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Hazard mitigation focus for meeting of area's leaders

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JACK 'MILES' VENTIMIGLIA
Editor-in-chief

RICHMOND – County, emergency management, school district and leaders of other governments within Ray County met to discuss hazard mitigation at the Eagleton Center on Wednesday.

Hazards may be defined as tornadoes and floods.

From the Mid-America Regional Council, Community Development Director **Marlene Nagel** provided information to the group of about 15 people about the need for, and the value of, having a hazard mitigation plan.

"The Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA, requires that communities adopt a plan every five years," Nagel said.

This area last adopted a plan four years ago.

"We're shooting to have a plan adopted and submitted to the state and the federal government by May 1," she said.

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FROM MARC, Marlene Nagel talks with area leaders about federal hazard mitigation funds.

A BREAK FROM PRISON



JIMMY POTTS | Cameron Citizen-Observer

A CHROME DELIGHT... An inmate, Chris Jollif, looks at a row of Harley-Davidson motorcycles during Saturday's Prison Power Ministries Car Show inside Western Missouri Correctional Center.

Car show provides diversion for inmates at Cameron from monotony of years behind bars

JACK 'MILES' VENTIMIGLIA
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CAMERON – Inmates at Western Missouri Correctional Center received a rare treat when they viewed show cars and motorcycles on prison grounds Saturday.

William Corum, founder of Power Prison Ministries, said he

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organized the event in conjunction with prison officials.

Having served time in prison before becoming a minister, and with decades of experience meeting with prisoners since then, Corum said he knows inmates enjoy the opportunity to get a taste of life on

the outside. Several years ago, he thought about how to expand on one such opportunity.

"People have for years taken motorcycles into prisons ... for the inmates to look at, but nobody had ever taken a car show in," he said.

Corum decided to try.

"Six years ago, I made a deal with
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West Nile virus remains threat as summer nears end

JEFFERSON CITY – The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services reminds people West Nile virus and other mosquito-borne illnesses are serious.

"While summer may be coming to a close, Missourians need to remember to stay alert and be proactive in

preventing mosquito-borne illnesses, including West Nile virus," the department's director, **Randall Williams**, said.

Pools of stagnant water left by receding floodwaters and summer rain create the perfect breeding grounds for mosquitoes that can carry the vi-

rus. About 20 cases of the virus are reported annually in the state, with most occurring in late summer.

When outdoors, insect repellents that contains DEET, picaridin, or another EPA-approved ingredient are effective help prevent bites.

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TODAY'S WEATHER
Temperatures will head into the low 60s Friday night, and up to the low 80s Saturday, with a chance of rain.



BILL CORUM directs more than 50 classic and muscle cars into Western Missouri Correctional Center, which houses nearly 2,000 minimum-, medium- and maximum-security inmates. Corum is the event's organizer.



JIMMY POTTS | Cameron Citizen-Observer
MEMBERS of the Christian Motorcycle Association pull into the recreation area of Western Missouri Correctional Center on Saturday.



Father and son Keith and Ben Vasey pull their project car – one that will undergo rehabilitation – into the Prison Power Ministries Car Show on Saturday morning.

Correctional center hosts car show provided by Power Power Ministries

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the warden up in Cameron – we submitted a proposal to do this – and I took 10 cars and 15 motorcycles up,” he said. “It has grown every year.”
Inmates this year got to view 30 cars and 25 motorcycles, with 60 people accompanying the 55 vehicles onto the grounds at the correctional facility for the Prison Power Ministries Car Show. The vehicles included

hotrods, a 1934 Ford coup, a 1938 Plymouth, a 1939 Ford sedan, several Corvettes, a drag car and a race car, Corum said.
Top-of-the-line modern cars sometimes accompany the classics onto prison grounds.
“Last year, my two sons went. They’ve got super cars. One of them’s got a Lamborghini and one them’s got a Mercedes Clarion. One of them’s a doctor and

the other one’s a lawyer, so that’s why they can afford these cars,” Corum said. “The inmates really love those, because those cars are over \$300,000.”
The inmates received a keepsake from the visit to Western Missouri Correctional Center, Corum said.
“The inmates would kneel down beside a car,” he said, “and take a picture they could send to their families.”

Precautions can prevent, reduce bites from disease-bearing mosquitoes

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Long pants and sleeves help, too, when the weather permits, versus temperatures in the upper 80s as predicted for Sept. 6 in Ray County.
Permethrin is a product that can be applied to clothing or gear that will be used outdoors, Department of Health and Senior Services information states. The product is long-lasting and can withstand multiple washes before

having to be reapplied.
Do not use permethrin directly on the skin, the department advised. As always, read and follow all product label instructions carefully.
Around a residence, several precautions can be taken to reduce the risk of being infected by West Nile virus, the department states. Primarily, removing standing water from yards makes a big difference. Mosquitoes that carry the virus prefer to breed in locations that have standing water, such as birdbaths, buckets, flower pots, tires and pool covers. By emptying these items or changing the water weekly, the number of mosquitoes around a residence can be reduced.
To keep mosquitoes out of houses, the department

recommends residents use air conditioning, if available, for cooling. Screens should be installed and maintained on all windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out.
For more information about West Nile virus or mosquitoes, the Department of Health and Senior Services suggest the public visit:
• <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/2minutedrill/index.php>
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Grant brings \$18 million to state to fight opioids

WASHINGTON – U.S. Sen. **Roy Blunt** from Missouri – chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health, Education and Related Agencies – announced a grant.

Blunt stated the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has invested an additional \$18 million in grant funding to help communities in Missouri combat the opioid epidemic.

With the funding announced by the department on Wednesday, Missouri has received a total of \$28 million this year through the State Opioid Response grant program.

Blunt worked to include \$1.5 billion for State Opioid Response grants in the fiscal 2019 Labor, Health, Education, and

Related Agencies appropriations bill. President **Donald Trump** signed the bill into law in September. As Labor/HHS Committee chairman, Blunt has led efforts to increase resources for programs targeting the opioid epidemic, information provided by his office stated.

“The opioid epidemic continues to hurt people of all backgrounds in communities across our state,” Blunt said. “Preliminary data from the Centers for



ROY BLUNT
U.S. SENATE LABOR/HHS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Disease Control and Prevention estimate that, from 2017 to 2018, opioid overdose deaths in Missouri increased by about 16 percent. This (federal grant) investment will provide key resources to expand access to prevention, treatment and recovery services – especially in areas that need it most. Making sure Missouri communities have the support they need to get this public health crisis under control will continue to be a top priority

of mine.”

