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High-tech road surface mapping vehicle assessing Sedalia streets

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A Roadway Asset Services crew began mapping the conditions of Sedalia roads with one of four high-tech vans used across the United States on Friday, Sept. 13.

"We just finished in Kansas City, Missouri," Gerardo Farias with RAS said. "Now we're here in Sedalia. We've been around the U.S., before Kansas we were in Florida and after here, we're off to California."

Sedalia's Public Works operations director Justin Bray met the RAS crew to look at their operation by the Public Works office on East Third Street.

Bray said the RAS mobile mapping van will take much of the time-intensive and subjective street evaluation work off Public Works employee's plates.

"Our internal engineer Chris Davies did some research on ways that we could try to outsource some of our collections for roadways," Bray told the Democrat. "Myself and three of my other crew supervisors would go around and look at our complaint list that we have, monitor our pothole list, and then also drive the streets ourselves and make the determination of what roads needed work."

RAS vans promise to provide more accurate road data collection with the inherent bias human road crews frequently bring.

"We collect the conditions of the roads," Farias said. "Lasers shoot down at the road and measure the cracks and crevices and see how deep they've been worn out. Lasers measure every single crack, every single angle, every single bump inside the cracks as well."

The van drives up and down each street in prescribed routes with a map inside marking each road collected by changing the colors on the global positioned map.

A mast on top of the van has a 360-degree camera also records every angle to add video to the data collected by the lasers.

"If we were to drive down here, I'd be picking up everything," Farias said."Right here we have a map telling us to go down this road and we match it with the data from the lasers in the back."

Farias and his partner Christian Velo calibrate the van each morning by putting reflective tape on the ground in front. The lasers on the front of the van tell the distance the van has traveled, lasers on the sides also pick up road conditions, but the laser array at the back of the van does most of the detailed data collection.

"We have to go one way down and one way back," Farias said. "So we're collecting the data twice, but it's only to make sure that it's as accurate as it can be."

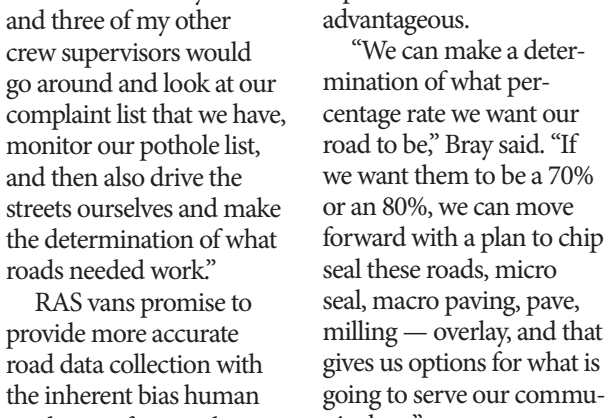
The information can then be sent to Public Works departments to determine what type of repair would be most advantageous.

"We can make a determination of what percentage rate we want our road to be," Bray said. "If we want them to be a 70% or an 80%, we can move forward with a plan to chip seal these roads, micro seal, macro paving, pave, milling — overlay, and that gives us options for what is going to serve our community best."

City officials have yet to see the data from the video and laser scans, but have checked results from other municipal surveys and hope the Roadway Asset Services mapping will not only give a less expensive way to scan for street defects, but also an completely unbiased look at Sedalia's roadway conditions.

For more information on Roadway Asset Services visit roadwayassetservices.com.

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A laser-equipped van with Roadway Asset Services maps imperfections in the surface of East Third Street on Friday, Sept. 13. The surface scanning equipment is hoped to provide accurate and unbiased assessments of Sedalia streets for future improvements.
PHOTO BY CHRIS HOWELL | DEMOCRAT

United Way Day in the Park and Things That Go events a fun time at Liberty Park

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'Things That Go,' presented an opportunity for families to explore all sorts of emergency equipment, farm equipment, fire trucks and cars on Friday, Sept. 14.

Sedalia Parks and Recreation Marketing Manager Savannah Lynde gives half the credit for the annual event's success to the United Way.

"This is Things That Go and the United Way's Day in the Park," Lynde said. "The United Way partnered up with us, they're doing the Day in the Park, they have all their resource tables from the different people that partner up with their organization. then they do a kickoff for their campaign."

The big attractions were the emergency vehicles, race cars and law enforcement drones overhead.

"We partner up with a lot of local businesses and they bring out cool vehicles kids can check out," Lynde said. "Things that they normally wouldn't be able to see, like the fire truck up close, the police cars, tractors, Gators and tow trucks. A little bit of everything the kids can check out, climb on and honk the horns, that's also their favorite."

Rachelle Simon is the executive director with the United Way of Pettis County.

"It's been awesome, it makes days like this a lot easier when people partner together, and everyone does their part." Simon said. "They do the Things That Go, the big-wheeled vehicles, and we do the non-profit resource tables. We've got entertainment, bouncy houses, face painters, caricaturists, balloon artists, there's all kind of tables and resources around here for people."

Jeremy Riggs brought kids Viola and Adam and took pictures on the Sheriff's Office motorcycle.

"They love them, they love seeing all the cars, the fire trucks," Riggs said. "The motorcycle's probably my son's favorite."

And everyone agreed the weather was perfect and it was a memorable event.

"Being at the park and just seeing everybody," Riggs said, "and having fun."

Sgt. Dustin Southard rode his new sheriff's deputy motorcycle, and it was arguably the hit of the show.

"I love coming out interacting with kids letting the kids interact with us," Southard said. "Helping kids up for a picture on his PTSO motorcycle, "it's always a big hit at events like this. The kids love getting to sit on it and take pictures and all that good stuff. It's wonderful to see the kids interact, hop on the bike and they just fall in love with it."

One of the new, dark blue Sheriff's Office Tahoe's was open and still had the new car smell.

"We have one of our DJI drones," Southard said. "And our community interaction deputy Larry Parham is out here. He's got a vest and a helmet and one of our breaching rams that we use for our entry team."

Megan Privitt and Rosalin were stopping for a look inside a bright green John Deer buggy.

"There's been a whole lot of fun, she definitely enjoys seeing all the different things and all of the different activities they got for all the kiddos." Privett said. "She's always been fascinated, she's one of those kids that every time a fire truck goes by or an ambulance, she has to acknowledge it."

Willow and Gabriel Trull had to acknowledge the newest, cutest and smallest piece of firefighting equipment in town.

"That is Freddie the fire truck, he was donated to us from the DARE Program," Sedalia fire inspector Jacob Carver said. "He's really great he's able to engage kids especially younger ones and we're able to teach about fire prevention and fire safety, stop dropping, if you see the lights and sirens get out of the way."

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Hadley Boland from Waverly looks like she's ready to drive this Kubota tractor Saturday, Sept. 14, at Liberty Park. Mom Brittany Boland said Hadley's a true farm girl.
PHOTOS BY CHRIS HOWELL | DEMOCRAT



Willow and Gabriel Trull speak with Sedalia's cutest fire truck, Freddy the Firetruck during Things That Go on Saturday, Sept. 14, at Liberty Park.

B-21 Raider to be stationed at Whiteman Air Force Base

By Democrat Staff

WHITEMAN AIR FORCE BASE — Congressman Mark Alford announced on Tuesday, Sept. 10, that the U.S. Air Force has officially approved Whiteman Air Force Base to be the second operating base for the upcoming B-21 Raider — the replacement for the B-2 Spirit stealth bomber.

"We have the B-2 (Spirit) now, and we have been fighting tooth and nail to make sure that the new B-21 Raider actually comes to Whiteman Air Force Base. And (I) just received word after our long fight, we are getting the answer that we wanted. The B-21 Stealth Raider will be coming to Whiteman Air Force Base in the future," Alford announced via social media.

Alford said he had gone to Palmdale, California, last year and had the opportunity to see and feel the newest innovation in American stealth technology, saying "It is a powerhouse machine."

Whiteman AFB confirmed via a press release on Friday, Sept. 13, that Secretary of the Air Force Frank Kendall III approved it to be the second base to receive the B-21 Raider, the Air Force's newest stealth bomber.

This decision was made after a thorough evaluation process, which included operational analysis, site surveys, and consideration of environmental, economic, and technical factors.

The experience that Whiteman AFB has with the B-2 Spirit stealth bomber and its strategic location, played into the decision to base the B-21 here.

"This is a big win for Missouri. It's a big win for Whiteman Air Force Base," Alford said. "I'm so proud and honored to be your voice and your vote here in Washington. Thank you for letting me fight on your behalf."

The B-21's arrival to Whiteman is classified for a later date.

Whiteman is one of three bases selected to house the B-21, with Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota being the first and Dyess AFB, Texas the third.



The B-21 Raider program is on track and continues flight testing at Northrop Grumman's manufacturing facility on Edwards Air Force Base, California. The B-21 will have an open architecture to integrate new technologies and respond to future threats across the spectrum of operations.
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OBITUARIES

William Alan Barrick

William Alan Barrick, 66, of Cole Camp, passed away Sunday, September 8, 2024, at his home. He was born on May 21, 1958, in Sedalia, Missouri, a son of Harold and Lillian (Rages) Barrick.



Bill grew up in Sedalia and during his summers, helped Bill Huhmann on his Tom's delivery truck and they would deliver snacks to all the local watering holes. While in high school, his musical talent shined as a member of New Score and playing cello in the orchestra. He was also on the debate team. In 1976, Bill graduated from Smith-Cotton High School.

He attended William Jewell College in Liberty. He had a deep love and appreciation of music. He studied piano and enjoyed a wide range of genres, everything from Beethoven to Joni Mitchell, Mac McAnally to Garth Brooks. Bill enjoyed his college time meeting like-minded people and making life-long friends. He also attended Central Missouri State in Warrensburg and received his bachelor's degree there.

Bill moved back to Sedalia and worked for Stereo Clinic, Waterloo, and then as Sunday morning DJ and news anchor at KDRO 1490AM for 20 years. His calm demeanor led him to become known as the voice of reason during storms for many years on KDRO. Later, as an engineer, he helped to build and bring to the airwaves, KPOW Power 97FM.

Bill's creative genius was put to the test when his sister, Anita, said she wanted to come live in downtown Sedalia. They found a building and he began a slow and methodical renovation. He brought life back to 412 "Story's Central" on South Ohio which was originally built in 1881 and now stands as a testament to Bill's craftsmanship with the building's history perfectly preserved.

Bill had a passion for solving puzzles and was an expert at New York Times crosswords. He also especially loved fishing with his son, Randy, and sitting on his back porch and listening to the sounds of nature, which is where he lived his last days with family at his side.

He is survived by his wife, Dianne Simon of the home; daughter, Rita (Boles) Waters of Waller, Texas; son, Randy Boles of Georgetown, Texas;bonus children, Brandon Simon of Sedalia and Christina (Simon) Oelrichs of Cole Camp; sister, Anita Barrick and Dick of Sedalia; four grandchildren, Aaron Waters and Cooper, Easton and Brooklyn Oelrichs; numerous other family members and lots of wonderful friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Lillian Barrick.

Memorial services will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 12, 2024, at Our Last Resort, 123 Maple Street, Cole Camp. Family and friends are encouraged to come and celebrate Bill's life. The family suggests memorial contributions be given to St. Jude's Children's Hospital in Memphis in honor of his great-nephew, Benjamin Waller, in care of the Fox Funeral Home, Cole Camp. Online condolences may be left at www.foxfuneralhomecolecampmo.com.

Barbara Rose Henderson

Barbara Rose Henderson, 69, of Sedalia, passed away Monday, September 16, 2024, at her home.



She was born August 29, 1955, in Jefferson City, daughter of the late Frederick "Budgie" and Norma (Albin) Inman. On July 9, 1981, in Sedalia, she married Dennis M. Henderson, who survives of the home.

Barbara loved being with her family, especially her two grandsons. She enjoyed tending to her plants and flowers, working in her yard, and going to the lake. She loved celebrating the holidays. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

In addition to her husband, Dennis, survivors include a daughter, Ashley Sleeper (Jonathan), of Sedalia; two grandsons, Landon and Lucas; a brother, Rick Inman; and her two beloved dogs, Samara and Snickers.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Mark Inman.

Visitation will be 10:00 to 11:30 am Thursday, September 19, 2024, at Heckart Funeral Home.

Funeral service will begin at 11:30 am with Rev. Candace Fowler officiating.

Pallbearers will be Jonathan Sleeper, Josh Sleeper, Daniel Sleeper, Ben Bohanon, Josh Moore and Bob Snoddy. Honorary pallbearers will be Landon Sleeper and Lucas Sleeper.

Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Sedalia Animal Shelter or Sedalia-Pettis Amateur Radio Club, in care of the funeral home.

Photo Submissions

We invite readers to submit photos for "Community Snapshot," which features images of local residents and events. Images must be current, in JPEG format and must be the property of the person submitting the photo. Please include your name, city and a contact telephone number with your submission (phone numbers will not be published). Please also include the names of all persons in the photo and any additional information. Email your submissions to news@sedaliademocrat.com.

FUNERALS

Cecil Leo Gerke

10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at Sacred Heart Church, St. Vincent de Paul Parish. Arrangements are under the direction of Rea Funeral Chapel.

Barbara Rose Henderson

11:30 Thursday, Sept. 19, at Heckart Funeral Home. Arrangements are under the direction of Heckart Funeral Home.

Nancy Ann Arnold

2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at Lamine Baptist Church in Pilot Grove. Arrangements are under the direction of McLaughlin Funeral Chapel.

Ethelu Stephens

11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 at Crown Hill Cemetery in Sedalia. Arrangements are under the direction of McLaughlin Funeral Chapel in Sedalia.

Pam Baumgardner

11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, at Lee Cemetery in Verona, Missouri. Arrangements are under the direction of Meadors Funeral Home in Republic.

William Alan Barrick

3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12 at Our Last Resort in Cole Camp. Arrangements are under the direction of Fox Funeral Home.

CRASH REPORTS

Smithton woman injured in accident

A Smithton woman suffered moderate injuries at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13 in a Pettis County accident.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, a 2017 Chevrolet Equinox driven by Janice M. Baurnett, 74, of Smithton went off road while driving north on Route O south of Beaman Road.

The vehicle proceeded to strike an embankment and fence before returning to the roadway and common to a rest blocking Route O.

Burnett was transported the University Missouri — Columbia Hospital by the Pettis County Ambulance District.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol was assisted by the Pettis County Sheriff's Office.

Leeton man injured in hill crest accident

A Leeton man suffered moderate injuries at 6:47 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14 in a Johnson County accident.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, a 1997 GMC 3500 driven by William C. Larrison, 36, of Leeton stopped in the northbound lane of Southwest 101 Road, south of Southwest 625 Road, when a 2006 Volkswagen Touareg driven by Karina S. Mitchell, 33 of Leeton, traveled over a hill crest in the same direction and impacted the rear of the vehicle.

Mitchell was transported to Western Missouri Medical Center by private conveyance with moderate injuries.

Neither party was wearing a seatbelt.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol was assisted by the Johnson County Sheriff's Department and Warrensburg Police Department.

Juvenile injured in Johnson County crash

A 7-year-old boy from Sweet Springs suffered minor injuries at 4:13 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, in a Johnson County accident.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, a 2012 Chevrolet Malibu driven by Ethan P. Hinck, 34, of Sweet Springs, was stopped to make a left turn on Missouri Highway 13, north of Northeast Highway V, when it was hit in the rear by a 2005 Dodge Caravan driven by Wyatt A. Hill, 35, of Centerview.

The juvenile, a passenger in the Malibu, was treated and released on scene.

All parties were wearing a seatbelt.

Warrensburg man injured after running stop sign

A Warrensburg man suffered minor injuries at 7:32 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, in a Johnson County Accident.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, a 2012 Ford Escape driven south on Northeast 201 Road by Keith Collins, 28, of Warrensburg ran a stop sign and struck a 2009 Dodge Dakota driving eastbound on Northeast 600 Road by Angela Nolt, 29, of Warrensburg.

Collins had minor injuries, but refused treatment at the scene. Both parties were wearing a seatbelt.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol was assisted by the Johnson County Sheriff's Department.

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

Compiled by Joe Andrews.

POLICE REPORTS

Sedalia Police Department Arrests

Sept. 12

10:30 p.m.: Darrius Sheridan, 29, of the 700 block of South Ohio Avenue was arrested after a traffic stop for not displaying registration plates near West Seventh Street and South Moniteau Avenue. The driver had a revoked driving status and was transported to the police department and issued a uniform traffic ticket.

10:51 p.m.: Olivia Deanne Rubio, 18, of the 1800 block of South Barrett Avenue was arrested after an officer responded to Mazzio's, 1613 South Limit Ave, in reference to a property damage report. The victim reported a subject known to her kicked her vehicle causing damage. The suspect was located and transported to the police headquarters where she was issued a summons for destruction of non-city property.

Sept. 13

5:00 p.m.: Ervin Eugene Spry, 82, was arrested after officers were dispatched to South Park Avenue and Clinton Road in reference to indecent exposure. Spry was located and a summons for indecent exposure was issued.

9:47 p.m.: Arthur Edwards Doyle, 27, of the 1100 block of East 15th Street was arrested after officers responded to several subjects fighting and causing a disturbance. They were able to determine the subjects causing the disturbance and they were detained for officer's safety.

After one was released he continued to cause a disturbance and several crimes out of the view of officers. Doyle was transported to the Bothwell for a fit of confinement then the Pettis County jail to be held pending a charge of third-degree kidnapping, fourth-degree domestic assault, tampering with the victim and peace disturbance.

Sept. 14

9:35 p.m.: Jared Ward Sanders, 43, was arrested after officers were dispatched to American Inn, 1217 South Limit Ave. for a subject trespassing. Sanders was intoxicated and was taken into protective custody and transported to the jail.

10:31 p.m.: Hugo Jose Us Lux, 25, of the 1000 block of South Grand Avenue was arrested after a traffic stop near South Osage Avenue and West 14th Street. He was driving without a license and was transported to the police department and released on summons with charges of operating a motor vehicle with no license and no proof of insurance.

Sept. 15

8:09 p.m.: Jared Ward Sanders, 43, was arrested after officers responded to American Inn, 1217 South Limit Avenue for trespassing. The victim said a male subject was inside her hotel room and refused to leave. Sanders was transported to the Pettis County jail and placed on a 24-hour hold pending charges of first-degree harassment, first-degree trespassing, third-degree terroristic threat and peace disturbance.

Incidents

Sept. 7

1:34 p.m.: A call came in from the 1600 block of West 18th Street for a well-being check on a subject. The subject was found to be okay, but at 5:27 p.m. another call came in regarding the same subject who was then transported to Bothwell due to a medical issue that later developed.

Sept. 10

5:15 p.m.: A man entered the lobby of the police department to report the violation of a court order.

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Democrat Salutes

Immanuel United Church of Christ recently donated $1,130 to the Community and Children Teaming Up 4 Success (C.A.C.T.U.S) school kit program. William Gerlt and Violet Gerlt of Immanuel Church presented the donation to Warren Semler of C.A.C.T.U.S.

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Bothwell contingent travels to U.S. Capitol for advocacy trip

Bothwell Regional Health Center CEO Lori Wightman, family and obstetric physician Dr. Misty Todd and Sedalia Mayor Andrew Dawson participated in the Missouri Hospital Association's annual rural advocacy trip Sept. 9 and 10 in Washington, D.C.

Along with more than 40 other leaders from 26 health care organizations from across the state, the trio visited with congressional representatives including Rep. Mark Alford, Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer, Sen. Josh Hawley and Sen. Eric Schmitt to discuss protecting and preserving the 340B federal drug pricing program, helping hospitals attract and retain physicians and Medicare Advantage reform.

The annual trip is an opportunity for attendees to personally visit with legislators and share successes and challenges facing rural hospitals. Wightman said she invited Dawson, who also is a member of the Bothwell Board of Trustees, to attend this year's trip because of his involvement in health care advocacy.

"Mayor Dawson has twice testified at the state level on Bothwell's behalf in support of Senate Bill 751 and the 340B program," she said. "This bill enacted legislation that requires drug manufacturers to provide outpatient drugs to eligible health care organizations and covered entities at significantly reduced prices. The savings and revenue from this legislation has been instrumental in stabilizing Bothwell's finances."

In addition to being a physician, Todd is program director for the Bothwell-University of Missouri Rural Family Medicine Residency, which trains new family medicine physicians to care for patients in rural communities.

"Missouri, like many states, is facing a critical shortage of physicians, especially in rural areas," Wightman said. "We're extremely fortunate that the university chose Bothwell to be the site for the state's first rural residency. Dr. Todd's passion for the program is evident to everyone she encounters, which makes her an excellent advocate for national proposals to help address the shortage."

Wightman said the annual trip is only one component of Bothwell's legislative efforts to communicate directly with the people creating health care public policy.

"It's so important to meet with our elected officials personally and ensure they understand the issues impacting us at the local level."

Release courtesy of Bothwell Regional Health Center.



Lori Wightman, Bothwell CEO, Sedalia Mayor Dawson and Dr. Misty Todd pose on the U.S. Capitol steps during their visit to Washington, D.C. for the Missouri Hospital Association's annual rural advocacy trip on Sept. 9-10.

PHOTO COURTESY OF BOTHWELL REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER

Experienced nurse practitioner joins Bothwell Ear, Nose & Throat

Liz Kessler, a board-certified Family Nurse Practitioner, has joined Bothwell Ear, Nose & Throat (ENT) and will care for patients of all ages.

As a nurse practitioner, Kessler will diagnose, treat and evaluate patients who have ear, nose and throat disorders. She can also order diagnostic tests, provide health promotion education, assist in ENT surgeries, assess patient progress and discharge patients as appropriate.

Kessler has been a nurse for nearly 40 years and received a master's degree in Family Nurse Practitioner from University of Missouri in Columbia in 2006. She earned a bachelor's degree in Nursing from William Jewell College in Liberty. Growing up, Kessler naturally took care of those around her.

"When I was young, my grandpa told me I needed to be a nurse because I wanted to help anyone who was sick," she said. "I initially returned to school to become a nurse practitioner so I could teach at the college level. What I didn't expect was to fall in love with the role, especially being able to take care of all members of a family."

Kessler has work experience in diverse medical and clinical settings, including women's health, nursing education and five years as a nurse practitioner in Bothwell's Urology Services clinic.

"Each of my different roles has shaped my career in unique ways," Kessler said. "Women's health developed my compassion and sparked my passion for family care. Nursing education reinforced my love for learning, and urology taught me how to care for middle- and older-age people, which is such a privilege."

Marvin Smoot, Bothwell's Clinic Operations vice president, said welcoming Kessler back to the Bothwell team in a specialist role means more access for people who need ENT care.

"Liz has a vast knowledge of health care to offer patients and brings a diverse array of experience to the ENT clinic," he said. "She's a well-rounded practitioner who knows how to care for patients with various health situations and ages, and we're excited she's returned to the Bothwell team."

Kessler will support Dr. Peter Gochee, a board-certified otolaryngologist who joined Bothwell in April. Gochee sees patients and performs surgeries on Mondays. Hearing Instrument Specialist Gerald Young also practices in the clinic.

Bothwell ENT is located on the third floor of the Healing Arts Center at 3700 W. 10th Street, and hours are 8 am-5 pm Monday- Friday. For appointments or more information, call the clinic at 660-826-5226 or Centralized Scheduling at 660.829.8888.

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Liz Kessler

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Tips on how to survive the great garage clean-out



Gwen Rockwood
Syndicated Columnist

You know that little voice in your head that says you'll do a certain thing when you have "more time"? Perhaps you should tell that voice to be careful what they wish for.

Now that Tom and I are empty nesters, there's no denying we have more time. We're not shuttling kids to school, signing permission slips, or racing to Walmart at 10pm for a poster board project due tomorrow. Instead, we're sending buckets of money to three colleges and hoping our undergrads become graduates one day.

In the meantime, we're finally going to get some things done around here. So, we made a list. (Technically, I made the list and wrote Tom's name next to the stuff I don't want to do.) But there was one project so big we knew it would take both of us to get it done – the garage clean-out.

We've cleaned the garage before, but this time would be different. This time, we'd be brutally honest about what should stay and what should go. If kids aren't shooting hoops on the driveway, we don't need six partially deflated basketballs. We don't need the stubby remains of sidewalk chalk. What we need is space. Cleanliness. Organization.

So, on Saturday morning, we began.

By Sunday night, we'd disintegrated into sweat-soaked shells of our former selves – exhausted, sore, and horrified at how much crud accumulates when you're busy raising humans. We cracked open a bottle of Advil and pulled spider webs out of each other's hair.

Here's what we learned from the Great Garage Rehab of 2024:

1. Sometimes it's worse than you imagine. If you'd asked us before this project, we would've agreed that we're both good about getting rid of things. But it turns out that we were deluded, dirty liars. We pulled stuff out of the dark depths of the garage that we don't even remember owning. Is this denial? Early dementia? We don't even know. All we know is that it took many more hours (and Advil) to conquer the chaos.

2. No one needs this many extension cords. Let the record show that Tom disagrees with this point. He said, "You can never have too many extension cords." How do I know he's wrong about this? Because I crammed countless cords of every possible size, type, and color into two (TWO!) storage bins. It looked like a tangled mass of electrical snakes trying to slither out of their cage. Unless Tom is secretly powering an elaborate Christmas light display on Mars, we don't need this many extension cords. Feel free to email him and tell him I'm right about this.

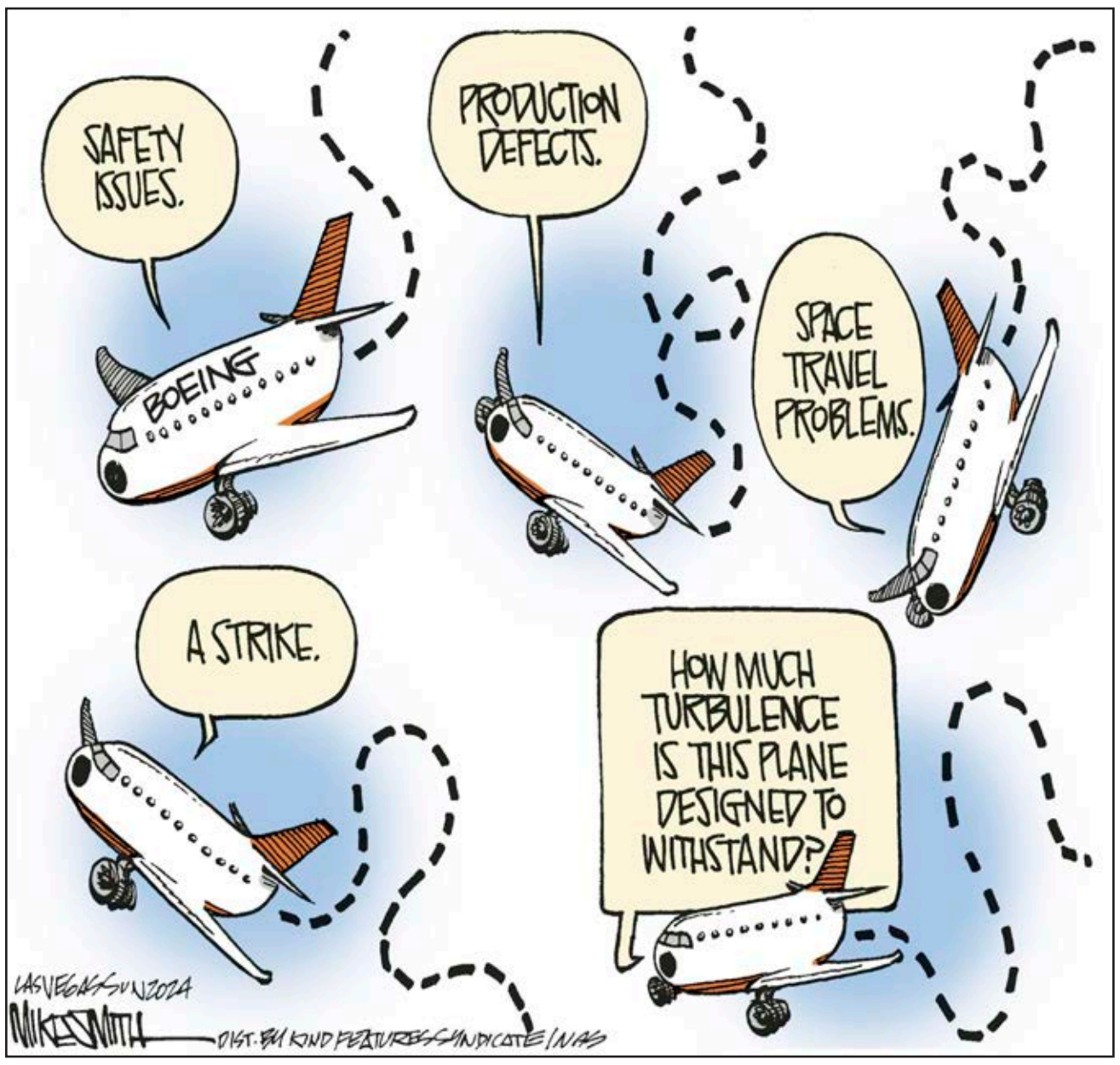
3. Put a lid on it. Open bins and containers are no good in a garage because dust, dirt, and leaf fragments will blow in over time and coat everything. Spiders will construct extensive web kingdoms all over your stuff. You'll throw things away because they're so gross you don't want to touch them. From now on, anything stored in the garage must be in a clear box with a lid and a label. That's the law.

4. Don't break down on memory lane. I'm not overly sentimental, and I prefer a clean space over cutesy keepsakes any day of the week. We donated, sold, or trashed most of the things we dragged out of the garage. But there were two things I couldn't let go of – an old pogo stick and a pair of stilts. When I saw them again, I flashed back to fall afternoons on the driveway, watching our kids try again and again until they could finally bounce and balance – beaming with satisfaction as they yelled, "Mom, look! I'm doing it!" (I'll save them for future grandkids, God willing.)

5. When you don't know what you have, it's the same as not having it. Just admit that you're going to forget what you stored in the garage and where you put it. No matter how young you are or how many crosswords you do, that information will eventually leave your brain to make way for the ever-growing list of security passwords we need just to function in everyday life. So label everything — every box, bin, and bag — because it will save your sanity.

And because we live in the digital age, I also typed a note on my iPhone called "Garage Inventory" where I listed everything we kept and where we kept them. Then I texted the list to our college kids, too. That way, if the angry mass of extension cords escapes from the storage boxes to strangle us during the night, the kids will have a list of things to sell after we're gone. You're welcome, kids! Your mom may be morbid, but she's an organizational mastermind.

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CONTRIBUTING COLUMN

Katy Building rebuilt after fire to suit new tenant



Rhonda Chalfant
Contributing Columnist

the Katy Building at 219-223 S. Ohio Avenue in December 1905, building owner E.G. Cassidy promised he would rebuild.

The Democrat reported little about the rebuilding while it was in progress.

The building with a metal cornice was one of the "handsomest" in Sedalia, the Democrat announced. Sanborn Insurance Maps for 1908, two years after the re-building was begun, show a a two-story brick building with a metal cornice.

When C.W. Flower and S.H. Barnett needed more space for their dry goods store than was available at the Ilgenfritz Building where their store was then located, they approached Cassidy. Flower and Barnett agreed to lease the Katy Building; Cassidy agreed to finish the interior of the building to suit their needs.

The 60 foot by 100 foot store was the "most handsome, convenient and distinctly modern" store in the city. It had steam heating and electric lighting.

The building was "extremely light" and required few artificial lights because the plate glass windows across the front side of the building let in so much light.

The windows also served as a display area where goods were shown so shoppers would be enticed into coming in to the store.

The fixtures—counters, display tables, and chair where customers could sit while looking at the goods that were for sale—were made of highly polished quarter sawn oak.

The store had fifteen different departments, similar to those of stores in larger cities. The store sold the items that were considered essential to a woman's wardrobe—from gloves to undergarments to corsets to hosiery.

Shoppers entering the store first encountered a glass display case showing off "novelties," embroidered trims and laces from France and Germany.

To the right was the "silks" department which displayed silk fabrics' to the left was the "dress goods," fabrics made from wool..

is this section, a customer could buy as little as a yard of fabric or as much as a bolt of fabric.

The linen department contained linensthat would satisify the "most fastidious" shopper.

The north section of the store displayed netting, veiling, ribbons, umbrellas, gloves made of fabrics or leather, hosiery, and underwear. The Democrat reported described these things as "beautiful."

The corset department contained the brands that were recognized by the discerning shopper as being the best—the W.D., the Kabo, the LaStelle, and the Lavido. They were fitted free of charge by the clerk, Miss Lillian Klink.

The ready-to-wear section had factory made clothing. The store had a policy of not buying or selling any goods that were made in sweat shops.

Large racks allowed the clothing to be hung without being crushed and to be kept dust free.

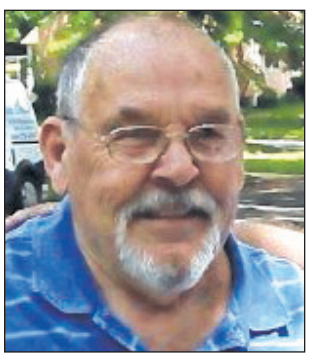
Fitting rooms with large mirrors allowed customers to try on the dresses and see themselves. Well lighted alterations rooms provided space for the women who sewed the garments so they fit the customers.

The C.W. Flower Dry Goods Store became a fixture in Sedalia for many years.

Rhonda Chalfant is active in the Sedalia/Pettis County chapter of NAACP and the Pettis County Historical Society.

GUEST COLUMN

Reality check: A call for climate action



Jack Miller
Guest Columnist

Like many people, I worry about "climate change," but I am just a concerned citizen and not an expert in the field.

I do however know when something makes sense, and with the weather changes that are taking place on our planet now I find it hard to believe those who say it is nothing to worry about.

I like to think I am the kind of person who can listen to both sides of an issue and draw a dispassionate conclusion. I listened and have come to believe that climate change, and global warming is really happening, and there is too much rhetoric and not enough action on the problem. I watched a program on global warming on "YouTube" not long ago that should scare everyone.

The Meteorologist on the program talked about the effect the warming oceans are having on our weather. The Meteorologist said a lot of things that went over my head, but the pictures of ice melts, and rising oceans were easy to understand. As I said at the start of this piece, I am just a concerned citizen.

I am not concerned for myself because I will most likely be gone long before the sea levels rise to the predicted high levels that will affect our coastal cities. What I believe however is unless there is a change in how we treat the environment the earth will eventually rebel against man for its own protection.

I wrote the following poem as I watched a uhge part of an ice shelf break off, and float away.

When Man is Gone

Earth will heal when man is gone

And fertile fields are left alone

The land will once more know a tree

When there are no more plows to see

Scars from where man's riches came

The earth will once again re-claim

Rivers too will soon shake free

Of concrete dams, and dirt levee

For man is a pest the earth will slough

When earth decides it has had enough

Like renters a landlord turns away

When they, the renters overstay.

Jack Miller is a longtime Sedalia resident, former radio news reporter and former Democrat contributing columnist.

Pettis Commission raises Sheriff's Department credit limit, approves agreements

By Democrat Staff

During daily meetings from Sept. 9 to Sept. 13, the Pettis County Commission completed the following:

Sept. 9: 911 Call Census: 1,802. Jail Census: 205. The Commission raised credit limits for the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Brand Anders' credit limit was increased to $10,000, while Major Tollie Rowe's limit was increased to $5,000.

Presiding Commissioner Bill Taylor met with Bartlett & West Engineers Patrick Skain and Jason Sommerer about the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant RFQ. Skain and Sommerer presented questions to Taylor about the county's general engineering needs. GIS Director James Theisen was also present.

Taylor had a meeting with US Quality Construction Owner Tim Kondratyuk to discuss concerns about Menefee Road and setting up a new private drive.

Citizen Virgil Tagmeyer discussed road concerns pertaining to a culvert on McVey Roa and Rissler Road. Citizen Tim Park discussed concerns about Swisher Road.

Sept 10: The Commission approved a one-time road maintenance agreement between the City of Smithton and the Pettis County Road and Bridge Department.

The Commission attended the Pettis County Joint Communications advisory board meeting at the Sedalia Municipal Meeting.

Taylor signed grant documents for Rowe.

Taylor also attended the Workforce Development Board of Western Missouri Chief Elected Officials Consortium meeting.

Sept 11: There was no quorum. Eastern Commissioner Israel Baeza attended an Executive Board meeting with the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission. Baeza also met with Building and Grounds Director Chris Hoke, who provided department updates.

Sept. 12: The Commission approved a memorandum of understanding between Pettis County and the City of Sedalia for the 2024 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program. City of Sedalia Assistant Administrator Matthew Wirt and Sedalia Police Department Commander discussed the program before a vote took place.

The Commission also offered its approval of Heartland Group, which consists of multiple 911 Emergency Service Agencies including Pettis County Joint Communications, submitting an application to the Missouri 911 Service Board's 911 Financial Assistance Program and entry into a Project Agreement.

The Commission went into closed session citing personnel discussions.

Taylor and Theisen visited.

Hoke provided department updates to Taylor.

Sept 14: There was no quorum. Baeza, Assessor Chris Woolery, Auditor Beverly Dillon, Collector Marsha Boeschen, Circuit Clerk Susan Sadler, Recorder of Deeds Barbara Clevenger, and Treasurer Kim Lyne met with Smith-Cotton High School students from Dr. Lorin Blackburn Thierfelder's class, who visited the courthouse to learn about the work and responsibilities of county elected officials.

POLICE REPORTS

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Sept. 12

3:33 p.m.: Officers responded to Vapor Maven, 2927 West Broadway Blvd, or a previous theft report. A subject was identified but not located.

9:06 p.m.: Officers were dispatched to AutoZone in reference to property damage. A male subject had come into the store and began to spray paint all over the shelves and merchandise causing several hundred dollars in damage. The subject was identified but not located. information was gathered for a report.

Sept. 13

3:57 a.m.: An officer responded to the 800 block of West Seventh Street to assist a subject who had fallen in their home. The subject was unable to open the locked door and the door was forced open. The subject was then able to be treated by the Pettis County ambulance District.

12:02 p.m.: An officer conducted a traffic stop in a vehicle near West Broadway Boulevard and South Thompson Boulevard for a registration violation. The driver was having a mental health crisis and was transported to Bothwell for treatment.

6:33 p.m.: Officers responded to the 100 block of South Limit Avenue regarding property damage to a vehicle. Contact was made with the reporting party and information was gathered for a report.

7:57 p.m.: Officers responded to the 1800 block of South Grand Avenue for a hit-and-run accident. Contact was made with the vehicle owner and information was collected for a report.

Sept. 14

2:38 a.m.: Officers were dispatched to the 3500 block of West 16th Street for possible property damage. Information was gathered, evidence of property damage was found and a report was generated.

1:36 p.m.: Property found near the intersection of West 24th Street and South Moniteau Avenue was turned in at the police department. It was placed into safekeeping until an owner can be identified.

8:13 p.m.: Officers were informed by dispatch that a victim would like a call from an officer regarding a wallet that had been stolen in the 2000 block of South Limit Ave. Information was gathered in a report.

Sept. 15

6:01 p.m.: Officers responded to the 1200 block of West 11th Street for a disturbance. They made contact with all parties involved and no primary aggressor could be determined, so a 12-hour log was taken.

11:29 p.m.: Officers responded to the Bothwell Regional Health Center to collect an animal bite report. The victim was bitten by a stray cat near the intersection of South Grand Avenue and West Main Street after the animal carrier he had placed it in fell open and spooked the cat.

Pettis County Sheriff's Office Arrests

Sept. 13

1:19 p.m.: Flyod Flippin was arrested after deputies conducted a traffic stop for a vehicle with no license plate. Flippin was found to be in possession of methamphetamine and was transported to the Pettis County jail and placed on a 24-hour hold pending charges.

Sept. 14

8:17 p.m.: Ryan Hefley was arrested after Pettis County deputies attempted a traffic stop at US 50 and South Emmett Avenue on a motorcycle for a registration violation. The motorcycle fled eastbound on US 50 and a pursuit was initiated reaching speeds of 97 mph. The pursuit was terminated by deputies for unsafe conditions but they followed at a safe distance obeying traffic laws to the intersection of US 50 and Hwy 135 and noticed a motorcycle and suspect on the shoulder of the road.

Deputies conducted a high risk of traffic stop and took the suspect into custody Hefley was transported to the Pettis County jail on charges of aggravated fleeing and driving with a revoked driver's license.

Sept. 15

8:22 p.m.: Michaela O'Bryan was arrested after Pettis County deputies conducted a traffic stop near West 16th Street and South Beacon Avenue on a vehicle traveling 50 miles per hour in a 30 mph zone. Pettis' K9 unit arrived on scene and conducted a free air sniff. O'Bryan was transported to the Pettis County Jail on charges of second-degree drug trafficking and possession of a controlled substance.

Incidents

Sept. 12

7:42 a.m.: Pettis County deputies observed a person they're familiar with operating a motor vehicle. They knew he had no operator status and charges were submitted to the Pettis County prosecutor's office.

Missouri State Highway Patrol Arrests

Sept. 14

1:56 a.m.: Cesar B. Munoz Yanez, 30, of Sedalia was arrested in Pettis County for driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain a lane and speeding. He was transported to the Pettis County jail and released.

Sept. 15

2:05 a.m.: Matthew A. Beknazarov, 19, of Sedalia was arrested in Pettis County for driving while intoxicated. He was transported to the Pettis County jail and released.

Compiled by Chris Howell.





New KC roadway safety coalition launches

The Kansas City Region of the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety recently kicked off its new partnership of safety advocates who come together for a common purpose: to end traffic fatalities and serious injuries on Missouri public roadways.

More than 60 partners from various organizations in the nine counties of Cass, Clay, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Pettis, Platte, Ray, and Saline gathered on Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the Missouri Department of Transportation Kansas City District office in Lees Summit for the first meeting of the regional coalition.

"We were so encouraged and excited to see the support from across the region for improving highway safety," said MoDOT District Engineer Chris Redline. "Focusing on reducing highway injuries and fatalities is something we can all play a role in and make a personal difference."

Topics covered at the meeting included local traffic issues, the Missouri Hands-Free Law, working together as partners, and the state's Buckle-Up Phone-Down campaign. Speakers included representatives from agencies like MoDOT, MSHP, MCRS-KC board members, and a testimony from Jo Higgins-Hines whose son, Jomari Hines, passed away tragically in a car crash just 10 days after graduating from high school this past summer.

"I have a deep-seated passion for improving safety standards and achieving measurable goals for safety enhancements, with a commitment to safeguarding lives and futures," said Ashley Stark, Director of Safety & Security at the Sedalia School District and one of the KC MCRS board members. "I am driven to serve on our coalition to promote a culture of safety in our district, ensuring every journey is a step toward a safer, more secure environment."

The focus of the coalition is education, community outreach, enforcement, leadership, and partnerships that advance Missouri's strategic highway safety plan. Safety campaign focuses include occupant protection, distracted driving, speed and aggressive driving, impaired driving, teen driving, older driving, pedestrians, and other road users.

Membership in the coalition is open to any person or organization in the nine counties of the Kansas City Region wishing to participate in developing and implementing traffic safety strategies. Meetings are held quarterly across the district with both in-person and virtual options. The next meeting is in January.

Get more info on the website at www.savemolives.com/mcrs/Kansas-City-Region, by e-mail at MCRS-KC@modot.mo.gov, or follow the coalition on their Facebook page at Kansas City Coalition for Roadway Safety.

Release courtesy of MoDot.



InMotion Towing presented its tow truck and a Lamborghini during Things That Go on Saturday, Sept. 14, at Liberty Park. PHOTOS BY CHRIS HOWELL | DEMOCRAT



Viola Riggs poses on Sgt. Dustin Southard's sheriff's bike. Behind her are Southard and the Sedalia Parks and Recreation Mascot.

PARK

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Brittany Boland and daughter Hadley from Waverly were enjoying taking picture on a big orange tractor.

"It's been good, it's been fun, she's enjoyed it," Boland said. "We've all enjoyed it. Things That Go, so a Kubota and anything that goes."

Hadley had easily climbed into the seat and was working the controls like she knew what she was doing.

"She's a farm girl," Boland said. "This is right at home for her."

Simon said the information tables under the trees by the train house was perfect for organizations trying to get the work out.

"It's a lot of our funded partners, so a lot of the nonprofits that we give grants," Simon said. "They're coming out, sharing little bit about what they do, but they also have games for kids to play, so it keeps it interactive."

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THE WEATHER

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TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
89 / 63	86 / 64	91 / 66	91 / 65	83 / 66	81 / 64	77 / 55
Mostly sunny and very warm	Partly sunny and very warm	Mostly sunny and very warm	Sunny, humid and remaining warm	Humid; showers around in the p.m.	Humid with sun, then clouds	Rather cloudy with a stray t-storm

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W
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Columbia	88/62/s	88/62/pc	90/64/s	90/68/t	86/68/pc	82/63/pc	78/56/t
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SUN AND MOON

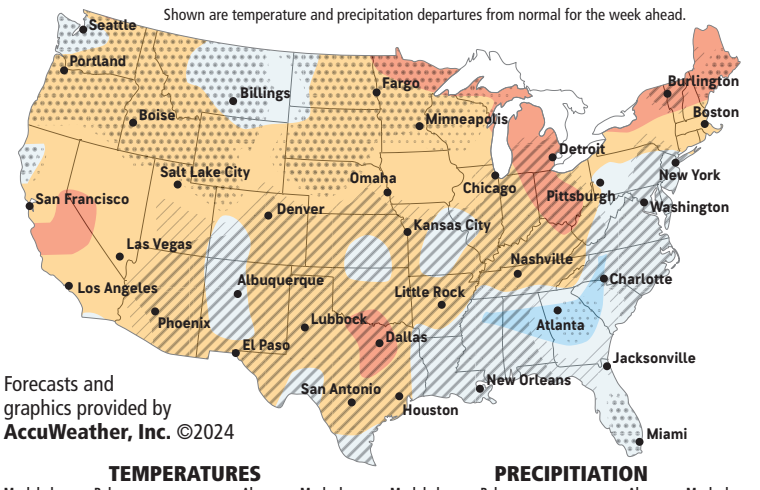
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MOON PHASES

FULL	LAST	NEW	FIRST
Sep 17	Sep 24	Oct 2	Oct 10

NATIONAL WEATHER THIS WEEK

Shown are temperature and precipitation departures from normal for the week ahead.



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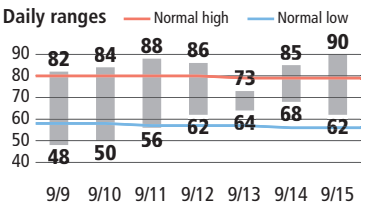
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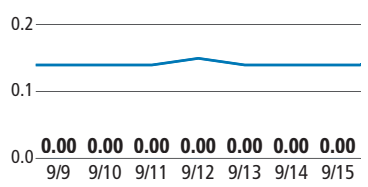
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Year to date	36.81"
Normal year to date	32.99"

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A: The first day of autumn and the first day of spring



Young Sacred Heart volleyball squad learning through ups and downs

By Jack Denebeim
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Sacred Heart freshman Birkli Martin serves the ball during the match against Tipton Thursday, Sept. 12. PHOTO BY JACK DENEBEIM | DEMOCRAT

A young and passionate Sacred Heart volleyball team is brimming with potential as they set out early in this season.

But that doesn't mean there won't be some growing pains along the way.

"They love the game," head coach Amy Epple said. "They're passionate. They have a strong work ethic, and as a coach you want that. It's just a huge difference going from eighth grade volleyball to the varsity level."

The Lady Gremlins lost to Tipton in straight sets Thursday, Sept. 12, 25-13, 25-23 and 25-12.

"We just didn't have our fire tonight," Epple said. "We weren't killing the ball like we normally kill and we were hitting balls out of bounds, and we just weren't playing our game…Tipton's a good team and they took advantage of it. They played really good. We played against them in the Father Tolton Tournament and split. It was a good game tonight. They came out and didn't make many errors and they came to play, and it shows. We just didn't show up tonight."

The second set was the most back-breaking for the Lady Gremlins.

After dropping the first set, Sacred Heart found a spark and jumped out to an 8-3 lead in the second set.

The lead then ballooned to 17-9, which forced Tipton to call a timeout.



Sacred Heart head volleyball coach Amy Epple talks to the team during a timeout Thursday, Sept. 12. The Lady Gremlins are 2-3 on the season.

Freshmen Ava Judd and Addison Figge, and junior Bailee Vogel recorded kills, while Avery Epple had a block to help the team build its lead.

However, the Lady Cardinals quickly established a rhythm out of the timeout and scored eight of the next nine points to cut the Lady Gremlins' lead to 18-17.

Vogel got another kill to make the score 23-20, but then Tipton rattled off five straight points to take the set.

"It's hard when you're up five points and you just can't cross the finish line," Amy Epple said. "We couldn't pass the ball. We got like five balls in a row that we just couldn't set, and then when we did get a pass, we were hitting the ball out of bounds. That's a little disappointing, but we'll fix it and get back at it."

The loss drops Sacred Heart to 2-3 on the season.

Circling back, the Lady Gremlins have a lot of youth on their roster this season, sporting four freshmen in their starting lineup.

Avery Epple, Ava Stone and Emily Tienda represent the team's senior class, but Epple is the only varsity captain.

Amy Epple said the upperclassmen on the team have done a nice job of keeping the energy up for the underclassmen to feed off.

"They try to encourage the girls and be positive," Amy Epple said. "That kind of helps them where they can keep pushing and not give up."

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Northwest senior Tanner Johnson sheds a block during the game against Concordia Friday, Sept. 13. PHOTO BY JACK DENEBEIM | DEMOCRAT

Northwest falls to Concordia in shutout

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In its first two games this season, the Northwest with Otterville 8-man football team had been averaging 63 points.

But on Friday, Sept. 13, the Mustangs couldn't find the scoreboard at all in their 37-0 loss to Concordia.

"We just weren't ever clicking," head coach Caleb Crooker said. "Like, we'd have a good play, and then we'd have a bad play, and then when you do that it makes for a long night. But I know our kids won't give up and we'll go back, watch film and get better."

Defensively, Concordia was able to shut down the Mustangs' biggest strength, their rushing attack.

Northwest ball carriers were held to a total of 24 carries for 84 yards to average just 3.5 yards per carry.

In their first two games, Northwest runners had 54 carries for 737 yards to average 13.6 yards per carry, which resulted in 14 rushing touchdowns.

"Hats off to them for having a good game plan and coming in here and being physical," Crooker said. "Unfortunately, they executed better and were coached up, and they played hard and shut us out."

Junior Dane Palmer led the team with 12 carries for 47 yards. He also had 46 passing yards.

Sophomore Connor Thorp had 24 yards on six carries, while junior Nate Boss and Otterville sophomore Troy Phillips combined for 13 yards on six carries.

Despite the struggles offensively, the Mustangs defense put in a good effort.

"Defense fought their butts off," Crooker said. "This is a good defense. Coach [Benjamin] Darbyshire has done a good job with those guys. They fly around."

The Mustangs defense got a stop in the first quarter when Concordia was threatening to put points on the board, as Thorp forced a fumble and senior Kayden O'Bryan recovered it.

Boss then had a diving pass breakup to prevent another Concordia score and ultimately force a turnover on downs.

Then, senior Clay Crooker had a pass breakup of his own in the second quarter to make the Orioles settle for a field goal.

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Area Roundup

Sanders puts on show to lead Lincoln to win

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Lincoln junior Riley Sanders scored six touchdowns in the Cardinals' 50-31 win over Crest Ridge with Chilhowee Friday, Sept. 13.

Sanders threw for 354 yards and five touchdowns, and also scored on a five-yard run.

Sanders' top target on the night was senior Chase Young, who had nine catches for 263 yards and three touchdowns.

Senior Camden Everhart and junior Dawson Parrott also caught touchdown passes, while Parrott also had a rushing touchdown.

The win improves the Cardinals to 2-1 on the season. Lincoln visits Holden (1-2) at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20.

Greyhounds stay unbeaten

The Windsor football team remained undefeated Friday, Sept. 13, with a 53-0 win over Linn, improving the Greyhounds to 3-0.

The Greyhounds rushing attack was once again key to the win, as the team totaled 316 yards on 30 carries and scored five times on the ground.

Sophomore Rowan Cox led the charge with 147 yards on eight carries and three touchdowns, one of which was an 82-yard score.

Right behind Cox was sophomore Andrew Scott, who ran for 100 yards on six carries and a touchdown.

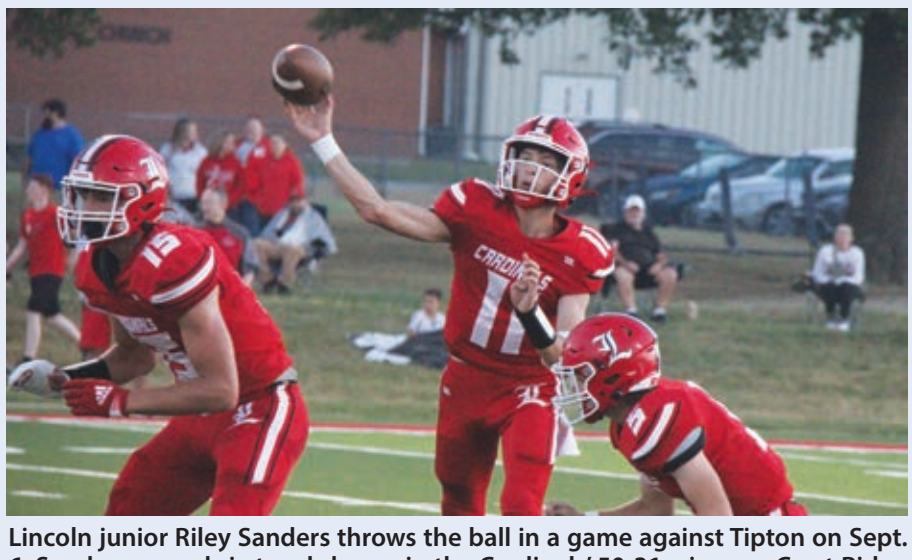
Junior Chase Hampton also accounted for a touchdown during his six-carry 41-yard night.

Defensively, junior Reece Heany recorded two interceptions on the night to go along with his 3.5 tackles.

Junior Carson Witherspoon led the team with 8.5 tackles.

Windsor will travel to Tipton Friday, Sept. 20, for a Class 1 showdown with the Cardinals.

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Lincoln junior Riley Sanders throws the ball in a game against Tipton on Sept. 6. Sanders scored six touchdowns in the Cardinals' 50-31 win over Crest Ridge with Chilhowee Friday, Sept. 13. FILE PHOTO BY JACK DENEBEIM | DEMOCRAT

SPORTS CALENDAR

Tuesday, Sept. 17
VOLLEYBALL
5 p.m. — Sacred Heart, Chilhowee at Green Ridge Tri
5 p.m. — Northwest at La Monte
5:30 p.m. — Smithton at Otterville
6:30 p.m. — Windsor at Cole Camp
7 p.m. — Smith-Cotton at Warrensburg
7 p.m. — Stover at Lincoln
7 p.m. — Tipton at Marshall
SOCCER
5 p.m. — Greenwood at Sacred Heart
5 p.m. — Green Ridge at Lone Jack
GOLF
9 a.m. — Smith-Cotton, Sacred Heart, Stover, Tipton, Green Ridge at Marshall Girls Golf Tournament
TENNIS
4:30 p.m. — Smith-Cotton at Rock Bridge
Wednesday, Sept. 18
VOLLEYBALL
5:30 p.m. — Leeton at Lincoln
5:30 p.m. — Sweet Springs at Smithton
6 p.m. — Otterville at Bunceton
SOCCER
2:30 p.m. — Metropolitan Community College at State Fair Community College (Men's)
4:30 p.m. — Metropolitan Community College at State Fair Community College (Women's)
6 p.m. — Knob Noster at Smithton
6:30 p.m. — Hickman at Smith-Cotton
GOLF
9 a.m. — Smith-Cotton at Richmond Girls Golf Tournament
TENNIS
4:30 p.m. — Hickman at Smith-Cotton
Thursday, Sept. 19
VOLLEYBALL
5:30 p.m. — Sacred Heart at Smithton
5:30 p.m. — Cole Camp at Otterville
5:30 p.m. — Lincoln at Windsor
6 p.m. — Rock Bridge at Smith-Cotton
7 p.m. — La Monte at Stover
7:30 p.m. — Green Ridge at Northwest
SOCCER
5 p.m. — Sacred Heart at Stover
5 p.m. — Smithton at La Monte
6:30 p.m. — Cole Camp at Green Ridge
6:30 p.m. — Smith-Cotton at Battle
GOLF
TBD — Cole Camp, Green Ridge at Sacred Heart Tri
TBD — Stover, Tipton at Versailles Invitational
TENNIS
4:30 p.m. — Smith-Cotton at Odessa

Chiefs beat Bengals to reach 2-0 mark

By Dave Skretta
AP Sports Writer



Kansas City Chiefs running back Isiah Pacheco, right, runs with the ball as Cincinnati Bengals linebacker Germaine Pratt (57) defends during the second half of an NFL football game Sunday, Sept. 15, 2024, in Kansas City, Mo. PHOTO BY ED ZURGA | AP PHOTO

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Kansas City Chiefs are an inch and a flag away from being winless two games into their Super Bowl title defense.

Instead, they are 2-0 with the tiebreaker over two teams thought to be among their biggest rivals.

The Chiefs certainly seem to be living a charmed life after Baltimore tight end Isaiah Likely landed with a toe out of bounds on a would-be tying touchdown catch on the final play of their game two weeks ago, and a pass interference call on fourth-and-16 on Sunday kept them alive to kick a winning field goal with no time left for a 26-25 win over Cincinnati.

Yet the reality is this: Kansas City has been in so many down-to-the-wire situations over the years, especially with Andy Reid on the sideline and Patrick Mahomes at quarterback, that victory almost always seems to be inevitable.

Even when they lose running back Isiah Pacheco to an injury in the final minute of a close game.

"Until the time hits zero, I feel like there's a chance that you can win the football game," Mahomes said. "Obviously we've done that in so many different ways, and so we're prepared. We come in with that mentality that if we get the football with a chance to win the game, we're going to do it, and we were able to do that."

It's difficult to argue that such last-second antics are unsustainable because, well, the Chiefs keep doing it. But what might be unsustainable is poor play from some of their most important players that have put them in such dire situations.

Mahomes has already thrown three interceptions for a percentage double the highest of his career. He's been sacked four times, putting him on pace for more than any previous season. His quarterback success rate, passer rating and several other advanced metrics are the worst in his career, albeit with a sample size of just two games.

His longtime safety valve, Travis Kelce, has been conspicuously absent from the offense. The four-time All-Pro tight end has a mere four catches for 39 yards through two games, though he did have a long reception wiped out by a penalty on Sunday.

"Obviously, we've played two opponents that we've played a lot, so they have a plan on how they're going to account for Travis," Mahomes said. "As the season goes on, he's going to get his catches, he's going to get his yards."

The Chiefs are 2-0 after playing two perennial playoff contenders, even though they have not played particularly well.

Imagine what they could look like if they finally put everything together.

What's working

The Chiefs were excellent against the pass and middling against the run last season. But their defensive front has been improved against the run through two games, limiting the Bengals to 74 yards and successfully making them one-dimensional Sunday.

What needs help

Kansas City has been overly conservative early in the season to the extent that it is costing points. In the first quarter Sunday, Reid went for it on fourth-and-1 at the Cincinnati 3 and picked up a first down. But three plays later, after only managing to get to the 1-yard line, he sent the field-goal team on rather than go for it on fourth down and the same distance.

Stock up

WR Rashee Rice had five catches for 75 yards, including a 44-yard touchdown reception. That gives him 12 catches for 178 yards through two games. He'll need to continue to produce like that with Marquise Brown undergoing surgery on the dislocated joint in his shoulder this week, potentially sidelining him for the entire season.

Stock down

LT Kingsley Suamataia was benched after a late holding penalty against Cincinnati, and after getting beaten repeatedly by Trey Hendrickson. The rookie tackle has faced two premier defenses to start his NFL career, and the learning curve has been sharp.

Injuries

Pacheco is likely headed to injured reserve, a person familiar with his ankle injury told The Associated Press. The person spoke on condition of anonymity Monday because they were not authorized to discuss the situation. That means undrafted rookie Carson Steele and veteran Samaje Perine are in line to get the majority of snaps for the foreseeable future.



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Tipton junior Kaitlyn Tuttle (7) skies up for a kill during the match against Sacred Heart Thursday, Sept. 12. Tuttle led the team with 10 kills on the night. PHOTOS BY JACK DENEBEIM | DEMOCRAT

Tipton volleyball stays hot with win over Sacred Heart

By Jack Denebeim
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Tipton sophomore Larrah Petree (5) blocks Sacred Heart's Emilee Jackson to secure a win in the second set. Petree led the team with two blocks against the Lady Gremlins Thursday, Sept. 12.

The Tipton volleyball team continued its strong start to the season Thursday, Sept. 12.

The Lady Cardinals defeated Sacred Heart in straight sets 25-13, 25-23 and 25-12.

"We came out and decided we were going to have more energy," head coach Hannah Ashley said. "We were going to get it done and have an early night. I think, overall, it was very, very good."

The win is the Lady Cardinals' sixth on the season already, as the team improves to 6-3-2.

The team also already has a tournament win under their belts this season after they won the Father Tolton Tournament to start the season.

Sophomore Larrah Petree said the team has come out of the gates hot by doing all the little things right.

"I think just really focusing in on practice and working hard every drill," Petree said. "Coming prepared to every game. Watching film during every practice, and knowing how each team plays. We really focus on staying up as a team, too, with our energy and not getting down on one point."

Senior Charlee Bailey said the team gained a lot of confidence over the summer, which has translated to the start of this season.

"In the summer, we did one tournament where we played some bigger schools, like Fatima and other ones, and we made it to the championship," Bailey said. "We beat Fatima in pool play, but lost to them in the championship. But I think that was just when we looked at ourselves like, 'we can be really good this year.'"

For reference, the Lady Cardinals were 10-19-4 all of last season.

Ashley said the team just needs to take things one game at a time to keep its momentum going.

"We have a very tough schedule," Ashley said. "We're just looking at our goals for the year. We're going game by game. We're watching film maybe 20 minutes every single practice on who we play next or how we played. So, we're able to walk in the gym knowing what we're going to see the next night."

Due to their preparation, Ashley said she felt the Lady Cardinals had an advantage over Sacred Heart Thursday, and as a result, Tipton started the match strong, taking a 9-4 lead in the first set, which forced the Lady Gremlins to call a timeout.

Then, later in the set, the Lady Cards scored seven straight points to help them close it out to start the night 1-0.

However, Tipton started the second set without the same energy it had in the first set and quickly found itself down 17-9, which made Ashley call a timeout.

"We have a motto and it's first to five," Ashley said on what her message to the team was during the timeout. "If we don't get first to five, then we're going to get first to 10. If we don't get first to 10, we're going to be first to 15. If we don't get that, we're going to be first to 20. We just have to play every single point."

Out of the timeout, the Lady Cardinals found a groove and scored eight of the next nine points to cut their deficit to 18-17.

Sacred Heart was able to hang on and make it 23-20, but then the Lady Cardinals scored five straight points to earn the win.

Petree put down the final point with a massive block.

"It felt good," Petree said. "I've been focusing on my blocks and really trying hard at that, so it felt good."

The second set comeback really sparked the Lady Cardinals and deflated the Lady Gremlins heading to the third set.

Bailey opened the third set with two straight aces to help the team start the set up 4-0.

Then, the lead grew to 14-8, which forced Sacred Heart to call a timeout.

After the timeout, Tipton closed out the set by outscoring the Lady Gremlins 11-4.

Junior Kaitlyn Tuttle led the Lady Cards with 10 kills on the night, while sophomore Kaylie Kohler led with 17 assists.

Junior Anna Crane had 11 digs, and Petree led with two blocks.

Bailey led the team from the serve line with six aces.

Prior to Thursday's match, Bailey joined the volleyball career 2,000 club with 116 aces, 330 kills, 893 assists, 726 digs and 14 blocks.

The Lady Cardinals travel to Marshall Tuesday, Sept. 17.

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HOROSCOPES

These horoscopes are for the week of Sept. 16, 2024

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

Careful, Lamb. Taking on too many tasks at one time can cause you to create more snarls each time you try to work your way through the tangled mass. Best to handle one job at a time.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

Making bold moves is what Bovines do. But the best moves are made with lots of data to provide backup, just in case you charge into an unexpected complication. Meanwhile, a new relationship shows promise.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Sharing credit for a job well-done is easy for you to do, but this is not necessarily the case for your partner. But fair is fair. Don't let yourself be denied the right to have your contributions recognized.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

Communication is important to help bridge a gap that can lead to problems at home and/or at the workplace. Find a way to get your points across before the breach becomes a chasm.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

Relationships, whether business or personal, need to be watched carefully for signs of trouble. Any negative indications should be dealt with before they become too burdensome.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

Congratulations! A more positive aspect highlights much of the Virgo's week. You should find others more receptive to your suggestions and more likely to act on them.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

All work and little play could wear down the Libra's usually positive attitude. Take some much-needed time off. Perhaps a short jaunt with someone special is the way to go.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

This is a good time to expand your view from the known to the unfamiliar. Confronting new situations could be challenging, but they could ultimately be extremely satisfying.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)

Giving advice to those who just want validation for what they're doing can be unsettling. So, back off and save your counsel for those who really appreciate it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

Cultivating a more positive attitude not only makes you feel better about yourself, but it also has an upbeat effect on those around you, especially a certain someone.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

Keeping the lines of communication open and accessible is the key to establishing the right foundation to build an important and meaningful relationship. Stay with it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

Before agreeing to act on a request, consider using your perceptive Piscean talents to see what might lie hidden beneath the surface and possibly cause problems later on.

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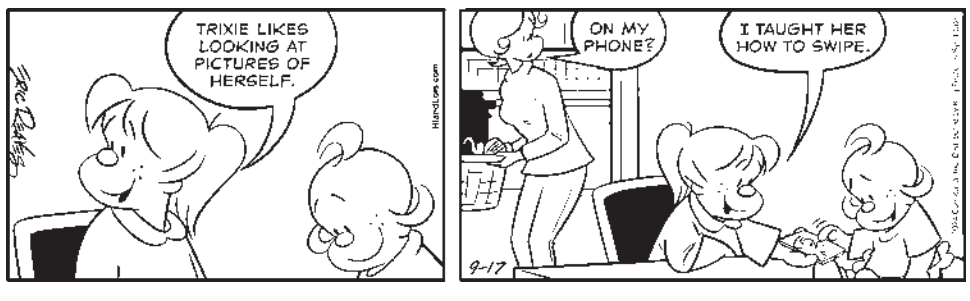
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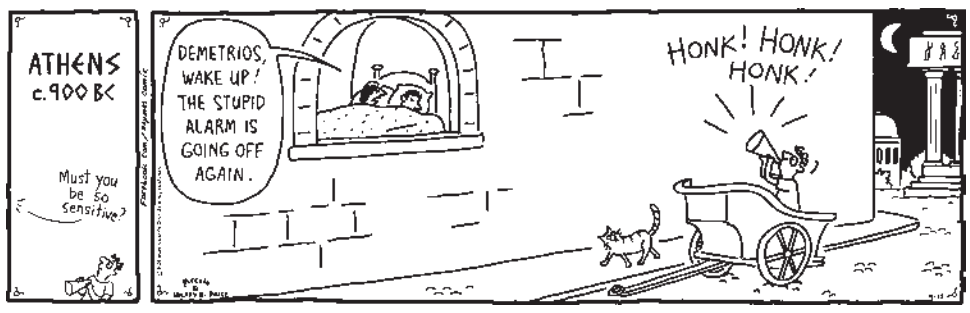
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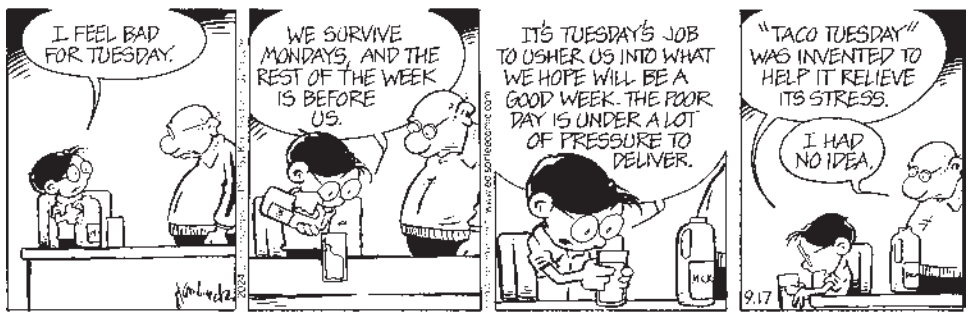
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"Sam's tail is throwing a big celebration."

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ACROSS

1 Working together
7 Russian ruler
11 Handled
12 Romantic flower
13 Study hard
15 Violinist's stuff
16 Sticky substances
18 Ooze
21 Stadium group
22 Imam's place
24 CPR pro
25 Painter Vermeer
26 Ornate vase
27 Derringer or dagger
29 Jack or joker
30 Reach across
31 Buddies
32 Receive eagerly
34 Reach a low point
40 Declare
41 Store business
42 Hot, in a way
43 Stylish

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2 Floral garland
3 Rented out
4 Lead-ins
5 Mood of the people
6 Female rabbits
7 Witches
8 Chaotic spot
9 Inquire
10 In medias —
14 Plains grazers
16 Toy store section
17 Like draft beer
19 Match in value
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25 He was swallowed by a fish
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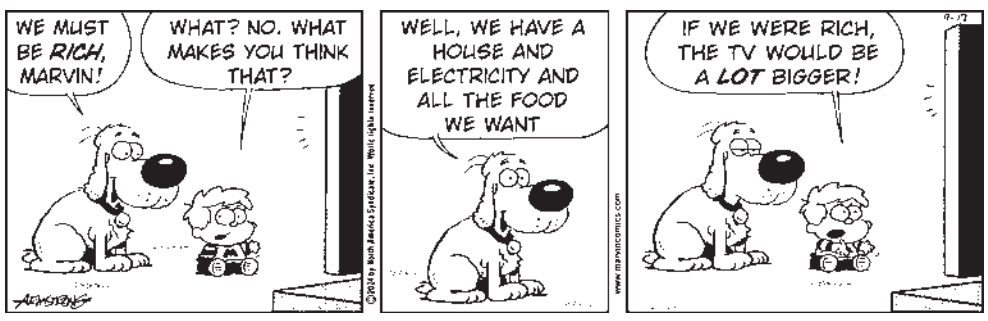
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Friday's answer

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BY TOM ARMSTRONG



BIZARRO

BY DAN PIRARO



King Classic Sudoku

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Answer to previous puzzle

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AREA

From Page A7

In last week's Missouri Media poll, the Cardinals ranked No. 4 in Class 1, while the Greyhounds ranked No. 6.

Tipton dropped to 2-1 on its season with a 44-0 loss to Lamar Friday, Sept. 13.

The game kicks off at 7 p.m.

Smith-Cotton falls to Camdenton

The Smith-Cotton football team dropped to 0-3 on the season with a 45-13 loss to Camdenton Friday, Sept. 13.

Senior Kyren Staten and sophomore Demarcus Sims each led the team with 67 all-purpose yards.

On defense, senior Gavin Jackson led the team with 13 tackles, while senior Paul Williams and junior James Cunningham each recorded a sack.

The Tigers take on Jefferson City (1-2) on the road at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20.

Cole Camp remains winless

The Cole Camp football team lost to Sherwood 36-6 Friday, Sept. 13, to fall to 0-3.

A 53-yard Grant Rodriguez connection with Blake Abey was the Bluebirds' only score on the night.

Cole Camp will host Crest Ridge with Chilhowee (0-3) in its home opener at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20.

S-C, Stover volleyball win tournaments

The Smith-Cotton volleyball team brought home some hardware from the Husker Spikefest Saturday, Sept. 14, in Higginsville.

The Lady Tigers went 4-0-1 on the day.



The Smith-Cotton volleyball team celebrates winning the Husker Spikefest Saturday, Sept. 14, in Higginsville. The Lady Tigers went 4-0-1 on the day. PHOTO COURTESY OF SMITH-COTTON VOLLEYBALL

In pool play, the team defeated Versailles, 25-13 and 25-22, and Richmond, 25-12 and 25-12, before splitting a series with Warrensburg 26-24 and 22-25.

Then, in bracket play, the Lady Tigers took down Higginsville 25-20 and 25-19, and beat Cameron 25-21 and 27-25 to earn the win.

Defense was the key to victory, as Piper Cantrell, Addison Lyles and Alle Case combined for 100 digs.

Cantrell notched her 1,000th career dig Saturday.

Lyles and Case each had 30 kills on the day as well, while Lennon Adams tacked on 23.

The team also combined for 22 aces throughout the tournament.

"Overall, we played five solid matches and dropped only one set," head coach Emily Ruckman said in a statement. "The team gave it their all in every aspect and I couldn't be more proud."

The Lady Tigers were 7-2-1 on the season before playing Jefferson City after press deadline Monday, Sept. 16.

The team plays in Warrensburg (1-2) at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17.

The Stover volleyball team also earned a tournament victory Saturday at the Lexington Tournament.

Much like Smith-Cotton, the Lady Bulldogs won all but one set during the tournament, defeating Holden and Wellington-Napoleon, and splitting with Northland Christian in pool play, before beating Lexington and Northland Christian in bracket play.

Stover was 9-2-1 on the season prior to playing Skyline after press deadline Monday.

The Lady Bulldogs play at Lincoln (1-3) at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

La Monte takes Smithton Soccer Classic

The La Monte boys soccer team took first place at the Smithton Soccer Classic Friday, Sept. 13.

The Vikings defeated Knob Noster 4-1 behind a hat trick from Carter Breshears and a goal from Edu Segura.

Over the course of the tournament, freshman goalkeeper Eli Breshears only allowed three goals and had 27 saves.

The Vikings are now 6-0 on the season after picking up wins at the Calvary Lutheran Tournament Saturday, Sept. 14.

The team plays Smithton at 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, in a home matchup.

Lady Tigers take third at S-C Classic

The Smith-Cotton girls golf team shot a 369 to finish in third place at the Smith-Cotton Classic Monday, Sept. 16, at the Sedalia Country Club.

Junior Charlotte Fischer placed third individually with an 83, while sophomore Hannah Lowman tied for seventh with an 87.

Freshman Camdyn Jones finished with a 93, freshman Harper Cromley shot a 106 and freshmen Ascher Callis scored a 108.

Check sedaliademocrat.com Tuesday, Sept. 17, or Friday, Sept. 20's, newspaper for an extended story on the meet.

Coaches, please send results and stats to jackd@sedaliademocrat.com.

Sports editor Jack Denebeim can be reached at 660-530-0142.

Saints establish themselves as contenders with rout of Dallas

By Brett Martel
Associated Press

METAIRIE, La. — Former Saints quarterback Bobby Hebert sounded jubilant during a postgame radio show as he reviewed everything he thought New Orleans did well in its lopsided, Week 2 road victory over the favored Dallas Cowboys.

It was a long list of successes in areas that included the running game, passing game, pass rush and pass defense — and it took him more than 10 minutes to get through it.

"This is almost too good to be true!" Hebert exclaimed on the WWL broadcast. "Considering the expectations, this is so satisfying!"

The Saints have been a middling, non-playoff team for the past three seasons. They looked different in a 47-10 rout of Carolina in the Superdome in Week 1. But because of how the Panthers have struggled lately, it was difficult to discern how much better New Orleans might be this season.

A 44-19 victory over a Cowboys squad that hadn't lost a regular-season game at home in about two years offered more clarity.

"That's a really good football team that we just played," third-year Saints coach Dennis Allen said. "So, hopefully our team will gain some confidence with that."

What's working

An offensive line with three new starters — including relatively inexperienced left and right tackles — has coalesced effectively in the opening weeks and appears to be thriving in new offensive coordinator Klint Kubiak's system, which allows linemen to spend more plays attacking defensive players as run blockers than backing up in pass protection.

The Saints have rushed for 370 yards in two games, and that has allowed quarterback Derek Carr to operate comfortably on pass plays that often start with play-action fakes to running backs.

"When you're able to run the ball and you're able to put yourself in manageable situations, you're not having to get into a drop back passing mode where they can just unleash their pass rush," said Allen, a career defensive coach. "Klint and the guys had a good plan for how they wanted to protect in the passing game, and I think our offensive line did a good job executing."

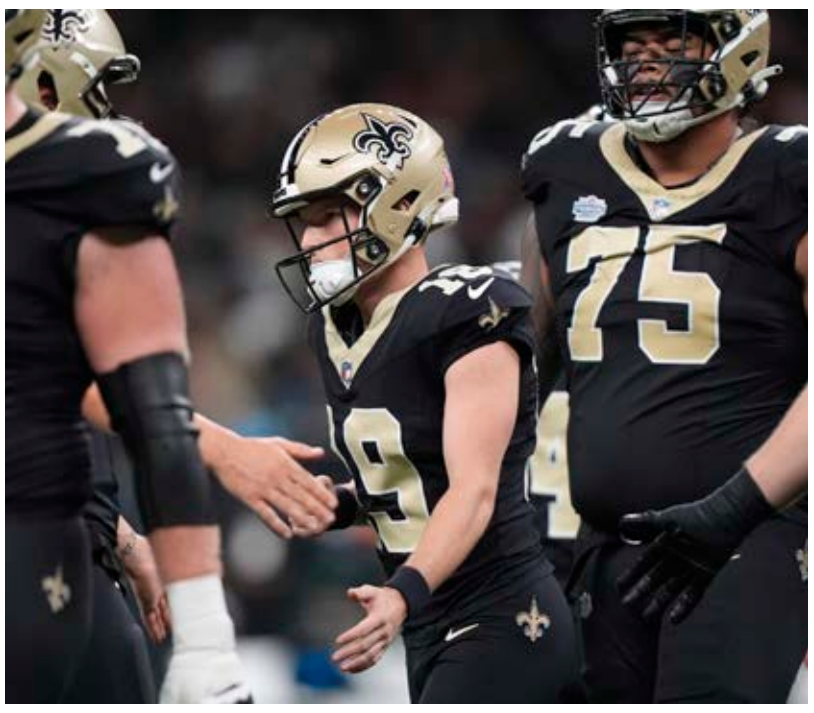
What needs help

The Saints rank 21st in covering kickoffs under new rules that special teams coordinator Darren Rizzi helped draft. New Orleans is allowing 25.8 yards per return. Two games is a small sample size and kickoff coverage has not kept the Saints from soundly defeating their first couple of opponents. But this is one area where New Orleans currently ranks in the bottom third of the NFL, even as it's been at or near the top of the league in just about everything else.

Stock up

Alvin Kamara continues to look robust, highly productive and committed to his Saints teammates, despite not yet getting the contract extension he has sought since the offseason. Through two games, the versatile running back has 290 yards and five TDs from scrimmage.

"We're utilizing him in a way that allows him to be effective," Allen said. "He's still one of those guys that if you create some space, and he's able to operate in space, I think he's pretty good."



New Orleans Saints place-kicker Blake Grupe (19) is congratulated by teammates after making a field goal during the first half of an NFL football game against the Carolina Panthers, Sunday, Sept. 8, 2024, in New Orleans. FILE PHOTO BY GERALD HERBERT | AP PHOTO

Stock down

Critics of the Saints' decision to retain Allen after the club went 16-18 combined during the coach's first two seasons. It's still early in Year 3, but it appears general manager Mickey Loomis' patience with his hand-picked successor to Sean Payton is bearing fruit.

Injuries

Cornerback Marshon Lattimore has remained out with hip and hamstring issues since leaving the Saints' Week 1 victory over the Panthers. Tight end Taysom Hill left the game in Dallas in the second half with a chest injury.

Latimore "wanted to play," Allen said. "That was really my decision, and it really boiled down to — I didn't want to risk what we think might be potentially a one-week deal, and him going out there and all of a sudden we turn one week into four weeks."

Hill was taken to a hospital "for some extra evaluations," Allen said. "I think it's more precautionary, but we'll see."

Key number

3 — The number of consecutive games in which the Saints' offense, with Carr at QB, has produced 44 or more points, starting with their 48-17 victory over Atlanta to close out the 2023 regular season. The Saints did not have any defensive or special teams' scoring plays in those three games.

Next steps

The Saints play host on Sunday to the Philadelphia Eagles and a QB in Jalen Hurts who has given their defense a lot of trouble in the past.

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SQUAD

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A bright spot for the young squad so far this season was the team's most recent win against Sweet Springs Wednesday, Sept. 11.

The Lady Gremlins dropped the first two sets, but stormed back to take the final three sets and win the match 28-30, 21-25, 25-17, 25-17 and 15-10.

Avery Epple led the team with a career-high 48 assists, 35 of which were to Figge and Judd, who had 18 and 17 kills, respectively.

"They didn't give up," Amy Epple said. "They wanted this win."

While it's been a roller coaster so far this season, Amy Epple said the main thing about having a young squad and trying to find success is helping the team learn the ins and outs of varsity volleyball.

"Just teaching them the speed of the game and those things," Amy Epple said. "It's probably the first time they've faced a two-man block before, especially in Class 1 or Class 2 volleyball, but to me, as long as they keep learning and growing, in two years, they're going to dominate. They'll do really well and I look forward to that, but we're going to take care of this year and just keep building upon it and growing."



Sacred Heart senior Avery Epple (2) goes up for a block against Tipton senior Charlee Bailey Thursday, Sept. 12. PHOTO BY JACK DENEBEIM | DEMOCRAT

The Lady Gremlins play in a triangular with Green Ridge and Chilhowee in Green Ridge Tuesday, Sept. 17.

Sacred Heart will be on the road for the foreseeable future, as the team's next home match isn't until Oct. 2 when the Lady Gremlins host Santa Fe.

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SHUTOUT

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Concordia only led 10-0 at halftime.

Out of the break, though, the Orioles were able to score a quick touchdown to go up 16-0 after a missed extra point.

Following a Northwest punt, Concordia went on a nearly five minute drive, which was capped off with a touchdown.

The Orioles offense tacked on its final score early in the fourth quarter on a short touchdown run, making it 30-0.

An 80-yard pick-six by Concordia (2-1) brought the game to its final score.

Caleb Crooker said it was an ugly loss, but he hopes the Mustangs will run into Concordia again when the games start to really count.

"We've got to go back, watch this and look ourselves in the mirror and make some adjustments," Crooker said. "We would like to play them again when it really matters. It mattered tonight, but when it's matters matters time, we'd like to play them again."

The Mustangs (2-1) will have a rematch next week against the team that eliminated them from the postseason last year, Sweet Springs (0-3).

Crooker said he expects another tough, physical game against the Greyhounds similar to the last one.

The game will kickoff at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, in Sweet Springs.

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Northwest senior Kayden O'Bryan dives on a loose ball Friday, Sept. 13, during the game against Concordia. PHOTO BY JACK DENEBEIM | DEMOCRAT

Board of Curators approves $250 million renovation of Memorial Stadium

By Dave Skretta
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The University of Missouri Board of Curators approved a $250 million renovation for Memorial Stadium on Thursday during a meeting attended by SEC commissioner Greg Sankey on the campus of the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

The project, which will break ground Nov. 30 when the sixth-ranked Tigers play border rival Arkansas, will most notably enclose the north end zone with a multilevel concourse and premium seating. The grassy berm and block "M" formed from white-washed rocks, where many fans now sit, will remain below the concourse, but with a reduced footprint.

"Our significant investments demonstrate our resolve to being highly competitive in the SEC and match our drive for global competitiveness across the entire university," Board chair Robin Wenneker said. "This project will ensure that Memorial Stadium remains a source of pride for all Missourians and the greater Mizzou family for years to come."

Missouri's football program has been on the rise under Eli Drinkwitz, winning 11 games and the Cotton Bowl against Ohio State last season. The Tigers have yet to allow a point in two games this season with No. 24 Boston College on deck Saturday.

"This project is a game-changer for Mizzou football," said Tigers athletic director Laird Veatch, who was hired in May after Desireé Reed-Francois left for the same job at Arizona. "This historic stadium renovation will not only enhance the overall fan experience but provide the resources necessary for our program to compete at the highest level in the SEC."

Memorial Stadium is one of the oldest football stadiums west of the Mississippi River, tracing its opening to October 26, 1926, and a game against Tulane. It has undergone numerous renovations over its nearly 100-year history, most recently a nearly $100 million renovation that created suites and stand-level decks along with general seating in the south end zone.

"I've never been one who says the athletic department is the front porch of the university, because that isolates something. It's part of a university. It's very visible. It draws people in," Sankey said. "I think those are incredible, healthy opportunities, and that continued growth is a part of what happens on campus."

The latest renovation, which is expected to be completed in time for the Memorial Stadium's centennial anniversary, will result in 14 field-level suites and two new club sections. There will be 150 family loge boxes, 250 club seats and 28 outdoor boxes.

Once completed, the north end zone seating will increase the stadium's capacity to about 65,000.

Along with the new seating, the massive renovation plan includes designs for new retail space, the integration of an enhanced videoboard and sound system, improved graphics, Wi-Fi improvements, upgraded restrooms and concessions and better lighting. One of the club sections in the south end zone also will be turned into a recruiting center.

"These stadium improvements are crucial for recruiting and developing the next generation of Tigers," Drinkwitz said. "We're building something special here, and a renovated Memorial Stadium will be the heartbeat of that progress."

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Three-day MOZARK FEST scheduled for this weekend

By Faith Bemiss-McKinney
Special to the Democrat

MOZARK FEST, which has been in the works for several years, will be held from Friday, Sept. 20, through Sunday, Sept. 22 at the Missouri State Fairgrounds.

The festival is sponsored by Missouri Music Festivals, LLC.

Organizer Dr. Doug Kiburz of Sedalia said a few people have worried that the festival may be like the Ozark Music Festival in 1974, which was a "disaster" for the Fairgrounds, the city of Sedalia, and the state of Missouri.

Kiburz added no one should confuse the 1974 event with the activities of MOZARK FEST, which includes a kid zone, an eclectic art fair, a quilt and craft show, a poker run, Starline Brass Trails End tours, a bicycle exhibit, VW-Fest, car shows and the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall sponsored by the Hayden Freedom Foundation.

It will also have Christian groups, top-flight security provided by officers from the Sedalia Police Department and the Pettis County Sheriff's Department, and a variety of live music from bands coming from New York to Los Angeles.



Mozark Festival co-organizer Doug Kiburz addresses a crowd on Sept. 18, 2023, at the Lamy's Building. Kiburz, who organized the Festival with his wife Connie, said he is excited to bring the event to Sedalia on Sept. 20-22, 2024.
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"MOZARK FEST is an opportunity to showcase the Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia, and the State of Missouri, which is why there is no parking fee or entrance fee to the fairgrounds and associated activities," Kiburz said.

MOZARK FEST will feature '60s and '70s Rock 'n' Roll (Friday and Sunday) and a night of modern country music on Saturday. Sam McCaslin, an English-born musician and promoter from Las Vegas, is coordinating the rock 'n' roll lineup.

The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall, coming from Florida, will be set up Wednesday, Sept. 18, and be available through Sunday, Sept. 22.

Along with the Wall, a number of Veteran groups will be involved in the setup and security of the Wall which is a football field long and will be located by the Nucor Building on the northeast part of the fairgrounds.

It is accessible from the Centennial Gates. A dedication will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 19, at the Wall, and the public is invited.

The 51st Classic Car Show of the West Central Missouri Vintage Auto Club will take place Saturday, Sept. 21, at the area by the Art Deco Gate on the fairgrounds. The show runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with registration from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Over 60 awards will be presented, with judging starting at 9 a.m. and awards beginning at 2 p.m.

This is the 75th anniversary of the VW bug's arrival in America, and the MOKANVW Club will host a VWFest on Sunday behind the grandstand along Missouri State Fair Boulevard.

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COLORADO

A healing adventure



By Faith Bemiss-McKinney
Contributing Columnist

Traveling to Colorado this past week was a much-needed respite for both my husband, Jeff, and I.

To our delight, we arrived in time to see the aspens beginning to turn gold.

Colorado, especially the Estes Park area, has meaning to both of us. Jeff vacationed there as a young man with his family while myself, my late husband, and our children often went there for vacation. Traveling back was a healing experience and also an adventure.

We were looking for peace and rest, so we looked for cabin accommodations.

Estes Park has many cabin options if you like those types of accommodations.

Ours, Paradise on the River, was right on the Big Thompson River. It was peaceful, clean, and well-maintained, and flowers bloomed everywhere.

When we arrived Saturday, Sept. 7, the town was having a Scottish-Irish Festival on its fairgrounds. Although we opted for quieter activities, one may want to visit the annual event next year, which is hosted in early September.

For those who wish to go to this area of Colorado, you might find having Estes Park as your home base rewarding — we did. You can take many side trips while visiting, including Rocky Mountain National Park.

If you plan to visit the Park, you will need to apply online for a Timed Entry Permit. Since COVID-19, U.S. National Parks have opted to offer this method of traveling through the park. One can no longer come and drive through, but must have a reservation. I would suggest doing that a few months before your visit and not waiting like we did until we arrived.

One beautiful side trip called The Road Less Traveled took us south on Colorado State Highway 7, where we stopped at the beautiful and historic Saint Catherine's Chapel on the Rock, also known as St. Malo's Church. The still functioning stone church, with Long's Peak in the background, was built almost 100 years ago on top of a rock formation.



A half-mile moderate evening hike up to Nymph Lake at Rocky Mountain National Park allows visitors to see the lake covered in soft light and water lilies, making it perfect for photos. Nymph Lake is located in the Bear Lake region of the park.
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UncoverColorado.com states, "During almost a century of service, the Chapel has withstood fires, landslides, and other natural disasters that devastated the surrounding area but managed to spare the church." If you visit Estes Park, you will enjoy a stop at this historical church.

As you travel down Highway 7, you'll want to turn onto Colorado Highway 72 to visit Nederland. This small hamlet of 1,500 has some paved roads, but also dirt and gravel roads. But don't let the humbleness fool you. It's a mecca for those who love the outdoors.

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Faith and Jeff McKinney, of Sedalia, stand in front of the well-known Stanley Hotel in Estes Park, Colorado on Monday, Sept. 9. Author Stephen King made the hotel famous when the movie, "The Shining," adapted from his book, was featured in it. It now holds the cryogenically preserved body of Colorado's Frozen Dead Guy, Grandpa Bredo. Bredo was moved from Nederland, Colorado, to Estes Park in August 2023.



An employee of New Moon Bakery and Café and Espresso Bar in Nederland, Colorado, tells customers about the different varieties of pastries served at the café on Sunday, Sept. 8.

THE DOCTOR IS IN

Bringing a new pair of hands to health care with Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment

By Eduard Rasputkov, DO
Bothwell Family Medicine

I am trained as an osteopathic family physician and care for my patients in diverse ways. After visiting with them, I often see their faces express positive astonishment that says, "I've never had a doctor treat me like that."

Two types of medical schools exist in the United States. Allopathic schools train MDs (medical doctors), and osteopathic schools train DOs (doctors of osteopathic medicine). The majority of existing physicians are MDs because the number of osteopathic schools is just a fraction of all medical schools. So, what's the distinction?

A physician (either DO or MD) is required to have earned a four-year bachelor's degree. The next requirement is acceptance into medical school, which lasts four years. Afterward, the graduated doctor must complete specialty training during residency, which can last from three to seven years depending on the specialty's complexity. Any training after residency is optional and is called a "fellowship."

Osteopathic medical students spend several hundred hours of hands-on, guided training during the first two years of school. They learn in-depth anatomy from live patients and train to perform thorough visual and physical structural exams.

This training teaches DO students how to feel the body with their hands and fingers, how to use body landmarks in their evaluation, how to discern subtle differences between "normal" and "abnormal" structural characteristics, how to sense motion restrictions, and how to decipher exam findings and develop a comprehensive diagnosis.

DO students learn multiple ways to treat dysfunctions diagnosed during the physical exam. This part is called Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment (OMT). Finally, they learn how to teach patients to optimize their condition with targeted stretches and strengthening exercises, as well as lifestyle modifications.

Only a small percentage of osteopathic medicine graduates elect to specialize in Osteopathic Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine (ONMM). While all DOs have trained in the basics of osteopathic manipulation, ONMM training is focused on furthering their skill in manipulative medicine. All DOs can practice OMT, but ONMM specialists take it to a different level. I first trained as a family physician for three years before completing the additional one-year ONMM fellowship—which makes me "double-boarded."

During my patient visits, we talk and I listen. I then perform a thorough examination and summarize what I've found. If there's a chance of treating any given dysfunction, I offer to do it during the visit. Sometimes this is just what the patient needs.

I am often asked whether my treatment is similar to chiropractic. The simplest answer is "yes and no." There is at most a 10% overlap in OMT and chiropractic. Osteopathic manipulation employs more than 15 different types of techniques, and the "popping" technique is just one option. The majority of my work differs from these thrust techniques.

The broad scope of osteopathic treatment targets the musculoskeletal, nervous, lymphatic, circulatory, fascial and respiratory systems, as well as body organs and their interconnectedness. Newborns and infants can benefit from OMT if they have head molding, latching/feeding difficulties, colic, fussiness, torticollis (wry neck) and much more. Pregnant or postpartum women can find OMT helpful for low back or sacrum pain.

Victims of accidents or sports injuries often benefit if they have whiplash, concussion symptoms, sprains, vague body pains and more. Other conditions often responsive to OMT include certain types of headaches, TMJ (jaw) issues, posture concerns, "frozen shoulder," pains after various surgeries and plantar fasciitis. Performing artists and athletes can benefit from osteopathic optimization through breathing and range of motion enhancement.



Eduard Rasputkov, DO
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I'm excited to be in Sedalia and that area residents no longer need to travel to Kansas City or Columbia to seek out OMT. See you in clinic soon for all your primary care and OMT needs!

Dr. Eduard Rasputkov joined Bothwell's medical team in August and is taking new patients at Bothwell Family Medicine on the third floor of the Healing Arts Center. His first language is Russian, and he has lived in the United States since age 2. He has full fluency in English and full comprehension and basic communication in Ukrainian. Dr. Rasputkov and his wife have three children and live in Pettis County. He is the oldest of 11 children and looks forward to winter because it's prime sauna season.

CLUB NOTES

Sedalia/Pettis County NAACP

The monthly meeting of the Sedalia NAACP was held on Wednesday, Wednesday, September 4 at 3 p.m. at the Hubbard Apartments, located at 711 North Osage Avenue in Sedalia.

The members discussed the following agenda items:

Mrs. Lauretta Emerson's dedication ceremony at Bothwell Regional Heath Center on Aug. 8.

Thank you card was received from Ms. Swanetta Marshall for the NAACP donation in the amount of $100 in support of Diggz Kidz, in honor of her son, which supplied over 300 backpacks with supplies for area school children in August.

Free gas giveaway at Break Time next to Sonic on Broadway Boulevard sponsored by True Vine Fellowship Church on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Need approximately five names for Thanksgiving baskets.

Christmas party for NAACP members on December 15, 2024.

City Council highlights.

The next NAACP meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 2.

The Sedalia Chapter meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Hubbard Apartments in the "general" area. The Executive Meeting begins at 3 p.m and the General Meeting begins at 3:30 pm.

Dresden 4-H Club

Dresden 4-H Club held their meeting, Sunday, September 8, 2023, at Sharon Bruner home.

The meeting was called to order by Rhett Sneed, president at 5:06 p.m. with fourteen members, fifteen guests, nine other youth and two leaders were present. Dresden 4-H Club welcomed two new families of Claire Cooper and Cooper Reynolds to our 4-H club.

American and 4-H pledges were led by Samuel Dehan and Austin Wood.

Membership Roll Call: "What was your favorite activity for the summer?"

April 14, 2024 and May 4, 2024, minutes were read by Reagan Sneed, secretary. Minutes were approved as read. Treasurer's report was given by Kinze Wilbanks, treasurer and approved as presented.

Under Old Business:

4-H'ers gave reports on 4-H events/camps, shows, etc. and other events they had attended throughout the summer.

Under New Business:

4-H'ers/parents signed up for snacks/drinks and demonstration times. 4-H'ers were given information on yearly Project Record Forms to complete to receive their 4-H pin and project completion. All Record Forms (Project, Missouri Report Forms, Clover Kid and Outstanding application forms) are due Monday, Sept. 30 to the Extension Office.

Websites were given for the varies forms. National 4-H week is Oct. 6-12 with the theme "4-H Beyond Ready". 4-H'ers were encouraged to bring items they took to Achievement Day, State Fair and any other activities they participated in. Service projects for year were discussed with collecting pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House, canned good for LaMonte Food Pantry, Missouri 4-H Food Drive, Ringing Bells for Salvation Army, making cards for Veterans and Valentine cards were decided. Some additional service projects are being considered once more information is obtained. Goals for the upcoming year were discussed. Katie Cornine and Laura Schuber volunteered to be the Cloverkids Leaders. 4-H families were given their 4-H packets.

Sharon Bruner was selected to the Missouri 4-H Hall of Fame and received her award at the Missouri State Fair this year. Currently Sharon is co-leader of the Dresden 4-H Club and project leader for Cake Decorating, Sewing and Quilting.

Next meeting Oct. 13, at L aMonte Methodist Church at 5:00 pm.

Vickery/Newton Families Healthy Snacks/Drinks with demonstrations by Hadley Newton and Parker Vickrey.

Eli Dehan did a demonstration on "Bovine Fertilization Cycle" and Samuel Dehan demonstration was "How to Make a Dog Jump for Bella".

Eli Dehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Samuel Dehan. Motion carried.

Members and families enjoyed a hotdog roast, s'mores and fellowship after the meeting.

Heard Memorial Club House

September 11, 2024, the Heard Memorial Club House was host to the Helen G. Steele Music Club.

President Cindy Decker greeted approximately thirty members and guests attending the opening luncheon. Opening prayer was given by Linda Allmon beginning with a moment of silence to honor the memory of our fallen on 9/11, twenty-three years ago.

The menu consisted of a rainbow vegetable salad, dinner rolls, chicken cordon blue and broccoli carrot mix followed by opera cake. The luncheon was prepared by member Bonnie Hauter and served by Sheryl Heisterberg.

The program was arranged by Betty Sue Vitterna and presented by vocalist Deanna Eberhart Von Frange with Robin Wyatte, accompanist.

After the luncheon and the program President Cindy Decker conducted a brief business meeting. Treasurer Stacey Beard presented the financial report and Board President Marty Graves presented an update on the ongoing restoration project of the home. The new steps to the front entrance are complete along with new handrails. Kim Lange gave an update on the "Murder Mystery Dinner" to be held at the Heard Memorial Club House on Oct. 8, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Contact Kim for details 660-343-3650

We are looking forward to a fantastic new year with Music Club President Cindy Payne Decker leading us in "Explore, Create, Share Music."

Helen G. Steele Music is one of the oldest clubs in the state of Missouri founded in 1893 and generally meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. Visitors are always welcome, after a few visits should you decide to join, dues are $40 per year. Heard Memorial Club House, 200 W Broadway, Sedalia. Mail (PO Box 245).







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"Just like Kyah has dedicated her life to helping others, I think it's important that we recognize our youth that are displaying those traits as well..."

— Detective Casey Devorss

DETECTIVE
CASEY DEVORSS
Solves cases, fights stress with Kyah

By Chris Howell | chrish@sedaliademocrat.com

Detective Casey Devorss has been with the Sedalia Police Department for over 19 years."I was hired in June of 2005," Devorss said. "I grew up in Smithton, graduated from there then I spent three years in the Army Infantry. I enrolled in the Criminal Justice program at State Fair."

As part of the college program, DeVorss had to do an internship, and he interned at the Sedalia Police Department. He went ahead and tested before receiving the chance to be hired

"I found even going through the Academy theya lot of textbook stuff, a lot of the basics," Devorss said. "I went to the Academy at MU, up at the Law Enforcement Training Institute."After graduation, DeVorss finally understood what the job would entail.

It wasn't all about zooming in on some surveillance camera video."Sometimes a television show makes it look access to technology and ease of gathering information," Devorss said. "In real a lot of times when you zoom in it just gets pixelated, unless you have the tools and resources, and it's just not available to most agencies."

Devorss worked several years patrolling the streets both day and night. He served about four years in the Traffic Unit, and in 2000 he worked two years in the detectives' office."Now I'm back, just in July, doing another rotation in detectives," Devorss said. "We have four detectives, two of them are full-time positions then two of them the department utilizes a rotating position for at least two years, potentially longer."The rotating positions help new officers get a view of the big picture, and when they are back on patrol how to report on the street and where the case goes next."Now they get opportunity and take that case," Devorss said. "With the interviews and talking to people one-on-one in those interview rooms it helps an officer become a well-rounded patrolman."As a detective, Devorss goes into each case with an open mind although someone may be practicing deception.

"You may have only seen one perspective or have been given one side from a victim or a witness and now you're getting the other side," Devorss said. "If an individual's being vague with answers, it's easier to recall a lie when you keep it vague. some factors where you can tell pretty quick if somebody's being truthful or not, and unfortunately people out there that feel they need to skirt around the truth."

Working-as a detectiveleaves some cases unsolvable, or at least not prosecutable."Being in this profession now for 19 years there are cases that stuck with me," Devorss said. "Those cases where there's no doubt what happened but the reality of having the evidence and the facts to convict somebody on it just isn't there."

Devorss is now working with Kyah, the police department's chilled-out therapy dog.

"Over the years officer wellness has become a big passion of mine," Devorss said. "Several years ago I revamped the Chaplain program, in 2021 I started the Therapy K-9 program with Kyah this year Kyah and I started a program called Kyah Cares, we've been going out to the schools for drop-off in the morning."Kyah and Devorss will visit all the elementary and private schools in town and recognize the students from each school monthly for positive citizenship, being a good role model ordoing something to overcome adversity.

"Just like Kyah has dedicated her life to helping others, I think it's important that we recognize our youth that are-displaying-those traits as well."

Kyah had engaged Bothwell to allow her to visit with her calming influence at the hospital like she often does for Sedalia officers."We do visit Bothwell now walk through, not only the patients but just as importantly the employees," Devorss said.

Devorss has witnessed the friendly yellow Lab work her calming magic many times at the police department."Kyah provides that tool so when they come back to the station to help lower that hyper-vigilance, that high blood pressure, high heart rate," Devorss said, "all those things to help bring the officers back down for their mental health and their physical health." For some family recreation, Devorss just completed a hike of-the wilderness trail along the Merrimack River.

"We do a lot of hiking," he said, "and that was about a 10-mile trip."

Devorss and his wife Jill have four children who keep them on the move "We have a senior, a junior, a sophomore and ," Devorss said. "So the next four years are going to be pretty busy."

Devorss retold a story from when his small daughter asked him a question that made him think twice before answering."I came home from work one day, did-you arrest any bad guys today?'" Devorss recalled. "I explained to her that the majority of people I deal with day-to-day are good people that made poor decisions, as an adult sometimes makes poor decisions there'sconsequences, but that doesn't make them bad people."

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Detective Casey Devorss has rotated to work with Kyah, the Sedalia Police Department's therapy dog. Devorss has been on the Sedalia Police Department for 19 years.

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‘Shogun’ and ‘Hacks’ win top series Emmy Awards, ‘The Bear’ and ‘Baby Reindeer’ take 4 apiece

By Andrew Dalto
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — “Shogun” had historic wins in an epic 18-Emmy first season, “Hacks” scored an upset for best comedy on what was still a four-trophy night for “The Bear,” and “Baby Reindeer” had a holiday at an Emmy Awards that had some surprising swerves.

“Shogun,” the FX series about power struggles in feudal Japan, won best drama series, Hiroyuki Sanada won best actor in a drama, and Anna Sawai won best actress. Sanada was the first Japanese actor to win an Emmy. Sawai became the second just moments later.

“’Shogun’ taught me when we work together, we can make miracles,” Sanada said in his acceptance speech from the stage of the Peacock Theater in Los Angeles.

Along with 14 Emmys it claimed at the precursor Creative Arts Emmys, it had an unmatched performance with 18 overall for one season.

“Hacks” was the surprise winner of its first best comedy series award, topping “The Bear,” which most had expected to take it after big wins earlier in the evening.

Jean Smart won her third best actress in a comedy award for the third season of Max’s “Hacks,” in which her stand-up comic character Deborah Vance tries to make it in late-night TV. Smart has six Emmys overall.

Despite losing out on the night’s biggest comedy prize after winning it for its first season at January’s strike-delayed ceremony, FX’s “The Bear” star Jeremy Allen White won best actor in a comedy for the second straight year, and Ebon Moss-Bachrach repeated as best supporting actor.

And Liza Colón-Zayas was the surprise best supporting actor winner over competition that included Meryl Streep, becoming the first Latina to win in the category.

“To all the Latinas who are looking at me,” she said, her eyes welling with tears. “keep believing, and vote.”

Netflix’s darkly quirky “Baby Reindeer” won best limited series. Creator and star Richard Gadd won for his lead acting and his writing and Jessica Gunning, who plays his tormentor, won best supporting actress.

Accepting the series award, Gadd urged the makers of television to take chances.

“The only constant across any success in television is good storytelling,” he said. “Good storytelling that speaks to our times. So take risks, push boundaries. Explore the uncomfortable. Dare to fail in order to achieve.”

“Baby Reindeer” is based on a one man-stage show in which Gadd describes being sexually abused along with other emotional struggles.

Accepting that award, he said, “no matter how bad it gets, it always gets better.”

The Associated Press does not typically name people who say they have been sexually abused unless they come forward publicly as Gadd has.

Jodie Foster won her first Emmy to go with her two Oscars when she took best actress in a limited series for “True Detective: Night Country.”

Foster played a salty police chief investigating a mass killing in the round-the-clock dark of an Alaskan winter on the HBO show. While her castmate Kali Reis missed out on becoming the first Indigenous actor to win an Emmy in the supporting category, Foster praised her, and the show’s collaboration with Indigenous contributors.



Justin Marks, center, and Hiroyuki Sanada, center right, and the team from “Shogun” accepts the award for outstanding drama series during the 76th Primetime Emmy Awards on Sunday, Sept. 15, 2024, at the Peacock Theater in Los Angeles.
PHOTO BY CHRIS PIZZELLO | AP PHOTO

“The Inupiaq and Inuit people of northern Alaska who told us their stories, and they allowed us to listen,” Foster said. “That was just a blessing. It was love, love, love, and when you feel that, something amazing happens.”

Greg Berlanti, a producer and writer on shows including “Dawson’s Creek” and “Everwood,” received the Television Academy’s Governors Award for his career-long contributions to improving LGBTQ visibility on television. He talked about a childhood when there was little such visibility.

“There wasn’t a lot of gay characters on television back then, and I was a closeted gay kid,” Berlanti said. “It’s hard to describe how lonely that was at the time,”

The long decline of traditional broadcast TV at the Emmys continued, with zero wins between the four broadcast networks.

In the monologue that opened the ABC telecast, Dan Levy, who hosted with his father and “Schitt’s Creek” co-star Eugene Levy, called the Emmys “broadcast TV’s biggest night for honoring movie stars on streaming services.”

Though other than Foster, movie stars didn’t fare too well. Her fellow Oscar winners Streep and Robert Downey Jr. had been among the favorites, but came up empty.

“Robert Downey Jr. I have a poster of you in my house!” said Lamorne Morris, who beat Downey for best supporting actor in a limited series, said from the stage as he accepted his first Emmy.

The evening managed to meet many expectations but included several swerves like the win for “Hacks.”

“We were really shocked,” “Hacks co-creator Jen Statsky, who also won for writing, said after the show. “We were truly, really surprised.”

And “Shogun” got off to a quiet start, missing on early awards and not getting its first trophy until past the halfway point.

Still, it shattered the record for Emmys for one season previously held by the 2008 limited series “John Adams” in 2008. And its acting wins would have been hard to imagine before the series became an acclaimed phenomenon.

Sanada is a 63-year-old longtime screen star whose name is little known outside Japan, even if his face is through Hollywood films like “The Last Samurai” and “John Wick Chapter 4.” Sawai, 32, who was born in New Zealand and moved to Japan as a child, is significantly less known in the U.S. She wept when she accepted best actress.

“When you saw me cry on stage, it was probably the 12th time I cried today,” Sawai said backstage. “It was just mixed emotions, wanting everyone to win all that. I may cry again now.”

“The Bear” would finish second with 11 overall Emmys, including guest acting wins at the Creative Arts ceremony for Jamie Lee Curtis and Jon Bernthal.

The Levys in their opening monologue mocked the show being in the comedy category.

“In honor of ‘The Bear’ we will be making no jokes,” Eugene Levy said, to laughs.

Elizabeth Debicki took best supporting actress in a drama for playing Princess Diana at the end of her life in the sixth and final season of “The Crown.”

“Playing this part, based on this unparalleled, incredible human being, has been my great privilege,” Debicki said in her acceptance. “It’s been a gift.”

Several awards were presented by themed teams from TV history, including sitcom dads George Lopez, Damon Wayans and Jesse Tyler Ferguson and TV moms Meredith Baxter, Connie Britton, and Susan Kelechi Watson.

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Catch a partial lunar eclipse during September’s supermoon

By Adithi Ramakrishnan
AP Science Writer

NEW YORK — Get ready for a partial lunar eclipse and supermoon, all rolled into one.

The spectacle will be visible in clear skies across North America and South America Tuesday night and in Africa and Europe Wednesday morning.

A partial lunar eclipse happens when the Earth passes between the sun and moon, casting a shadow that darkens a sliver of the moon and appears to take a bite out of it.

Since the moon will inch closer to Earth than usual, it’ll appear a bit larger in the sky. The supermoon is one of three remaining this year.

“A little bit of the sun’s light is being blocked so the moon will be slightly dimmer,” said Valerie Rapson, an astronomer at the State University of New York at Oneonta.

The Earth, moon and sun line up to produce a solar or lunar eclipse anywhere from four to seven times a year, according to NASA. This lunar eclipse is the second and final of the year after a slight darkening in March.

In April, a total solar eclipse plunged select cities into darkness across North America.

No special eye protection is needed to view a lunar eclipse. Viewers can stare at the moon with the naked eye or opt for binoculars and telescopes to get a closer look.

To spot the moon’s subtle shrinkage over time, hang outside for a few hours or take multiple peeks over the course of the evening, said KaChun Yu, curator at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science.

“From one minute to the next, you might not see much happening,” said Yu.

For a more striking lunar sight, skywatchers can set their calendars for March 13. The moon will be totally eclipsed by the Earth’s shadow and will be painted red by stray bits of sunlight filtering through Earth’s atmosphere.

With Missouri regulations in flux, what's the difference between hemp and marijuana?

By Rebecca Rivas
Missouri Independent

Missouri Gov. Mike Parson has vowed to run intoxicating hemp products out of Missouri, banning their sale and threatening penalties to any business that makes or sells them.

In many ways, it's the latest showdown between the marijuana industry — which has operated legally in Missouri since 2018 but is outlawed federally — and the hemp industry, whose products were legalized by the 2018 Farm Bill.

But at the end of the day, what's the difference between intoxicating hemp products and intoxicating marijuana products?

Hemp and marijuana are essentially terms the government uses to distinguish between the part of the cannabis plant that can get you high when smoked – that's marijuana – and the part that can't — that's hemp.

It all boils down to their THC content, or their psychoactive component.

Any part of the plant containing 0.3% or less THC by dry weight is defined as hemp. That means if you were to smoke a joint of dried hemp, you shouldn't get high.

And that's why in 2018 Congress removed hemp and hemp seeds from the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) schedule of controlled substances as part of the Farm Bill.

However, there's a big complicating factor with a definition based on dried weight. Today's intoxicating edibles, pre-rolled joints and other products – using both marijuana or hemp – often incorporate extracts of highly concentrated THC, or distillates.

Laboratories can take a large amount of hemp and extract enough THC to make intoxicating edibles and drinks with 5 to 20 mg of THC in them. Up until the governor's Sept. 1 ban on these products, they were found in regular Missouri gas stations, stores and bars.

When THC is extracted in this way, there's no way for regulators to tell whether the THC came from hemp or marijuana.

Hemp is full of CBD, a nonpyschoactive cannabinoid that helps people relax and often found in massage oils and sleep aids.

Some companies synthetically convert CBD to THC to make their products. CBD can be converted into delta-8 THC, as well as delta-9 THC, using a solvent, acid and heat to produce higher concentrations of THC than those found naturally in the plant.

Leaders of the Cannabis Regulator Association have asked Congress to close "the 0.3% loophole" in the pending Farm Bill to prevent intoxicating hemp products from going unregulated, according to the association's statement last summer.



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While the threshold of 0.3% delta-9 THC by weight is a small amount of THC in a hemp plant, when applied to things like chocolate bars or beverages that can weigh significantly more, 0.3% by weight can amount to hundreds of milligrams of THC, the association said.

For example, a 50-gram chocolate bar at 0.3% THC would have around 150 mg of THC — 30 times the standard 5 mg THC dose established by the National Institute on Drug Abuse. A family sized pack of cookies weighing 20 oz can contain around 1,700 mg of THC using the 0.3% THC threshold.

Hemp industry leaders don't want to see these intoxicating products banned. Instead, they've suggested the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau handle their regulation. That's also been the case locally in Missouri.

States have passed a patchwork of different laws to attempt to regulate the products until the new Farm Bill is passed. Many of the laws have been challenged by the hemp industry, and federal judges have differing opinions on whether states can legally regulate these hemp products without Congress changing current federal law.

Parson signed an executive order on Aug. 1 banning intoxicating hemp products and threatening penalties to any establishment with a Missouri liquor license or that sells food products for selling them. It also bans companies from producing hemp-derived THC beverages in Missouri.

The Missouri Hemp Trade Association filed a lawsuit two days before the order took effect, asking for a state judge for a preliminary injunction.

Missouri is currently shining a light on the THCA loophole. After more than 60,000 cannabis products were recalled last year, a company has revealed that it was importing THCA extracted from the hemp plant and putting it in marijuana products — arguing that THCA is not actually intoxicating until it is heated, so it doesn't count as total THC.

CANNRA told Congress that despite some states' efforts to address this issue, many hemp businesses are selling "THCA hemp" flower that contains less than 0.3% delta-9 THC but has a total THC concentration of 15% to 20%.

"This so-called 'hemp' is indistinguishable from marijuana flower," the association stated.

'Beetlejuice Beetlejuice' is No. 1 again; conservative doc 'Am I Racist' cracks box office top 5

By Lindsey Bahr
AP Film Writer

Moviegoers said yes to more " Beetlejuice Beetlejuice " this weekend.

After its monster opening, the Tim Burton sequel easily topped the domestic box office charts again with $51.6 million in ticket sales, according to studio estimates Sunday. Down only 54% from a week earlier, the North American gross for the Warner Bros. release is already at $188 million. Internationally, it added $28.7 million, bringing its worldwide total to a staggering $264.3 million.

"To drop just 54% is really impressive and indicative of a pretty solid word of mouth," said Paul Dergarabedian, the senior media analyst for Comscore. "Audiences are enjoying the film."

While its hold was strong, "Beetlejuice Beetlejuice" didn't have much in the way of major new competition. Fresh offerings included the James McAvoy horror " Speak No Evil," a satirical documentary following right wing podcaster Matt Walsh; and a new Dave Bautista action pic, "The Killer's Game."

Second place in weekend ticket sales went to " Speak No Evil," a remake of a 2022 Danish horror film about an unsuspecting family who decides to spend a weekend with new friends in the country. McAvoy stars in it, along with Mackenzie Davis and Scoot McNairy. With positive reviews and a shrewd release date of Friday the 13th, the Blumhouse production released by Universal Pictures made an estimated $11.5 million from 3,375 locations.

" Deadpool & Wolverine " landed in third place in its eighth weekend with another $5.2 million. The Disney and Marvel blockbuster is now up to $621.5 million in North America and $1.3 billion globally.

The Daily Wire movie "Am I Racist?" placed fourth at the box office, with an estimated $4.7 million from only 1,517 theaters. Described as a mockumentary in the style of "Borat," the movie has conservative columnist Walsh going undercover as a "DEI trainee." Walsh also attempted to explore gender ideologies in the 2022 movie "What is a Woman?" Both were directed by Justin Folk.

"Am I Racist?" cost a reported $3 million to make. To release it, the Daily Wire — the Ben Shapiro co-founded company — partnered with SDG Releasing, a distribution company founded by "God's Not Dead" writers Cary Solomon and Chuck Konzelman, who promise the "lowest fees in the business." Among the trailers playing before "Am I Racist?" is another film targeting conservative audiences: The upcoming Dinesh D'Souza movie "Vindicating Trump."

Rounding out the top five was " Reagan," the Showbiz Direct release starring Dennis Quaid as the former president, which added another $3 million in its third weekend, bringing its total domestic total to $23.3 million.

"The Killer's Game," meanwhile, debuted in sixth place with $2.6 million. Bautista stars as a hit man with a terminal illness in the action comedy, which got dismal reviews. The faith-based "God's Not Dead: In God We Trust" also managed to snag a top 10 spot with its $1.5 million launch.

In limited release, Amazon MGM Studios began its rollout of the Sundance breakout " My Old Ass," starring Maisy Stella, in seven theaters in New York, Los Angeles and Austin, where it made a combined $171,242. The coming of age movie expands nationwide on Sept. 27.

Next weekend, theaters will get the Optimus Prime origin pic "Transformers One," but it may be a quiet few weeks at the box office until " Joker: Folie à Deux " dances its way onto the big screen on Oct. 4.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Comscore. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "Beetlejuice Beetlejuice," $51.6 million.
2. "Speak No Evil," $11.5 million.
3. "Deadpool & Wolverine," $5.2 million.
4. "Am I Racist?" $4.8 million.
5. "Reagan," $3 million.
6. "The Killer's Game," $2.6 million.
7. "Alien: Romulus," $2.4 million.
8. "It Ends With Us," $2 million.
9. "The Forge," $2 million.
10. "God's Not Dead: In God We Trust," $1.5 million.

United Airlines will offer free internet on flights using service from Elon Musk's Space X

By David Koenig
AP Airlines Writer

DALLAS — United Airlines has struck a deal with Elon Musk's SpaceX to offer satellite-based Starlink WiFi service on flights within the next several years.

The airline said Friday the service will be free to passengers and allow them to connect multiple devices.

United said it will begin testing the service early next year and begin offering it on some flights by later in 2025.

Financial details of the deal were not disclosed.

The announcement comes as airlines rush to offer more amenities as a way to stand out when passengers pick a carrier for a trip. United's goal is to make sitting on a plane pretty much like being on the ground when it comes to browsing the internet, streaming entertainment and playing games.

Delta Air Lines began offering free in-flight Wi-Fi last year using Viasat, a rival to Starlink. Hawaiian Airlines uses Starlink for free internet service on Airbus A321neo flights between Hawaii and the U.S. mainland. United plans a more aggressive rollout across its fleet of more than 1,000 United and United Express planes.

Linda Jojo, United's chief customer officer, said U.S. passengers now expect free WiFi, making it one of the most sought-after on-board amenities among all types of travelers.

"It doesn't matter where you're sitting on the plane, it doesn't matter how much you paid for your ticket, you're going to benefit" from the service, Jojo said.

Starlink will let passengers get internet access even over oceans and polar regions where traditional cell or Wi-Fi signals may be weak or missing, she said.

SpaceX's owner has emerged as a prominent supporter of Donald Trump, hosting the former president in a friendly chat on X and making many pro-Republican posts. United considered potential reaction to dealing with a partisan figure in a politically divided country.

"Obviously we are aware that SpaceX and Starlink are controlled by Elon Musk, and we're certainly aware of the things that he says in the public," Jojo said. "We definitely talked about that, but it always comes back to our customer, and this is a significant customer benefit."



Hispanic Heritage Month puts diversity, culture at forefront

By Fernanda Figueroa
Associated Press

Huge celebrations across the U.S. are expected to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month, an annual tradition that showcases the awe-inspiring diversity and culture of Hispanic people.

Celebrated each year from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, the month is a chance for many in the U.S. to learn about and celebrate the contributions of Hispanics, the country's fastest-growing racial or ethnic minority, according to the census. The group includes people whose ancestors come from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

There are more than 65 million people identified as ethnically Hispanic in the U.S., according to the latest census estimates.

Heritage week embraces the sprawling histories of Latinos

Before there was National Hispanic Heritage Month, there was Hispanic Heritage Week, which was created through legislation sponsored by Mexican American U.S. Rep. Edward R. Roybal of Los Angeles and signed into law in 1968 by President Lyndon B. Johnson.

The weeklong commemoration was expanded to a month two decades later, with legislation signed into law by President Ronald Reagan.

"It was clustered around big celebrations for the community," Alberto Lammers, director of communications at the UCLA Latino Policy and Politics Institute said. "It became a chance for people to know Hispanic cultures, for Latinos to get to know a community better and for the American public to understand a little better the long history of Latinos in the U.S."

The month is a way for Hispanics to showcase their diversity and culture with the support of the government, said Rachel Gonzalez-Martin, an associate professor of Mexican American and Latino Studies at the University of Texas at Austin.

Sept. 15 was chosen as the starting point to coincide with the anniversary of "El Grito de Dolores," or the "Cry of Dolores," which was issued in 1810 from a town in central Mexico that launched that country's war for independence from Spain.

The Central American nations of Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Costa Rica celebrate their independence on Sept. 15, and Mexico marks its national day on Sept. 16, the day after the cry for independence.

Also during National Hispanic Heritage Month, the South American nation of Chile observes its independence day on Sept. 18. Indigenous Peoples' Day, previously known as Columbus Day, is observed in the U.S. on the second Monday of October.

Over the past decade, the month has grown due to the larger Latino consumer base in the U.S., Gonzalez-Martin said. Gonzalez-Martin said visible support from the federal government, including celebrations at the White House, has also made it easier for Hispanics to celebrate.

"Hispanic Heritage Month was a way in which to be Hispanic and Latino but with official blessing," Gonzalez-Martin said. "It was a recognition of belonging and that became really powerful."

The four-week period is about honoring the way Hispanic populations have shaped the U.S. in the past and present, Lammers said.

"It gives us a chance to acknowledge how Latinos have been part of this nation for so many centuries," Lammers said. "I think that's what is great about this. It has allowed us to really dig deeper and a chance to tell our stories."

Not everyone who is Hispanic uses that label

Hispanic was a term coined by the federal government for people descended from Spanish-speaking cultures. But for some, the label has a connotation of political conservatism and emphasizes a connection to Spain. It sometimes gets mistakenly interchanged with "Latino" or "Latinx."

For some, Latino reflects their ties to Latin America. So some celebrations are referred to as Latinx or Latin Heritage Month.

Latin Americans are not a monolith. There are several identifiers for Latin Americans, depending largely on personal preference. Mexican Americans who grew up during the 1960s Civil Rights era may identify as Chicano. Others may go by their family's nation of origin such as Colombian American or Salvadoran American.

Each culture has unique differences when it comes to music, food, art and other cultural touchstones.

Celebrations are planned throughout the month

From California to Florida, there will be no shortage of festivities. The celebrations tout traditional Latin foods and entertainment including, mariachi bands, folklórico and salsa lessons. The intent is to showcase the culture of Mexico, Puerto Rico, Venezuela and other Latin countries.

Events highlighting Hispanic culture include a quinceañera fashion show in Dallas on Sept. 14, the New York Latino Film Festival, which runs from Sept. 17-22, and the Viva Tampa Bay Hispanic Heritage Festival on Sept. 28-29.

The Smithsonian in Washington, D.C., is offering a slate of activities elevating Hispanic heritage, including a celebration of the life of Celia Cruz and exhibits of art made in Mexico.

Associated Press writer Terry Tang contributed to this report.

Dogs bring loads of joy but also perils on a leash

By Leanne Italie
AP Lifestyles Writer

NEW YORK — The cuddles. The loyalty. The worshipful eyes. There's a lot of joy in having a dog, not the least of which is heading out for a brisk walk. And therein lies a peril some dog people should pay more attention to.

Over the past 20 years, injuries related to dog walking have been on the rise among adults and children in the U.S., according to Johns Hopkins University researchers. Fractures, sprains and head trauma are among the most common.

From 2001 to 2020, the estimated number of adults seen at emergency departments for dog-walking injuries increased significantly, from 7,300 to 32,300 a year, lead researcher Ridge Maxson told The Associated Press. Most patients were women (75%). Adults overall between ages 40 and 64 amounted to 47%.

And that's just emergency room visits. "We know that a significant number of people might seek treatment at primary care, specialty or urgent care clinics for their injuries," Maxson said.

Dog ownership has become increasingly common, he noted, with about half of U.S. households having at least one dog. The pandemic contributed to the spike.

How to protect yourself

Staying safe when walking a leashed dog takes diligence, focus and, in inclement weather, extra precautions. Multitasking can be hazardous. Put your phone away.

"You can't really afford to relax when you walk a powerfully built dog with the torque of a small tractor. You have to pay attention," said Noel Holston, a dog owner in Athens, Georgia.

In the early 2000s, Holston was walking his 65-pound (29.4-kilogram) pit bull in a park near home when a goose flapped and squawked. The dog bolted down an embankment, jerking the now 76-year-old Holston off the sidewalk.

"Off balance and struggling to keep my footing, I stepped into a hole and heard my left ankle snap. The pain was so intense. I almost passed out. My wife, Marty, had to hail a jogger to help get me back to our car. My left foot was dangling like a big wet noodle," he said.

Susannah Johnston, 64, is a yoga instructor who runs a 40,000-member Facebook group for women aimed at improving balance, strength and a body's ability to absorb impact. She's been injured three times while dog walking over the years.

About five years ago, her 50-pound (22.6-kilogram) lab mix went after a squirrel while Johnston was kneeling to tuck a sweatshirt into her backpack, the leash wrapped around one hand. She fractured a finger.

"That was the worst because it was twisted and pulled and I had to have surgery and rehab and everything else," said Johnston, who lives in New York's Croton-on-Hudson.

Running with a leashed dog is another hazard no matter how well trained you think a dog is. It's especially dangerous with a dog that's easily spooked, very young or prone to the zoomies. That's what happened to Robert Godosky in Manhattan.

"We used to be in a routine of sort of running the last block home," he said. "There was a section of sidewalk that had scaffolding up. My dog is a rescue dog and was relatively new to us. He got spooked and got in front of me, and I went flying over the dog and smacked into the scaffolding. I ended up breaking two ribs."

There are other hazards in rural areas, said Steven Haywood, an ER doctor in Corinth, Mississippi.

" Getting struck by vehicles," he said. "That's definitely the most life-threatening injury when people are walking their dogs."

Areas like his have many roads without sidewalks or wide shoulders. That's especially hazardous when people wear dark clothes with no reflectors or lights on human or animal.

"It's something we see on a regular basis," Haywood said.

The right shoes, leashes and more

In addition to lights and reflectors, there is other gear that can minimize dog-walking risks:

Wear appropriate footwear with decent treads in snow and ice. Consider wearing footwear with spikes or studs.

Maxson suggests using a non-retractable leash of 6 to 8 feet (1.8 to 2.4 meters). "Longer leashes are more likely to get tangled around your legs and cause falls. Retractable leashes can sometimes make your dog more difficult to control."

In San Francisco, dog trainer Shoshi Parks recommends a no-pull harness with a leash clipped to a dog's chest rather than their back, she said. It gives the walker more control and puts less strain on the dog.

Parks suggests holding a leash at your center of gravity, near your torso, hip or thigh. Slip your hand through the loop of a leash and grab it a little lower down to hold on.

She calls retractable leashes a "no go." Period. They can cause burns when held too close to the body if they lengthen or retract quickly.

Dog walkers and dog trainers

For people with mobility or balance issues, experts suggest seeking help walking a dog, especially in inclement weather. A neighbor, an older child or a professional dog walker, for instance.

Johnston, Haywood and Maxson agreed that balance and strength-training exercises, especially for older adults, can help decrease the risk of falls and fractures.

And they said working with a dog trainer helps not only the dog but the walker, who can learn to read their pet's body language better.

"Even young, healthy, strong people may have difficulty controlling larger breeds that aren't used to walking on a leash. Any exercise to give strength, give balance, is going to help," Haywood said. "Make sure you can control the dog that you're walking."

Wreck of French steamship that sunk in 1856 discovered off New England coast

By Patrick Whittle
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine — The French steamship Le Lyonnais, a marvel for its time, was feared lost forever when a maritime disaster in 1856 sent her to the bottom of the ocean off Massachusetts.

Generations later, a marine salvage crew is ready to write the next chapter in the history of the passenger liner, which was built as the Age of Sail was yielding to steamships. New Jersey marine salvage firm Atlantic Wreck Salvage found the wreck of Le Lyonnais about 200 miles (322 kilometers) off New Bedford, Massachusetts, in late August.

The discovery of the steamship follows years of work to locate it and also represents a new beginning, said Jennifer Sellitti, a spokesperson for Atlantic Wreck Salvage and a crew member on D/V Tenacious, the vessel the company uses for dives and salvages. The next steps are to document the wreck site, map it and determine what artifacts can be brought to the surface, Sellitti said.

"Finding it in some ways is closure, in some ways is the end. In some ways it's the beginning — documenting it, determining what is down there and what should be brought up," Sellitti said. "This was a very early example of a steam engine."

Le Lyonnais was about 260 feet (79 meters) in length and tasked with carrying passengers and cargo between New York and France, Sellitti said. The ship had sails but was also outfitted with a horizontal steam engine and an iron hull, making her an example of how innovation changed shipping in the mid-19th century.

But disaster struck during the ship's first return voyage back to the French city of Le Havre from the U.S. The ship collided with the Maine-built barque Adriatic, which was en route from Belfast, Maine, to Savannah, Georgia, according to Atlantic Wreck Salvage's research, which Sellitti is using as the basis for a book on the ship called "The Adriatic Affair."

The collision left Le Lyonnais bearing a hole in the hull that would eventually sink the boat. Of the 132 passengers and crew, 114 died. The Adriatic made it back to New England for repairs.

The salvage crew found Le Lyonnais by doing historical research and using sonar to narrow down the site of its final resting place. The ship is likely too deteriorated to be raised, Sellitti said.

However, the historic nature of the ship makes its discovery significant, said Eric Takajian, a member of the crew that found the Le Lyonnais.

"Being one of the first French passenger steamships to have a regularly scheduled run crossing the Atlantic and an early transitional steamship make Le Lyonnais' discovery significant," he said.

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MOZARK

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It will be a Shine and Show event with 10 Celebrity Choice awards and Dash Plaques. The show will be from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with awards given around 1:30 p.m. There is no charge to show one's Volkswagen.

Along with these events, the Sedalia Motorcycle Association will host the Mozark Poker Run on Sept. 21. The Poker Run will ride through the countryside with stops for drawing a poker hand. The ride sign-up is at Yeager's Cycle Sales from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and will end at the MOZARK FEST fairgrounds event.

Kiburz noted that James Allen, curator of the Pedalers Bicycle Museum in Springfield, will display an evolution of bicycle technology from 1820 to 1930 in the Varied Industries Building from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Greg and Kathleen Boswell, well-known Sedalia thespians, will give Free Tours of the Starline Brass Trails End Plaza. Tours will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, and 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22.

TEAM XTREME INTERNATIONAL, based in Kansas City, will also be at the event, along with the Sedville Crazy Quilters Guild, which will be in the Varied Industries Building on Saturday and Sunday. They will share the building with the Eclectic Market, a regional group of a regional group of artisans bringing their talents to MOZARK FEST.

Kiburz said the MOAG Theatre building will be home to various vendors and interests and will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Kiburz added that a variety of local and national food trucks and vendors will be at the event, and a Kid Zone will be located between the MEC and Commercial Buildings for children.

He explained the importance of music for everyone.

"Music is a medium that brings people together. It crosses boundaries, religions, languages, and generations and makes cultural connections," Kiburz said. "Music is an agent for change, coping, expression, creativity, communication, motivation, and education — think of learning your ABCs."

On Friday, the grandstand gates open at 3 p.m., and the bands begin at 4 p.m. with 7 Bridges (a tribute to the Eagles), Kings of Queen (a tribute to Queen), Count 77 with Danny Koker and Molly Hatchet, and Revisiting Creedence.

On Saturday, the gates open at 3 p.m., and the music begins at 4 p.m. with Missourians Dale Blue and Presley Puig, Harper Grace, Cedar Creek, Wesley Scott, Cooper Alan, and LOCASH. Gary Graham will coordinate the modern country lineup.

Then on Sunday, the gates open at 1 p.m., and the music begins at 2 p.m. with Black Magic (a tribute to Carlos Santana), Petra (the largest-selling Christian rock band in history), Head East, Glenn Hughes (Deep Purple and Black Sabbath lead singer), and Starship featuring Mickey Thomas.

Grandstand tickets are about $10 a band, which is $55 to $75 per day. Free parking will be open in the paved lot by the Mathewson Center as well as the parking areas on the northeast side of the fairgrounds near the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall.

All concerts are "open seating," VIP seats are on the track with a separate entrance, and General Admission seats are in the Grandstand. Wristbands will be issued as one scans their ticket.

A walk-through metal detector will be in place, and mozarkfest.com lists the State Fair rules for what is allowed in the Grandstand. For re-entry, walk through the metal detector and show the wristband, which will expedite the return to the concert venue.

The ticket office on the fairgrounds by the Grandstand will be open before and during the festival for walk-up tickets from noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18, and Thursday, Sept. 19; from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, and Saturday, Sept. 21; and from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22.

Tickets are available now at mozarkfest.com.

Faith Bemiss-McKinney is the former Features Editor for the Sedalia Democrat, who writes about art, entertainment, food and travel.

COLORADO

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We counted four dispensaries at Nederland; a lovely bakery, the New Moon Bakery and Café and Espresso Bar; and an amazing Nepali and Indian eatery, the Kathmandu Restaurant.

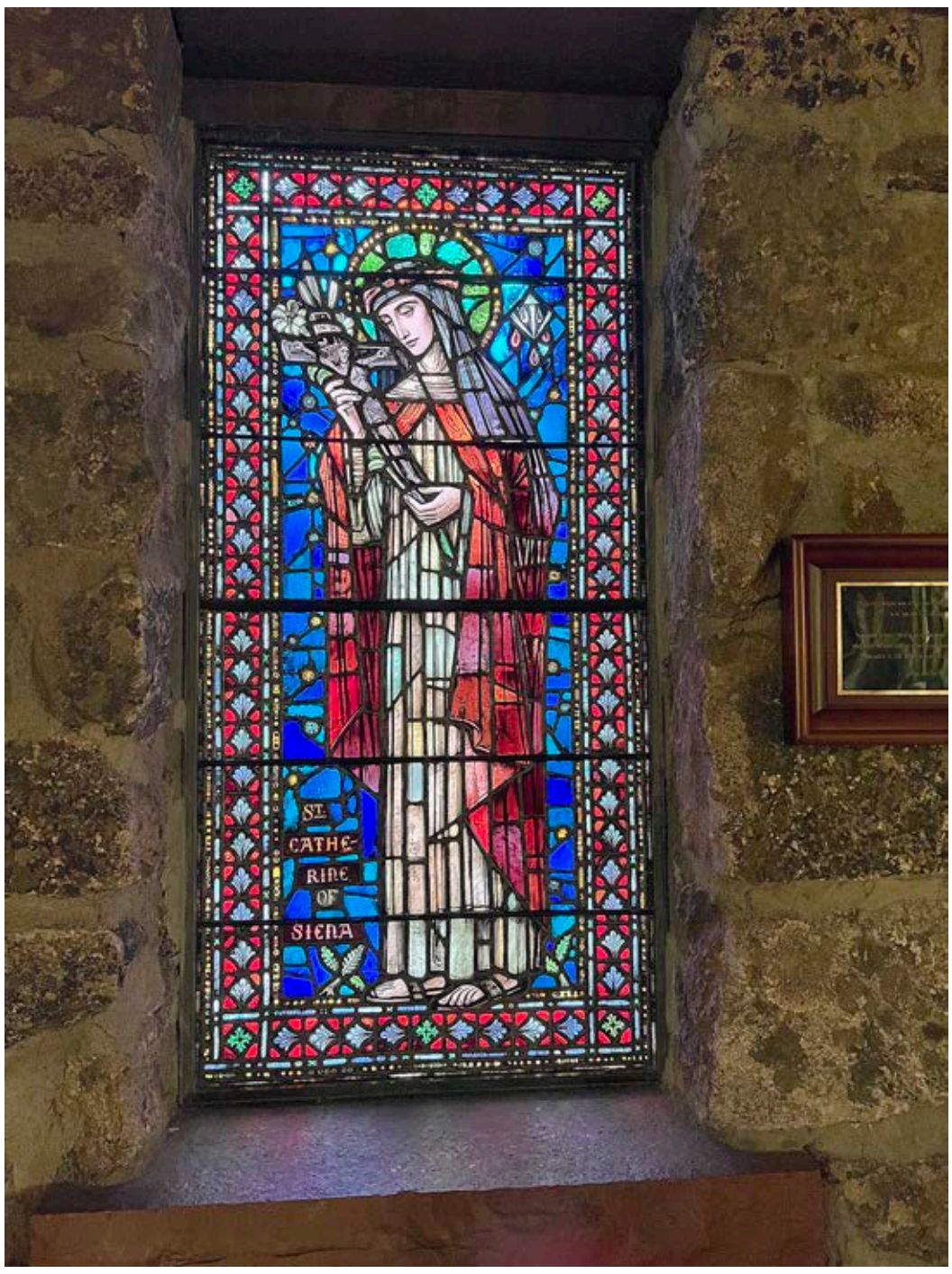
The bakery has all sorts of tasty pastries, including our favorite almond croissants, while the restaurant will excite your senses as you walk in with the scent of cumin and curry.

Another trip worth trying is the Glen Haven Loop that follows the Big Thompson River east 13.5 miles on U.S. Highway 34 to Drake, where you'll turn onto Colorado Highway 43.

This route will take you to the small town of Glen Haven known for its General Store and large cinnamon rolls. To our surprise, this unincorporated community also has a bed and breakfast, the Inn at Glen Haven, that offers a fine dining restaurant by reservation. Entrees on the menu include Duck a l'Orange, Black and Blue Loin of Elk, and Salmon en Croute! Once your visit is over, this route will take you back to Estes Park via Devil's Gulch Road.

One of our favorite things to do in RMNP was hike, which I was curious if I could do because of a knee and back injury in 2022.

Although we didn't try challenging hikes, I could hike short to moderate trails. One that's easy for families and those in wheelchairs is the Bear Lake Trail, which travels around Bear Lake. To access the beautiful Bear Lake area, you will need to request it when applying for your Timed-Entry from RMNP. We got access at 4 p.m., which was an excellent time of the day. Many visitors had cleared out, the trails were less populated and the light lovey for photography.



A nice day trip from Estes Park, Colorado, is taking a cruise down Colorado Highway 7 to see the nearly century-old historic Saint Catherine's Chapel on the Rock, also known as St. Malo's Church. PHOTOS BY FAITH BEMISS-MCKINNEY | SPECIAL TO THE DEMOCRAT

We quickly hiked around Bear Lake and then opted to hike to Nymph Lake, a one-mile round trip. Although the hike was a little more labor intensive due to climbing up the trail, we made it and were rewarded by the view of Nymph Lake bathed in evening light and covered with lily pads. Wooden benches are provided for visitors to sit, rest, and drink in the beauty.

Visitors will also find some hikes on the west side of the park, as well as one that is handicap accessible, Coyote Valley Trailhead.

Timber Lake Trail was one of the most beautiful to me; the area was covered in pine, fir, and aspen trees. We didn't hike far on this trail since it was 4.8 miles one way through the mountains, with an elevation gain of 2,475-feet, but it was beautiful to see.

Jack Kerouac, an American novelist and poet, once said, "And there in the blue air, I saw for the first time, far off, the great snowy tops of the Rocky Mountains. I had to get to Denver at once."

I know how he feels ... I miss the mountains already.

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A herd of elk seems to trickle down a slope on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at Rocky Mountain National Park. Elk also likes to visit downtown Estes Park, Colorado, in the evening.

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Petitioners.
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