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GARRETT SISTERS HELP JAGUARS OVERCOME INJURY TO TOP PLAYER

Each sister scores a goal as Blue Springs South blanks rival Blue Springs in Sheridan Cup game

Truman and Eisenhower: a study in contrasts

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Not only were Harry Truman and Dwight Eisenhower contemporary prominent leaders on the world stage, helping to guide the end of World War II and making decisions that affected the U.S. and the globe for generations, “They were cut from the same cloth and shared a lot of the same values,” says Eisenhower’s granddaughter Mary Jean. Interviews with Mary

Jean Eisenhower, Truman’s eldest grandson Clifton Truman Daniel, a handful of World War II veterans and others are part of a documentary recently completed by Kansas City PBS, “Winning the War: Harry, Ike & the Fight For Democracy,” about the two American presidents who grew up about 150 miles from each other – in Abilene, Kansas and Independence. The documentary, shown at a screening hosted by PBS and the

Truman Presidential Library on Thursday, the 80th anniversary of V-E Day, will air on the Kansas City PBS station at 7 p.m. next Thursday. When colleague Chris Lester first pitched the idea of the parallel leaders who hailed from the heartland, filmmaker and producer Emily Woodring said during a panel discussion that followed, they wondered, “How have we not done this before?” “It was a large learning experience for me,”

Woodring said. Lester said that while it can often be cliché to do an anniversary story, “This one felt different to me, like it maybe fills a gap in the knowledge.” The documentary starts with both Truman’s and Eisenhower’s hard-scrabble upbringing and notes their different experiences leading into and during World War I that built their leadership traits – Truman worked for

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In a photograph used in a Kansas City PBS documentary about Dwight Eisenhower and Harry Truman, Gen. Eisenhower meets with President Truman on Nov. 5, 1951, in a secret conference on military affairs and Western European rearmament. The documentary, ‘Winning the War: Harry, Ike & the Fight For Democracy,’ will air on the Kansas City PBS station at 7 p.m. next Thursday. [PHOTO COURTESY OF TRUMAN LIBRARY]



Nina Anders started Scandinavia Place on the Independence in 1987 and recently sold the novelty gift shop, which sells items derived from Scandinavia and Nordic culture, to longtime employee Jeff Lujin. [MIKE GENET/THE EXAMINER]

Heritage in good hands

Independence gift shop focuses on all things Scandinavian, and now it passes into new hands

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Born in Iceland to parents who met at the military base there amid World War II, Nina (Clemensen) Anders, has long held an affinity for the culture of Scandinavian and Nordic countries. In 1987, when little else was happening around the Independence

Square, Anders, with the help of her husband Ira and friends, opened Scandinavia Place gift shop on Main Street. “As Shirley Baker said, you could roll a bowling ball down Main Street and not hit anything,” Anders said. “It was just antique stores and Courthouse Exchange,” which Baker owned. “I just always wanted a shop, and I like

Scandinavian things. There’s not a lot of fluff or frou-frou with it. I tried to think of what I would want.” At age 81, Anders has decided it is time to pass along the gift shop to longtime co-worker Jeff Lujin. Though after what Lujin jokingly called the “most drawn-out ownership change,” Anders says she will still be a regular visitor, if only to continue

to meet up with people she’s grown accustomed to seeing over the years. “I have to do that,” she said. “Lots of my closest friends, I met through the store. It’s still like a little town up here in Independence.” “Still have to come up and be a thorn in his side.”

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Supreme Court justice calls for ‘courage to do the right thing’

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U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson gave a history lesson, framed as a story of courage by a serviceman, a judge and president.

“There have been, and there will be, times in which the spirit of America is challenged ...” she said Thursday.

Jackson was in Kansas City to receive the Truman Good Neighbor Award, given annually to someone in public life who has demonstrated some of the character of President Harry Truman, whose birthday was Thursday. The award has gone to presidents and senators, historians and journalist, and now four Supreme Court justices.

Jackson told the story of Isaac Woodward and how it accelerated Truman’s efforts to advance civil rights.

It is early 1946. America is demobilizing after World War II, and millions are headed home. About 900,000 of them, like Isaac Woodward, are black. He’s been in the Army for three years and earned a battle star in the Pacific.

On Feb. 12, Sgt. Woodward gets on a bus in Augusta, Georgia, where he had been discharged from the Army that day. He is headed home to North Carolina, still in uniform.

There is no toilet on this bus and, as is the custom, he asks the driver to pull over for a break. The driver rudely dismisses him.

Now, says Jackson, Woodward shows the courage to stand up for himself.

Look at me like I’m a man, he says, and let’s talk about this. The driver relents and stops for the needed break – but at the next regular stop, in Batesburg, South Carolina, he has arranged for violence. He tells the police chief there that Woodward is drunk and being abusive.

The police chief, Lynwood Shull, takes Woodward



Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson. [PHOTO BY SUPREME COURT PHOTOGRAPHER FRED SCHILLING]

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NEWS

Fallen officers honored



The Independence police color guard stands at attention as Independence Police Chief Adam Dustman and Sugar Creek Police Chief Chris Soule (unseen behind Dustman) place the memorial wreath of IPD's memorial during Friday's annual IPD/Sugar Creek Police Officer Memorial Service outside of IPD's headquarters on Memorial Drive. The names of eight fallen Independence officers and two fallen Sugar Creek officers were read, with flowers placed in the wreath in remembrance, and Jackson County Prosecutor Melesa Johnson gave the keynote address. [MIKE GENET/THE EXAMINER]

THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Garden club plans potluck social

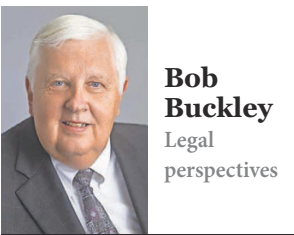
The Independence Garden Club meets at 6 p.m. Monday. There is a new location -- Westminster Hall at 417 W. Lexington Ave. It's a potluck social, and there is no speaker. The group also plans a garden tour on May 19. The group says it wants to thank the community for supporting its plant sale last month at the Independence Uptown Market. -- Examiner staff

Federal prison for child porn possession

A Blue Springs man will spend 14 years in federal prison for possessing hundreds of images and videos of child pornography after he was caught with a cell phone in a secure classified area where he worked. Jon Hopkins, 41, was sentenced Thursday in federal court in Kansas City after he pleaded guilty Oct. 29, 2024, to one count of possessing child pornography. The court also ordered Hopkins to serve supervised release for life following his incarceration and to pay \$15,000 in restitution to his victims. Hopkins also faces state charges of statutory rape and statutory sodomy of a victim less than 12 years old. That case from Independence remained pending during the federal case. According to federal court documents, Hopkins worked at Honeywell and in February 2024 was fired after he was found to have a cell phone in a classified area that prohibits electronics. During a search of that phone, officers found images of child porn, and a further detailed analysis revealed hundreds of images and videos, many focused on preteen girls. The images included depictions of 10 previously identified child pornography victims. According to Jackson County Circuit Court documents, Hopkins was arrested in May 2024 in Independence after the child victim's divorced parents told police Hopkins, who was with the child's mother, had sexually assaulted the girl. The girl had told her father's current partner about the alleged assault, and when the mother learned of allegations from a Family Services worker, she took the girl and left Hopkins. The child victim detailed some of the alleged sexual encounters to police. -- Examiner staff

Long-standing legal precedents are up for grabs

I am no constitutional scholar. Constitutional law is part of the curriculum at UMKC Law School, and I had two semesters of it. My professor in the first class was a Harvard graduate and was clearly the best professor in the law school. His classes were always interesting, and he was popular with the students. I was not quite so fortunate in my second class. My second professor was clearly the worst teacher in my legal education. I chose a seat on the back row of the class so I could read the newspaper because I discovered that he was actually reading to us from a treatise on constitutional law. The treatise is called a hornbook, used by law students on particular subjects, and he would stand in front of us and spend an hour reading to us from the book. I assumed I could read faster by myself than he could orally, so I read the newspaper. Constitutional law has changed dramatically since I graduated in December of 1979. A number of landmark decisions have been handed down by the



Bob Buckley Legal perspectives

United States Supreme Court in the past 45 years, some of which were very controversial. Stare decisis is a legal doctrine that requires courts to follow precedents unless the previous decision is unjust or outdated. The rationale of stare decisis was declared by the Supreme Court in Kimble v. Marvel Enterprise: "it promotes the evenhanded, predictable, and consistent development of legal principles, fostering reliance on judicial decisions, and contributing to the actual and perceived integrity of the judicial process." However, the court has also stated stare decisis is not a predestined command because when prior decisions are "unworkable" or are badly reasoned," then the Supreme Court may not follow precedent. We have seen this

phenomenon in several recent decisions of the court. In Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, decided in 2022, the Supreme Court reversed Roe v. Wade, which legalized abortion. Under the current law, certain states can choose to make abortion legal. Missouri citizens voted last year to legalize it by a narrow margin. In 1976, the court upheld limits on political contributions in federal elections in Buckley v. Valeo, but then in 2010 in Citizens United v. FEC, the court's decision opened the door to large, unidentified contributions by large corporations. Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote for the narrow majority holding that limits on independent spending from corporations and other outside groups equates to limiting their speech and thus violated the First Amendment. The cost of federal elections has skyrocketed since that decision. Elon Musk contributed over \$250 million to Donald Trump's 2024 campaign. The

top six contributors gave nearly a trillion dollars to Republican candidates in the last election. It is reported that Musk spent \$25 million on the election of a Supreme Court judge in Wisconsin. His candidate did not win. In Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores, a regulation adopted by the federal Department of Health and Human Resources pursuant to the Affordable Care Act required employers to provide certain contraceptive insurance coverage, including emergency contraceptive pills and intrauterine devices. The Supreme Court held that a regulation applied to closely held corporations burdened the free exercise of religion and was declared unconstitutional. Two decisions have been handed down affirming gay rights. In Obergefell v. Hodges, the court held that a state law declaring same sex marriage illegal was unconstitutional. And in Lawrence v. Texas, the court held that a state law prohibiting sexual relations between consenting homosexuals within the

confines of their homes was unconstitutional. Those cases may be reviewed soon. Stare decisis may be tested soon as state legislation is being considered in some states to criminalize use of contraceptives which was struck down in Griswold v. Connecticut in 1965 because all Americans have a constitutionally protected right of privacy. Other previous decisions may be challenged in the future. In 1989, the court decided in Texas v. Johnson that offensive speech such as flag burning is protected by the First Amendment. Gregory Lee Johnson burned an American flag outside the Dallas City Hall. He was arrested for this act, but he argued that it was symbolic speech. The Supreme Court agreed, ruling that symbolic speech is constitutionally protected even when it is offensive. In Bostock v. Clayton County, it was decided in 2020 that Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 protects employees against discrimination due to their sexual orientation or gender identity. DEI

(diversity, exclusion and inclusion) standards are being challenged by the Trump administration, so it is expected that discrimination decisions may be challenged. In another case that may be revisited based on recent public outcry, the court decided unanimously in 1922 in Zucht v. King that a school district can exclude a child who has not been vaccinated. This case relied on a previous case that held that the state has the power to require compulsory vaccination in Jacobson v. Massachusetts. And the 1962 decision of Engel v. Vitale that declared that school-sponsored prayer in schools is unconstitutional because it violates the First Amendment provision on establishment of religion, may be challenged soon too. Stare decisis is a sound legal doctrine, but its scope may be challenged in the future by the current court dominated by conservative justices. Bob Buckley is an attorney in Independence. Email him at bbuckley@wagblaw.com.

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OTHER VOICES

Congress needs to step up to defend PBS

“I’m very much concerned, as I know you are, about what’s being delivered to our children in this country,” said Fred Rogers to the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Communications in May 1969. “We don’t have to bop somebody over the head to ... make drama on the screen.”

Public broadcasting, Rogers argued, was crucial because it cared about “trying to understand the inner needs of children” instead of just entertaining them — or seeking to turn them into customers — as most radio and television shows do.

He pointed out that his program’s entire budget cost less than two minutes of cartoons. And today, federal support for public media amounts to less than \$2 per American.

The children’s television icon was responding to threats from the Nixon administration to halve the budget for the recently created Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Fifty-six years later, another Republican president is threatening the future of public broadcasting in America, and should be similarly resisted.

President Donald Trump signed an executive order last week instructing the CPB to stop giving funds to both PBS and National Public Radio, which will affect over 1,500 public media institutions nationwide, claiming their programming was politically biased. These outlets are now much more enmeshed in American life, and much more important, than they were in 1969.

Public media systems reach 99% of the U.S. population, even people in rural communities who lack access to other services, such as broadband internet, while providing free education programs for youth as well as current affairs, science and arts programming. This makes these institutions essential not just culturally, but as a matter of public safety, including emergency preparedness.

CPB allocates over \$500 million a year in federal funds to public media institutions around the country, providing essential support without which many of these outlets would cease to exist.

Congress created the CPB as an independent nonprofit. It receives and distributes federal funds, but is not under the direct authority of the executive branch. The purpose of this arrangement was to keep public media institutions truly public — that is, funded by the public sector and therefore free from commercial incentives — while also preserving their independence from political forces.

As PBS put it in its own statement on the executive order, “In creating CPB, Congress expressly forbade any department, agency, officer, or employee of the United States to exercise any direction, supervision, or control over educational television or radio broadcasting, or over (CPB) or any of its grantees or contractors.”

Trump’s executive order came three days after he attempted to fire three members of the CPB board. The corporation is fighting this action in court, as well as the follow-up order. Both are direct attacks on the corporation’s independence.

Besides being an attack on public media, this is also an attack on Congress, which created and funds CPB. Congress has appropriated funding to CPB through 2027. Members from both parties should protest this incursion on Congressional authority.

While CPB should prevail in court, local organizations should begin planning to support public media, in case federal support evaporates. A gutted PBS will be very difficult to rebuild.

Defunding public media is the political equivalent of bopping someone over the head, just to make drama on screen. Something public broadcasting was never about.

-- Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

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ANOTHER VIEW



Hailey’s story illustrates Missouri’s failure in doing too little to preserve families

The Missouri Children’s Division has accomplished something most of us would have thought impossible: They got all sides in the debate over abortion to agree.

They agree about Hailey, the young mother profiled in an outstanding story in *The Independent*. They agree that the behavior of the Children’s Division in surveilling, harassing, traumatizing and sometimes tearing apart Hailey’s loving family was, in the words of State Sen. Mary Elizabeth Coleman, “really horrifying.”

Over and over Hailey’s great-aunt, Jodi Spradley, overcame obstacles to craft a fragile safety net first for Hailey and then for her infant as well. Over and over the Children’s Division tore that safety net apart. The issue was never abuse, it was poverty — often housing.

As Kelley Fong, professor and author of the landmark study *Investigating Families* said: It’s “really striking that rather than provide her with what she needs to provide a stable home for mom and baby, the response is just to separate everyone. That is extremely traumatic for the new mom, for the baby, for everyone involved.”

Yes, it’s horrifying. But here’s something more horrifying: A change in leadership at the Children’s Division means it’s likely to get worse.



Richard Wexler

Can anybody read Hailey’s story and seriously believe that, under the previous director, Darrell Missey, the focus was “just family preservation?” But that seems to be what his successor, Sara Smith, believes.

She’s even handing out stickers that effectively equate child removal with child safety. Of course, she doesn’t use those words. But, the message to the front lines is clear: I’m handing out stickers that say “centered on safety” because your old boss wasn’t. So if you want to please the new boss, take away more children.

Was it true? Was Hailey’s case just a fluke? Was Missey fanatical about family preservation at the expense of safety?

The data tell a different story.

Year after year, Missouri tears apart families at a rate far above the national average, even when rates of child poverty are factored in. Yes, Missey curbed needless removals a little, but even using the Children’s Division’s own 2024 data, Missouri still takes away children at a rate at least 35% above the national average.

Most cases are nothing like the horror stories. Far more common are cases in which poverty is confused with neglect.

So it’s no wonder multiple studies find that, in typical cases, children left in their own homes typically fare better in later life even than comparably-maltreated children placed in foster care. Indeed, as The Kansas City Star once reminded us, children may bounce from foster home to foster home, until, as young adults, their stable “home” is a prison cell.

And child removal is no guarantee of child safety. On the contrary, in addition to the enormous inherent emotional trauma, there’s the high rate of abuse in foster care itself.

Study after study finds abuse in one-quarter to one-third of family foster homes; the rate of abuse in group homes and institutions is even worse. So where is Hailey’s infant likely to be safer -- in the warm embrace of her mother and her great great aunt or moved from stranger to stranger?

But what about the horror stories about children who really should have been taken away? That’s almost always because case-workers are too overloaded to investigate any case carefully — because they’re drowning in false allegations, trivial cases and poverty cases.

It takes a whole lot of time and effort to do what the Children’s Division did to Hailey.

Who might have been saved had that time and effort been spent looking more closely at cases where children really were in danger?

The idea that family preservation and child safety are opposites that need to be “balanced” is the Big Lie of American child welfare. On the contrary, for the overwhelming majority of children family preservation is not just the more humane option, it’s the safer option. The take-the-child-and-run approach makes all children less safe.

Missey understood that and tried to change it — with little success. But at least he tried.

Smith shows every sign of wanting to double down on the approach that’s failed in Missouri and all over the country.

If Missouri lawmakers want to see fewer horrific child abuse deaths and fewer cases of trauma like that inflicted on Hailey and her child, they’re going to need to step in and make clear they won’t tolerate going backwards.

For starters, they might want to send Smith a sticker that says: “You can’t have child safety without family preservation.”

Richard Wexler is executive director of the National Coalition for Child Protection Reform.

A symbol of hope in a world of suffering

Our world needs symbols of hope, compassion and something greater than the struggles of this life.

For that reason, we believe so many people, not just Roman Catholics, pay great attention to the selection of a new pope, in the belief that faith, even a faith they may not share, matters.

The election of an American, Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, as the next pope was a great surprise, even if its significance remains to be fully understood. All we can really say

is that it is significant for reasons both moral and political, and the response of people all over the world echoes that truth.

Pope Leo XIV, who left his Chicago home as a teenager for a life of missionary work in Peru, is a man of the world who represents so many places of importance to the Roman Catholic faithful, from the U.S. to Latin America to the Vatican.

The fact that so many of us, believers and non-believers, Christians and non-Christians, are

interested in who becomes pope says something about the role of faith in human life.

That interest ascends from a natural human longing for something beyond this world, beyond its material comforts, its suffering and pain, its assurance of death. In Christianity, the meaning of our temporal life is defined in the belief that eternal life with the divine awaits for those who faithfully live in the light of the teachings of Jesus Christ. Other faiths define the

path to salvation or to peace in different ways. But a common thread among cultures and times is the search for that path.

Even those who don’t align with Catholicism or Christianity may see in the selection of a new pope a symbol of meaning beyond this world, of a greater good that humanity can achieve.

Is it any wonder then that people turn their faces towards such hope and such belief?

-- The Dallas Morning News

RECORD

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several years after high school before he volunteered for war in his 30s, while Eisenhower got an appointment to West Point but never led in combat in France, instead training troops at home.

Besides the two presidential descendants, others interviewed include World War II veterans from the metro area and a woman born

in a Japanese internment camp, Truman Library Archivist Sam Rushay, Eisenhower Library Director Todd Arrington and author Steve Drummond, the most recent Truman Book Award winner for “Watchdog: How the Truman Committee Battled Corruption and Helped Win World War II.”

Mary Jean Eisenhower also provides a humorous moment when she recalled meeting the paratrooper her grandfather is famously pictured talking to the day before

D-Day in 1944.

“I asked him, ‘What did he say?’ He was asking about the fishing in Saginaw,” she said, which showed how Ike was able to compartmentalize in an enormously stressful time.

Paralleled with Eisenhower’s willingness to accept the blame if D-Day had failed, the film gives hefty time to thoughts about Truman’s decision to drop the atomic bombs – Ike did not approve, but Truman never sought his opinion, even though he could have since he was

in Europe in the summer of 1945, Rushay points out – and includes the veterans’ thoughts.

As one said, after surviving more than 140 days of combat in Europe and faced with joining the Japanese invasion force, “My life was granted back to me. ... You run out of chances.”

It then goes into perhaps the lesser-known tale of how the men’s relationship grew frosty during the 1952 election. Eisenhower had turned down Truman’s offer run as Ike’s vice president on the Democratic

ticket, potentially running against Gen. Douglas MacArthur, and when Sen. Joseph McCarthy attacked George Marshall as part of his “Red Scare” effort, Truman did not like that Eisenhower failed to defend the fellow general.

The two patched things up some in the aftermath of John F. Kennedy’s assassination – starting with Truman getting Eisenhower a plate of food after the funeral, Mary Jean said – but even later Truman still noted that Eisenhower had snubbed him and

Bess for the traditional pre-inauguration breakfast meeting before Ike took office in 1953.

Arrington said in panel discussion that two men’s pettiness or thin skin at times made for interesting study.

“It makes them relatable, but it also doesn’t diminish their greatness,” he said.

Rushay said the film does what he, Arrington and their colleagues do at their presidential libraries, “to make history become relevant.”

“It puts our mission into context,” he said.

HERITAGE

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When she decided to open the shop, Anders said she tracked down a couple other similar novelty shops in the Midwest, including one Lindsborg, Kansas and got some advice.

“We try not to be just a knick-knack store; we try to carry things people like -- candles, lotions, food,” she said, adding that puzzles became a bigger item in recent years. There

are clothing items as well, such as a “May the Norse be with you” T-shirt seen through the front window.

“You need something that keeps people coming back, and we have good chocolate.”

In the store’s earlier years, some shoppers who were tourists in town for Truman and veterans would speak of how Independence’s hometown president saved their life with his decision to drop the atomic bombs

“A lot of men said that when they came in,” Anders recalled.

When the German restaurant Rheinland was across the street, the two businesses often had similar customers, she said. The addition of several other businesses around the Square in recent decades, driven in large part by Ken and Cindy McClain, also helped Scandinavia Place.

“More shops brings you more people – more shops and restaurants,” Anders said.

Another big help over the years that Lujin pointed out – DNA ancestry test companies.

“As soon as they find

out they’re Swedish, they find their way here,” he said.

Through the decades, Ira Anders had been a helping hand, serving as the resident fix-it man while he was a longtime Independence teacher and later a state representative. Last summer, as he battled various health issues, the couple moved from their house to a retirement community in Independence – a move she has enjoyed. Ira passed away in February at age 82, and by then Nina had already decided it was time to hand over the

store.

“I couldn’t have done it without him; he was always very supportive,” she said. “When we moved to the independent living place, I thought it’s time to retire.”

“But it’s kind of like a baby. You can’t just give it away.”

Lujin recalled the first time he met Anders, when he worked at the Truman Historic Site gift shop down the street and she came in to buy a special bookmark for Ira before he started his first term at the State Capitol. Lujin said he

had popped in a few times with a friend to buy some candy.

Not longer after -- he needing a job and Scandinavia Place needing some help -- that partnership started.

“It was going to be temporary,” he said. “Now, everyone thinks she’s my mother.”

Now as the owner, Lujin isn’t changing the sign out front, but on the official paperwork on file in Jefferson City, he changed the name, despite her polite objection.

It’s now Nina’s Scandinavia Place.

HISTORY

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From The Independence Examiner during the week of May 3-9, 1925:

“**GRAIN VALLEY NEWS**” – The banquet given Thursday night by the juniors of the Grain Valley school in honor of the seniors was a great success. Toasts were given by Superintendent R.H. Boston and I.C. Rapier, of the faculty. Rowe Williams was toastmaster for the seniors, and Lloyd Pike for the juniors. Commencement exercises will be held May 14. There are thirteen members of the senior class.

“**BLUE SPRINGS NEWS**” – The ice cream and strawberry social given by the women of the Christian Church Saturday afternoon and evening at McGuire’s garage was a success. The “Christian Jewels,” a Sunday school class of girls, served candy and made a nice sum of money.

“**ROBBED BY HIS GUESTS**” – H.L. Minton, 1424 West College street, no longer believes in the efficacy of hospitality. He was held up and robbed of his Jewett Touring car, \$45 in money, a pocketbook, keys and a bank book by three men whom he had picked up in Kansas City when they asked him for a ride to Independence.

When they reached the Stone Arch bridge of the Fifteenth street road they produced a gun and proceeded to relieve him of the money and car.

Minton was picked up by Eugene Ross, 13 South Arlington avenue, Fairland Heights, and brought to home. Constable Edison L. Watson’s office is working on the case.

“**IMPORTANCE OF CLEANUP**” – “The Clean-up campaign scheduled for next week is a very necessary thing and should be pushed to its limit,” said Dr. H.A. Schroeder, city physician.

“This is the time of the year best suited

to ridding the city of unsightly objects and germ breeders, and everyone should get behind it, to make it a success. Accumulated tin cans, garbage and the like are very detrimental to health and a blot on the city’s appearance.”

“**TRYING OUT TRAFFIC LIGHT – MOTOR CAR DRIVERS OBEY SIGNAL – NO NEED OF OFFICER**” – Hanging in the center of the crossing at the corner of Maple Avenue and Liberty street is a new traffic director. It is an automatic signal which every thirty seconds flashes a go signal and a stop signal.

The city council is trying out this signal at this, the busiest corner or rather one of the busy corners. The signals can be bought for \$200 each. In addition a control box must be bought at an additional cost of \$200 and one control box is all that is necessary for all the signals installed.

“**IN THE DAYS NEWS**” (an editorial) – There are two kinds

of slot machines. One kind is a gambling machine and the other is a vending machine. The gambling machine, like all other gambling devices, allows the customer about one chance in a thousand to win and the “house” makes the big percentage. The vending machine hands out a cigar, a postage stamp, a package of chewing gum or some other standard commodity at a standard price.

City police have a hard time regulating the slot machines. Grand juries have investigated and indicted, and the Federal Court has been discussing the matter.