State Opioid Response grants provide flexible funding to states to implement opioid use disorder interventions in the best way that fits their needs, and are awarded through the Health Resources and Services Administration and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Blunt’s office stated.

Missouri has received \$46.3 million over the past two years through the State Opioid Response grant program.

Blunt prioritized \$3.8 billion for opioid programs in the FY2019 Labor/HHS appropriations bill. Under Blunt’s chairmanship, funding for opioid-related Labor/HHS programs has increased by more than \$3.5 billion over four years.

MARC rep tells leaders from across Ray County how they can seek funds to mitigate disasters

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MARC works with various governmental entities – including fire and water supply districts – Nagel said. Each entity must take several steps to participate in the plan, she said.

“It needs to work with us to assess needs and risks,” she said. “It needs to look at what actions might it take over the next five years, whether it’s to help educate the residents of the community, whether it’s to make some infrastructure improvements – whatever those steps might be that are appropriate for each jurisdiction.”

Rewards result from the work, Nagel said.

“There’s some benefits at both the local level and the regional level to be involved in a hazard mitigation plan,” she said. “Just going through the process is helpful for communities to think about the risks that they face from, in particular, natural hazards.”

Communities should consider how well they can respond to disasters and how they could improve to lessen the impact, Nagel said.

“As part of adopting a plan, the local jurisdiction ... they become eligible for certain FEMA grants, which they wouldn’t be eligible for otherwise,” she said.

To put together a plan involves talking with community leaders and gathering information, Nagel said.

“Hopefully, we can focus on what’s most important as sort of understanding those risks and identifying steps that you can take,” she said.

ABOUT MARC

MARC is a nonprofit association of city and county governments and provides metropolitan planning for the Kansas City region. MARC serves nine counties and 119 cities by providing a forum for the region to work together to advance social, economic and environmental progress.

MARC is funded by federal, state and private grants, local contributions and earned income. Most of the budget is passed through to local governments and other agencies for programs and services.



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SLIDES HELP Mid-America Regional Council Community Development Director Marlene Nagel explain the need to create a hazard mitigation plan that could lead to federal funding.

Three types of FEMA grants are available that relate to the jurisdictions adopting a plan.

“The state is taking ‘letters of interest’ right now for all three of these great programs,” Nagel said.

The grants may provide 75 percent of the cost of a variety of projects, she said.

For example, a school district may apply to build a “safe room” in the school. Richmond School District has one tornado-safe room for the four schools.

“The grants are competitive, but the federal government has allocated more funding this year than they have in previous years because they recognize how important it is for communities and school districts to get out in front of disasters, and take preventive action,” Nagel said.

Ray County Emergency Management Coordinator **Carl Harper Jr.** said FEMA has allocated \$5 million for Missouri.

“It’s worth looking at,” Nagel said.

The letter of interest are due to the state by Sept. 13.

“In the letter of interest, you describe your project, giving them some basis for a cost estimate,” Nagel said. “You need to be able to say that you can come up with the matching dollars.”

The state will look at the letters and make an evaluation.

“The repetitive (grant) that deals with flood mitigation – they’re providing up to 100 percent funding,” Nagel said.

She gave the example of Mosby in Clay County.

“They have repeated flood losses for a number of the homes in their town, so right now we’re working with that city to buy out homes,” Nagel said.

Harper said the effort marks a departure from the past. “That’s new,” he said. “They’ve always refused in the past.”

The meeting continued, getting into details about how to provide details the government requires to apply for hazard mitigations funds.

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Marjorie Outersky

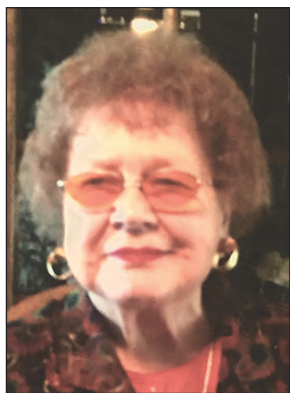
Marjorie Outersky, 89, Richmond, died Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019, at North Care Hospice House, North Kansas City.

Marjorie was born April 26, 1930, in Hardin, the daughter of Earnest and Georgia (Weiss) Minnick. She married Maurice Outersky of Richmond on Feb. 16, 1950. He preceded her in death Oct. 12, 1994.

Marjorie grew up in the Morton community, where she went to grade school, and then later attended the Hardin Grade School. She graduated from Richmond High School in 1948. She went to work at the J.C. Penney Store in Richmond and Kansas City. She worked as a teacher's aide for the Richmond School District for 28 1/2 years in the special education department until she retired in 2000. Marjorie enjoyed working with special needs children, reading English literature, scriptures and poems. Marjorie was a member of the First Baptist Church.

She was proud to be on the Ray County Senior Center Board at the Eagleton Center for many years, promoting its activities and services. Marjorie's greatest love, pride and joy were her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Because she grew up in a large family, family gatherings with brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews were a highlight in her life. Social time and laughter were a big part of her life. Her passion and favorite hobby was line dancing three times a week. She first fell in love with it in the 1990s, when the school district offered classes to the staff. Marjorie has been line dancing ever since!

Marjorie will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Her zest for life and infectious laugh would always fill the room. She never gave up cooking her tradi-



MARJORIE OUTERSKY

tional Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter meals, especially making everyone's favorite pie, that famous chocolate pie! Her laughter, love and passion for life set an example for all of us. Mom, Grandma and best friend, we want you to "line dance your way through those pearly gates!"

Survivors include two daughters, Vickie (Rupert) Brown and Nannette (Terry) Padgett, all of Richmond; six grandchildren, Jason Brown, Justin Brown, Nick Padgett, Molley (Brady) Butler, Desiree (Ryan) LaForge and Haley Padgett and her fiancé, Justin Ware; two great-grandchildren, Kash LaForge and Scottlynn "Scottie" Butler; two sisters, Faye Early of Gladstone and Bea (Jim) Mayden of Carrollton; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Kevin Outersky; four brothers, Marvin "Gene" Minnick, Earnest Minnick Jr., Glenn Minnick and Kenneth Minnick; four sisters, Mildred Mitchell, Emily Herring, Betty Bowles and Peggy Norris.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Ray County Eagleton Civic Center or the Richmond First Baptist Church. They may be dropped off or mailed to Thurman Funeral Home, 507 N. Main St. - P. O. Box 190, Richmond, MO 64085.

Funeral services were Thursday, Sept. 5, 2019, at the Richmond First Baptist Church in Richmond. Visitation was Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2019, at Thurman Funeral Home in Richmond. Burial was in Richmond Memory Gardens, Richmond.

Online condolences may be left at www.thurmanfuneralhome.com.

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John Richard Lyon

John Richard Lyon, 78, Blue Springs, died Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2019, at St. Luke's Hospital in Lee's Summit.

John was born Jan. 5, 1941, in St. Clair County, the son of Richard Franklin and Johnnie Helen (Robinson) Lyon. He was first united in marriage to Charla Jean Park of Lathrop on June 2, 1962. She preceded him in death Dec. 25, 1993. He was then united in marriage to Phyllis Jane Tetrake of Lee's Summit on Oct. 19, 1996. She survives of the home.

John was reared and educated in Cass County and graduated from Cass Midway High School. He worked as a tool and die maker for most of his life and for 14 years at General Motors.

John was also a farmer in the Camden area and operated the Lyon Orchard.

He was a man who carried responsibility all of his life and started working from a young age. John enjoyed time at the lake, fishing, boating and especially spending time with his family and friends. He enjoyed float trips and driving friends around the lake.

John was also a faithful member of the Christian Fellowship Ministry of Richmond, where he was an elder.

Additional survivors include: three sons, Rob Lyon of Excelsior Springs, Dave (Theresa) Lyon of Lawson and Steve Lyon of Branson; 10 grandchildren, Cait Lyon, Sarah Lyon, Henry Lyon, Maggie Lyon, Ashley (Christian) Young, Matt Lyon, Jessica Lyon (Andrew Faulkner),



JOHN R. LYON

Nick Lyon, Hayley (Waylon) Whorton, and Josie Lyon; six step-grandchildren, Rashell (Darrell) Thornton, Brandon Hiser, Jordan Martin, Joshua Martin, Jessica (Joey) McMillan and Jeffrey Hiser Jr.; one great-granddaughter, Emma Young and one on the way; 11 step-great-grandchildren, Leah Channing, Liam Thornton, Boss McMillan, Nickolas McMillan, Cole Hiser, Presleigh Hiser, Maverick Hiser, Matt Martin, Evan Martin, Jaxson Hiser and Brooklin Hiser; one brother, Mike (Shauna) Lyon of Cleveland; three sisters, Kathy (Bob) Orf of Kansas City, Linda Lyon of New Jersey, and MaryAnn Pryor of Buck-

ner; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife; one stepson, Jeff Hiser; one brother, Steve Lyon; and two sisters, Pat Ayres and Carol Keeler.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the donor's choice. They can be left at or mailed to Thurman Funeral Home, 507 E. Main St. - P.O. Box 190, Richmond, MO 64085.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Monday, Sept. 9, 2019, at Thurman Funeral Home in Richmond. Visitation will be from 3 to 5 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 8, 2019, at the funeral home.

Graveside services with burial will be at 2 p.m., Monday, Sept. 9, at Lake Viking Cemetery, near Gallatin.

Online condolences may be left at www.thurmanfuneralhome.com.

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Alana Carole Mansell

Alana Carole Mansell, 73, Morrison, Colorado, went home to be with the Lord, Tuesday, July 23, 2019. She passed at home after a long debilitating battle with amyloidosis.

Alana was born June 5, 1946, the daughter of Elton E. (Gene) and Joanna (Hughes) Mansell, who preceded her in death.

Alana was raised in rural Ray County, near Orrick. She was educated in Orrick schools and graduated from Orrick High School in 1964. Shortly after graduating, Alana moved to Colorado and worked at a Denver hospital as a purchaser of surgical and other specialty tools.

After retiring, she spent much time with close friends and keeping up her home and her four rental properties.

Alana always loved to



ALANA MANSELL

read and care for small animals.

She is survived by one brother and sister-in-law, Mike and Sandy Mansell; five nieces; two nephews; two great-nieces; and three great-nephews.

She requested no services, only to be cremated and to have her ashes scattered in the Colorado mountains.

Alana will be greatly missed.

DEATH NOTICES

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Jessie A. (Huffman) Youtsey

Jessie Ann (Huffman) Youtsey, 87, Orrick, passed away Monday, Sept. 2, 2019.

Graveside services and inurnment will be at 3 p.m., Saturday, September 7, 2019, at Cowgill Cemetery. There is no scheduled visitation.

Online condolences may be left at www.stithfamilyfunerals.com

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Brian Harold Haase

Brian Harold Haase, 61, Napoleon passed away Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2019.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 6, 2019, at the Walker Nadler Fuller Funeral Home, Lexington. A funeral service will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019, at First Bible Baptist Church, 1441 S.E. Adams Dairy Parkway, Blue Springs.

Burial will be in St. Paul Cemetery, Napoleon. Online condolences may be left at www.LedfordFamilyFH.com.

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Larry Vernon Hicks

Larry Vernon Hicks, 70, Lexington, passed away Friday, Aug. 30, 2019.

A graveside memorial service will be at 3 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2019, at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Higginsville.

A celebration of life will be at 5 p.m. at the Lexington VFW Post 4052, 3109 Franklin Ave., Lexington.

Online condolences may be left at www.LedfordFamilyFH.com.

Lafayette Sinfonietta performs for the first time

LEXINGTON – The Lafayette Sinfonietta presents chamber and solo music at its debut concert at 4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 15, at Christ Episcopal Church, 1300

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Wood Heights residents should speak

Priorities. From Congress to individual households, a huge part of setting priorities involves money. In Washington’s case, if money is needed – which is the situation when helping Ray County and other places around the nation recover from disasters – Congress and President **Trump** authorize borrowing. They also borrow to pay for other line items that various Americans may or may not consider priorities, such as payments to farmers for tariff-related losses, food stamps, infrastructure, the military, immigration enforcement, rural broadband... Again, what Washington wants, Washington gets, because Washington can borrow without a repayment plan. Everyday Missourians cannot borrow without a repayment plan. They make decisions based on what they can afford. Sometimes, the choice is as basic as whether they purchase diabetes medicine or pay the rent. The same is true for small towns. Leaders set priorities based on what they

can afford. They may, for example, have 20 miles of streets in need of resurfacing, a hole in the roof at city hall and four broken sewer lines. They cannot afford to do everything. So, they prioritize: The roof gets fixed, the sewer lines get fixed, but 19 of those 20 miles of streets have to wait another year. Wood Heights is among communities that are forced to prioritize budget expenditures. The community is small. City-Data.com puts the population at 687. The community is not wealthy. The estimated per capita income is less than \$26,000. The community’s housing stock has a median value that is less than the state average. The median value of a house in Wood Heights is \$134,780 versus \$151,400 for the state. The Wood Heights Board of Aldermen must work with a tight bottom line. There is no room for frills. There is no big population and there are no big businesses to share the tax burden. Aldermen have only so much money to spend on infrastructure, administration and public safety. All of which gets down to what the city’s elected leaders consider most important. Do they put everything into infrastructure to the exclusion of administration and public safety? Do they put everything into administration, to the exclusion of infrastructure and public safety? What do they juggle or cut? In May, the board decided to continue funding infrastructure and two administrative staff members, but disbanded the entire police department. At 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, the board is expected to revote on disbandment. The city needs a police department. All cities do. But is that what residents want? They should let aldermen know whether they want the board to reduce some of the administrative and/or infrastructure costs to provide police protection, or whether to back the status quo. This is an important matter that could impact the city for decades. Residents should attend the meeting and speak up.

AS I WAS SAYING...

Gentle humor is the hallmark for this award-winning columnist, who has released a new book, “Bad Day for a Road Trip.”

JASON OFFUTT

Rural vacation

Vacation. There’s never been a long road trip that coffee didn’t make better. I’m sure the hobbits would have made it to Mount Doom with a little more zip in their step if they’d had coffee, and **Hannibal’s** trip over the Alps during the Second Punic War would have at least involved less threats to “turn this thing around.” So, our stop for coffee was important. The Preschooler shifted in her car seat and crossed her arms before addressing her mother and me, her siblings in a sleepy daze beside her. It was 5:30 a.m., after all. “This is not the mountains,” she said, the indignant tone in her voice much like when I tried to tell her the chicken nuggets I made at home were the same as McDonald’s. We were on our way to Colorado and had made it to a convenience store five minutes from our house. Five minutes. Boy, did she have a 10-hour surprise coming.

There’s only one problem driving from Missouri to Colorado – northern Kansas. Not that Kansas is a problem, it’s just that it’s roughly 400 miles of farmland broken up here and there by small towns with no sign of economic support. It’s like South Dakota without Wall Drug. But, darn it, we were going to make the drive interesting. Planning a trip would be fun if it weren’t for all the planning. Google (all hail our AI overlord) provided us with three options for driving through northern Kansas, one of which went right by the geographic center of the contiguous United States. First fun family-friendly stop? Check. “What are we doing here?” one of the children asked when I braked at the historical marker on the end of a rural highway two and a half miles outside Lebanon, Kansas, population 212. “There’s nothing here,” one of them moaned. I couldn’t tell which. After a four-hour drive, it’s easy to forget your kids’ names. “Rural America,” I said. “We’re seeing rural America.” “Rural America’s boring,” another one said. Or maybe it was my wife. Whatever. It was one of the people I’d brought with me in the car. “We live in rural America,” I told them, then took a picture of the family in front of a sign that read, “Welcome to the Geographic Center of the 48 States.” The Preschooler faced backward. As a child, I wasn’t like this on family vacations, mainly because we didn’t take many. The only trip I remember was to Colorado when I was five and ate bad bologna. I threw up all the way home. The Geographic Center of the 48 States is Disney World in comparison. “We’re loving this, right guys?” I said when we got back into the car, not expecting an answer. “This is not the mountains,” the Preschooler said again. Great. I’m not going to say a word about the World’s Largest Ball of Sisal Twine in Cawker City, Kansas. We were stopping there next. Next week: Part three. Offutt’s newest book, “Chasing Monsters,” is available at jasonoffutt.com.

THE WAY WE WERE

SEPT. 6 to SEPT. 9

- ### 1919

 - **Opal Berry** wins \$1 in the boys ages 10-14 category of the foot races at Hardin.
 - Electric irons are for sale, \$1 down and \$1 a month, at Missouri Electric Service.
 - Flecter and Simms Meats and Groceries sells brooms for 50 cents.
- ### 1969

 - **Jeffrey Foster**, 16, dies when the bicycle he rides is struck by a car north of Knoxville.
 - **James Harmon**, 12, formerly of Richmond, dies in Colorado from the flu.
 - **Verlee Gail Stansbury** and **Paul Patterson**, both of Richmond, plan to wed in January.
- ### 1994

 - Under a new agreement, Southwestern Bell Telephone will eliminate all party lines in 18 months.
 - In football, the Hardin-Central Bulldogs defeat the Grain Valley Eagles, 24-0.

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Judge or Division: PROBATE
Case Number: 19RY-PR00053
GORDON RAY WILSON, Deceased.
Notice of Letters of Administration Granted (Independent Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of GORDON RAY WILSON, Decedent:
On AUGUST 15, 2019, the following individuals was appointed the personal representative of the estate of GORDON RAY WILSON, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Ray County, Missouri. The personal representative's address is: JAMES WILSON, 12457 VROOM, EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MO 64024
The personal representative may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the court.
The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is: TIMOTHY D TIPTON, 400 ST. LOUIS AVE, EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MO 64024, (816) 630-3700.

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Date of the decedent's death: DECEMBER 15, 2018
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RICHMOND POLICE

Police Chief Chad Burnine of the Richmond Police Department reported the following incidents handled recently by the department.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

At 4:16 p.m., in the area of Main Street and Thornton, an officer conducted a traffic stop and subsequently arrested Tyler Wilmes, 22 of Richmond on an Excelsior Springs Municipal Court warrant charging him with failure to appear in court for traffic. Wilmes was unable to post bond and was released to the Excelsior Springs Police Department.
At 5:55 p.m., in the 900 block of Walton Way, a complainant reported an assault. The victim did not wish to pursue charges and no further action was taken.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

At 11:35 a.m., in the 900 block of East Lexington Street, an officer arrested Jennifer Gardner, 35, of Richmond on a Ray County warrant charging her with possession of a controlled substance. Gardner was unable to post bond and was transported to the Ray County Jail.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

At 11:30 a.m., in the 800 block of West Main Street, a complainant reported a theft. Investigation continues.
At 1:00 p.m., in the 400 block of Forest Street, a complainant reported a theft. Investigation continues.
At 4:26 p.m., in the 900 block of Walton Way, a complainant reported a theft. Investigation continues.
At 8:17 p.m., in the 400 block of

South Institute, a complainant reported a burglary. Investigation continues.
At 9:25 p.m., in the 200 block of North Institute Street, an officer arrested Paige Ainsworth, 24, of Richmond on a Ray County warrant charging her with possession of a controlled substance. Ainsworth was unable to post bond and was transported to the Ray County Jail.
At 9:59 p.m., an officer responded to the Excelsior Springs Police Department and arrested Leo Walker, 23, of Excelsior Spring, Missouri on three Richmond Municipal Court warrants charging him with failure to appear in court for possession of marijuana, failure to appear in court for possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to appear in court for failure to register a motor vehicle. Walker was unable to post bond and was transported to the Ray County Jail.
At 10:56 p.m., in the 400 block of Matt Waller Avenue, a complainant reported an assault. Investigation continues.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

At 8:50 a.m., in the 600 block of South Shaw Street, a complainant reported a theft. Investigation continues.
At 10:53 a.m., in the 200 block of South Shaw Street, a complainant reported a theft. Investigation continues.
At 7:11 p.m., in the 500 block of South Thornton Street, a complainant reported a theft. Investigation continues.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

At 10:54 a.m., in the 400 block of Tribble Street, a complainant reported a theft. Investigation continues.

At 12:35 p.m., a motor vehicle crash was reported on Highway 13 near Chapel Drive. James Cowherd, 39, of Corder, Missouri was driving a 2004 Chevrolet Truck north on Highway 13. Garrett Allnutt, 16, of Richmond was driving a 2003 Toyota Camry north on Highway 13 behind the Cowherd vehicle. The crash occurred as a toolbox fell out of the Cowherd vehicle and struck the Allnutt vehicle that was traveling behind the Cowherd vehicle. There was minor damage to the Allnutt vehicle and no injuries were reported.
At 4:09 p.m., in the area of Main and Thornton, an officer conducted a traffic stop and subsequently arrested a 46 year old man from Excelsior Springs, Missouri for refusal to comply with a lawful order and resisting arrest. A case will be sent to the city prosecutor's office for further action.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

At 1:37 p.m., in the 200 block of Darneal Court, a complainant reported an assault. Subsequently, a 31 year old man from Lexington, Missouri was arrested for assault. A case will be sent to the city prosecutor's office for further action.
At 3:30 p.m., in the 200 block of Summit Street, an officer arrested Clayton Estes, 26, of Manhattan, Kansas on two Ray County warrants charging him with failure to appear in court for driving while revoked and failure to appear in court for failure to maintain financial responsibility. Estes was unable to post bond and was transported to the Ray County Jail.
At 6:12 p.m., in the area of Spartan

Drive and South Street, an officer conducted a traffic stop and subsequently arrested Tiffany Roberts, 35, of Richmond on a Ray County warrant charging her with failure to appear in court for possession of a controlled substance. Roberts was unable to post bond and was transported to the Ray County Jail.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

At 8:50 a.m., a motor vehicle crash was reported on Highway 13 at Crispin Street. James Jones, 63, of Richmond was driving a 2008 Chevrolet Trailblazer north on Highway 13, slowing to turn onto Crispin Street. David French, 43, of Richmond was driving a 2005 Ford Crown Victoria north on Highway 13 behind the Jones vehicle. The crash occurred as French failed to stop behind the Jones vehicle and struck the Jones vehicle in the rear. There was major damage to the French vehicle and it was towed from the scene. The Jones vehicle received moderate damage and was driven from the scene. French received minor injuries in the crash and refused medical transport on scene. No other injuries were reported.
At 10:45 a.m., in the 400 block of Wilson Boulevard, a complainant reported an assault. The victim did not wish to pursue charges and no further action was taken.
At 11:42 p.m., in the area of Second Street and Royle, an officer conducted a traffic stop and subsequently arrested a 39 year old man from Richmond for possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine). A case will be sent to the State Prosecutor's office for further action.

RAY COUNTY JAIL

According to the Ray County Sheriff's Department, as of August 26, 2019, there were 60 inmates in custody, including 53 from Ray County and 07 from other agencies.

Amanda Leigh Leighty, 28, of Liberty, was arrested for resisting/interfering with arrest, failure to appear, forgery, possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.
Jonathan Anthony Menth, 29, of Lawson, was arrested for theft/stealing (value of property or services is \$500 or more but less than \$25,000)
Russell Lee Walker, 53, of Lawson, was arrested for trafficking drugs or attempt in the 1st degree over statutory amount, unlawful possession of a firearm x2, unlawful use of a weapon - subsection 11 - possess weapon and a felony controlled substance x2, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana.
Mark A. Whitworth, 62, of Excelsior Springs, was arrested for trafficking drugs or attempt in the 1st degree over statutory amount, unlawful possession of a firearm x2, unlawful use of a weapon - subsection 11 - possess weapon and a felony controlled substance x2, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, prior drug offense, possession of marijuana.
James Albert Aikmus, 42, of Liberty, was arrested for stealing leased or rented property, probation violation.
Danielle Marie Coin, 29, of Kansas City, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to properly affix tab on license plate, probation violation.
Phillip Allen Lowery, 26, of Buckner, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, probation violation.
Michael John Ladue Jr., 40, of Kansas City, was arrested for possession of child pornography x8.
Jonah Michael Irwin, 20, of Blue Springs, was arrested for failure to yield to vehicle that had entered intersection with no traffic control, failure to appear.
Isaac Charles Luttrell, 20, of Gladstone, was arrested for unlawful possession, transport, manufacture, repair or sale of illegal weapon, failure to appear.
Amanda Marie Sullivan, 34, of Richmond, was arrested

ed for violation of education requirements for a child x2, failure to appear.
Ashley Nicole Raw, 34, of Richmond, was arrested for no insurance, failure to appear.
Ashley Marie Hall, 31, of Kansas City, was arrested for no insurance, failure to appear.
Lizabeth Camryn Krause, 20, of Rayville, was arrested for speeding by 11-15 mph, no insurance, failure to appear.
Katherine Elizabeth Lackey, 23, of Hardin, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, resisting arrest.
Carolena Dionanna Laguna, 38, of Lexington, was arrested for endangering the welfare of a child in the 1st degree, resisting/interfering with arrest for a felony, possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, arson in the 1st degree, probation violation.

According to the Ray County Sheriff's Department, as of September 3, 2019, there were 62 inmates in custody, including 56 from Ray County and 06 from other agencies.

Jessicka Lorene Ard, 19, of Excelsior Springs, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, failure to drive on the right half of the roadway, resulting in an accident, DWI, possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, no insurance.
Stevie Leann Chrisco, 31, of Richmond, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.
Thomas Alan Hupp, 29, of Richmond, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia -prior drug offenses.
Jennifer Darlene Gardner, 35, of Richmond, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, probation violation.
Carolena Dionanna Laguna, 38, of Lexington, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.
Martin Dean hendrix, 59, of Rayville, was arrested for unlawful use of a weapon -subsection 4-exhibiting assault in the 4th degree.

Paige Elizabeth Ainsworth, 24, of Richmond, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, littering in the 1st offense, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.
Tyler Lee Icenhour, 26, of Excelsior Springs, was arrested for resisting arrest/detention/stop by fleeing -creating a substantial risk of serious injury/death to any person.
Robert Leonard Perkins, 57, of Plattsburg, was arrested for violation of order of protection -adult.
Remington James Crouse, 17, of Lawson, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia-prior drug offenses, no seatbelt, failure to appear.
Devon Alexander Harris, 21, of Camden, was arrested for possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia -prior drug offense, assault in the 4th degree, probation violation.
Charles Franklin Goetz III, 43, of Kansas City, was arrested for resisting arrest, failure to appear.
Katelyn Renae Oyler, 27, of Richmond, was arrested for operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, failure to wear a seatbelt, failure to appear.
Tiffany Rhiannon Roberts, 35, of Richmond, was arrested for unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia -prior drug offenses, possession of marijuana - prior drug offenses, probation violation.
Clayton Lee Estes, 26, of Manhattan, KS, was arrested for no insurance - failure to appear, driving while revoked/suspended 1st offense - failure to appear, leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident - injury, property damage 2nd offense, DWI -drug intoxication, no seatbelts, probation violation.
Lacey Nicole Silkwood, 23, of Richmond, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.
Taylor McKenzie Swanguarim, 23, of Blue Springs, was arrested for making a false report, failure to appear.
Andrew Gean Peak, 17, of Excelsior Springs, was arrested for violating provisions of intermediate driver's license or temporary instruction permit, failure to appear.

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After bill becomes law, change in food stamp rules puts future farm bills in doubt

JACK ‘MILES’ VENTIMIGLIA
Editor-in-chief

ODESSA – The Farm Bill that became law Dec. 20 kept food stamp rules about the same, but a later change jeopardizes passage of future farm bills, U.S. House Agriculture Committee Chairman **Collin Peterson**, D-Minnesota, said at Odessa City Hall.

Peterson and U.S. Rep. **Emanuel Cleaver II**, whose district includes Ray County, met with more than 50 people, including farmers, to discuss rural issues.

Some people do not like providing food stamps, now called the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, to people in need. Many of those in need live in rural areas, including more than 10 percent of Ray Countians, based on Statistical Atlas information. Although there are SNAP opponents, Peterson said the program is a compromise that must be made to get moderates and liberals in Congress to agree to pass farm bill proposals.

“People don’t understand that if we don’t have food stamps in the farm bill, there will not be a farm bill – period.”

COLLIN PETERSON
U.S. HOUSE AG COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

PART TWO OF THREE

U.S. House Agriculture Committee Chairman **Collin Peterson**, D-Minnesota, and U.S. Rep. **Emanuel Cleaver II**, whose district includes Ray County, hold an open forum at Odessa Community Center. They discuss agricultural issues, including rural broadband, food stamps and tariffs.



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U.S. HOUSE Agriculture Committee Chairman Collin Peterson shares a laugh with U.S. Rep. Emanuel Cleaver II while discussing rural issues at a meeting at Odessa Community Center.

“People don’t understand that if we don’t have food stamps in the farm bill, there will not be a farm bill – period,” he said.
Some urban area representatives, Cleaver said, would see no reason to vote to make payments that ease the plight of farmers if representatives in rural areas refused to vote to make payments that ease the plight of the poor, he said.
Food stamps benefit people living everywhere in the nation. Harvest Public Media in October reported that most of the nation’s food aid goes to rural America: 16

percent of rural households versus 13 percent in urban areas.
The 2018 farm bill passed with compromises on both sides, including a rejection of stricter rules for food stamp recipients. But after the bill passed, Secretary of Agriculture **Sonny Perdue** announced new restrictions on food stamp recipients.
The move drew criticism, including from **Debbie Stabenow** of Michigan, the Senate Agriculture Committee’s ranking Democrat.



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THE 2018 farm bill provides funds to address animal disease outbreaks.

Funding in farm bill fights animal disease

JACK ‘MILES’ VENTIMIGLIA
Editor-in-chief

ODESSA – A critical, but little-known issue – animal disease prevention – received funding in the 2018 Farm Bill. “We set up a long-term, \$350 million-a-year program to develop animal disease detection and vaccination. I tried to get \$500 million,” U.S. House Agriculture Committee Chairman **Collin Peterson**, D-Minnesota, said at Odessa Community Center. The worry is that this country has long been vulnerable to, but inadequately prepared for, animal disease outbreaks such as China experienced with avian flu that killed several people and thousands of chickens in 2013; plus 79 more people died from avian flu in China in 2017; and swine flu has wiped out millions of pigs in China this year. “That’s roughly 300 million to 350

million pigs lost in China, which is almost a quarter of the world’s pork supply,” National Public Radio reported. “We’ve got dogs and people at the airports meeting every plane from China because, what I’ve been told, the grandmothers are smuggling pork in on the planes,” he said. “We’ve actually caught some people trying to smuggle stuff in. We’re doing everything we can, but I am very worried that this is going to slip through somewhere, and if it does, then we’re really in a panic.” This country is prepared for outbreaks, including foot and mouth, but experts have told The Richmond Daily News there is not enough vaccine to go around if a large-scale animal disease outbreak occurs, with the same being true for some types of crops. The farm bill provides some funding to resolve the issue in terms of prevention and treatment, Peterson said.

Cutting food stamps could hurt future farm bills, lawmaker says

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“This proposal is yet another attempt by this administration to circumvent Congress and make harmful changes to nutrition assistance that have been repeatedly rejected on a bipartisan basis,” she stated. “This rule would take food away from families, prevent children from getting school meals and make it harder for states to administer food assistance.”

On July 23, The Washington Post reported the change in rules, including an end to automatic eligibility, could take away food stamps from 3 million people.

“This proposal will save money and preserve the integrity of the program,” Perdue said in July. “SNAP should be a temporary safety net.”

In Odessa, Peterson said the Trump administration’s new restrictions likely would fail. But he could not be certain. “This isn’t going to be successful. They’re going to be sued and, in my opinion, they’re going to lose,” he said. “If it did happen, then I think it would be a problem.”

People who think a farm bill can pass without SNAP payments do not understand how Congress operates, Peterson said.

“I always warn people, we have 40 people in Congress that have farm districts. We have ... 400 people that have urban districts. So, how do you think we’re going to pass a farm bill without (urbanites)? We’d just better be careful,” he said.

Cleaver said every representative in the country should have a district like his, which is about 25 percent rural, so that the views of many more types of constituents would be considered.

“That would be good,” Peterson agreed. “My district doesn’t have any urban. The biggest town is 30-some-thousand and I have 330 towns in my district.”

SNAP payments went to about 40 million people last year, Econofact reported in January.

Peterson said some farmers are happy to take government handouts for crop programs, including money to make up for the tariff war, and he has a few words for some of them: “You need the money, and I get that, but don’t ever, ever complain to me about food stamps again. You’re at \$300,000, \$500,000,

and you’re complaining to me about some poor old woman that’s getting 100 bucks a month, and it’s not even cash. It just drives my crazy.”

The 2018 farm bill is being implemented as quickly as possible, Perdue stated in April.

“Our goal is to have programs that function best for the people that we serve. We have made progress in new Farm Bill provisions, and look to implement programs that are customer service focused and economically efficient,” he stated. “We still have a lot of work ahead of us, but we are diligently working on behalf of all of USDA’s customers.”

Peterson said he is working to educate new Agriculture Committee members about the farm bill and he is urging Perdue to put the bill into effect correctly.

“We’re working with the administration to make sure they’re implementing the bill in a way that we think should be done, and we’re kind of pushing them to get it done quicker,” Peterson said.

NEXT ISSUE: TARIFFS

FDA warns CBD retailers against making false claims

Federal agencies are scrambling to establish regulations for hemp and hemp products as farmers in the Midwest and around the country start growing the crop. In the meantime, the government warns companies not to make health claims about CBD they can’t back up. The Food and Drug Administration sent a warning letter to Massachusetts-based cannabis company Curaleaf on July 22, saying essentially: Stop making unproven and illegal claims about CBD products and start labeling it correctly or we can take immediate legal action against you, “including, without limitation, seizure and injunction.” CBD, or cannabidiol, is a compound extracted from cannabis flowers. It has become a retail star, partially because of numerous health claims, many of which have not been proven. Curaleaf claimed CBD effectively treats Parkinson’s disease, is tied to treating Alzheimer’s disease, can kill breast cancer cells, limits the spread of cancer and can be a “natural alternative” to depression and anxiety medication, among many other cures. The company’s CBD products for pets even came under FDA scrutiny due to claims that the products could relieve the animals’ anxiety and



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THIS HEMP grows on a farm in Colorado. Area residents plan to grow hemp, too. ease their pain. “Americans expect the decisions made by FDA are informed by the best possible information about safety,” FDA Principal Deputy Commissioner Dr. **Amy Abernethy** said at a July 25 Senate committee hearing. “The FDA learned that CBD is not a risk-free substance. CBD can harm the liver, create a sense of exhaustion and affect your appetite.” Abernethy said providers who legally prescribe drugs can monitor patients.

But, she said, if someone is unmonitored and using CBD lip balm, eating CBD lozenges and drinking CBD tea regularly for months, that could be harmful. “What is the risk if you’re pregnant? Breast feeding? A child? Elderly? Taking other medicines? Or suffering a major illness?” she said, highlighting all the unknowns that are still part of the CBD industry. This is not the first time the FDA has issued warnings against unlawful CBD health claims. Three other companies received warning letters this year. Those companies also made claims ranging from curing **Lou Gehrig’s** disease to cancer. Curaleaf said it would comply with the recent FDA order and make a plan to remedy the claims on its website within 15 business days. However, it did say that several of the products “had previously been discontinued.” “Curaleaf is committed to being an ethical and responsible company and working with the FDA to being a leader in our industry,” it stated. The FDA also warned against CBD-infused food products, which are still technically illegal to sell across state lines.

Ag outlook not so great, review finds

AMY MAYER
Harvest Public Media

WASHINGTON – A monthly report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture assessing the global supply and demand of key crops had mixed messages for Midwest farmers.

The World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimates for August found the number of acres of corn and soybeans farmers are on track to harvest this fall is more than earlier predictions, meaning the wet spring and late planting in some areas did not have as adverse an effect as USDA initially estimated.

Still, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio and South Dakota are expected to have corn yields lower than last year, and of the major corn-producing states, only Missouri looks poised to do better than last year.

Soybean yields are forecast to be a little lower than last year.

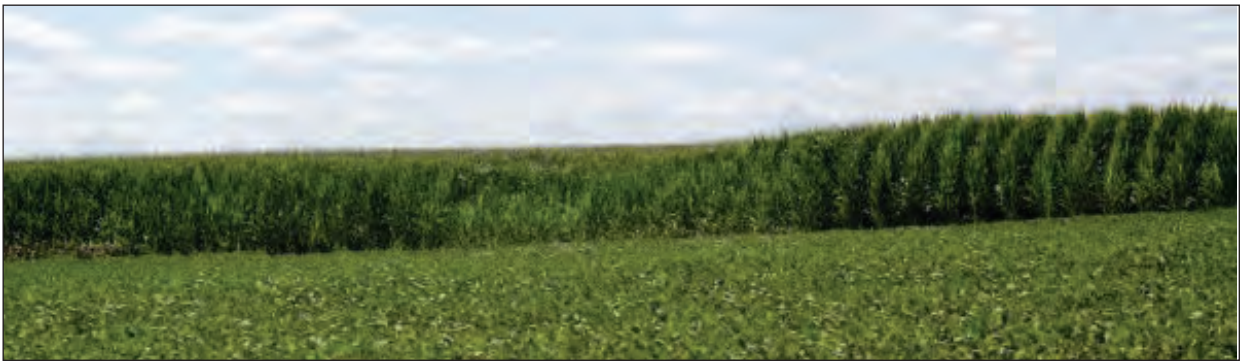
Production of both crops has been robust in recent years, leading to a surplus and persistently low prices. Couple that with the demand forecast, and Iowa State University agriculture economist **Chad Hart** said the overall tenor of the report is negative.

Less corn will be used in ethanol production and overseas sales of corn and soybeans will be down.

The biggest drop in soybean exports comes from the ongoing trade war with China, which has prompted other countries to ramp up production so they can step in to supply that market.

Hart said Paraguay and Uruguay are claiming a part of the market once dominated by their bigger neighbors, Argentina and Brazil. But Brazil is posing the biggest threat to U.S. soybean exports over the long term.

“The U.S. has now slid into that No. 2 spot,” Hart said, referring to the rankings of soybean producing countries. “Brazil has taken the top spot and will likely



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SOME FARMERS plant more acres of corn and soybeans than the USDA expects.

hang onto it for some time.”

Soybean prices have been stubbornly low, Hart said, but corn prices have risen slowly over the past couple of months.

“This report is sort of taking the air out of that recovery,” he said, adding that farmers and their communities have little reason to expect their finances to improve.

“Farm incomes are going to struggle again this year. What’s going to buoy some of these rural communities is going to be the influx of cash that’s coming from the government support, as opposed to coming from the marketplace,” he said.

Iowa Farm Bureau Federation economist **Sam Funk** said the World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimates report clarifies how weather challenges differently affected various states. In total, the country’s corn and soybean acres are lower than what USDA expected based on June data, but not in Iowa.

“We, if you will, bucked the trend for having lower acreage,” Funk said. “In fact, we’ve got more acres planted than what USDA would have expected back in June.”



The August report is based on surveys and satellite data. Now, USDA starts sending people into the fields to add first-hand observations and calculations to estimates set for September.

There is any number of hurdles farmers will need to clear before their crops are either stored or sold.

For example, Funk said many of corn acres now

included in harvest estimates went into the ground late and there is not enough information to predict how well those fields will yield. Plus, a hail storm or other major weather event in any growing region could have a big impact overall.

“If we have any sort of an estimate later on that rocks those yields lower, I think it would potentially move markets again,” Funk said.

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RELIGION

Bible @ Bars

Spreading the Gospel takes former gangland enforcer into prisons across nation

JACK "MILES" VENTIMIGLIA
Editor

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."
Romans 3:23

RICHMOND – A convict and self-described underworld enforcer, **William Corum** received a pardon from former Missouri Gov. **Jay Nixon**.

The pardon did not free Corum. He had already been freed from state prison. He said he also had been freed from sin, having given his life to **Jesus**. In the three decades before Nixon granted the pardon, Corum had dedicated himself to spreading the Gospel to inmates.

Corum's dedication to leading inmates to salvation led to the 2017 pardon that cleared his record with the state just as he said God cleared his record with heaven.

Thirty-five years after his 1984 conviction, Corum continues to use his freedom to minister to inmates around the country, including Saturday at the Western Missouri Correctional Center. He ministers based on shared experiences.

"I have ridden over 2,500 miles in handcuffs, leg irons and waist chains. ... I have been in over 25 car and motorcycle wrecks – eight of those I should have died in. I have overdosed several times and had two heart attacks from doing cocaine," Corum stated in his testimonial.

Many inmates can relate to that kind of past, but that is not Corum's message. He directs inmates to how they can do what he did – allow Jesus to transform their lives from godlessness to godliness.

Corum turned from raising hell to glorifying God. He wrote a book, spreads the Gospel and formed Prison Power Ministries to reach inmates.

He never forgets where he would be if not for God.

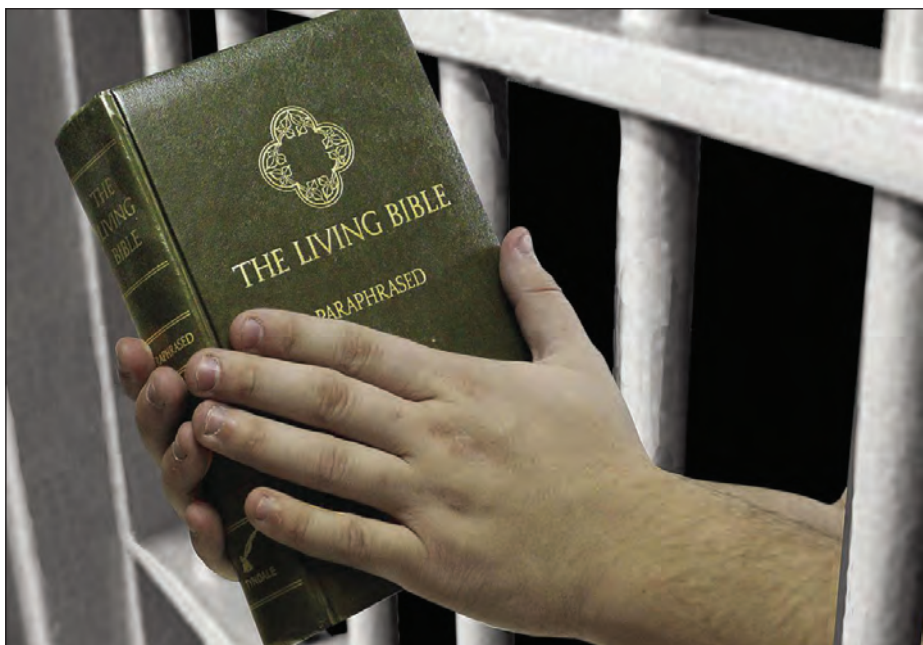
"Every time I walk into one of those prisons, I know that's where I really deserve to be," he said.

OUT OF CONTROL

For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence.
Psalms 4:17

As a juvenile, Corum, 75, spent time behind bars in 10 states and over time became a gangster.

"I lived a life of crime for 18 years ...



J.C. VENTIMIGLIA | Richmond Daily News

WHILE FACING PRISON for nearly beating a man to death, former gangland enforcer Bill Corum gives his life to Jesus. Today, he heads a prison ministry.

being involved with the underworld, and selling drugs, and promoting prostitution and pornography."

Corum did not belong to one of Kansas City's crime families. Instead, he freelanced. As a competitive power lifter, he had the muscle to provide muscle for the underworld.

"I did enforcement. I did whatever it took to get money, to get the job done."

The gangster lifestyle allowed Corum to live large, like a celebrity.

"If I wanted to spend \$10,000 today, I did, because tomorrow I had another \$10,000. I stayed in \$500-a-night hotels, rode in limousines and even bought \$20,000 worth of cocaine for a party."

The party raged until Sept. 5, 1982. A minnow of a drug dealer in Holden had made the mistake of nibbling on a shark in Kansas City. Corum the enforcer got the call.

A fan of the musical group, Styx, Corum said he had been up for about 100 straight hours. He had become "Snow-blind," with cocaine warping his thinking. In that condition, Corum almost beat the life out of the Holden man.

"I was definitely blind. I went there, beat him up, got arrested and was charged with first-degree assault with intent to kill."

Party life ended abruptly.

Corum fell hard, hitting rock bottom.

In the midst of personal darkness, while facing trial before going to prison, Corum said he turned to the light of God.

"On April 15, 1983, I said, 'God, if you're real, you can change Bill Corum.'"



BILL CORUM
AS A YOUNG MAN AND TODAY.



AUTHOR

"Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me."
Matthew 25:36

God had a lot of work to do, with

Corum having been strung out on a \$500-a-day cocaine habit, chugging two quarts of whiskey daily and chain-smoking three packs of non-filtered Camels cigarettes.

"I'd kiss my wife good-bye and say, 'I'll see you tonight,' and I wouldn't come home for a month at a time."

But Corum said God took charge.

"After I said that prayer ... I have never looked back."

He said he received God's forgiveness more than 35 years ago.

"No matter where you're at, there's hope for you," