over two years.

It involved at least a dozen members of the football staff, and the resulting violations included at least 110 impermissible hotel room nights, 180 impermissi-

ble meals, 72 instances of providing impermissible entertainment or other benefits, 41 impermissible recruiting contacts, 37 instances of providing impermissible game day parking, and 14 times in which gear was impermissibly provided to prospects, according to the report.

The NCAA also found that Pruitt or his wife were involved in impermissible payments to two prospects who later signed with Tennessee. The mother of one player received \$6,000 from Pruitt's wife as a down payment on a car.

After the mother's son signed with the Vols, Pruitt's wife paid the woman \$500 each month for car payments at least 25 times. The mother also received \$1,600 from Pruitt's wife for a deposit on a rental home in the Knoxville area.

The mother of a

second prospect told Pruitt she needed a medical procedure she could not pay for. The NCAA found Pruitt gave her an envelope with \$3,000 for medical bills. Records obtained by Tennessee show the prospect's mother deposited \$5,100 in her bank account two days after a similar amount (\$5,000) was withdrawn from the head coach's bank account.

Also, Pruitt gave the woman \$300 to pay for gas.

Both players competed in 23 games while ineligible, the NCAA found.

"During the head coach's tenure, he and other members of his staff acted with general and blatant disregard for rules compliance," the NCAA panel said.

The panel also was troubled by a former staff member who stated that she failed to report

violations because she feared retaliation and backlash, which "spotlights the toxic culture that existed under the head coach's leadership," the report said.

Norton acknowledged that without Tennessee's cooperation, a post-season ban would have been part of the array of penalties at the committee's disposal.

"These violations were directly related to recruiting and demonstrated an unwillingness to even pretend to follow the rules," she said.

The NCAA's final decision ends a troubling chapter in Vols football, although Pruitt's dismissal opened the door for Tennessee's revival under his replacement, Josh Heupel, who's led the team to an 18-8 record the past three seasons with a win over Southeastern Conference heavyweight Alabama last year.

Final

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Against Sinner, Djokovic repeatedly served himself out of potential trouble, saving all six break points he faced, to reach his ninth final at the All England Club. It's also his 35th final at all Grand Slam tournaments, more than any man or woman in tennis history.

As great as he is as a returner, as superb as his defense is — over and over, he would sprint and lean and stretch to get to a ball that extended a point until Sinner made a mistake — Djokovic possesses a serve that might be the part of his game he's improved the most over his career.

That showed Friday, and it's showed throughout this fortnight: In his half-dozen matches during the tournament, Djokovic has won 100 of his 103 service games and saved 16 of 19 break points.

"In the pressure moments, he was playing very good. Not missing," Sinner said. "That's him."

The age gap between Djokovic and Sinner, 21, was the largest between Wimbledon men's semi-

finalists in the Open era, which began in 1968. Djokovic would be the oldest champion at Wimbledon since professionals were first allowed to compete that year.

"I feel 36 is the new 26, I guess," Djokovic said. "It feels good."

Sinner is the one who hit serves at up to 132 mph and pounded one fault that clanged against the speed read-out board in a corner of the arena with such force it sounded as if he might have broken the thing. Of more concern to Sinner: It was followed by another fault in a service game he dropped to trail 2-1 in the second set.

In truth, talented as Sinner is, he didn't really generate any more frustration for Djokovic than chair umpire Richard Haigh did.

In one game in which Djokovic would face — and erase — a break point, he argued to no avail after forfeiting a point because Haigh called him for hindrance for letting out a lengthy yell while the ball was still in play. Moments later, Haigh issued Djokovic a warning for letting the serve-clock expire.

"It was a very stressful game for me to

survive and to kind of storm through. It was super important," said Djokovic, who thought the hindrance call was incorrect after seeing a replay and Haigh needed to "recognize the moment a little bit more" instead of issuing the time warning. "Luckily for me, I stayed calm."

Indeed he did, continuing his bid to join Roger Federer as the only men to have won eight singles trophies at Wimbledon. Martina Navratilova won the women's championship nine times.

Djokovic got major title No. 22 at the Australian Open in January, and No. 23 at the French Open in June — his Wimbledon shoes have a small "23" stamped on the side — after getting past Alcaraz in the semifinals at Roland Garros.

If Djokovic wins Sunday, he will head to the U.S. Open in August with a chance at the first calendar-year Grand Slam by a man since Rod Laver in 1969.

With the main stadium's retractable roof shut because of rain outdoors, the grass was slick and slippery during Djokovic vs. Sinner. Sinner slipped on the very first point; Djokovic on the third.

And it kept happening to both. They repeatedly smacked the soles of their shoes with their rackets to try to remove grass and dirt that got stuck in there.

Taking on Djokovic represented a significant rise in the level of competition for Sinner. Until Friday, not only had he not faced a single seeded player, but he had gone up against opponents with these rankings: 79th, 85th, 98th and 111th.

No one in the half-century history of computerized tennis rankings — men's and women's — has spent more weeks at No. 1 than Djokovic, who currently is No. 2. But that number does not reflect his form at the moment.

This was Djokovic's 46th major semifinal and Sinner's first, and that seemed obvious at the most crucial junctures.

Sinner was quite close to reaching that stage a year ago at the All England Club: He took a two-set lead in the quarterfinals against Djokovic, who came all the way back to win in five.

That sort of work was not required on this afternoon. Djokovic never let it come to that.

Teams

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We haven't played in this league. We haven't played the teams that are in this league, so you don't really understand the ins and outs of the teams that we're getting ready to play."

With the four additions coming a year before Oklahoma and Texas leave for the SEC, the Big 12 will have 14 teams this season. The conference now spreads over three time zones with schools from eight different states, stretching from Utah to West Virginia to Florida.

This is the first change in the league's makeup since 2012, when West Virginia and TCU were

added to then keep the Big 12 at 10 teams.

"Well, it's exciting to be the new guy again," said Holgorsen, who was with WVU for its first seven Big 12 seasons before going to Houston. "The last four years have been a little different for me, being in the American conference, and it really makes you appreciate a conference like the Big 12 by now being back. This thing goes so many different directions. The University of Houston has been looking forward to this day for a long, long time."

Houston wasn't part of the original 12-team Big 12 lineup when the league began play in 1996 after the members of the former Big Eight Conference joined

with half of the defunct Southwest Conference. The Cougars went from the SWC to Conference USA and then the American in 2013.

Sitake, a former BYU fullback going into his eighth season as head coach of his alma mater, was on Kyle Whittingham's staff at Utah when the Utes went from the Mountain West to the Pac-12. Utah has had only one losing season since, and is coming off consecutive 10-win seasons that ended in the Rose Bowl.

"This is a lot of fun. Being an independent, I wasn't able to experience this as a head coach," Sitake said. "This has been a great dream for me, so please don't wake me up."

The Cougars were national champions under coach LaVell Edwards after going undefeated in 1984. They were in the WAC then, moved to the Mountain West in 1999 and became an FBS independent in 2011.

"This isn't going to be easy, and we know that," Sitake said. "Now that we're here, there's a high sense of urgency for us to get ready to go, and I feel really good about the progress that we've made as a team in the last couple years, and there's some really cool lessons that we've been able to learn about our skills but also the deficiencies that we probably have meeting some of those Power Five teams that we've played in the past five years."

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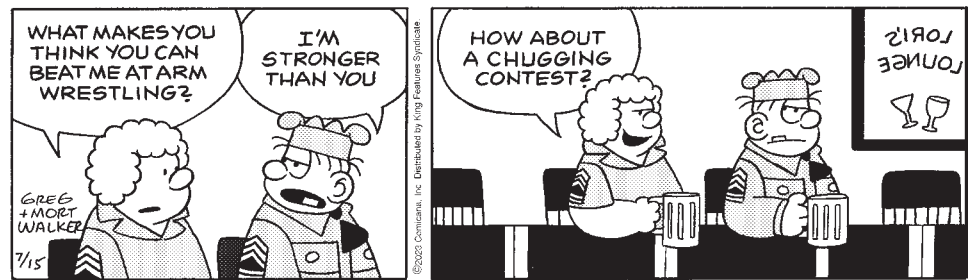
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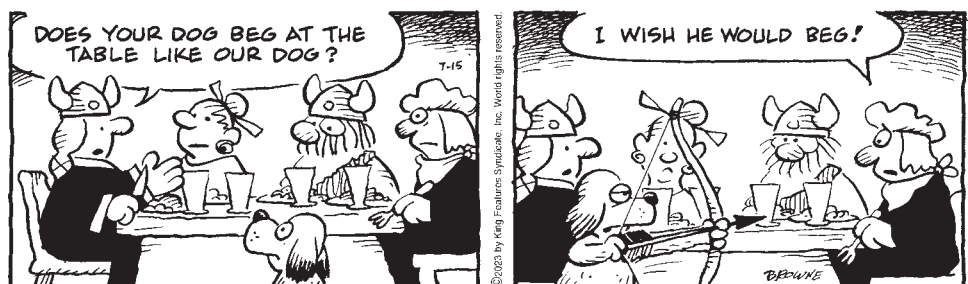
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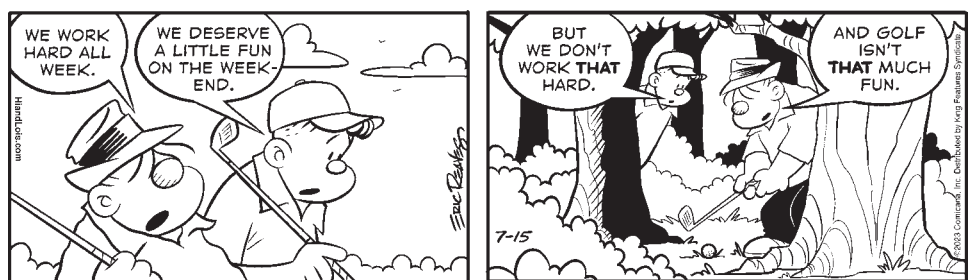
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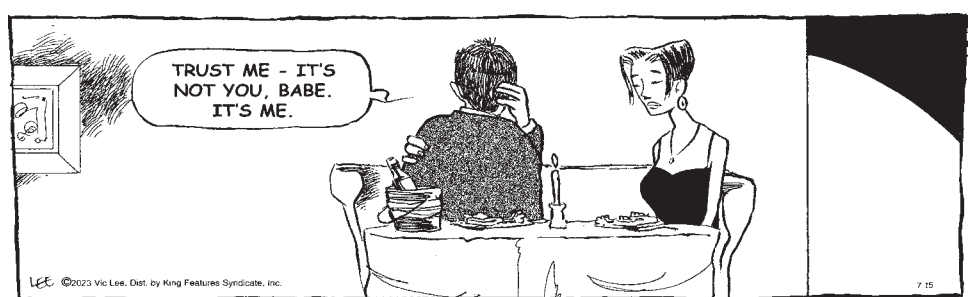
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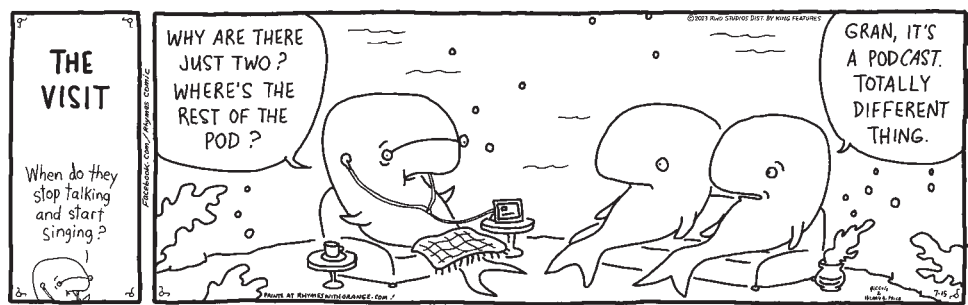
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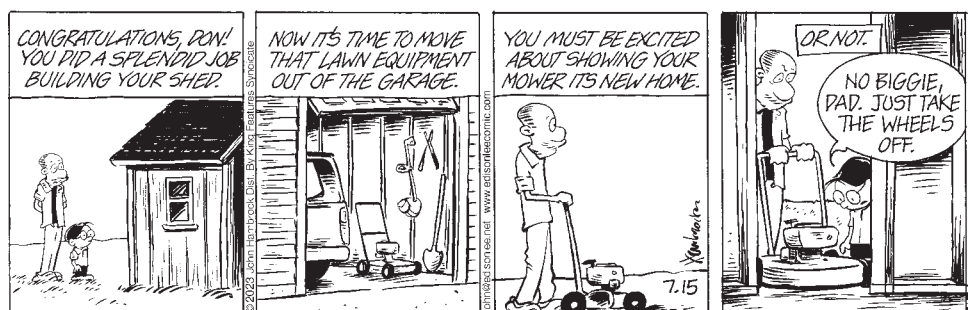
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SUDOKU

To play sudoku, use logic to fill the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the numbers 1-9 only once. Puzzle difficulty increases from Monday to Sunday.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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1	7	8	9	6	2	3	4	5

Difficulty: ★★★★★

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Delays

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Adam Rowe picked up the win in that tourney opener for the team, tossing five innings while striking out nine and allowing two earned runs.

“Rowe threw very well like he always has been,” Lang said. “He hit a wall in the fifth and our bullpen was good enough to give us the win. Our offense, 1-9 we’ve been getting on base and it’s been very unselfish baseball through the tournament so far.”

Oak Grove Post 379 was eliminated in the game prior to Sedalia’s Friday afternoon with a 16-6 defeat to Gladstone. Post 379 put up a 6-spot in the top of the first, but Post 626 reliever John Malter entered and allowed just one hit and two walks while striking out nine in 4 2/3 innings of work to quiet the Oak Grove bats.

Warrensburg’s Mule

Club played with its season on the line in a game that would follow Sedalia’s Friday afternoon if weather permits. The Mule Club lost 9-6 on Thursday to Fike despite out-hitting its opponents 9-8 and committing two fewer errors than Fike (five). Dawson Parrott and Carson Droege each had a pair of hits in the loss.

The winner of Friday’s final game between the Mule Club and Gladstone plays Saturday at 4:30 p.m. Whichever team loses that game will be eliminated, while that game’s winner will face what’s likely to be Sedalia with the Zone Championship on the line in the game after that.

“We’ve got our pitching set up well, especially when Rowe gives us five and Woolery gives us 6 1/3, you can’t ask more from your starters late in the year,” said Lang, who noted that Gabe Berry will get the nod for Post 642 AUX on Saturday.

Coyotes terminate contract of Galchenyuk following arrest

By The Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — The Arizona Coyotes have terminated the contract of newly-signed free agent forward Alex Galchenyuk following his arrest on multiple charges last weekend.

The Coyotes terminated Galchenyuk’s contract on Friday due to a material breach of terms a day after placing him on unconditional waivers.

“We are aware of the incident involving Alex Galchenyuk and strongly condemn this type of behavior,” the Coyotes said in a statement. “Once the Club was made aware of the allegations, we immediately began the process of terminating his Standard Player’s Contract through the proper channels in conjunction with the Na-

tional Hockey League.

Galchenyuk was arrested Sunday on charges of private property hit and run, disorderly conduct, failure to obey, resisting arrest and threatening or intimidating, according to the Scottsdale Police Department. A spokesperson said the hit and run was only property damage and no injuries occurred.

Galchenyuk was booked into the Scottsdale city jail on misdemeanor charges and released the next day on his own recognizance.

The Coyotes signed Galchenyuk to a one-year, \$775,000 contract July 1, the opening of free agency, for his third stint with the team. He played 11 games for the Colorado Avalanche last season, spending most of the year in the AHL.



Colorado Avalanche forward Alex Galchenyuk adjusts his pads during the second period of an NHL hockey game March 22, 2023, in Denver. The Arizona Coyotes have placed newly signed free agent Galchenyuk on unconditional waivers and plan to terminate his contract following his arrest on multiple charges over the weekend, the team said Thursday, July 13.

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Hill to vacate light heavyweight UFC title after rupturing Achilles

By The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — UFC light heavyweight champion Jamahal Hill will relinquish his title after rupturing his Achilles tendon.

Hill said on his YouTube page late Thursday that the injury will require surgery and lengthy rehabilitation.

“If I had my choice, would I like to give up the belt?” he said. “No, I wouldn’t. You got to be consistent. I understand,

it’s the business. The show must go on. I’m not exempt from that.”

Hill won the then-vacant light heavyweight title by beating Glover Teixeira at UFC 283 in January and had planned to defend it against former champion Jifí Procházka. Procházka previously held the title before vacating it due to a shoulder injury last year.

Hill was on a four-fight win streak and is 12-1 overall.



New York Liberty guard Sabrina Ionescu competes in the WNBA All-Star 3-point contest Friday, July 14, 2023, in Las Vegas. PHOTO BY ELLEN SCHMIDT | LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL VIA AP

Ionescu breaks record to win 3-point contest at WNBA All-Star Game

By Mark Anderson
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — New York Liberty guard Sabrina Ionescu electrified the crowd Friday by scoring a record 37 of a possible 40 points to easily win the 3-point shooting contest at the WNBA All-Star Game.

She beat the Seattle Storm’s Sami Whitcomb and the Dallas Wings’ Arike Ogunbowale in the final. Whitcomb had 24 points and Ogunbowale 11.

“I knew they were going in,” Ionescu said. “I was telling my agents over there, I didn’t even wait for the ball to get through the net. As soon as I shot it, it looked good and I just went down and kept grabbing (basketballs) and was listening to the fans as they were cheering, knowing that they went in. So

they were my validation.”

The Las Vegas Aces’ team of Chelsea Gray and Kelsey Plum won the skills competition with a time of 44.3 seconds in the final round, easily beating the 58.0 put up by the Liberty’s Ionescu and Courtney Vandersloot.

Allie Quigley, who has won a record four 3-point contests, including the past two, is not playing this season. Her absence cleared the way for someone else to step up.

That player was Ionescu, who made both three-point balls and all five two-point money balls. She made 20 in a row at one point and missed only two shots overall to beat the record that Quigley — who watched in person Friday — set last season with 30 points. It also bested Stephen Curry’s NBA record of 31 points

set in 2021.

“Shouldn’t have missed two,” Ionescu said. “It was the final round. I had just lost in the skills. I wasn’t going to lose again. So thankful to have only missed two, I guess.”

Whitcomb (28 points), and Ionescu (26) and Ogunbowale (21) advanced to the final. The Connecticut Sun’s Dijonai Carrington (18), the Indiana Fever’s Kelsey Mitchell (15) and the Aces’ Jackie Young (15) failed to advance out of the first round.

The WNBA changed the skills format this year, switching to a two-player team event. Four teams were represented, going through an obstacle course that tests all the skills required in a regular game — agility, passing, dribbling and shooting.

Last year, a WNBA

player teamed with one from Nike’s Elite Youth Basketball League. Ionescu won last year’s contest with Zoe Brooks, this year’s national high school player of the year and a North Carolina State signee.

The Aces (45.9 seconds) and Liberty (47.8) advanced out of the first round, eliminating the Dallas Wings’ team of Ogunbowale and Satou Sabally (52.6) and the Atlanta Dream’s team of Alisha Gray and Cheyenne Parker (58.7).

Then the Aces won, with Gray finishing strong after Plum first went through the course.

“I didn’t look that skilled out there,” Plum said. “But, no, it’s really cool to be here in Vegas, to do it in front of our fans and family and friends.”

McIlroy can’t buy a putt, still posts 66 to lead Scottish Open

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

GULLANE, Scotland — Rory McIlroy felt he had no choice but to be pleased with a 4-under 66 that gave him a one-shot lead in the Scottish Open on Friday. He also couldn’t help but wonder how much lower his score could have been.

McIlroy missed nine putts from 10 feet or closer — eight of those birdie chances — and then holed a 5-foot par on the 18th to take a one-shot lead over Tyrrell Hatton, Tom Kim and Byeong Hun An at The Renaissance Club.

“I thought I hit the ball really well tee to green,” McIlroy said. “I gave myself tons of birdie putts out there. I didn’t make as many as I would like, but I can’t be anything but pleased. I’m excited to be in contention going into another weekend.”

McIlroy has never won in Scotland — he’s never so much as finished in the top 10 in his seven previous tries as a pro — and looks to be hitting his stride with the final major next week at the British Open at Royal Liverpool.

He was at 10-under 130. An, who had a career-low 61 in the opening round, could manage only a 70 in the afternoon when rain that had been little more than a nuisance brought out the umbrellas for good over the final two hours. He missed a 10-foot birdie putt on the final hole that would have tied McIlroy.

“Yesterday compared to this, it was a lot calmer, and today it’s a lot windier and then it rained and it’s hard to judge the distance,” An

said. “I hit some good shots out there but just not close enough to get a birdie putt. I’m only one back, so we’ll see in the next two days.”

Hatton had a 62, while Kim had a 65. It was at the Scottish Open a year ago that Kim was runner-up while playing on a sponsor exemption, a result that led to him getting unlimited exemptions and turning one of those into his first PGA Tour victory.

“Just something about this place,” Kim said. “Had a great week last year and was really looking forward to coming back. And it’s nice to be able to play well these first two rounds and hopefully just try to keep giving myself chances over the weekend.”

Scottie Scheffler, the No. 1 player in the world, had a 65 and got within three shots of the lead, along with 51-year-old Padraig Harrington (66).

McIlroy missed the cut the last time he was at The Renaissance Club in 2021. He did not play last year ahead of the British Open, and this time was coming off a two-

week break.

The British Open is at Royal Liverpool, where McIlroy won in 2014. He has gone nine years since last winning a major, and he lost another chance to end the drought at the U.S. Open last month when he finished one behind Wyndham Clark.

He sure didn’t look to have much rust, particularly with his irons and wedge. He fired a wedge at the flag on the opening hole to 6 feet for birdie, setting the tone for the day — at least with his approach shots.

“Honestly, I felt like 4 under was probably the worst I could have shot out there,” he said.

He faces a rough weekend with the weather. The forecast is for rain and wind on Saturday, which led the tours to move up the starting times from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. to avoid the heavy stuff in the afternoon. On Sunday, the forecast was for the strongest wind of the week.

Some players won’t have to deal with the weather

because they missed the cut, a group that included Patrick Cantlay, Jordan Spieth and Matt Fitzpatrick.

It also included Nicolas Colsaerts who had mixed feelings about his exciting day. Colsaerts finally made a hole in one on the European tour, a career dream. It came on the 14th hole, and while he followed that with a bogey, he responded with another eagle on the par-5 16th, and then a birdie on the 17 to get inside the cut line.

And then he missed a 30-inch putt on the 18th to miss the cut by one shot.

He still left with a smile.

“Listen, I mean, I’ve been chasing a hole in one in professional golf for 20-something years,” Colsaerts said. “Just hit a full wedge exactly on my right line. You can’t really see the ball go in, but the reaction from the grandstands, the arms in the air and the shouts, is something that I’ll remember for a long time.”



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Crowds cheer as India launches a lander and rover

By Aijaz Rahi and Ashok Sharma
Associated Press

SRIHARIKOTA, India — An Indian spacecraft blazed its way toward the far side of the moon Friday in a follow-up mission to its failed effort nearly four years ago to land a rover on the lunar surface, the country's space agency said.

Chandrayaan-3, the word for "moon craft" in Sanskrit, took off from a launchpad in Sriharikota in southern India with an orbiter, a lander and a rover, in a demonstration of India's emerging space technology. The spacecraft embarked on a journey that is expected to last slightly over a month before landing on the moon's surface later in August.

Applause and cheers swept through mission control at Satish Dhawan Space Center, where the Indian Space Research Organization's engineers and scientists celebrated as they monitored the launch of the spacecraft. Thousands of Indians cheered outside the mission control center and waved the national flag as they watched the spacecraft rise into the sky.

"Congratulations India. Chandrayaan-3 has started its journey towards the moon," ISRO Director Sreedhara Panicker Somanath said shortly after the launch.

A successful landing would make India the fourth country — after the United States, the former Soviet Union, and China — to achieve the feat.

The six-wheeled lander and rover module of Chandrayaan-3 is configured with payloads that would provide data to the scientific community on the properties of lunar soil and rocks, including chemical and elemental compositions, said Dr.

Jitendra Singh, junior minister for Science and Technology.

India's previous attempt to land a robotic spacecraft near the moon's little-explored south pole ended in failure in 2019. It entered the lunar orbit but lost touch with its lander that crashed while making its final descent to deploy a rover to search for signs of water. According to a failure analysis report submitted to the ISRO, the crash was caused by a software glitch.

The \$140-million mission in 2019 was intended to study permanently shadowed moon craters that are thought to contain water deposits and were confirmed by India's Chandrayaan-1 mission in 2008.

Somanath said the main objective of the mission this time was a safe and soft landing on the moon. He said the Indian space agency has perfected the art of reaching up to the moon, "but it is the landing that the agency is working on."

Numerous countries and private companies are in a race to successfully land a spacecraft on the lunar surface. In April, a Japanese company's spacecraft apparently crashed while attempting to land on the moon. An Israeli nonprofit tried to achieve a similar feat in 2019, but its spacecraft was destroyed on impact.

With nuclear-armed India emerging as the world's fifth-largest economy, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's nationalist government is eager to show off the country's prowess in security and technology.

"Chandrayaan-3 scripts a new chapter in India's space odyssey. It soars high, elevating the dreams and ambitions of every Indian," Modi said in a tweet after the launch.



A girl takes a selfie with the Indian spacecraft Chandrayaan-3, the word for "moon craft" in Sanskrit, inside a temple in Mumbai, India, Friday, July 14. The Indian spacecraft blazed its way to the far side of the moon Friday in a follow-up mission to its failed effort nearly four years ago to land a rover softly on the lunar surface, the country's space agency said. PHOTO BY RAJANISH KAKADE | AP PHOTO

India is using research from space and elsewhere to solve problems at home. Its space program has already helped develop satellite, communication and remote-sensing technologies and has been used to gauge underground water levels and predict weather in the country, which is prone to cycles of drought and flood.

"This is a very critical mission," said Pallava Bagla, a science writer and co-author of books on India's space exploration, adding that India will require soft landing technology if it wants to attempt more missions to the moon.

India is also looking forward to its first mission to the International Space Station next year, in collaboration with the United States as part of agreements between Modi and U.S. President Joe Biden at the White House last month.

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Indian spacecraft Chandrayaan-3, the word for "moon craft" in Sanskrit, blasts off from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota, India, Friday, July 14. The Indian spacecraft blazed its way to the far side of the moon Friday in a follow-up mission to its failed effort nearly four years ago to land a rover softly on the lunar surface, the country's space agency said. A successful landing would make India the fourth country, after the United States, the Soviet Union, and China, to achieve the feat. PHOTO BY AIJAZ RAHI | AP PHOTO

The story behind Barbenheimer, the movie showdown

By Lindsey Bahr
AP Film Writer

The very online showdown between Greta Gerwig's "Barbie" and Christopher Nolan's "Oppenheimer" all started with a date: July 21.

It's not uncommon for studios to counterprogram films in different genres on a big weekend, but the stark differences between an intense, serious-minded picture about the man who oversaw the development of the atomic bomb and a lighthearted, candy-colored anthropomorphizing of a childhood doll quickly became the stuff of viral fodder.

There's even some disagreement over whether it's "Barbieheimer" or "Barbenheimer" or "Boppenheimer" or yet another tortured portmanteau — a phenomenon on which the AP Stylebook has yet to offer guidance, but for the purposes of this article will be "Barbenheimer."

It didn't hurt that both Nolan and Gerwig have very passionate and very online fandoms eager to join in. Never mind that many of those fans overlap — the



This combination of images shows Margot Robbie in a scene from "Barbie," left, and Cillian Murphy in a scene from "Oppenheimer." PHOTO COURTESY OF WARNER BROS PICTURES/UNIVERSAL PICTURES VIA AP

memes, allegiances, and T-shirts were just too fun.

Both movies often trend on social media when the other releases a new asset — a trailer, a picture, an

interview. On one level, it's a marketing department's dream. Awareness couldn't be higher, the conversation couldn't be louder, and neither film even has official

reviews out yet. "Barbenheimer" is a marketing gift borne out of social media and I think it's benefiting both films," said Paul Dergarabedian,

the senior media analyst for analytics firm Comscore. "You're certainly aware of both movies in a more profound and compelling way than I think might have

otherwise happened had they been released on different weekends."

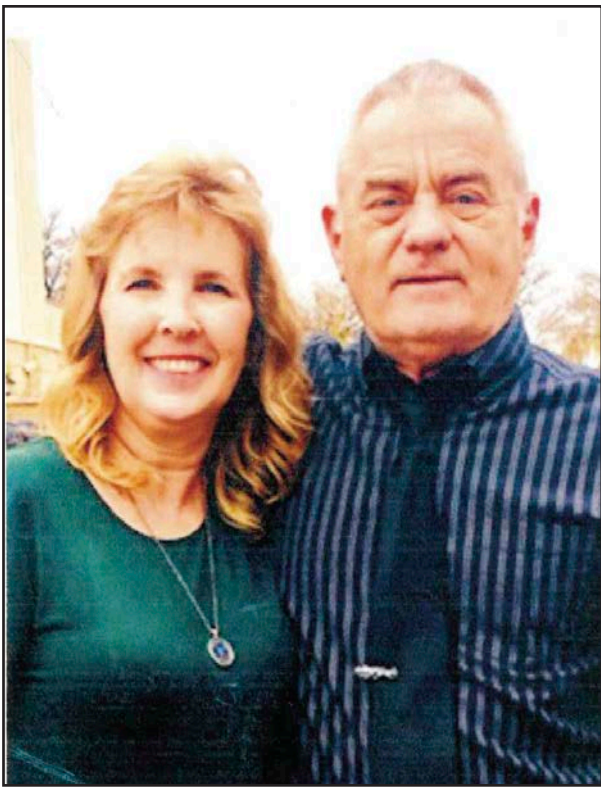
AMC Theaters reported that 20,000 of its AMC Stubs members had purchased tickets for a double feature. If you're counting, that's 294 minutes of moviewatching. Even Margot Robbie — Barbie herself — and Tom Cruise, the star of another summer blockbuster, have started plotting the ideal "Barbenheimer" day.

"It's a perfect double bill," said Robbie at her movie's London premiere Wednesday. "I think actually start your day with 'Barbie,' then go straight into 'Oppenheimer' and then a 'Barbie' chaser."

Cruise — whose "Mission: Impossible — Dead Reckoning Part One" opened a little over a week before the "Barbenheimer" showdown — said at his premiere he'd plan to see both on their opening day, likely starting with "Oppenheimer," which seems to be the internet's preferred viewing order as well.

"Barbie" actor Issa Rae thinks there's a reason for that.

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NULSEN ANNIVERSARY

Brian and Sherry Nulsen, of Smithton, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on July 15.

Sherry Scott and Brian Nulsen were married July 15, 1983, at the We've Only Just Begun Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mr. Nulsen worked at Gardner Denver in Sedalia for 43 years.

Mrs. Nulsen owned and operated Nulsen's

Daycare for 20 years, as well as working at Smithton R-VI School District as an instructional aide in the Special Education Department for 23 years. She retired in 2020.

The couple have four children Rodney Edwards, of Nixa, Brandon Nulsen, of southern Missouri, Brianna (Paul) McKee, of Sedalia, and Lt. Ryan (Beth) Nulsen, of Spring, Texas; and nine grandchildren.

BIRTHDAYS

Williams
James "Earl Williams will observe his 94th birthday July 15.

He was born July 15, 1929, in Fairfield.

Before retiring, he was an electronics inspector and served in the United State Air Force. His hobbies include hunting, fishing and nut trees.

Birthday cards may be sent to James at the Sylvia G. Thompson Residence Center, 3333 W. 10th St., Sedalia, Mo. 65301.

Hicks

Larry Hicks will observe his 76th birthday July 17.

He was born July 17, 1947, in Sedalia.

Before retiring, he worked for Coy's Moving and Storage Co. His hobbies include word search puzzles, watching the Kansas City Chiefs and Royals, playing bingo and visiting.

Birthday cards may be sent to Larry at the Sylvia G. Thompson Residence Center, 3333 W. 10th St., Sedalia, Mo. 65301.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Pettis County Recorder of Deeds Barbara Clevenger recently issued marriage licenses to:

Esmeralda Jacqueline Hernandez and Lornezon Martinez;

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Scott Randale Witcher and Kristi

Elizabeth Tittsworth; Jacob Curtis Sanchez and Mercy Chepkorir Kimeto;

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Allen Phillip Stoeckel II and Diana Michelle Stokes;

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CLUB NOTES

Business Women of Missouri to host conference

The Business Women of Missouri will host a Leadership Conference from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5 at the Hotel Bothwell.

Speakers include a welcome by Michelle Sparks, of Sedalia and

the BWM 2023-24 president, Deana Barklage, behavioral health support instructor at State Fair Community College, Sarah Nail, communications instructor at State Fair Community College, Col. Sandra Nestor, commander of the 509th Medical Group at Whiteman Air Force

Base, and Tami Benus, Business Women of Missouri individual growth committee chair.

Registration is \$65 per person and includes breakfast, lunch and four speaker presentations. Registration deadline is Friday, July 21. Everyone is welcome to attend. Mail registration

to Sharron Sutton, BWM state treasurer, 1501 Rex Ave. No. 70, Joplin, Mo. 64801. Or contact committee chair for electronic payment options and email registration.

For questions call Conference Committee Chairs, Dianne Simon at 660-287-7989 or Robin Balke at 660-221-5624

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 Christ and Trinity Lutheran and Calvary Episcopal Church.

Monday: Goulash, green beans, banana and milk.

Tuesday: Chicken tenders, macaroni and cheese, peas, cookie and milk.

Wednesday: Ham and

cheese on bun, coleslaw, peaches and milk.

Thursday: Chicken pot pie, beets, pudding and milk.

Friday: Country fried steak, corn, potatoes and gravy, pears and milk.

BRL2GO SCHEDULE

Boonslick Regional Library Monday

9 to 11:45 a.m.: Houstonia.

1:30 to 4 p.m.: La Monte City Park.

Wednesday

9 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 a.m.: Boonville Lake-

iew 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.: Stoney Ridge Village Residential Care.

POPULAR BOOKS

Fiction

"Flags on the Bayou," by James Lee Burke.

"An Evil Heart," by Linda Castillo.

"Hello Strange," by Katherine Center.

"The Door-to-Door Bookstore," by Carsten Henn.

"After Death," by Dean R. Koontz.

"Mrs. Plansky's Revenge," by Spencer Quinn.

"Somebody's Fool," by Richard Russo.

"Dead Fall," by Brad Thor.

"Ebony Gate," by Julia Vee and Ken Bebel.

"Crook Manifesto," by Colson Whitehead.

Nonfiction

"Narcas: The Secret

Rise of Women in Latin America's Cartels," by Deborah Bonello.

"The Last Ride of the Pony Express: My 2,000 Mile Horseback Journey into the Old West," by Will Grant.

"Brothers and Sisters: The Allman Brothers Band and the Inside Story of the Album that Defined the 70s," by

Alan Paul.

"First to the Front: The Untold Story of Dickey Chapelle, Trailblazing Female War Correspondent," by Lorissa Rinehart.

"Decades of Decadence: How Our Spoiled Elites Blew America's Inheritance of Liberty, Security and Prosperity," by Marco Rubio.

NEW BOOKS

Fiction

"Must Love Flowers," by Debbie Macomber (fiction).

"The 9th Man," by Steve Berry (suspense).

"The Happiness Plan," by Susan Mallery (fiction).

"The Sound of Sleighbells," by Janet Dailey (romance).

"Welcome to Beach Town," by Susan Wiggs (fiction).

"Obsessed," by James Patterson (suspense).

"The Last Sinner," by Lisa Jackson (suspense).

"The Beach at Summerly," by Beatriz Williams (historical fiction).

Nonfiction

"100 Things to do at the Lake of the Ozarks Before

You Die," by Valerie Battle Kienzle (nonfiction).

"The Art Thief," by Michael Finkel (nonfiction).

New Movies

"Scream VI"
"In Memory of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II"

Disney is asking a judge to toss a DeSantis lawsuit

By Mike Schneider Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Disney is asking a Florida judge on Friday to toss out a lawsuit against the company's efforts to neutralize a takeover of Disney World's governing district by Gov. Ron DeSantis and his appointees.

The hearing scheduled for an hour in state court in Orlando involves one of two cases between the Disney and DeSantis or his governing district appointees stemming from the takeover, which was retaliation for the company's public opposition to the so-called Don't Say Gay legislation championed by DeSantis and Republican state lawmakers.

Disney and DeSantis have been engaged in a yearlong feud that the governor has

touted during his run for the 2024 GOP presidential nomination, often accusing the entertainment giant as being too "woke." Disney has accused the governor of violating its free speech rights.

Disney is arguing before Circuit Judge Margaret Schreiber that any decision in state court would be moot since the Republican-controlled Legislature already has passed a law voiding the agreements. If the judge decides not to dismiss the state case, the entertainment giant is asking that the state court case be put on hold until a federal lawsuit in Tallahassee is resolved since they cover the same ground and that lawsuit was filed first.

In that case, Disney sued DeSantis and his appointees to the Central Florida Tourism Oversight District in an effort to stop the takeover, claiming the governor was violating the company's free speech and "weaponizing the power of government to punish private business."

The DeSantis appointees on the district's board are asking that their case not be dismissed, telling the circuit judge that it isn't moot and putting it on hold would be improper. DeSantis isn't a party in the state court lawsuit.

"Disney's motion is classic Imagineering, inviting the court to make believe that reality is whatever Disney dreams up," attorneys for the



A guest finds a shady spot as a respite from the heat in front of a colorful mural adjacent to the Connections Cafe at Epcot at Walt Disney World, in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., on Monday. Disney is asking a Florida judge on Friday to toss out a lawsuit against the company's efforts to neutralize a takeover of Disney World's governing district by Gov. Ron DeSantis and his appointees.

PHOTO BY JOE BURBANK/ORLANDO SENTINEL VIA AP

oversight district's board said in a court filing.

The fight between DeSantis and Disney began last year after the company, facing significant pressure internally and externally, publicly opposed a state law banning classroom lessons on sexual orientation and gender identity in early grades, a policy critics call "Don't Say Gay."

As punishment, DeSantis took over the district through legislation passed by Florida lawmakers and appointed a new board of supervisors to oversee municipal services for the sprawling theme parks and hotels. But before the new board came in, the company made agreements with previous oversight board members who were Disney supporters that stripped the new supervisors of their authority over design

and construction.

In response, DeSantis and Florida lawmakers passed the legislation that repealed those agreements.

Disney announced in May that it was scrapping plans to build a new campus in central Florida and relocate 2,000 employees from Southern California to work in digital technology, finance and product development. Disney had planned to build the campus about 20 miles (30 kilometers) from the giant Walt Disney World theme park resort.

In an interview this week on CNBC, Disney CEO Bob Iger said the company didn't want to be involved in any culture wars.

"Our goal is to continue to tell wonderful stories and have a positive, positive impact on the world," Iger said.

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Community Calendar JULY

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.

8:30 to 10:30 a.m.: Breakfast for everyone at Christ and Trinity Lutheran Church, 2101 W. 32nd St.

Noon and 7 p.m.: Alcoholics Anonymous 12x12 Non-smoking group, Sunday through Saturday; at 417 W. Pettis St., sedalia12x12aa@gmail.com.

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

6 p.m.: Pettis County Democratic Club at Boonslick Regional Library, 219 W. Third St.

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 meet 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 Community 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, are meeting in-person 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

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.

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 wipers,

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 International offers training in communication and leadership skills. Contact P.C.Thomas@charter.net; or call 660-826-9988.

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.: 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.: The Sedalia Photo Club meeting at a shelter in Liberty Park (weather permitting). To find which shelter, call Bev 660-473-0691 when arriving at Liberty Park. If too hot, or raining, it will be at the Sacred Heart Parish Center on West Third Street. Visitors are welcome. This month's photo theme is American Flag. Bring a 4-by-6-inch photo; one in color and one black and white of an American Flag to be voted on by those present.

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

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

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.

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 pot luck, 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.

7:30 p.m.: Fifth Street Improv performance at the Hayden Liberty Center, 111 W. Fifth St. Tickets are \$10, call 660-826-3228.

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 to 4 p.m.: The Pettis County Museum and Historical Society is free and open for guests, 228 Dundee.

7:30 p.m.: Fifth Street Improv performance at the Hayden Liberty Center, 111 W. Fifth St. Tickets are \$10, call 660-826-3228.

Movie stars join Hollywood picket lines

By Andrew Dalton
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — “Ted Lasso” star Jason Sudekis and other top movie and TV actors joined picket lines alongside screenwriters Friday on the first full day of a walkout that has become Hollywood’s biggest labor fight in decades.

Sudekis was among the picketers outside NBC in New York. “Lord of the Rings” star Sean Astin joined chanting protesters outside Netflix’s offices in Hollywood. Also present at Netflix were “Titanic” and “Unforgiven” actor Frances Fisher and “The Nanny” star Fran Drescher, who is president of the Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists.

The actors’ arrival energized the picket lines outside Netflix, where music blared and the sidewalks were packed with demonstrators.

Elsewhere, “Once Upon a Time” actor Gennifer Goodwin was among the

protesters outside Paramount Pictures.

The walkout is the first double-barreled strike by actors and screenwriters in more than six decades. The dispute immediately shut down production across the entertainment industry after talks for a new contract with studios and streaming services broke down.

The famous faces of Oscar and Emmy winners will likely be seen with some regularity on picket lines in New York and Los Angeles, adding star power to the demonstrations outside studios and corporate offices.

In recent weeks, many actors made a show of solidarity with writers, who walked out in May. Now 65,000 members of the actors’ union have formally joined them on strike.

The two guilds have similar issues with studios and streaming services. They are concerned about contracts keeping up with inflation and about residual payments, which compen-

sate creators and actors for use of their material beyond the original airing, such as in reruns or on streaming services. The unions also want to put up guardrails against the use of artificial intelligence mimicking their work on film and television.

Drescher delivered a fiery rebuke of studios and streaming services when announcing union leaders’ unanimous vote to strike Thursday.

“We are being victimized by a very greedy entity,” Drescher said Thursday. “I am shocked by the way the people that we have been in business with are treating us. I cannot believe it, quite frankly, how far apart we are on so many things. How they plead poverty, that they’re losing money left and right when giving hundreds of millions of dollars to their CEOs.”

No talks are planned, and no end is in sight for the work stoppage. It is the first time both guilds have walked off sets since 1960, when then-actor Ronald

Reagan was SAG’s leader.

The Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, which represents employers including Disney, Netflix, Amazon and others, has lamented the walkout, saying it will hurt thousands of workers in industries that support film and television production.

The actors’ strike will affect more than filming. Stars will no longer be

allowed to promote their work through red carpet premieres or personal appearances. They cannot campaign for Emmy awards or take part in auditions or rehearsals.

While international shoots technically can continue, the stoppage among U.S.-based writers and performers is likely to have a drag on those, too.

The writers’ strike

immediately shut down late-night talk shows and “Saturday Night Live,” as well as several scripted shows that have either had their writers’ rooms or production paused, including “Stranger Things” on Netflix, “Hacks” on Max and “Family Guy” on Fox. Many more are sure to follow them now that performers also have been pulled.

The Missouri Bank Donates \$641 To The Ringen Brushy 4-H Club, In Smithton!

Our program, “Denim for Donations” was designed to give back while having a little fun with casual attire. Every Friday, we wear denim for a small donation. Each month we choose a different non-profit organization to donate the funds.

Our June donation went to Pettis County's Ringen Brushy 4-H Club! 4-H is open to ages 8-18 and offer a variety of opportunities for every child. In the photo below are the club leaders Adam Gerke, and his mom, Cindy Gerke collecting the check from TMB's Angela Sumner!



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Movie

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"I think that there's a very specific order that if you see them in. If you see 'Oppenheimer' last then you might be a bit of a psychopath," she diagnosed at the London premiere.

The showdown has made armchair marketing experts out of everyone, quick to scrutinize every move by Warner Bros. and Universal — as though it's possible to compare two extraordinarily different campaigns.

One has infinite opportunities for very pink, sparkly photo opportunities, whimsical brand partnerships for seemingly everything from underwear to pool floats, large-scale fan events with autograph signings and pop stars like Billie Eilish posting about the soundtrack. In other words, the "Barbie" campaign can go nuclear.

"Oppenheimer" has the bomb, the alluring mystery and the big screen hook, but it's not the kind of movie that lends itself to, say, a frozen yogurt collaboration.

Is the competition real, though, or just a meme? Some in Hollywood wondered if Warner Bros. plopped "Barbie" on the weekend as a slight to Nolan, who had opened many films for the studio in that corridor including "Inception" and "Dunkirk." He left Warner Bros. amid its controversial decision to send a year's worth of movies to streaming and made "Oppenheimer" with Universal instead. But a pointed box office war doesn't exactly make sense for a studio that has talked recently about wanting to lure Nolan back.

There is an unspoken code of conduct: Never badmouth another studio's film, publicly at least. This is partly decorum, especially when it comes to "box office showdowns" which all will say are a creation of the press and sideline spectators. But it's also rooted in some truth: The conventional thinking is that having eyes on one movie is good for other movies — you see their posters and trailers and on some level everyone benefits.

And social media has allowed movie stars to get in on the game, too. Following reports that Cruise was irked the latest "Mission: Impossible" was going to lose its IMAX screens to "Oppenheimer" after only a week, Cruise posted photos of himself and director Christopher McQuarrie standing in front of posters for "Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny," "Barbie" and "Oppenheimer," holding tickets for each.

"This summer is full of amazing movies to see in theaters. These are just a few that we can't wait to see on the big screen," Cruise's Instagram caption read.

The official accounts for "Indiana Jones," "Barbie" and "Oppenheimer" responded

with supportive notes. Gerwig and Robbie even followed with a similar photo series a few days later, which the official "Oppenheimer" Instagram account reposted in its stories. Charged with playing Oppenheimer, Cillian Murphy told the AP at his movie's London premiere that "of course" he'd be seeing "Barbie." The sporting cross-promotion between four studios — Universal, Warner Bros., Disney and Paramount — is something the film business has not quite seen before.

"Not only is Tom Cruise the biggest box office star in the world, but he's also an incredible ambassador for the movie theater, for the movie theater experience and boosting other movies," Dergarabedian said. "And that collegial atmosphere within the framework of what is seen as the very competitive box office derby is kind of a nice thing."

Still, everyone likes a No. 1 debut, and both "Barbie" and "Oppenheimer" reportedly carry \$100 million production price tags (not including the millions spent on marketing). As far as box office tracking goes, "Barbie" has it in the bag with forecasts showing that it could open above \$90 million in North America. "Oppenheimer" meanwhile is tracking in the \$40 million range. Then there's the wild card of "Mission: Impossible 7's" second weekend, which could snag second place.

Still even with a second- or third-place start, "Oppenheimer" could be destined for a long, steady, profitable run into awards season. Adult audiences for R-rated movies are not often the ones who pack theaters the first weekend.

Back in 2008, in the midst of the recession, Warner Bros. and Universal faced off on the same July weekend with another Nolan film that went up against a lighthearted confection: "The Dark Knight" and "Mamma Mia!" — both of which went on to be enormously profitable (though Nolan did win the first weekend).

The bigger worry is that what's been heralded as Hollywood's post-pandemic comeback summer has had more ups and downs than anyone might have hoped. That's putting quite a bit of pressure on "Barbenheimer" to overperform and boost the lagging summer box office, which pales in comparison to the bigger issues facing the industry as actors join the writers on strike.

But with just over a week to go, it's still a source of amusement. Even "Barbie" co-star Will Ferrell threw the gauntlet in his winking way at the London premiere.

"I think the world maybe wants to see 'Barbie' a little bit more right now," Ferrell said. "Just saying!"

— AP journalist Sian Watson contributed from London.



Members of India's Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) perform Hindu rituals for the success of Indian spacecraft Chandrayaan-3, the word for "moon craft" in Sanskrit, inside a temple in Mumbai, India, Friday, July 14.

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Launch

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This one-off visit by an Indian astronaut to the International Space Station will not hamper India's own program, which aims to launch an Indian astronaut from Indian soil

on an Indian rocket in late 2024, Bagla said.

As part of its own space program, active since the 1960s, India has launched satellites for itself and other countries, and successfully put one in orbit around Mars in 2014.

Singh said that based on the current trajectory of growth, India's space sector could be a trillion-dol-

lar economy in the coming years.

As of April, India has launched 424 satellites for 34 countries, including Israel, the United Arab Emirates, Kazakhstan, the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany. The ISRO has earned approximately 1.1 billion rupees (\$13.4 million) in the past five years from the launch of foreign satellites, the minister told India's Parliament in December.

SFCC Spring 2023 Academic Honors

State Fair Community College has named the following students to the president's, dean's and trustees' lists for the spring 2023 semester.

To qualify for the president's list, students must earn a semester grade point average of 4.0 in 12 or more credit hours. For the dean's list, students must earn a semester GPA of 3.5-3.99 in 12 or more credit hours. The trustees' list requires students to earn a semester GPA of 3.6-4.0 in six or more credit hours.

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Wildlife officials search for a wayward sea otter

By Olga R. Rodriguez
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Wildlife officials were trying to capture a wayward sea otter Thursday that has been wresting surfboards away from surfers and aggressively approaching kayakers off the coast of Santa Cruz, California.

The 5-year-old female otter has shown aggression toward people for several weeks and poses a public safety risk, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said in a statement.

Video and photographs shared on social media show the marine mammal getting on top of different surfboards — on at least one occasion biting and tearing chunks off a board — and aggressively approaching surfers.

A team of wildlife experts with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the nearby Monterey Bay Aquarium were working to capture and put the animal in a new home, the service said.

“While there have been no confirmed reports of injury, due to the highly unusual behavior of this otter, kayakers, surfers, and others recreating in the area should not approach the otter or encourage the otter’s interactions,” U.S. Fish

and Wildlife Service said. Federal wildlife officials said the otter’s behavior is highly unusual and the exact cause for such behavior is unknown.

“Aggressive behavior in female southern sea otters may be associated with hormonal surges or due to being fed by humans,” federal officials said.

The animal, which wildlife officials named sea otter 841, was born in captivity and released into the wild in June 2020. She is tagged with her number and has a radio transmitter that officials are monitoring to find and capture her, wildlife officials said.

They said it is not the first time the otter has shown aggressiveness toward humans. The sea otter was observed approaching people in late 2021. Last May, she was spotted with a pup in the Santa Cruz area and four months later exhibited similar aggressive behavior.

In September, a team of California wildlife officials and Monterey Bay Aquarium staff hazed sea otter 841 by yelling loudly at her and using a paddle to beat the water in an effort to create a negative association with people, said Kevin Connor, a spokesperson with the Monterey Bay Aquarium. “Ultimately, that effort was not

successful and as we can see, the interactions with people continued and escalated and now we’ve got an otter 841 that is very bold,” Connor said.

“We need the animal to listen to its natural survival instinct and have a healthy fear of people so it won’t approach them,” he added.

Connor said that once captured, the otter will be evaluated by aquarium vets and be given a new home in a zoo or an aquarium where she can be “an ambassador for her species.”

If she harms a person, wildlife officials would have to consider euthanizing the animal, he said.

Southern sea otters, whose population dwindled to about 50 in 1938, are managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. They are listed as federally threatened under the Endangered Species Act and are protected under the Marine Mammal Act and California state law.

Now with a population of about 3,000, sea otters play a fundamental role in maintaining healthy coastal ecosystems by preying on sea urchins that can multiply and chomp their way through the kelp forests they share, Connor said.

Presley’s weight-loss surgery contributed to her death

By Jonel Aleccia AP Health Writer

Lisa Marie Presley died after developing a small bowel obstruction, a severe complication of bariatric surgery years ago, according to an autopsy report released Thursday.

Experts say these types of complications are a known but rare risk after having weight-loss surgery. Here’s what to know:

WHAT HAPPENED TO LISA MARIE PRESLEY?

The 54-year-old singer-songwriter and daughter of Elvis Presley was rushed to a Los Angeles-area hospital on Jan. 12 after being found unresponsive at home and died hours later.

The cause of death was from complications of a small bowel obstruction tied to previous bariatric surgery, the autopsy showed. Portions of Presley’s bowel became trapped, or “strangulated,” from scar tissue that formed following surgery, and she also had developed a severe buildup of acids in her blood.

WHAT IS BARIATRIC SURGERY? HOW COMMON IS IT?

Bariatric surgeries are operations performed on the stomach or intestines to spur weight loss. They’re usually done in cases of moderate or severe obesity when

other methods haven’t worked. There are several types of bariatric procedures, including those in which a portion of the stomach is removed or rerouted or when a band is placed around a part of the stomach to make it smaller.

It’s not clear from the autopsy report which type of surgery Presley had, though experts said it was not a sleeve gastrectomy, which is the most common procedure.

About 263,000 bariatric surgeries were done in 2021, according to Dr. Marina Kurian, the president of the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. Only about 1% of people who qualify for the surgery receive it.

HOW RISKY ARE THESE OPERATIONS?

In general, bariatric surgery is “very safe,” Kurian said. The risk of major complications is about 4% overall and the risk of death is about 0.1%, according to ASMBS.

WHAT COMPLICATIONS CAN HAPPEN?

Scar tissue, known as adhesions, can form after surgery or other trauma to the abdomen. That can lead to kinks and blockages in the intestine, said Dr. Thomas Inge, chief surgeon and a bariatric surgery expert at Lurie Children’s Hospital in Chicago.

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Big Clean Out! 3400 S Kentucky Fri-Sat July 14-15 7:00am-? Low prices!
Furniture, vintage collectibles, TONS of Christmas and Fall things 50 cents each, Christmas crafts, large braided rug, towels, bedding, blankets, decor, lamps, dishes, professional painting tools, carpentry, many assorted tools, ladders, non-working chest freezer, lockers, clothes, adult walkers, household items

Downsizing Garage Sale 2602 James Ln Sat Only 7-?
Lots of tools, outdoor furniture, household items, some clothes, some antiques, Honda self propelled push mower used very little, bag chairs, older chest deep freeze.

Garage Sale 1205 S Prospect Sat & Sun 8-3
Lemonade stand, toys, home decor, books, clothes, shoes, office supplies, lot of miscellaneous.

Garage Sale 1501 S Barrett Sat Only- July 15th 8:00-?
Home decor, furniture, clothing, Lots of miscellaneous

Garage Sale 4525 Water Works Road Friday 7-?? Saturday 7-??
Baby girl clothes size 12 months-2t, Boys size 5-6, shoes of various sizes adult and kids, Womens and mens clothing, misc. Bunk bed, stove.

Huge Multi Family Garage Sale 5349 McVey Rd Saturday 15th 8-6
No checks taken- many free items Others priced under \$2, many books for a dime, camping equipment, shoes, clothing, lawn edging stones, mower wheels, games, puzzles, bibles, bicycles, wagon, purses, jewelry, and much more!

Little ad. Big results.

Public Auction Roy & Gloria Rhodes
20520 Butterbaugh Road, Sedalia Mo. 65301
we will sell the following at public Auction on:
Wednesday July 19th • 10:00am 2023

Directions: From 65 & 50 hwy intersection in Sedalia go North on 65 hwy 3.3 miles to HH hwy (North 65 Cafe) Turn Right (East) on HH hwy go 4.5 miles to Olive Branch Rd. turn Left (North) on Olive Branch go 1.5 mile to Butterbaugh Rd. on left to Auction on Right watch for signs on sale day.

Household & Misc.: GE Stainless Steel cross bottom refrigerator w/ice & water in door, Tall wooden cabinet, king size bed w/lg oak bookcase headboard & attachable side units, drop leaf round table, tile top dinette set w/6 chairs & stow away leaf, Queen size adjustable lift bed, small wooden chest, dual reclining faux leather sofa, 2 - upholstered recliners, lift chair, glider rocker, lot seasonal crystals, Lot misc. plates & antique glass (Homer Laughlin, pink depression, leaded crystal etc.), Quilts, lot costume jewelry & watches, 1962 - 65 Smith Cotton Archives, lot small kitchen appliances, Polli storage cabinet, GE microwave, GE window air conditioner, Budweiser Christmas mugs, quilt cutting table, Lot holiday décor, lot western paperback books, Pro-Form treadmill, lot VCR & DVDs, RCA turn table, Sanyo boom box,

Woodworking tools & misc.: Grizzly 13" planer model G0689 (lot extra blades), dust collector, JET 10" table saw, Waterloo top & bottom roll around toolbox, Bosch router table, band saw, Craftsman benchtop drill press, Hitachi, Bosch routers, Porter Cable 20v Max drill, Skil scroll saw, Clarke benchtop disk/belt sander, Dremel tool in case, Bosch worm drive circular saw, Cen-Tech laser level, Kobalt 40v battery charger, Hitachi circular saw, DeWalt drill & bit set, Kreg-Jig & accessories (Complete set), mini Kreg jig, Drill Master planer, Biscuit joiner, DeWalt DWE6000 laminate trimmer, Irwin tap & die set, 40v Kobalt limb saw, Rockwell X2 tabletop saw, lg lot hand tools, Hitachi 14.4v tool set, lot misc. router bit sets, Core gas string trimmer, lot misc. lumber & boards, 30" barrel fan, Werner adjustable alum. Ladder, 20' fiberglass extension ladder, fiberglass step ladder, lot bar clamps, Mibro Dado set, Charcoal BBQ grill, lot organizers w/hardware, shop-vacs, miter saw stand, battery charger, Portable upright air compressor, lot extension cords, air-hose & reel,

Many More Items Too Numerous to Mention
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YARD SALE 308 S MAIN LAMONTE THUR, FRI, SAT 8AM-9PM
Clothes, trailer, Lots of Miscellaneous.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Whereas, the City Planning & Zoning Commission and the City of Sedalia, Missouri have received application from De-Long's Incorporated, owner for the properties located at: 1609 E Harvey - BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE EAST LINE OF HARDING AVENUE AND THE NORTH LINE OF HARVEY STREET IN THE CITY OF SEDALIA, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI; THENCE NORTH 89 20'40" EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID HARVEY STREET, 748.68 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 42 IN EAST SIDE SUBDIVISION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEDALIA, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI; THENCE NORTH 00 24'04" EAST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT, 345.54 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 20'40" WEST, 330.66 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 24'04" WEST, 150.51 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 41'40" WEST, 416.31 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID HARDING AVENUE 197.61 FEET NORTH OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 00 53'07" WEST, ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 197.61 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. BEING A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, IN TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH OF RANGE 21 WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN THE CITY OF SEDALIA, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI. (Includes parcel located outside City Limits)

1701 E Harvey - LOT FORTY-ONE (41) OF EAST SIDE SUBDIVISION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEDALIA, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI. (Includes parcel located outside City Limits)

Requesting a Rezoning from R-1, Single Family Residential to M-2, Heavy Industrial and that said application is acted upon as provided in Ordinance No. 6741. Therefore, in compliance with Chapter 89 of the revised Statutes of Missouri, 1969, as amended, other applicable statutes and Zoning

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI, Plaintiff,

v. CHARLES ("CHARLIE") MIDKIFF, et al., Defendants.

Case No. 23PT-CC0087 **NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

The State of Missouri to Unknown Defendants including unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assigns, donees, alienees, legatees, administrators, executors, guardians, mortgagees, trustees, and legal representatives and all other persons, corporations, successors claiming by, through or under any one or more of the afore named Defendants, and any other unknown persons and entities, claiming any right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the real property described in the Plaintiff's Verified Petition to Quiet Title, adverse to Plaintiff's ownership, or any cloud on Plaintiff's title thereof:

You are hereby notified that an

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Ordinance No. 6741. The City Planning & Zoning Commission will meet in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 200 South Osage Avenue, Sedalia, Missouri at 5:30 pm on August 2, 2023 for the purpose of a public hearing in relation to said application at which time, site and place, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard. Dated at Sedalia, Missouri the 13th day of July 2023. Handicapped citizens needing accommodation in order to attend this meeting should contact the office of the City Clerk (660) 827-3000 no later than 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION Of the City of Sedalia, Missouri Tolbert Rowe, Chairman Andrew Dawson, Mayor 1x July 15, 2023

action has been commenced in the Circuit Court for the County of Pettis, Missouri, at Sedalia, the object and nature of which is to Quiet Title to your interest, whatsoever, and release any interest you may have in the certain Pettis County real property having the legal description of:

LOT NUMBER SIX (6) AND FIVE (5) FEET IN WIDTH OFF THE EAST SIDE OF LOT NUMBER FIVE (5) OF BLOCK NUMBER EIGHTEEN (18) OF SARAH E. SMITH AND MARTHA E. MARTIN'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEDALIA, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI.

In addition to the parties listed above, the names of all other parties to said action, are: the City of Sedalia, Missouri, Plaintiff; Charles ("Charlie") Midkiff, Defendant; Alma Midkiff, Defendant; Sean P. Pilliard, Defendant; and Jagpal Gosal, Defendant. The name and address of the attorney for Plaintiff is Madison E. Touch-

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ESTATE AUCTION Dixie Northington
29 South County Line Road, Windsor Mo. 65360
Saturday Northington we will sell the following at public Auction on:
Saturday July 22nd • 9:00am 2023

Directions: From 52 hwy & S County Line Rd. intersection in Windsor take S County Line Rd. ½ mile to Auction on Left watch & follow signs on sale day.

Household & Misc.: Jenn-Air Cross top refrigerator, GE washer & dryer, round oak table w/two leaves & 6 chairs, Antique oak buffet w/bevel glass mirror, oak four drawer sideboard w/storage, Lg bow front china cabinet (lit w/glass shelves), curio w/glass shelves, Roll top secretary, leather wing back recliner, oak TV stand w/storage, leather recliner, Pr. upholstered wing back chairs, lot misc. occ tables, full size brass bed, 5pc. full size bedroom set, iron & wood headboard, matching Early American round kitchen table, china cabinet & tea cart, antique kitchen cabinet, Mirrored dresser, small chest of drawers, nightstands, two entry tables, art glass lamp, Glider rocker, 2 - coffee & end table sets, two cushion overstuffed sofa, oak two drawer file cabinet, Antique office chair, pie safe, lg lot fabric & sewing notions, professional beauctician hooded hairdryer, Lot misc. floor & table lamps, lot misc. pictures mirrors & wall art, VCR/DVD player, lot ruby red Avon Cape Cod, lot chicken figurines, lg set china w/country winter scene, Lg lot misc. glass & figurines, pink depression, crystal, milk glass, all types, lot copper pans, lg lot doll collection many china & ceramic, old doll baby stroller, 2 - oriental dolls in glass cases, steamer trunk, Lot books & magazines,

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Auctioneer Note: This is just a small list of a large Auction. Many more treasures to be discovered. Concessions provided by the "Benton County Good Ole Gals"

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stone, 4031 NE Lakewood Way, Lee's Summit, Missouri 64064. You are further notified that, unless you file an Answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid Petition to Quiet Title within forty-five (45) days of the date of first publication, on or about July 8, 2023, or such longer time as the Court may fix by Order, Judgment by Default shall be rendered against you. Witness my hand and seal of the Circuit Court on this 5th day of July, 2023.

Susan Sadler,
Circuit Clerk
By: Cindi Ross,
Deputy Circuit Clerk
4x-7/8, 15, 22, 29, 2023

IN THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
Judge or Division: PROBATE
BETTY JEAN GUTH,
Deceased

Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted (Independent Administration)
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of BETTY JEAN GUTH, Decedent:

On 7-6-2023, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of BETTY JEAN GUTH, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of PETTIS COUNTY, Missouri. The personal representative may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the court. The name and business address of the personal representative is:

LEORA MAE BREMER, 30640 PLEASANT HILL RD, SEDALIA, MO 65301

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is: R SCOTT GARDNER, 416 SOUTH OHIO, SEDALIA, MO 65301-4410, 660-827-0204

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-

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month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after the decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo. Date of decedent's death: 24-JUN-2023 Date of first publication: 08-JUL-2023

Susan Sadler,
Circuit Clerk
By: /s/Darla Ebeling,
Deputy Clerk
4x-7/8, 15, 22, 29, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
Cheldyn Rae Harvey,
Petitioner,
vs.
Kaleb Wayne Harvey,
Respondent.

Case Number 21PT-DR00162
Notice of Publication
The State of Missouri to Kaleb Wayne Harvey:

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you. The object and general nature of this action is a modification of the custody judgment entered with respect to your children R.K.H. and T.W.H. This action may affect your your rights and obligations concerning these children. This action is filed in the Circuit Court of Pettis County, Missouri. The parties to this action are Cheldyn Rae Dieckman and yourself. The Petitioner, Cheldyn Rae Dieckman, is represented by Daniel Baker, Baker Legal Services LLC, 412 South Ohio Avenue, Suite D, Sedalia, Missouri 65301. Judgment by default will be entered against you unless you file an answer or other pleading or otherwise appear and defend within forty-five days after the date of the first publication, or such longer time as the court may fix by order. The date of the first publication is: July 1, 2023.

It is ordered that a copy of the above notice be published in the Sedalia Democrat, a newspaper of general circulation in Pettis County, Missouri. Dated: June 28, 2023

Susan Sadler,
Pettis County Circuit Clerk
By: /s/Cindi Ross,
Deputy Clerk
4x-7/1, 8, 15, 22, 2023

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Whereas, the City Planning & Zoning Commission and the City of Sedalia, Missouri have received application from Arlyn Swartzentruber, Countryview Properties LLC owner of the properties located at: 2101 S MARVIN - BEGINNING AT A POINT ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE (165) FEET SOUTH AND THIRTY (30) FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION TEN (10), IN TOWNSHIP FORTY FIVE (45) NORTH, OF RANGE TWENTY ONE (21) WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, THENCE EAST TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION TEN (10), THENCE SOUTH FOUR HUNDRED NINETY FIVE (495) FEET, THENCE WEST SIX HUNDRED THIRTY (630) FEET, THENCE NORTH TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. 2201 S MARVIN - BEGINNING IN THE CENTER OF THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION NUMBER TEN (10) IN TOWNSHIP NUMBER FORTY FIVE (45) NORTH OF RANGE NUMBER TWENTY ONE (21) WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, THENCE RUNNING NORTH ABOUT SEVEN AND ONE-THIRD (7 1/3) RODS, TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF ONE (1) SQUARE ACRE LYING IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION NUMBER TEN (10), RUNNING THENCE WEST TO A POINT WHICH WOULD BE THE CENTER OF MONTGOMERY STREET IN THE CITY OF SEDALIA, IF EXTENDED SOUTH IN THE DIRECTION IT NOW RUNS THROUGH JACKSON AND MONTGOMERY'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEDALIA, THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE CENTER OF SAID MONTGOMERY STREET TO THE CENTER LINE RUNNING EAST AND WEST THROUGH SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION NUMBER TEN (10) THENCE WEST TO THE

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PLACE OF BEGINNING. ALSO, ONE (1) ACRE IN A SQUARE IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION NUMBER TEN (10) IN TOWNSHIP NUMBER FORTY FIVE (45) NORTH OF RANGE NUMBER TWENTY ONE (21) WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN THE COUNTY OF PETTIS AND STATE OF MISSOURI. 2211 S MARVIN - BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, IN TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, OF RANGE 21 WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SEDALIA, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, 155.00 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 88 07' WEST 658.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SUBJECT TO STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD. Requesting a Rezoning from R-1, Single Family Residential to C-1, Local Business and that said application is acted upon as provided in Ordinance No. 6741. Therefore, in compliance with Chapter 89 of the revised Statutes of Missouri, 1969, as amended, other applicable statutes and Zoning Ordinance No. 6741. The City Planning & Zoning Commission will meet in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 200 South Osage Avenue, Sedalia, Missouri at 5:30 pm on August 2, 2023 for the purpose of a public hearing in relation to said


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OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 88 07' EAST ALONG SAID LINE 330.11 FEET TO A POINT 590 FEET WEST OF THE CENTERLINE OF ENGINEER AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH 0 14'20" WEST PARALLEL WITH SAID ENGINEER AVENUE, 509.17 FEET TO A POINT 155 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 88 07' WEST 658.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SUBJECT TO STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD. Requesting a Rezoning from R-1, Single Family Residential to C-1, Local Business and that said application is acted upon as provided in Ordinance No. 6741. Therefore, in compliance with Chapter 89 of the revised Statutes of Missouri, 1969, as amended, other applicable statutes and Zoning Ordinance No. 6741. The City Planning & Zoning Commission will meet in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 200 South Osage Avenue, Sedalia, Missouri at 5:30 pm on August 2, 2023 for the purpose of a public hearing in relation to said


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application at which time, site and place, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard. Dated at Sedalia, Missouri the 13th day of July 2023. Handicapped citizens needing accommodation in order to attend this meeting should contact the office of the City Clerk (660) 827-3000 no later than 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting. THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION Of the City of Sedalia, Missouri Tolbert Rowe, Chairman Andrew Dawson, Mayor 1x July 15, 2023

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We will sell the following described truck, equipment, antiques, furniture & other items at public auction located: From the Junction of Highways D & 52 (west of Versailles) take D Hwy north 7.1 miles to Angus Lane. Turn left (west) on Angus Lane and continue 1/2 mile to the sale site. Watch for the orange sale signs:

SATURDAY JULY 22ND, 2023 10AM

<p>PICKUP & EQUIPMENT</p>   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - 2004 Ford F-350 extended cab SRD, 7.3 automatic diesel, spike bale bed with My-D Han-D feeder, 500K miles (truck needs work) 1 - Bush Hog 3pt post hole digger with hydraulic down pressure (2 augers) 1 - Melay cement cattle waterer 1 - 10' chain harrow 1 - B&W turnover gooseneck hitch 1 - Tilting utility trailer (needs work) 2 - Cattle creep feeders (Rissler) 1 - My-D Han-D pickup feeder <p>FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 - Antique oak curio cabinets with glass doors (one with curved glass) 1 - Walnut dresser with marble top & hankie drawers (wood pulls) 1 - Marble top parker table 1 - Marble top writing desk 1 - Antique ornate parlor table 1 - Antique oak washstand 1 - Wooden rocker with leather bottom 1 - Child's rocker 1 - Nine drawer chest 1 - Lot assorted oak kitchen chairs 1 - Vanity antique dresser 1 - Secretary desk 1 - Oak gossip bench 1 - Drop front secretary 1 - Oak wardrobe 2 - Antique wooden highchairs 1 - Old wooden gun cabinet 1 - Antique China hutch 1 - Lot bed frames & headboards 2 - Oak medicine cabinets 1 - Buffet 1 - Kitchen hutch 1 - Large lot various dining tables with chairs 5 - Chest of Drawers 1 - Lane "Waterfall" cedar hope chest 1 - Landau cedar hope chest 1 - Small antique cedar chest 2 - Drop leaf tables 1 - Oak wall clock 1 - Large lot misc. end tables 1 - Lot misc. bookshelves 1 - Lot misc. antique chairs & rockers 1 - Shop fridge 1 - Older washer and gas dryer 1 - Tappan stove/range 	<p>ATV'S</p>   <p>3 - Yamaha Kodiak 450 4x4 ATV's</p> <p>GUNS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - JC Higgins 16ga, mod, plain barrel 2.75" bolt action shotgun 1 - Stevens model 66 .22 S-LR bolt action rifle 1 - Western Field model 30 (Browning patent) 12ga pump shotgun 1 - Remington Target Master model 510 bolt action .22 S-LR rifle 1 - Western Field model M830 bolt action .22 with mag 1 - ProMax hard gun case <p>TOOLS & MATERIALS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Lincoln SP100 Mig welder & cart 1 - Oxy-Set torch set on cart 1 - Small lot ladder jack 1 - Older radial arm saw 1 - Metal 4'x4' welding table 1 - Heavy duty shop vise 1 - Small lot misc. hand tools 1 - Lot woodworking tools 1 - Large lot 8" pipe (some corrugated, some smooth) 1 - Lot scrap iron 1 - French patio door 1 - Metal chop saw 1 - Lot (20 boxes) 2'x2' ceramic tile (new) <p>ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Han-D-Made double wash tub 1 - Very large lot quilting blocks 1 - Large lot misc antique glassware & dishes 1 - Cut glass bowl 1 - Lot Noritake dishes 1 - Lot Cobalt blue glass 1 - Cranbury caster set 1 - Cranbury pitcher 1 - Antique G.I. Joe toy 1 - Lot misc. older toys 1 - Antique metal Coca-Cola cooler 1 - Lot misc. stoneware <p>HOUSEHOLD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 - Sewing machines (in cabinets) 1 - Large lot misc. lamps 1 - Large lot wall hangings & home décor 1 - Old swing set 1 - Lot glass beer pitchers 1 - Lot pots & pans 1 - Portable pet kennel 1 - Lot decorative wood ducks
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by City of Pilot Grove, at City Hall, 213 College Street, Pilot Grove, MO 65276, until 2:00PM local time on August 9, 2023, at which time the Bids received will be "publicly" opened and read. Any bids received after such date and time shall be returned unopened.

The project includes the following work:

Contract 1: Video Inspection and Cleaning of Sewer Main, Lining or Replacement of Failed Sanitary Sewer, Lining or Replacement of Failed Manholes

Contract 2: Consolidate the east and west treatment plants at the east treatment plant site. The east treatment plant will be upgraded with a new design flow of 98,000 gpd utilizing two parallel the Moving Bed Bio-reactor technology with a UV unit. A pump station will be utilized to pump west flow to the east plant.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bonds, and other contract documents may be examined at the issuing office. The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is MECO Engineering Co., Inc., 2701 Industrial Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109. Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office during normal business hours which is normally 8 am - 4 pm, Monday thru Friday, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described.

Bidding Documents also may be examined at Builder's Association, 3632 West Truman Blvd., Jefferson City, MO 65109; online at ePlan at eplanbidding.com; and the office of the Engineer, MECO Engineering Company, Inc., 2701 Industrial Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday thru Friday.

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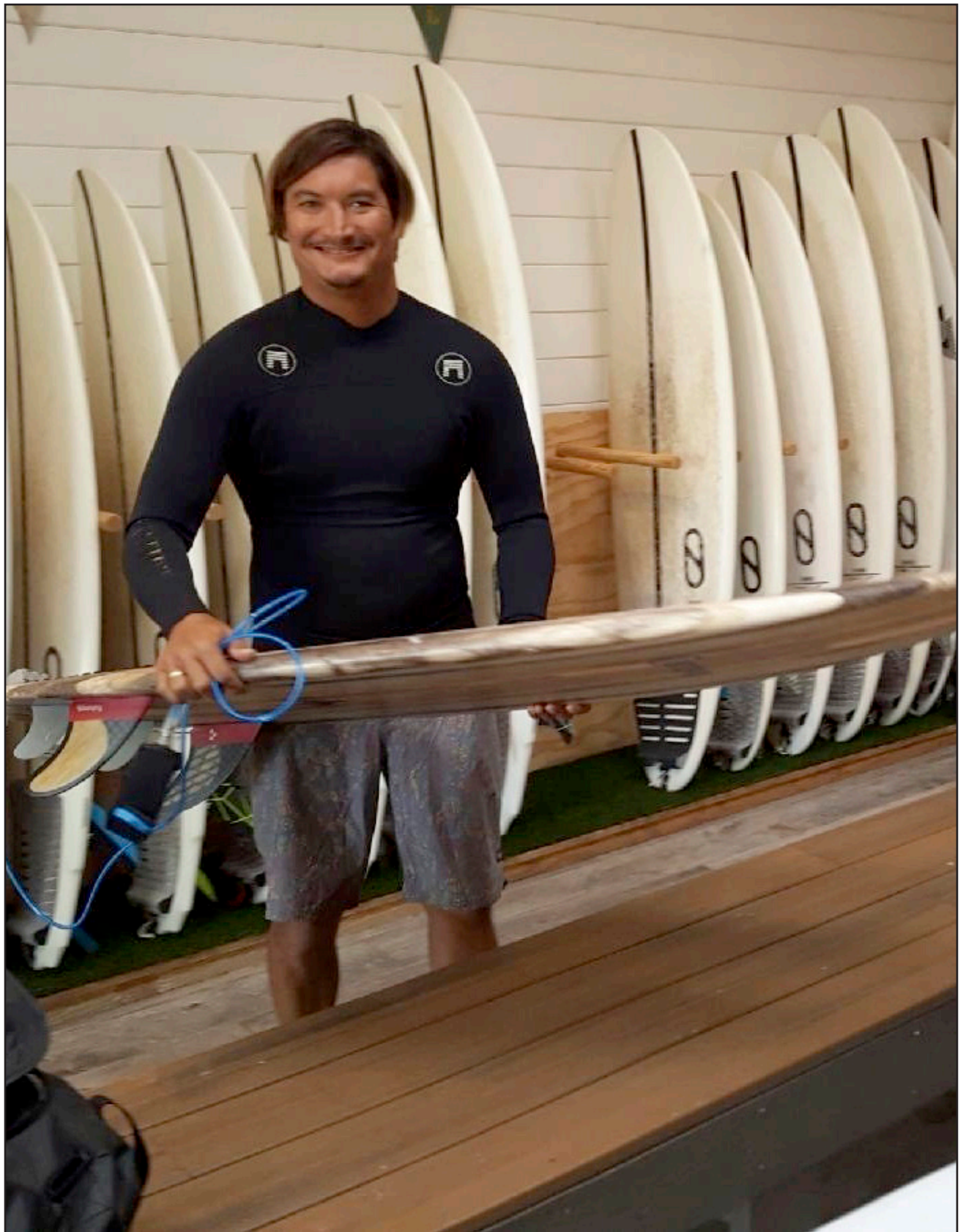
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This May 19, 2019 photo provided by Dr. John Jones shows Mikala Jones at Surf Ranch in Lemoore, Calif., holding a surfboard his brother Daniel Jones made using material from the agave plant. Mikala Jones, a Hawaii surfer known for shooting awe-inspiring photos and videos from the inside of barreling waves, has died at the age of 44 after a surfing accident in Indonesia. PHOTO BY DR. JOHN JONES | AP PHOTO

Mikala Jones, renowned for filming inside massive waves, dies in surfing accident

HONOLULU — A surf photography pioneer who was among the first to shoot his own images as he rode inside massive, barreling waves has died after a surfing accident in Indonesia. Mikala Jones was 44.

Jones had gone out into the ocean Sunday morning during a trip to the Mentawai Islands off the western coast of Sumatra when his surfboard fin cut his femoral artery, said his father, dentist Dr. John Jones. The femoral artery is a large blood vessel in the thigh that delivers blood to lower limbs.

"He was a humble artist. His pictures were incredible," his father said in a phone interview from his Honolulu office on Monday.

Jones' Instagram account shows stunning photos and video of waves curling around him from above while he crouches on his board. In some shots, a sunset or sunrise is visible through the curved wave opening in front of him.

Surf photographer Woody Woodworth, who said Jones took the best overall surf photo he had ever seen, said cuts from surfboard fins are common. Some surfers like to keep their fins sharp because they believe doing so will help them ride waves more precisely — but a fin can be like an ax or a cleaver when combined with a wave's power, he said.

"All the fins that I see are certainly sharp enough with the force of a wave, and pointy enough with the force of the wave, that slicing into somebody's leg would be very easy," Woodworth said.

The elder Jones took photos for surfing magazines starting in the 1970s, but mostly shot from the beach or snapped pictures of other people in the water. Not his son.

"He was interested in taking pictures while he's surfing of himself and the wave," John Jones said.

Born in Kailua, Hawaii, Mikala Jones started surfing at about seven or eight years old and began competing in the 12-and-under "menehune" age group a few years later. He won two national championships as an amateur.

Later, he took on sponsors and traveled to surf spots in Tahiti, Fiji, South Africa and the Galapagos Islands. Photographers would shoot images of him and other surfers on the waves which would appear in photo spreads in surf magazines. Manufacturers of surf clothing and gear featured them in their advertisements.

In the 1990s, Jones began to experiment with taking first-person images of himself on the water. Jones attached a camera to fabric fastener on his board and then

held the camera under his chin while paddling out to waves lying on his stomach. He'd grab the camera upon standing and hold it behind himself to take pictures.

He began to use a GoPro after the lightweight cameras were invented and was eventually sponsored by the company. He used software to stitch together images from multiple GoPro cameras for 360-degree views.

Woodworth singled out one photo in particular for praise, calling it "beyond spectacular." The shot, which was featured on the cover of The Surfer's Journal, shows Jones in a wave tube with his left arm outstretched. The wall of the wave looks like a glass mirror, and it reflects both the sunlight shining into the barrel and Jones himself.

"It's 10 points on the surfing and 10 points on the photography technically and 10 points on the concept," said Woodworth. "This is like, hands down, the Olympic-winner-of-all-time photograph."

Jones was aware of the dangers that can accompany surfing, once having an out-of-body experience after nearly drowning.

"He was flying in the sky, and he looked down and his body was floating in the ocean," his father said. "And then he heard his daughters

calling to him 'Daddy come home.' And then he went back down into his body."

He woke up on the reef, having been washed in by waves.

The femoral artery is the major source of blood for the leg, and a person can bleed to death very quickly if it's cut, said Dr. Martin Schreiber, a professor of surgery and trauma medical director at Oregon Health and Science University School of Medicine.

The common femoral artery is in the groin, so a tourniquet can't be tied to stop the bleeding, he said. Only applying large amounts of pressure will suffice, he said.

The elder Jones said he's tried to get his four children to wear wetsuits, helmets and other protective gear while surfing. Surfers are often told to use sandpaper to dull the edges if their fin is too sharp, he said.

"But they're stubborn, you know?" he said.

Jones is survived by his wife, Emma Breton, and daughters Bella and Violet, who split their time between homes in Bali, Indonesia and Hawaii. In addition to his father, Jones is survived by an older sister and two younger brothers. His mother, Violet Jones-Medusky, died in 2011.

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