The Kansas City police at one time adopted a very effective method of disposing of the gambling machines. They raided the place and when the machine reached headquarters a man with a blunt ax worked on the machine and effectively ruined its usefulness. This was stopped when the courts held that the police might be sued for damages for destroying property

and the commissioners held liable.

Judge Reeves of the Federal Court has been listening for two days to slot machine testimony and according to the newspapers was quite indignant at the situation. It probably did not occur

to the judge to direct that the captured machines be taken in the back yard and reduced to junk. This kind of a judgment would be much more effective than a mere fine or even an injunction.

-- Compiled by Jeff Fox

Obituaries

STEPHEN CABLE

Stephen Eugene Cable, 88, of Lee's Summit, Mo., passed away Monday, May 5, 2025. Arrangements have been entrusted to Speaks Suburban Chapel in Independence, Mo.

RONALD CRANK

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Ronald Earl Crank.

Ronald Earl Crank, 84, of Independence, Mo., passed away peacefully at Carmel Hills Nursing Facility in Independence on April 12, 2025.

He was born in Marshall, Mo., on February 1, 1941, to Robert Earl and Rose Marie Crank.

Ronald is a 1959 William Chrisman High School graduate. Ronald served two years in the Vietnam war as a Fire Action Control Specialist 13J Artillery Soldier. After Ronald was discharged from the Army, he attended CMSU and received his Masters degree in Education and a Business and Accounting Degree from Pittsburg University.

Ronald worked at Farmland Industries in the accounting department. After retiring, Ronald worked for Independence Public School District from 2000-2013 driving a school bus.

He was a true sports fan with his love of the KC Royals and the KC Chiefs.

Ronald is preceded in death by his parents, Robert Earl and Rose Marie Crank, his twin brother Donald Dean, a brother Gregory Allen, and a son John David Crank.

Ronald is survived by his loving wife of 25 years Priscilla Lynn Crank of Independence. Also survived by his former spouse of 17 years, Frances Darlene Beaver.

Together their children were a daughter Lara Marie McFeely of Tyler, Texas, and a son, John David Crank (deceased).

Ronald is also survived by three stepchildren, Ricky David Chandler (Tina), Diana Lynn Pennington (David), and John Wayne Chandler.

There were six step-grandchildren, 13 step-great-grandchildren, and many aunts and uncles, nieces, nephew, and cousins.

Ronald requested to have no services at this time. There will be a cremation ceremony at a later date.





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NEWS

SUPREME

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off the bus. He and others beat Woodard, and he is charged with disorderly conduct despite little to no evidence of that. In the jail that night, Shull beats Woodard more, at one point doing so, he later said, because Woodard said “Yes” and not “Yes, sir.” Police also punched Woodard in the eyes and hit him in the eyes with a billy club.

The beatings leave Woodard blind for the rest of his life.

Local authorities are not interested in pressing charges. But the story begins to get national attention and outrage.

President Truman, who Jackson called the first president to take an active stance for civil rights, later that year is in a meeting about his push for a federal anti-lynching law when the Woodard case is brought up – and well as the inaction by authorities in South Carolina. Truman’s demeanor changes,

Jackson stressed. We have to do something, he says.

He orders the U.S. attorney general to take up the case against Shull. That led quickly to an indictment of Shull and some of his officers – but not a conviction.

There was a one-day trial in Charleston, South Carolina, and the federal judge presiding over the case, Julius Waties Waring, later said he was stunned at the weak effort of prosecutors. Some witnesses were never called, including another veteran on the bus, who could have backed up Woodard’s account of events. Or doctors who could have confirmed that the beatings caused Woodard’s blindness.

The all-white, all-male jury acquitted the men.

That clear injustice stirred an awakening in Judge Waring – a white, male federal judge who with a comfortable spot in Charleston society. He said he was ashamed at the hypocrisy of his own government in the way the prosecution handled the case.

He became outspoken against segregation.

“One might call it courage,” Jackson said of Waring, to have stood up for what is right rather than to comfortably abide by injustice.

As a result, over the years, a cross burned at the Waring family home, bricks were thrown through windows and there were gunshots.

“But through it all, Judge Waring was not deterred,” Jackson said.

This story is told in fuller detail in “Unexampled Courage: The Blinding of Sgt. Isaac Woodard and the Awakening of President Harry S. Truman and Judge J. Waties Waring,” by Richard Gergel.

Truman’s own thoughts were evolving. He had ordered a commission on racial segregation, he was the first president to address the NAACP – calling civil rights for all a moral imperative – in 1948 ordered an end to racial segregation of the military.

Justice Jackson called Truman “one of our boldest and most

principled presidents.” She said he spoke the truth and did the right thing despite much public opposition.

“Truman’s forthrightness was indeed one of his hallmarks,” she said.

The point, she said, is simply this: “We must have the courage to do the right thing.”

The reach of history

Thursday’s luncheon was rich in history. The first Good Neighbor Award, given in 1973 just a few months after Truman’s death, went to Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren. He was most well known for writing the majority opinion – and rallying his fellow justices for a unanimous decision – in the landmark Brown v. Board of Education case in 1954.

Jackson on Thursday mentioned that decision, in which court ordered an end to racial segregation of the nation’s public schools and helped push the country toward an end to racial segregation

generally. Jackson, who is black, said that ruling “changed the trajectory of my life and altered the course of the nation.”

Other justices to have received the Good Neighbor Award are Sandra Day O’Connor and Anthony Kennedy.

The Truman Foundation on Thursday also presented the annual Philip Pistilli Silver Veterans Medal to Bryan Meyer. He’s a Marine who served in Iraq and Kuwait and who has more than 300 combat flight hours. He is also the co-founder and the CEO of Veterans Community Project, well known for its tiny homes project in Kansas, though he stressed the program is about housing as well as other services veterans need.

He stressed the importance of working with others – to the point of saying he’s never accomplished anything truly important all by himself.

“It takes the support of other people,” he said, “to really make change.”



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NEWS

MISSOURI GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Legislators look at Clay County for Royals stadium

By Jason Hancock Missouri Independent

With only a week to go before the legislature adjourns for the year, Missouri lawmakers are considering a last-minute push for a \$300 million incentive package aimed at building a new stadium for the Kansas City Royals in Clay County.

The tentative plan, which according to those involved has the blessing of the governor's office, would commit the state to \$15 million a year to a newly created Clay County sports authority for the next 20 years. That money would be used to help finance a new stadium in order to prevent the team from moving to Kansas.

It's unclear if the legislative package will include money to help the Kansas City Chiefs remodel Arrowhead Stadium in Jackson County.

Missouri Gov. Mike Kehoe's office did not respond to requests for comment.

Legislation sponsored by state Sen. Kurtis Gregory, a Republican from Marshall, would be the vehicle for the funding. The underlying bill, which passed the Senate and could be taken up as early as Monday in the House, would authorize Clay County to establish a county sports complex authority for the purpose of "developing or maintaining sports, convention, exhibition or trade facilities."

Any stadium funding plans would be added to the bill as an amendment in the House, said state Rep. Brad Christ, a St. Louis County Republican handling the legislation in that chamber.

Christ said his involvement with the stadium funding is "very minimal," and he has not been kept in the loop on any details of the proposal.

All signs point toward Clay County as the preferred location for the new stadium, Gregory said, with the idea that moving the Royals would clear the way for the Chiefs to remain in Arrowhead, demolish Kauffman Stadium and build a covered entertainment center.

"It's not 'downtown,' but Clay County works a lot better," Gregory

said of a possible North Kansas City site. "There can be better parking. You'll have the Kansas City skyline just two miles away. They could run the streetcar out to it. It just works."

Some sort of local support would likely still be needed, Gregory said. But he's optimistic that can get done, because "when I was knocking doors in Clay, the most frequent question I got was 'what are we going to do about the Chiefs and the Royals.'"

Both teams have publicly expressed interest in moving from Missouri to Kansas after Jackson County voters rejected a proposal last year to extend a three-eighths-cent sales tax to help finance a downtown Kansas City baseball

stadium and upgrades to Arrowhead.

Kansas lawmakers responded by expanding a tax incentive program in the hopes of convincing one or both teams to relocate. The leases for both teams' Jackson County stadiums run through the end of the 2030 seasons.

Regardless of the details of any potential plan, the idea faces incredibly long odds with so little time left in the session. The House and Senate must adjourn for the year at 6 p.m. next Friday.

The tight timeline is especially problematic in the Missouri Senate, where any opposition could turn into a run-out-the-clock filibuster.

State Sen. Maggie Nurrenbern, a Kansas City Democrat who co-sponsored the Clay County sports authority bill with Gregory, said she's not been involved in recent discussions and had doubts there was time to still get something done so late in the session.

Senate President Pro Tem Cindy O'Laughlin, a Shelbina Republican, said there have been talks all year about trying to keep the Royals in Missouri. But she has not been directly involved in formal discussions of a new plan this week, she said.

And taking a stadium funding plan from start to finish in less than a week, O'Laughlin said, will be incredibly tough.

"That would be pretty quick," she said with a laugh.

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3rd DOWN = 141

4th DOWN = 87

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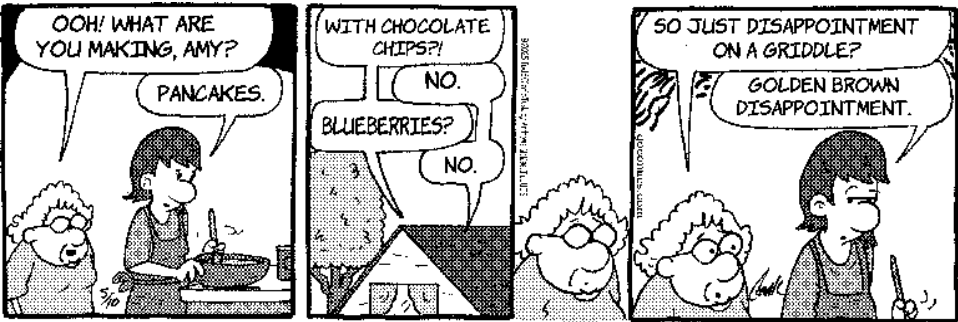
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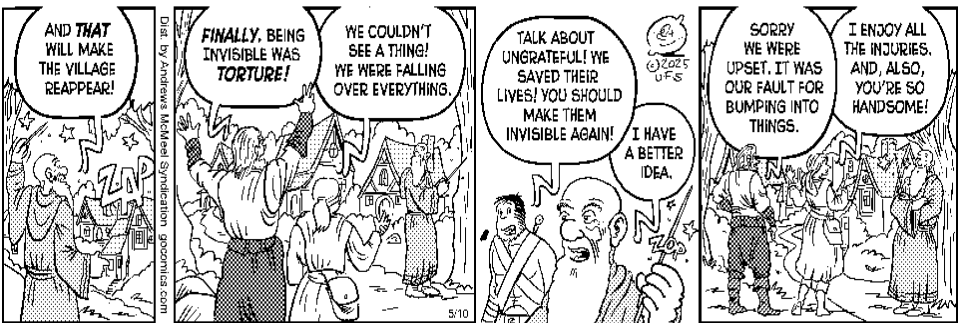
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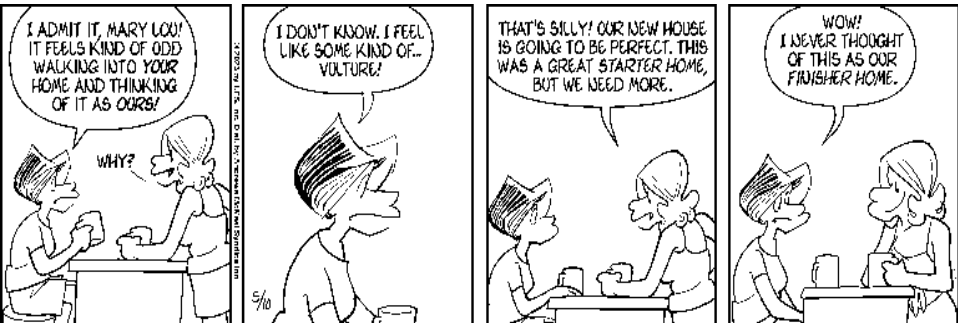
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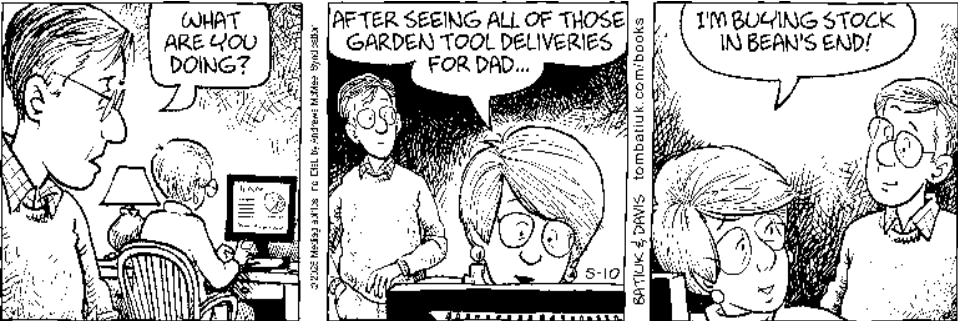
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You'll miss out if you don't pull everything together and take care of unfinished business. Keeping the momentum flowing is essential to take advantage of what's available; if you snooze, you lose. Return to nature, follow your passion or immerse yourself in something else that brings you joy. Romance is in the stars. ★★
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Stay put wherever you feel comfortable. Avoid getting into no-win situations or heated arguments that can ruin relationships or cost you mentally, physically or emotionally. Concentrate on personal gains and growth. Put your energy where it will bring the highest returns. Happiness is the prerequisite to doing what's right and best for you. ★★
GEMINI (May 21-June 22): It's up to you to create opportunities, make cold calls, network and present your propositions for consideration. The more you engage with others, the more you will discover about yourself and what's possible. Set out today in search of long-term happiness and contentment. Mix business with pleasure, and someone will show interest in you. ★★★★★
CANCER (June 21-July 22): A display of emotions will work against you. Be observant, but refrain from overreacting. Your strength comes from knowing the facts and using intelligence and alternative solutions to negotiate the outcome. Style your posture and rhetoric with polish, integrity and equality, and you'll

gain acceptance. Take care of your money and your health. ★★
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Sparks will fly. Direct your energy into something positive and energetic, which can help you reach your target. Reconfigure your layout at home to ensure optimum performance, leaving you more time to do something that interests you. Pay attention to detail and how you present yourself to others. Romance is favored. ★★★★★
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Be open and honest. Discuss and resolve sensitive topics with empathy and a willingness to compromise. Suggest a change of scenery, a walk in nature or visiting an establishment that reminds you of fond memories, impacting how you feel, what you say and what transpires. ★★
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Put life into your ideas and plans. Stop talking and start doing. Doors will open, and interacting with others or making your dreams a reality will reinforce confidence and the will to take whatever you wish to pursue one step further. Trust your instincts, surround yourself with quality people and enjoy the ride. ★★
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Patience is key today. You can share your thoughts and feelings, but do so with discretion and without malice. A disciplined approach to accomplishing whatever you want will give you the means to reach your goal. Speak passionately, and you'll get the help you need to exceed your

expectations. ★★
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Rummage around your place, decluttering along the way. Making room for activities you want to engage in or preparing to receive company will ease stress and change your perspective regarding life and how you want to live yours. Spending time with someone you love will enhance your relationship and encourage lifestyle changes. ★★
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A change will occur good. Distance yourself from those who bring you down, plan to do something to nurture your soul and revive your faith in yourself and your beliefs. Find your comfort zone in a good book or pastime that takes your mind off what troubles you. It's time to rejuvenate. ★★
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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Sit tight, review and establish what you want, and refuse to let anyone interfere in your life. You are overdue for a change, but it must enhance your life, not burden you with debt. Put together a budget you can afford and build your plans around your means and needs. ★★

Dear Abby

Fiancee treats man more like a child than as a partner



Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm engaged to a delightful woman from a foreign country. She's a divorcee, and her 19-year-old son is doing well in college. She essentially raised him herself. Because of some spectrum disorder and ADHD symptoms, her son was apparently a handful. I am healthy, have multiple advanced degrees (including an M.D. and a Ph.D.), and have enjoyed a successful and lucrative career. I have raised six happy, healthy and independent children. I've worked very hard and have a substantial bankroll. My concern is that she tends to treat me like she might treat her son. She asks me (repeatedly) if I'm cold and suggests that I wear more clothes. She asks me if I'm hungry, thirsty or tired, and if I should exercise. I don't think she does it maliciously. I think she genuinely cares for me and is expressing

her love with these matronly concerns. I have suggested repeatedly that she doesn't need to provide advice on clothing, hunger, etc. -- that I'm an adult and have successfully figured out those things for a very long time. She has much less money than I do, and I help to support her. But I cannot continue to tolerate her maternalistic attitude. I have told her several times that I need a lover, not a mother, but it doesn't seem to penetrate. How can I get this woman whom I love to treat me as an adult and not to question my mature decisions? -- **NOBODY'S CHILD IN NEW YORK**

DEAR NOBODY'S CHILD: Your fiancée may not be trying to infantilize you. Many, if not most, women who love the men in their lives fuss over them. Because her efforts are not pleasing and are having a negative effect, you are going to have to be more direct in your message, and by that, I mean tell her it is such a turnoff for you that you are considering ending the relationship. Stating it just that way may help the message to penetrate. And if it doesn't, then you aren't the man for her.

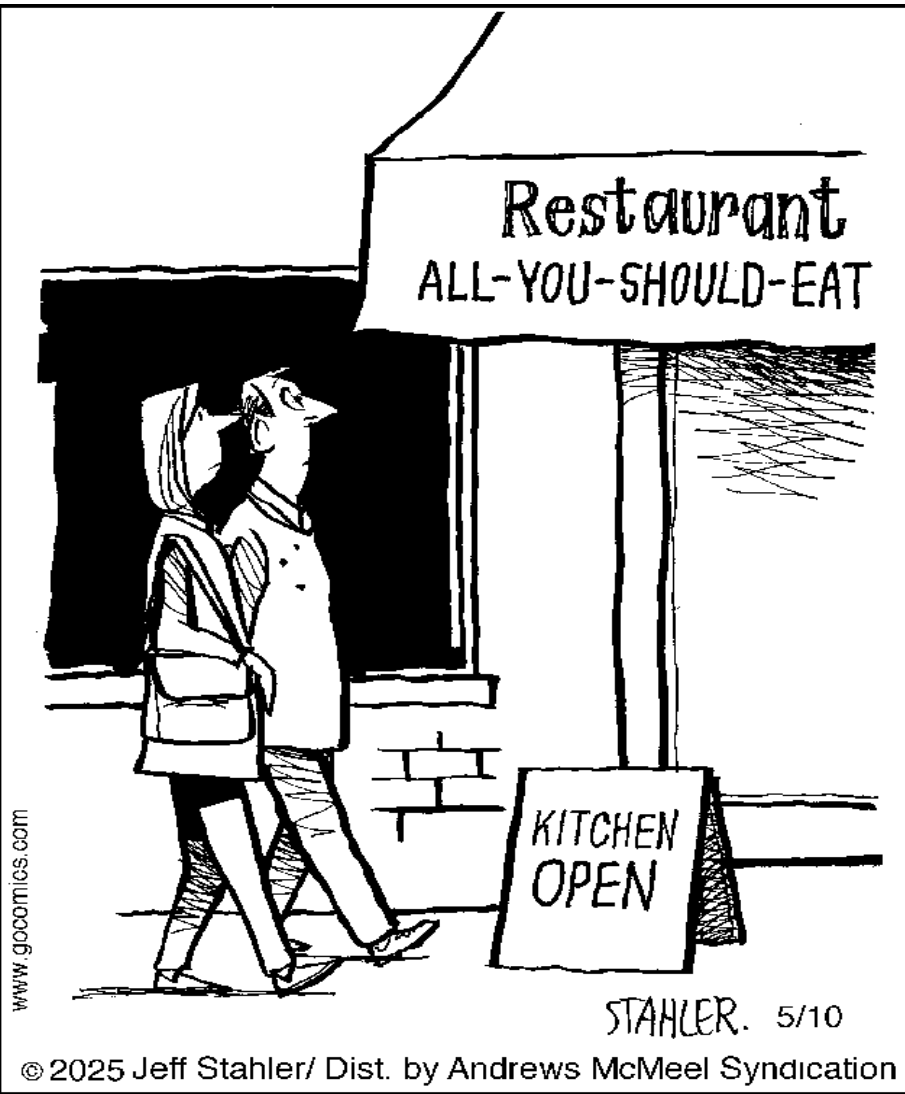
DEAR ABBY: I have been in a relationship with my partner for 10 years. While the first two years were good, things have slowly deteriorated. For example, we used to go to movies and dinner at least one day a weekend. Now we don't do anything unless he wants to play cards. I'm getting bored with cards all the time. I feel like I'm wasting my life sitting at home with him. There's no excitement. And to top it off, when we do go places, we invariably end up taking my car, and I must pay for the gas and wear and tear. It's getting old. Any advice? -- **FED UP IN MISSOURI**

DEAR FED UP: You appear to be the passive partner in this relationship. If you would like to change the balance of power, assert yourself. Because you find playing cards so often boring, and he isn't up for going to a show or out for dinner, go with a girlfriend. I wish you had mentioned why you provide all the transportation, because changing that pattern should be as easy as saying, "No, I prefer we use YOUR car this time." Remember, nothing will change unless YOU change.

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4 6	(3:30) IndyCar Racing Sorsio Grand Prix From Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis. (N) (Live)				MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at New York Mets From Citi Field in Flushing, N.Y. (N) (Live)						FOX 4 News at 9PM (N)		FOX 4 News at 10PM (N)	Next Level Chef "Social Media Chef Auditions"	Seinfeld "The Stand-In"			
5 3	(2:00) PGA Tour Golf Trust Championship, Third Round (N) (Live)		CBS Evening News (N)		KCTV5 News at 6 Weekend (N)		FBI: International "The Unwinnable War"		48 Hours		48 Hours (N)		News Weekend (N)	(:35) KC Sports (N)	(:05) Outdoorsman	InvestigateTV + Weekend (N)		
9 12	(2:30) Basketball Conference Semifinals: Teams TBA (N)		KMBC 9 News at 5:00		ABC World News (N)		KMBC 9 News at 6:00		NBA (N) (Live)	NBA Basketball action from the NBA. (N) (Live)	Conference Semifinals: Teams TBA Professional basketball		KMBC 9 News at 10:00		Modern Fam. "Finale Part 1"	Modern Fam. "Finale Part 2"	Modern Family "Pilot"	
19 4	Antiques "Celebrating Asian-Pacific Heritage"		PBS News Weekend (N)		Upstart Crow		Up the Women "Vote"		The Cleaner "The One"	Miss Austen on Masterpiece (N) (P)		Velvet "Countdown" Alberto and wedding is the event of the year.		Cristina's	Good Karma Hospital		Live on the Bridge	Austin City Limits "Maren Morris"
29 2	(2:00) To Be Announced				To Be Announced		To Be Announced		I Am Johnny Cash (15) The life, music and artistic expression of Johnny's music.			KMBC 9 News		Hometown Tragedy	9-1-1 "Trapped"		WOW - Women Of Wrestling	
38 5	Just for Laughs Gags	Just for Laughs Gags	Just for Laughs Gags	Just for Laughs Gags	Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		41 News Saturday at 7pm (N)		Suits		Someone They Knew with Tamron Hall		Dateline "While They Were Sleeping"		The Simpsons	The Simpsons
41 8	(3:00) Grand Slam Track Miami		KSHB 41 News (N)		NBC Nightly News (N)		KSHB 41 News 6PM Saturday (N)		Yes, Chef! "Martha's Roast"		Dateline NBC		Saturday Night Live Quinta Brunson; Benson Boone (N)		KSHB 41 News (N)	Saturday Night Fire (N) (Live)	Live Walton Goggins; Arcade	
50 9	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Post-Mortem Blues"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Reasonable Doubt"		NWSL- Pre Pre Match Show		NWSL Soccer Orlando Pride at North Carolina Courage From WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C. (N) (Live)		NWSL- Show		NWSL Soccer Portland Thorns FC at San Diego Wave FC From Snapdragon Stadium in San Diego. (N) (Live)		Magnum P.I. "Day of the Viper"			Top 10 "Worst Wildfires"		
62 10	Highway Thru Hell "Recover Stronger"		Deadline to Disaster "Windstorm Wildfire"		LOST IN		American Association of Professional Baseball Lincoln Saltdogs at Kansas City Monarchs From Legends Field in Kansas City, Kan. (N) (Live)		Mad Dog & Merrill Midwest Grill'n		SOS: How to Survive "Bear County Crash"							
CABLE STATIONS																		
A&E 55	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	(:05) Storage	(:35) Storage	(:05) Storage	(:35) Storage		
AMC 53	Movie Back to the Future (85) Christopher Lloyd, Crispin Glover, Michael J. Fox.				Movie My Cousin Vinny (92) Marisa Tomei, Ralph Macchio, Joe Pesci.				(35) Major League II (94) Tom Berenger, Corbin Bernsen, Charlie Sheen.									
ANPL 61	Pit Bulls-Parole "Never Let Go"		My Cat "Good Kitty, Bad Kitty"		My Cat "Cats in Isolation"		My Cat "Fluffy's Last Stand"		My Cat "My Pup From Hell"		My Cat From Hell "Pee Battle"		My Cat "Lucifer the Cat"		My Cat "Fluffy's Last Stand"			
BET 66	Movie National Security (03) Steve Zahn, Colm Feore, Martin Lawrence. (P)				Movie Girls Trip (17) Queen Latifah, Jada Pinkett Smith, Regina Hall.				Movie Coming to America (88) Arsenio Hall, Eddie Murphy.				Movie Legally Blonde (01)					
BRAVO 70	Crazy Rich Asians (18) Henry Golding, Michelle Yeoh, Constance Wu.				Legally Blonde (01) Luke Wilson, Reese Witherspoon.				Crazy Rich Asians (18) Henry Golding, Michelle Yeoh, Constance Wu.				Legally Blonde (01)					
BIO 115	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Andrew Zim	Andrew Zim	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty		
CMTV 56	Urban Cowboy (80) Debra Winger, Scott Glenn, John Travolta.				Grease (78) Olivia Newton-John, Stockard Channing, John Travolta.				The Greatest Showman (17) Zac Efron, Michelle Williams, Hugh Jackman.									
CNBC 33	American Greed				American Greed				American Greed				American Greed					
CNN 37	CNN Newsroom (N)				CNN Newsroom (N)				CNN Special Program				CNN Special Program					
CNNH 36	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files		
COM 71	(3:00) Just Go With It (11) Adam Sandler.				50 First Dates (04) Drew Barrymore, Adam Sandler.				Just Go With It (11) Jennifer Aniston, Nicole Kidman, Adam Sandler.				We're the Millers (13) Jason Sudeikis, Jennifer Aniston.					
COOK 122	Food Paradise				Iron Chef "Symon vs. Nunez"				Iron Chef America				Iron Chef America					
C-SPAN 95	(2:30) Washington This Week								Public Affairs Events				Public Affairs Events					
DISN 62	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	Raya and the Last Dragon (21)		(50) Ladybug		(15) Ladybug		(40) Kiff		(:05) Kiff	Kiff	Jessie	Jessie		
DSC 40	Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown			
E! 72	(3:10) The Wedding Singer				(10) Blended (14) Drew Barrymore, Joel McHale, Adam Sandler.				(35) Major League II (94) Tom Berenger, Corbin Bernsen, Charlie Sheen.				(35) Major League II (94) Tom Berenger, Corbin Bernsen, Charlie Sheen.					
ESPN 13	College Softball SEC Tournament, Championship: Teams TBA (N) (Live)				UFC 315 (N)		UFC 315: Muhammad vs. Della Maddalena - Prelims (N) (Live)				Boxing Emanuel Navarrete vs. Charly Suarez (N) (Live)				SportsCenter (N) (Live)			
ESPN2 29	College Baseball 2021: South Carolina at Texas From March 12, 2021.				Banana Ball The Party Animals vs. Savannah Bananas (N) (Live)				MLR Rugby Houston SaberCats at San Diego Legion (N) (Live)				E60					
EWTN 291	Good or Evil		Consuming		Biblical		Daily Mass: Olam Daily Mass		Pope John Paul II		Rosary (N)		EWTN Book		Papacy		Daily Mass: Olam Daily Mass	
FDSN 48	PTO T100 Singapore T100		Sports Stars		Pregame (N)		MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at Kansas City Royals (N) (Live)				Postgame (N)		Swing Clinic		MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at Kansas City Royals			
FNC 35	The Five		Weekend (N) (Live)		Weekend (N) (Live)		Life, Liberty & Levin (N) (Live)		View- Lara Tru, (N) (Live)		Saturday Night (N) (Live)		Gutfield!		Life, Liberty & Levin			
FOOD 26	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive		
FREE 60	(3:45) Aladdin (92) Scott Weinger.				(50) Maleficent (14) Elle Fanning, Sharlto Copley, Angelina Jolie.				(55) Maleficent: Mistress of Evil (19) Elle Fanning, Angelina Jolie.				(35) Maleficent: Mistress of Evil (19) Elle Fanning, Angelina Jolie.					
FS1 43	(3:00) College Football		Horse Racing		IndyCar		NASCAR Truck Series Heart Of America 200 (N) (Live)		IndyCar		IndyCar		IndyCar		IndyCar			
FX 42	Movie 22 Jump Street (14) Channing Tatum, Peter Stormare, Jonah Hill.				Movie Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw (19) Jason Statham, Idris Elba, Dwayne Johnson.				Movie Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw (19) Jason Statham, Idris Elba, Dwayne Johnson.				Movie Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw (19) Jason Statham, Idris Elba, Dwayne Johnson.					
GOLF 27	LPGA Tour Golf Mizuho Americas Open, Third Round (N) (Live)				Golf Central (N) (Live)		PGA Tour Golf Trust Championship, Third Round From The Philadelphia Cricket Club (Wissahickon Course) in Philadelphia.				PGA Tour Golf Trust Championship, Third Round From The Philadelphia Cricket Club (Wissahickon Course) in Philadelphia.				PGA Tour Golf Trust Championship, Third Round From The Philadelphia Cricket Club (Wissahickon Course) in Philadelphia.			
HALL 137	(3:00) The More Love Grows				A New Year's Resolution (21) Aimee Teegarden.				Love in the Clouds (25) Lorenzo Lamas, Paul Greene. (P)				Signed, Sealed, Delivered: To the Moon and Back (25) Golden Girls					
HGTV 58	Renovation "Surf Board House"		Hunters		Hunters		Hunters		Vacation "In Living Color" (N)		Hunters		Hunters		Hunters			
HIST 32	Mysteries "In Plain Sight"		Mysteries From Above		Mysteries "Submerged"		Mysteries "Desert Mysteries"		Mysteries "Ghost Towns"		Mysteries From Above		Mysteries From Above		Mysteries From Above			
HSN 19	Vince Camuto (N) (Live)		Patricia Nash (N) (Live)		DG2 by Diane Gilman		DG2 by Diane Gilman		Lancome (N) (Live)		Patricia Nash (N) (Live)		Patricia Nash (N) (Live)		Beat the Heat (N) (Live)			
LIFE 57	(3:00) Reba McEntire's Hammer		Biography: Dolly Parton (N)				Judd Family "Part 1: A Mother's Smile/Why Not Me?" (N)		(05) Judd "A Mother's Smile"		(05) Judd "Why Not Me?"		Judd Family		Judd Family			
LMN 119	(3:00) Dying for a Family		Sisters on the Run (23) Brianna Cohen.		Flirting With Forty (08) Robert Buckley, Heather Locklear.		Murder Runs in the Family (23) Laura Lieben.		Flirting With Forty (08) Robert Buckley, Heather Locklear.		Murder Runs in the Family (23) Laura Lieben.		Flirting With Forty (08) Robert Buckley, Heather Locklear.		Murder Runs in the Family (23) Laura Lieben.			
MSNBC 34	PoliticsNation (N) (Live)		Weekend: Primetime (N) (Live)		Weekend: Primetime (N) (Live)		Weekend: Primetime (N) (Live)		Weekend: Primetime (N) (Live)		Weekend: Primetime (N) (Live)		Weekend: Primetime (N) (Live)		Weekend: Primetime (N) (Live)			
MTV 68	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	The Hangover Part II (11) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.		(20) The Hangover Part II (11) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.		(13) The Hangover Part II (11) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.		(40) The Hangover Part II (11) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.		The Hangover Part II (11) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.		The Hangover Part II (11) Ed Helms, Bradley Cooper.			
NBA 632	NBATV Gap Programming		NBATV Gap Programming		Manute Bol		Run TMC		NBATV Gap Programming		NBATV Gap Programming		NBATV Gap Programming		NBATV Gap Programming			
NGO 109	Catch... "Blitzed at the Border"		To Catch a Smuggler		Catch... "Weed In, Weed Out"		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler			
NICK 63	(3:45) The Boss Baby 2: Family Business (21)				SpongeBob		SpongeBob		Friends		Friends		Friends		Big Bang			
NWSN 22	NewsNation Now (N) (Live)		NewsNation Now (N) (Live)		NewsNation Prime (N) (Live)		Hunting UFOs: (N)		UFO Roundtable (N) (Live)		NewsNation Prime		Hunting UFOs: (N)		UFO Roundtable Discussion			
OWN 25	Somebody "PhotoFinish"		Somebody "MomKnowsBest"		Somebody "JealousySparks"		Love & Marriage: Detroit (N)		Somebody's Son (N)		The Never Ever Mets		Love & Marriage: Detroit		Somebody "JealousyRises"			
PARMT 49	(05) Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (89) Sean Connery, Harrison Ford.				Raiders of the Lost Ark (81) Karen Allen, Paul Freeman, Harrison Ford.				(35) Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (89) Sean Connery, Harrison Ford.									
QVC 110	Clarks Footwear (N) (Live)		Audien Hearing (N) (Live)		Belle by Kim Gravel - Fashion the Universe		Universe "Mission to the Sun"		the Universe		Saturday Night Q (N) (Live)		the Universe		Revitalign Footwear (N) (Live)			
SCI 11	the Universe		the Universe		the Universe		the Universe		the Universe		the Universe		the Universe		the Universe			
SPCSN 44	Your News All Weekend		Your News All Weekend		Your News		On Stage		Your News All Weekend		Your News All Weekend		Your News All Weekend		Your News All Weekend			
SYFY 65	Movie Angels & Demons (09) Ewan McGregor, Ayelet Zurer, Tom Hanks.		Inferno (16) Felicity Jones, Omar Sy, Tom Hanks.		Inferno (16) Felicity Jones, Omar Sy, Tom Hanks.		Inferno (16) Felicity Jones, Omar Sy, Tom Hanks.		Inferno (16) Felicity Jones, Omar Sy, Tom Hanks.		Inferno (16) Felicity Jones, Omar Sy, Tom Hanks.		Inferno (16) Felicity Jones, Omar Sy, Tom Hanks.		Inferno (16) Felicity Jones, Omar Sy, Tom Hanks.			
TCM 54	Movie (:45) Get Carter (71) Ian Hendry, Britt Ekland, Michael Caine.		The Manchurian Candidate (62) Frank Sinatra.		The Manchurian Candidate (62) Frank Sinatra.		The Manchurian Candidate (62) Frank Sinatra.		The Manchurian Candidate (62) Frank Sinatra.		The Manchurian Candidate (62) Frank Sinatra.		The Manchurian Candidate (62) Frank Sinatra.		The Manchurian Candidate (62) Frank Sinatra.			
TLC 41	(3:00) My 600-Lb. Life		Real Life Hulks		Say Yes to the Dress		Say Yes to the Dress "I'm Marrying Me" (N)		Say Yes to the Dress "I'm Marrying Me" (N)		Say Yes to the Dress		Say Yes to the Dress		Say Yes "I'm Marrying Me"			
TNT 51	(3:00) Mag 2: The Trench (23)				NHL on TNT		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)			
TOON 64	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	Bob's Burgers		Bob's Burgers		American		American		Family Guy		Family Guy			
TRAVEL 39	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures "Loftus Hall"		Ghost Adv "Island of the Dolls"		Ghost Adv "Los Coches Adobe"		Ghost Adventures "Goldfield Hotel"		Ghost Adventures "Goldfield Hotel"		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adv "Los Coches Adobe"			
TRUTV 47	(2:45) Creed II (18) Michael B. Jordan.				NHL on TNT		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)			
TVLD 59	Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly			
UNIV 17	Cash: El peso "El funeral" (N)		Vecinos		Noticiero (N)		Fútbol Mexicano Primera División		Fútbol Mexicano Primera División		Fútbol Mexicano Primera División		Fútbol Mexicano Primera División		Fútbol Mexicano Primera División			
USA 52	(2:30) Any Given Sunday (99) Cameron Diaz, Al Pacino.				AMA Supercross Series Round 17 From Rice-Eccles Stadium in Salt Lake City. (N) (Live)				Any Given Sunday (99) Cameron Diaz, Dennis Quaid, Al Pacino.									
VH1 67	Wild 'n Out I Can Do Bad All By Myself (09) Taraji P. Henson, Tyler Perry.				The Temptations				The Temptations				The Temptations					
VICE 116	Dark Side of the Ring		Dark Side of the Ring		Arena Football One		Arena Football One		Arena Football One		Arena Football One		Arena Football One		Arena Football One			
WEA 38	Highway Thru Hell "New Hope"		Highway Thru Hell "Be Afraid"		Highway "No Way Out"		Highway "One Man, One Truck"		Rocky Mountain Wreckers		Rocky Mountain Wreckers		Survive? "Surviving Tomatoes"		So You Think You'd Survive?			
WTBS 50	(3:30) Captain Marvel (19) Samuel L. Jackson, Brian Larson.				Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang			

St. Michael boys, girls claim second in conference meet

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The St. Michael the Archangel Catholic boys track and field team captured seven event wins to claim second place in the Crossroads Conference Championship meet Tuesday at Summit Christian Academy in Lee's Summit.

The Guardians totaled 166 points to finish behind host Summit Christian. Van Horn, with four event wins, finished third at 77 points.

In the girls meet, St. Michael posted six event wins to also finish second

with 158 points, also behind Summit Christian (225) and ahead of Van Horn (60).

The St. Michael boys dominated the relays and distance events to earn their runner-up finish. The Guardians won the 4x100 (44.17 seconds), 4x400 (3:36.06) and 4x800 (8:42.95) relays and finished second in the 4x200-meter relay (1:34.32).

SMA's Colten Boulware captured a win in the 1,600 meters (4:42.39), and teammate Oliver Hotop prevailed in the 3,200 (10:33.09), while David Rogge took second in the 800 (2:06.26).

St. Michael's Beau Marchesi claimed a win in the long jump with a leap of 6.4 meters and took second in the 200 (23.35). Cole Zeller took second in the shot put (12.88 meters) and third in the discus (40.11).

Also finishing as runners-up for the Guardians were Reece Frederickson (100, 11.34 seconds), Andre Young (300 hurdles, 45.08) and Maddox Sambroski (javelin, 31.94 meters).

Van Horn won two of the three throwing events. Jaylen Mitchell topped the field in the shot put (13.13 meters) and Jarell Spires took first in

the discus (41.96).

Van Horn's Christian Neely captured a win in the high jump by clearing 1.91 meters. Isaac Cortes triumphed in the triple jump with a leap of 11.53 meters.

Van Horn also took third in the 4x100 (46.63), 4x400 (3:41.64) and 4x800 (9:23.64) relays.

In the girls meet, Isabella Rosenberg and Morgan Hilbrich each claimed a pair of wins to lead St. Michael.

Rosenberg prevailed in both the 1,600 (5:31.71) and 3,200 (12:03.91), while Hilbrich finished first in the 300 hurdles (47.41) and long jump (5 meters).

GARRETT

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redirected a ball inside the right post of the Blue Springs net after Alyssa Guadagnano blasted a

free kick from 40 yards out to inside the 18-yard box.

"It was a hard shot," Kaydence Garrett said. "I was not expecting that to go in. I just flicked it a little. I just prayed for the best."

The chemistry between

the two sisters has helped South continue their high level of play even without one of their best players. This season is the first they have played together in high school and their game has been influenced by former Jaguar and older sister Khaliana

Garrett, who currently plays for the Kansas State University women's soccer team.

Kaydence and Kayleb said they work out with their older sister over the summer.

"She forces us to work out with her," Kaydence said. "We do her college workout package with her."

And it's paid off as Kaydence and Kayleb have both had breakout 2025 seasons.

"They are fast players, they work hard, and they give us great energy," Findley said of the Garrett sisters. "Kayleb has had a tremendous season. She scored a lot of goals for us. Kaydence is quick and gritty. They make a good duo on the wings."

The Jaguars dominated possession most of the game and limited Blue Springs' opportunities at scoring. The Wildcats' best chance

at scoring came on a direct free kick from senior Kara Karst from 35 yards out, but the shot hit the crossbar.

"(We) played with intensity the whole game as we have struggled with that at times this season. We could have given up, but we didn't let the score dictate our effort," Blue Springs coach Aleana Balistreri said after the Wildcats fell to 3-14 overall and 2-8 in the conference.

MAVERICKS

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LaFontaine then stopped all 12 shots he

faced in the third period, including four on a Tahoe power play after McLaughlin was called for roughing at 5:57.

The Mavericks, if they are unable to close it out Friday, will face Tahoe

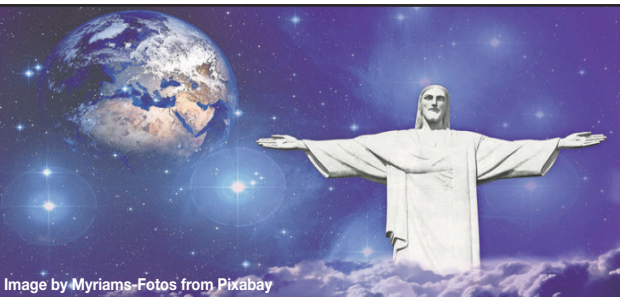


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4	6	FOX 4 News at 4 PM (N)		FOX 4 News at 5PM (N)		FOX 4 News at 6PM (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	America's "Somebody Knows" (N) (SF)		America's Most Wanted "Music Industry Murder" (N)		FOX 4 News at 9PM (N)		FOX 4 News at 10PM (N)	FOX 4 News at 10:30PM (N)	TMZ (N)	Seinfeld "The Opposite"		
5	3	KCTV5 News at 4 (N)		KCTV5 News at 5 (N)	CBS Evening News (N)	KCTV5 News at 6 (N)	KCTV5 News: (N)	The Price Is Right at Night "Jackpot: Shell Shocked" (N)		NCIS "Fun and Games"		NCIS: Origins "To Have and to Hold"		KCTV5 News at 10 (N)		(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)	(:35) After Midnight (N)		
9	12	KMBC 9 News at 4:00 (N)		KMBC 9 News at 5:00 (N)		ABC World News (N)	KMBC 9 News at 6:00 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)		American Idol "818" (N)		Paradise "You Asked for Miracles" (N)		KMBC 9 News at 10:00 (N)		(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N)	(:35) Nightline (N)		
19	4	Antiques Roadshow "Santa Clara Hour 3"		BBC News The Context		BBC News America	PBS News Hour (N)		Antiques Roadshow "Never Seen That Before!" (N)		Antiques Roadshow "Charleston Hour 1"		Rare Visions	Rare Visions	Alan Cumming-Most		Amanpour and Company (N)		
29	2	Housewife "The Uprising"	American Housewife	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		Wild Cards "Con in 60 Seconds"		Family Law "What Came First?"		KMBC 9 News (N)		Young Sheldon	The Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men
38	5	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Head"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Glasgowman's Wrath"		Suits "She's Mine"		Friends	Friends	The Neighborhood	The Neighborhood	Last Man "The Help"	Last Man Standing	The Conners	The Conners	Dateline "On the Outskirts of Town"			
41	8	KSHB 41 News 4PM (N)		KSHB 41 News 5PM (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	KSHB 41 News 6PM (N)	KSHB 41 (N)	The Voice "Live Semi-Final Performances" (N) (Live)				Yes, Chef! "What's in the Box?" (N)		KSHB 41 (N)		(:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N)	(:35) Seth Meyers (N)		
50	9	Criminal Minds "Route 66"		Criminal Minds "In the Blood"		FBI "Know Thyself"		FBI "Charlotte's Web"		FBI "Allegiance"		FBI "Gone Baby Gone"		FBI "Fire and Rain"		FBI "Unfinished Business"			
62	10	The People's Court		Judy Justice	Judy Justice	Chicago P.D. "Gone"		My KC Live		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		KCTV5 News at 10 (N)		(:35) 48 Hours "Death by Text"	Crime Exposé		
CABLE STATIONS																			
A&E	55	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD (N)	Live PD (N)	Florida (N)	Florida (N)	(:05) Florida	(:35) Florida	(:05) Live PD	(:35) Live PD		
AMC	53	***** U.S. Marshals '98) Wesley Snipes, Robert Downey Jr., Tommy Lee Jones.																	
ANPL	61	Monsters "Body Snatcher"		River Monsters "Asian Slayer"		Harpoon Hunters		Harpoon "Bluefin Bloodline"		Harpoon Hunters		Harpoon Hunters		Harpoon "Boom Phase"		Harpoon "Bluefin Bloodline"			
BET	66	Family Matters		Family Matters		The Chi "This Christmas"		The Chi "On Me"		Crime "Victor Lupis"		Crime "Briana Rios"		Crime "Aethena Striplin"		Wild 'n Out		Wild 'n Out	
BRAVO	70	Below Deck Down Under		Below Deck "Lipstick Service"		Below Deck Down "The Circus"		Below Deck Down Under "Smoochies" (N)		Below Deck "Smoochies"		The Valley "The Circle of Strife"		BravoCon: All Access		Below Deck			
BIO	115	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars		
CMTV	56	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls		
CNBC	33	Fast Money (N) (Live)		Mad Money (N)		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank			
CNN	37	Jake Tapper (N) (Live)		Jake Tapper (N) (Live)		E. B. OutFront (N) (Live)		Cooper 360 (N) (Live)		The Source With (N) (Live)		CNN NewsNight (N) (Live)		Laura Coates Live (N) (Live)		Anderson Cooper 360			
CNNH	36	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files		
COM	71	The Office		The Office		The Office		The Office		The Office		The Office		The Office		The Daily Show (N)		Family Guy	Family Guy
COOK	122	Man v. Food	Man v. Food	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Zimmer	Zimmer	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	
C-SPAN	95	Public Affairs Events																	
DISN	62	Bluey	Bluey	Bluey	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	Kiff	Jessie	Jessie	Place	Place	Bluey	Bluey		
DSC	40	Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized		Contraband "Grinding to a Halt"		Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized (N)		Contraband "Yes, Deer?"		Contraband: Seized		Contraband "The Hitman"			
E!	72	(2:30) ***** Marry Me '22)		***** Crazy Rich Asians '18)		Henry Golding, Michelle Yeoh, Constance Wu.		***** Crazy Rich Asians '18)		Henry Golding, Michelle Yeoh, Constance Wu.		E! News (N)		***** Hustlers '19)		Constance Wu.			
ESPN	13	Around (N)		Pardon (N)	SportCtr (N)	NBA (N)	NBA Draft (N)	Basketball (N) (/4:40)		Basketball Conference Semifinals: Teams TBA (N) (Live)		NBA Basketball Conference Semifinals: Teams TBA (N) (Live)				SportCtr (N)			
ESPN2	29	NFL Live (N)		Around (N)	Pardon (N)	Volleyball NCAA Tournament, Championship: Teams TBA (N)		NFL Live		Welcome/NFL		Welcome/NFL		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		E60			
EWTN	291	(3:30) Procession (N)		EWTN News		Light Never	Daily Mass: Olam Daily Mass		Journey "Mike Iversen" (N)		EWTN News		Rosary (N)	World Over Live		Women of	Real	Daily Mass: Olam Daily Mass	
FDSN	48	FIBA	The Card Life	Sports Stars	All Blacks	Swing Clinic	Pregame (N)	MLB Baseball Kansas City Royals at Houston Astros From Daikin		Park in Houston. (N) (Live)		Postgame (N)		18 Holes	MLB Baseball				
FNC	35	The Five (N) (Live)		Special Report (N) (Live)		The Ingraham Angle (N) (Live)		Jesse Watts (N) (Live)		Hannity (N) (Live)		Gutfeldt (N)		Fox News at Night (N) (Live)		The Five			
FOOD	26	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Baking "Floating Islands"		Spring Baking (N)		Silos Baking "The Final Spot"		Chopped "Here to Persevere!"		Chopped		Baking "The Road to the Finale"			
FREE	60	***** Shrek '01) Voices of Eddie Murphy, Mike Myers.				***** Shrek 2 '04) Voices of Eddie Murphy, Mike Myers.				*** Shrek the Third '07) Voices of Eddie Murphy, Mike Myers.				The 700 Club				Boy/World	Boy/World
FS1	43	Speak (N) (Live)		United Football League		MLB Top 10		Pregame (N) (Live)		MLB Baseball Arizona Diamondbacks at San Francisco Giants (N) (Live)						IndyCar			
FX	42	(2:00) *** Spider-Man: Across the ...		***** Iron Man '08) Terrence Howard, Gwyneth Paltrow, Robert Downey Jr.				*** Iron Man 2 '10) Gwyneth Paltrow, Don Cheadle, Robert Downey Jr.				***** Iron Man 3 '13) Robert Downey Jr.							
GOLF	27	PGA Championship		PGA Championship 2000		Live From the PGA Championship (N) (Live)		Live From the PGA Championship		PGA TOUR		Live From the PGA Championship							
HALL	137	(3:00) *** Hearts Down Under		*** Savoring Paris '24) Stanley Weber, Bethany Joy Galeotti.		The Motherhood (N)		*** Blind Date Book Club '24) Robert Buckley, Erin Krakow.		Golden Girls		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls		
HGTV	58	Fix My "Son of Frankenhouse"		Dream Home		Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home	Rock the Block (N)	Love It or List It (N)	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Rock the Block			
HIST	32	History's Greatest Mysteries		History's Greatest Mysteries		Expedition Bermuda Triangle"		History's Greatest Mysteries		History's-Mysteries (N)		(:05) Holy Marvels-Quaid (N)		(:05) History's-Mysteries		(:05) History's-Mysteries			
HSN	19	Electronic (N) (Live)		Copper Life (N) (Live)		G by Giuliana Home (N) (Live)		Electronic (N) (Live)		Adam's Open House (N) (Live)		Adam's Open House (N) (Live)		Crafting With Adam (N) (Live)		So Crafty! featuring (N) (Live)			
LIFE	57	The Rookie "The Knock"		The Rookie "Fight or Flight"		The Rookie "Long Shot"		Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		(:05) Gypsy Rose (N)		(:05) Dr. Pimple Popper		Dr. Pimple Popper			
LMN	119	(3:00) *** Stranger Next Door		*** Murder at Blackthorne Manor '23) Christie Leverette.		*** Deadly Estate '23) Samantha Walkes, Karen Cliche.		*** A Neighbor's Vendetta '23) Sydney Cole Alexander.								*** Deadly Estate '23)			
MSNBC	34	(3:00) White House (N) (Live)		The Beat With (N) (Live)		The Weeknight (N) (Live)		R. Maddow (N) (Live)		Last Word (N) (Live)		11th-Stephanie (N) (Live)		The Rachel Maddow Show					
MTV	68	Big Bang		Big Bang		*** Step Brothers '08) John C. Reilly, Richard Jenkins, Will Ferrell.		***** The Other Guys '10) Mark Wahlberg, Eva Mendes, Will Ferrell.						Ridiculous		Ridiculous			
NBA	632	Run It Back		Playoff		ShaQ		High Tops		NBATV Gap Programming		NBATV Gap Programming		NBATV Gap Programming		NBATV Gap Programming			
NGO	109	Lost "Rome's Desert Cities"		Lost "Lost Ships of Rome"		Lost Treasures of Rome		Lost Treasures of Rome		Lost Treasures of Rome		Lost Treasures of Rome		Lost "Women Dig History"		Disaster Autopsy			
NICK	63	(3:00) *** The Addams Family		*** Hotel Transylvania: Transformania '22) Brian Hull.		Friends		Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Big Bang	Big Bang		
NWSN	22	NewsNation Now (N) (Live)		The Hill (N) (Live)		Vargas Report (N) (Live)		Cuomo (N) (Live)		On Balance (N) (Live)		Banfield (N) (Live)		Cuomo		On Balance			
OWN	25	20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN			
PARMT	49	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	To Be Announced				To Be Announced							
QVC	11	(3:00) LOGO by Lori Goldstein		PM Style With Amy Stran (N) (Live)		Beautifl.-Zarian (N) (Live)		LOGO by Lori Goldstein		Iris&Romeo Beauty (N) (Live)		Shawn on Style (N) (Live)		Summer Solutions (N) (Live)					
SCI	110	Forbidden History		Viking Stone "Relic of Mystery"		Viking "Curses and Ghosts"		Viking "Viking Confidential"		Viking "Mysteries in the Vault"		Viking "Discovery on the Edge"		Viking "The Breakthrough"		Viking "Mysteries in the Vault"			
SPCSN	44	Your News All Day on		Your News on		Your News on		Your News on		Your News on		Your News on		Your News on		Your News on			
SYFY	65	(3:00) ***** Beast '22)		***** Ambulance '22) Yahya Abdul-Mateen II, Eiza González, Jake Gyllenhaal.				*** Anna '19) Luke Evans, Cillian Murphy, Sasha Luss. (P)				*** Beast '22) Sharlto Copley, Idris Elba.							
TCM	54	(3:15) *** Woman of the Year		(:15) ***** Adam's Rib '49) Spencer Tracy.				***** Bonnie and Clyde '67) Faye Dunaway, Warren Beatty.				***** The French Connection '71) Gene Hackman.				***** Hoosiers '86)			
TLC	41	Sister "Love Covers All Wrongs"		90 Day Diaries		90 Day Diaries		90 Day Diaries "Dear Diary, Where Is My Dream Girl?" (N)				(:05) Sister Wives		(:05) Sister Wives		90 Day Diaries			
TNT	51	(3:00) ***** Captain Marvel '19)		Brie Larson.		NHL on TNT		NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)				NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)							
TOON	64	Ed, Edd	Dog	King/Hill	King/Hill	American	American	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick Morty	Rick Morty	YOLO/ Smiling		
TRAVEL	39	Mysteries at the Museum		Mysteries "Vampire Killing Kit, Demonic Doll, Deadly Witch Trials"		Mysteries of the Unknown (N)						Mysteries of the Unknown				Mysteries of the Unknown			
TRUTV	47	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	NHL on TNT	NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)						NHL Hockey Second Round: Teams TBA (N) (Live)							
TVLD	59	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King	King		
UNIV	17	Primer impacto (N) (Live)		Noticiero		Noticiero (N)		Rosa "Tóxica" (N)		Papás por conveniencia (N)		Las hijas "Romance" (N)		Juegos de amor y poder (N)		Noticiero		SaborDe	Contacto deportivo (N) (Live)
USA	52	Law & Order: SVU "Underbelly"		Law-SVU "Choreographed"		Law-SVU "Scheherazade"		Law & Order: SVU "Burned"		Law & Order: SVU "Outsider"		Law & Order: SVU "Dependent"		Law & Order: SVU "Haystack"		Law-SVU "Philadelphia"			
VH1	67	Wild 'n Out		Wild 'n Out		Basketball It's Giving Foe		Basketball Win, Lose, or Brawl				Cheaters		Cheaters	Cheaters	Cheaters	Basketball	Basketball	
VICE	116	American Ninja Warrior Qualifier 1		American Ninja Warrior Minneapolis City Finals				American Ninja Warrior		American Ninja Warrior		American Ninja Warrior		Dark Side of the Ring		Dark Side "The Steroid Trials"			
WEA	38	The Weather Channel LIVE		Weather Unfiltered		Weather Unfiltered		Weather Unfiltered		Weather Unfiltered		Tornado "Real Time Moore"		Tornado "Real Time Joplin"		Tornado Alley			
WTBS	50	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	American	American	American	American		

Try using fly fishing tackle to catch panfish

Early summer offers perfect conditions for catching big bluegill or redear sunfish. Few fish their size fight better and a skillet of their fillets quickly disappear, especially with a generous helping of fried potatoes or a pot of beans. Match your equipment to this fish and you will enjoy some vicious fights.

The late Bill Bennett, former outdoor editor from the St. Joseph News-Press and one of my teachers in outdoor writing, helped me fit into this highly competitive profession. I had great respect for Mr. Bennett's writing and was honored to be invited on a fishing trip to Pony Express Lake in northwest Missouri.

I was somewhat surprised when he told me over the phone to bring a lightweight flyrod with a tippet no larger than 2 pounds. On arrival, he handed me a black gnat fly he had tied the night before. We loaded up in his canoe and quickly slipped toward a half-submerged log not far off the shoreline. We quietly dropped small anchors. Bennett stressed the importance of always keeping our line tight, especially on the drop. I soon found out why.

His first presentation placed the gnat almost directly on submerged



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wood. He gave a very gentle twitch and a redear took the gnat, barely twitching the rod, and dove toward the bottom. I sat back and watched the fight. The good-sized panfish doubled his light flyrod and made long, slashing runs. I netted the beautiful fish that was slightly over a pound and soon released.

"Let's come back to this log later," Bennett said while flashing his signature smile. "That was a good fight and others probably spooked off the log, but they will be back." We spent that morning picking redears off submerged wood. Occasionally a big bluegill took the black gnats.

There were plenty of logs in the lake and we caught and released redear sunfish the entire morning. Bennett's tactic of laying the gnat on each log or between limbs drew a strike almost every time, including a couple of nice bass and two baskets of big bluegill.

That was my last trip with Mr. Bennett. He passed away a few weeks later in his favorite chair



Panfish are fun on fly tackle. PHOTO BY KENNETH L. KIESER

while watching television with his wife. I hope his legacy has partly stayed alive though my articles and books. He not only helped me get started, but now I have a lifelong passion for using light fly tackle for panfish like redears and big bluegill.

Popping bug or rubber spider colors for bluegill are not hard to choose. An old fisherman once told me, "It does not matter what color you use, long as it's yellow."

This is good advice, but black, brown, and white will attract a fair share of bites too. Popping bugs, worms, crickets and tiny lures are the main bluegill baits with an 8-inch leader of 2- to 4-pound test.

Bluegill move into the shallows for food throughout spring. Anglers have a lot of success around logs and stumps before and after the spawn. Wood draws a healthy

population of insects, excellent forage making black and brown wet flies effective.

Flip the tiny popper in productive water and gently move the rod tip until the rubber legs kick. All game fish love to find a bug struggling and helpless in the water imitating an easy meal. Be cautious not to make a lot of noise and spook bigger bluegill out of the area.

Redear: Bluegill's cousin, redear sunfish, are commonly called shell crackers in the South because they dine on snails. They sometimes are confused with bluegill but differ by having a red or orange border around the black ear flap and by lacking the spot on the dorsal fin and the vertical bars on the side. Redear grow larger than bluegill, sometimes up to 11 inches. In fact, 2-pound fish are not uncommon in the South

where they have a longer feeding season.

This hearty panfish is stocked as far north as Iowa in selected lakes. Check with your fish and game commission to find out where redear are stocked.

Redear are often found on deeper outside edges of bluegill beds. Bluegill are usually finished with their first spawn by the end of May. Pockmarked bluegill beds are easily visible in shallow water and are good areas to target.

Breeding season that starts in early May and runs through June is probably the best time to catch redear. Redear keep a small distance from other panfish breeding areas to discourage crossing species

Redear are not impossible to catch but more challenging than a bluegill. Bits of live worm, euro larvae or crickets will work. Live bait should be presented on a tiny gold or black hook. Feathered 1/100-ounce jigs or small flies work well.

Wet flies are preferred, but a redear will occasionally pop a topwater insect. Black or dark brown lures are mainly used. Try small gnats, weighted nymphs, soft hackles and streamers. These patterns effectively mimic the natural food of redears, such as aquatic insects and

larvae, which they feed on near the bottom. Visit a fly fishing shop and they will likely have a thousand other recommendations on what flies to use for redear.

Redear will spook out of an area quicker than any other game fish and require a quiet approach from the shore or boat. Many use a float tube. I prefer a canoe or small, two-man boat. Smaller craft allow you to move in closer. A bigger boat requires long distance casting.

Note: Many anglers practice catch and release for redears. But in some area's fishery biologists encourage harvesting this large panfish to discourage overpopulating and stunting. Check your local regulations for more information or redear availability.

This column is dedicated to the late Bill Bennett, my mentor in writing and a good friend. I hope the old master approves of my work.

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Grain Valley rallies past Fort Osage in suspended game

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The Grain Valley baseball team held the lead for nearly a week, then lost it, and then rallied for a win.

The game started last Friday but was suspended by rain and lightning with Grain Valley leading 6-4 in the bottom of the fifth inning.

When play resumed Thursday, Fort Osage grabbed a 7-6 lead, but Grain Valley scored five runs in the top of the seventh to claim an 11-7 Suburban White Conference win.

Fort Osage finished with three runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to take the lead. Nick Burt hit an RBI single and Steven Thomas laced a two-run single to center field to put the Indians ahead by one.

Grain Valley, though, capitalized on an error to rally in the seventh. After a walk and a Hunter Nally single, Brady Meyer tied it with an RBI single. Nally then scored on an errant throw on Kaden Crandall's fielder's choice to put the Eagles ahead 8-7.

Jonah Doering added an RBI single, Brody Wilp drove in a run with a sacrifice bunt and Logan Bennett smacked an RBI single to cap the rally.

Doering, who finished with three RBIs, earned the win by pitching the final two innings, allowing no hits and four walks.

Nally finished 3-for-4 with a double, two RBIs and two runs for the Eagles, who improved to 17-10-1 overall and 8-4 in the conference. Brady Meyer had two hits, an RBI and two runs, and John Malicoat and Bryce

Meyer each had a hit and a run.

Grain Valley scored three runs in each of the second and third innings to take a 6-0 lead last Friday. Fort Osage scored three runs in the fourth on Alex Todd's RBI single and Colin Stratton's two-run single to pull within 6-4.

Burt, Stratton and Adin Bunting each finished with two hits for Fort Osage (12-19, 4-5).

BLUE SPRINGS SOUTH 6, STALEY 4: Blue Springs South scored two runs in each of the fifth and sixth innings to erase a 3-2 deficit for a Suburban Gold Conference road win that avenged an earlier loss to Staley in a battle of ranked teams Thursday.

Trailing 3-2, Wyatt Denney led off the fifth inning with a single and scored on a Wyatt

Taylor single. Michael Petty singled and scored on a Mason Stover sacrifice fly to put the fifth-ranked Jaguars ahead 4-3.

Logan Holt led off the sixth inning with a double and scored on a Wyatt Denney single. Denney later scored on Spencer Steutermann's single for a 6-3 lead.

Staley, ranked No. 2 in Class 6 in the Missouri High School Baseball Coaches Association, scored a run in the sixth off reliever Steven Ferro, but he threw a scoreless seventh to secure the save.

Grayden Seufferling went the first five innings, striking out three and giving up three runs to earn the win. He got help in the fourth when center fielder Royce Perkins caught a fly ball and fired the ball to shortstop

Cooper Callahan, who tagged out the Staley runner for a double play.

"A good team win on the road tonight. We came out and executed and did the little things you need to do to win big games," Jaguars coach Ben Baier said. "Proud of the guys for staying with it tonight and battling. Grayden and Steven made pitches when they had to and we got some timely hitting, even though we left nine on base. The turning point in my mind was the inning ending double play by Royce and Cooper – just good fundamental baseball that wins games."

Denney finished with three hits and Steutermann had two as the Jaguars improved to 18-4 overall and have tied Staley (28-3) for the lead in the conference at 8-2.

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nearly holed out for an eagle from the fairway, but it lipped out.

"I didn't see it, but I saw my parents jumping up, they were pretty excited," he said. "I almost made the putt coming back for birdie."

Still, he had second place secured in his first high school district tournament. He says staying focused helped him calm his nerves.

"I try to stay focused mostly on my mental game and not being upset by shots if I didn't hit it well," McIntosh said. "I had a few shots today where I didn't hit them as well as I wanted to, didn't execute them how I planned in my head, but the best part of my game – and my parents can attest to that – is my mental game. That was the best part of my game today."

Blue Springs South coach Casey Enright noticed that in McIntosh's game also. McIntosh had won his last two tournaments, shooting both

under par, entering districts. He fired a 69 to win Liberty's Gavin McKenna Memorial Invitational and a 71 to win the Suburban Gold Conference Championship title on Monday.

"He's young, but he's kind of wise beyond his years," Enright said. "He's played a lot of competitive golf, and he's kind of putting it together at the right time of the year and playing really well here down the stretch."

Enright was happy to get three through to state with strong competition, especially Yerington as a senior.

"An extremely tough field, and we really, for our team, played our best golf of the year," Enright said. "To get three through in this field is awesome. I'm extremely happy. We played well today and proud of the boys. It's always good to see your seniors qualify for state, especially being the only senior this year. I'm extremely happy for Stone to get back to state one more time."

Blue Springs got two through to the state tournament after qualifying no one last

season. Sophomore Dominick Matthies shot 76 to tie for 13th and senior Parker Good-Moppin fired a 77 as both earned their first state trips.

"I'm excited for both of them; they are both very deserving of the honor with the amount of time and effort they've put in," Blue Springs coach Doug Gillispie said.

Gillispie said that both Matthies, who earned an all-district medal, and Good-Moppin were flirting with not making the cut but delivered when they needed to and advanced.

"Today their mental toughness was outstanding," Gillispie said. "Dom was at a point it looked like he probably needed to play even par his last six holes, which is tremendous pressure, and he played them in 2-under!"

"I'm thrilled Parker made it, being he is a senior. He was in a similar situation, and it looked like he was going to need a par on his final hole, which is the hardest on the course (No. 6), and he came through in the clutch. I'm proud of them both.

"They've both gone from players averaging over 100 to guys who can shoot in the mid-70s, so it's been fun to watch their progression."

Blue Springs nearly had three qualify as freshman Memphis Lay missed the cutoff by one stroke, shooting 79.

Grain Valley will send one to state after sophomore Brody Magnon shot a season- and personal-best 1-over-73 for his first berth and an all-district medal for a third-place tie. Magnon almost holed out for eagle on No. 6 and tapped in for a birdie.

"He played fantastic," Grain Valley coach Andy Herbert said of Magnon. "Not a surprise that he qualified, but he hasn't shot a round like that this year, but he's certainly capable. He's got the game for it. But to do it on a day like today, with those conditions and the pressures that come with it in his first district tournament, is impressive."

Grain Valley sophomore Jake Gorden was just two strokes away from advancing with an 80, and junior Eli Herbert shot 82 and Mason Smith posted an 85.

Blue Springs South junior Dax Vincent also shot 82 to complete South's team score, and Camden Morelli shot 85. Isaiah Parton shot 84

and Jordan Jamis shot 91 to lead Fort Osage. Emilio Baeza shot 101 to pace Truman. Evan Beard led Chrisman with a 102.

WHAT'S UP NEXT

AREA SPORTS CALENDAR

(Schedules subject to change)

SATURDAY, MAY 10

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Noon — Grain Valley at Lee's Summit West

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD

9:30 a.m. — St. Michael the Archangel Catholic, Oak Grove at Class 3 District 7 meet, Holden High School

SUNDAY, MAY 11

ECHL MINOR LEAGUE HOCKEY

Kelly Cup Playoffs (Mountain Division Finals)

5 p.m. (CDT) — Game 5: Kansas City Mavericks at Tahoe Knight Monsters (if necessary), Tahoe Blue Event Center, Stateline, Nevada

MONDAY, MAY 12

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

4 p.m. — Ruskin at Fort Osage (doubleheader)

4:30 p.m. — Blue Springs at Blue Springs South

4:30 p.m. — Summit Christian Academy vs. St. Michael the Archangel Catholic at Hidden Valley Park

4:30 p.m. — Raytown at William Chrisman

5 p.m. — Belton at Grain Valley

5 p.m. — Truman at Platte County

6 p.m. — Pembroke Hill vs. Van Horn at Crysler Stadium

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER

5 p.m. — Fort Osage at Truman

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Class 1 District 11 Tournament

At Columbia Battle High School

5 p.m. — Grain Valley vs. St. Michael the Archangel Catholic-Columbia Hickman winner

SPORTS

Jaguars freshman delivers in first big tournament

Three Blue Springs South golfers qualify for state as Jaguars finish third in district; Wildcats send two, Eagles one to state

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Blue Springs South golfer Hayes McIntosh may be just a freshman but he's no stranger to big tournaments. McIntosh fired a 2-under-par 70 to finish second only to Liberty North's Caden Mickelson's 68 in the Class 5 District 4 Tournament Thursday at the par-72 Adams Pointe Golf Club in Blue Springs. McIntosh will be joined at state by a pair of teammates who managed to get through a loaded field. Junior Ethan Gilmore fired a 74 for his first state

trip, tying for seventh, and senior Stone Yerington shot 76, tying for 13th, to earn his third straight state berth. All three also earned all-district honors that go to the top 15 finishers and ties for those who finished at 76 and below. The cutoff to make state as an individual was 78. Blue Springs South totaled a season-best 302 as a team to finish third in the team standings



Brody Magnon

and just miss the automatic team state qualifying spots that go to the top two squads. Rockhurst shot 293 to claim the district title, one stroke ahead of Liberty North's 294. Grain Valley, with one player qualifying for state, tied Liberty for seventh at 320. Blue Springs, which got two players to state, finished ninth at 324. Fort Osage (365) was 11th, William Chrisman (422) took 13th and Truman (438) was 14th in the 16-team field. McIntosh, while admitting he was nervous, has been in this situation before. Last summer playing the Midwest PGA

Junior, he shot a lifetime best 67 to win it. "I'm nervous, of course, I'm only a freshman, but I've gone through lots of tournaments before," McIntosh said. "So I know what it's like to be nervous. I just came out here and tried to do my best and did all right." McIntosh got off to a strong start Thursday with a birdie on his starting hole, No. 10. "So that was a good way to start off my round," he said. McIntosh sank a 30-foot putt for a birdie on No. 18. On his final hole, the par-5 ninth, he



Blue Springs South's Hayes McIntosh, Stone Yerington and Ethan Gilmore, left to right, pose for a photo after qualifying for the state tournament with strong showings in the Class 5 District 4 Tournament Thursday at Adams Pointe Golf Club in Blue Springs. KARL ZINKE/THE EXAMINER

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Sisters Kaydence, left, and Kayleb Garrett helped Blue Springs South to a 2-0 victory over rival Blue Springs by scoring a goal apiece Thursday at South. The sisters, following in the footsteps of their older sister Khaliana, have had strong seasons to help the Jaguars withstand the loss of all-state midfielder Haley Cramer to a toe injury. MICHAEL SMITH/SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER

Garrett sisters help Jaguars overcome injury to top player

Each sister scores a goal as Blue Springs South blanks rival Blue Springs in Sheridan Cup game

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Blue Springs South is missing an important part of its girls soccer team. Junior midfielder Haley Cramer, who head coach Todd Findley said was arguably the best player in Missouri, had been playing through a turf toe injury on her left foot for most of the season. However, two weeks ago, her doctor advised her to take some time off. "Her doctor said that she was going to need time off or she was going to rip it and need surgery," Findley said. Cramer was on the sideline in a walking boot during South's Sheridan Cup home game against crosstown rival Blue Springs Thursday.

She has been out since May 1, and Findley is unsure when she will return. The Jaguars, ranked fifth in the Missouri High School Soccer Coaches Association's Class 4 state power rankings, have been able to get by without their star player because of their highly touted depth. That depth shined as sisters Kayleb and Kaydence Garrett scored one goal each in a 2-0 victory over the Wildcats. Cramer, who was a Class 4 honorable mention all-state selection last season, is hoping to return to the pitch before the district tournament, which begins May 20. "It's still undetermined if she will play next week," Findley said of Cramer's chances of playing the final two regular season games.

"We will have to see what she, her parents and her doctor decides. She is champing at the bit to play next week." With Cramer, South is missing an elite-level playmaker who leads the team in assists and often uses her speed to blow by multiple defenders. "With the ball on her foot, she's ridiculously fast and she gives us energy, and she gives us slotted passes," Findley said. "The negative is, without her, we don't have that push-through player quite as much, but we have great team depth." Senior Kayleb Garrett is part of that depth as she has been one of the best goal scorers for the Jaguars (14-2, 10-2 conference) this season. She put in a rebound after a

shot from junior Mary Hoffman hit the crossbar to give her team a 1-0 lead in the 15th minute. The Garrett sisters noted that without Cramer the Jaguars have to focus on communicating more often. They did just that Thursday. "It was very difficult," Kayleb Garrett said of playing without Cramer. "In the midfield, she is our main player controlling the field." Added Kaydence Garrett: "Once she got injured, we had to communicate more. Because she was really good at noticing spots to place the ball for open shots." Kaydence Garrett scored the second goal in the 27th minute when she

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Two second period goals lift Mavericks to 3-0 lead in series

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STATELINE, Nev. — The Kansas City Mavericks, with a strong second period Thursday, have put themselves within one game of advancing to the ECHL Western Conference finals. The Mavericks, with a 3-1 win over the Tahoe Knight Monsters at the Tahoe Blue Event Center Thursday night, entered Friday's Game 4 of the ECHL Mountain Division Finals series with a 3-0 lead. The Mavericks scored two goals in less than four minutes in the second period to break a 1-1 deadlock and close in on a possible sweep of the series. Mavericks goaltender Jack LaFontaine, who had three shutouts in the first eight games of the playoffs, stopped 27 of 28 shots to improve to 7-2-0 in the playoffs this year and lower his goals-against average to 1.41. After allowing a goal late in the first period, LaFontaine stonewalled the Knight Monsters on all of their 19 shots in the second and third periods. Bear Hughes was the only one to beat LaFontaine, scoring a power play goal at the 17:46 mark of the first period after Nathan Dunkley was called for tripping to give Tahoe a 1-0 lead. Zack Trott, though, scored a power-play goal of his own with just seven seconds remaining in the first period, slamming home a rebound off a David Cotton shot to knot the score 1-1. Cam Morrison recorded a secondary assist on the play. The Mavericks killed off a Tahoe power play early in the second period after Jimmy Mazza was given a double minor for roughing in an incident with Tahoe's Troy Loggins. The Mavericks turned another power play into the lead. Damien Giroux slammed in a rebound of a Jackson Berezowski shot at the 12:25 mark of the second period for a 2-1 advantage. Cotton added his second assist on the play. Casey Carreau then beat Tahoe goaltender Jesper Vikman with a long shot from the high slot for an insurance goal at the 16:15 mark of the second on assists from Jake McLaughlin and Luke Loheit.

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Chrisman rallies from 3-0 deficit to shock rival Truman

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Facing a 3-0 deficit to rival Truman at halftime, William Chrisman girls soccer coach Justin Schmidt tried to keep it positive as he talked to his team. It worked as the Bears staged an improbable comeback to tie it and then win it in overtime when Maya Saldivar knocked in a header off a corner kick for a 4-3 victory over the Patriots. "The key to the comeback was having a positive mindset and not giving up," Schmidt said. "At halftime, we talked about playing our game and fighting the entire 40 minutes no matter what the score was. Even when we went down 0-2 and 0-3, I was proud of our players on the bench for yelling positive comments to the players on the field to keep

going, it's OK." It didn't appear to be OK for the Bears. Breia Lowry scored in the 12th minute to put Truman ahead 1-0. Molly Saak added a goal for the Patriots in the 43rd minute, and Kadyn Roady made it 3-0 just two minutes later. But after the halftime talk, Schmidt said Aaliyah Dean provided the spark the Bears needed. Dean took a long punt from goalkeeper Kenley Nichols and scored in the 57th minute to get Chrisman on the board. Dean scored again in the 70th minute on an assist from Allie Brownlee. "Our girls worked their butts off," Schmidt said. "Aaliyah Dean was a huge factor and worked extremely hard to get those first two goals, which gave us an extra spark. Even when we were down

0-3, we knew we were playing them better than the first time we played them (a 4-2 loss) and we had more confidence. "Another key was moving starting defender Marissa Winsea into the midfield. She helped us keep the ball more and distributed the ball really well to others. Kenley Nichols also came up big in goal with several key saves to give us that chance to have the game-winner." With three minutes left in regulation, the Bears won a corner kick. Dean "played in a great ball" and Saldivar made a run into the box and knocked in a header from about six yards out to tie it and send it to overtime. "Before the overtime started, we talked about controlling our emotions in that moment so we could go out and finish the job," Schmidt said. Saldivar won it a few minutes into

overtime, heading another corner kick from Dean that deflected off another player and into the net for the game-winner. "The girls showed a lot of resilience and heart to fight back. Very proud of the entire team and their effort," Schmidt said after his team improved to 6-11 overall and 4-8 in the Suburban White Conference. Truman dropped to 9-10 overall and 7-5 in the league. PLATTE COUNTY 1, FORT OSAGE 0: Fort Osage kept it close but couldn't get past Suburban White Conference co-leader Platte County in a home loss Thursday. The Indians fell to 11-6 overall and 8-4 in the conference. Platte County (15-3) tied Grain Valley for first place in the league at 11-1.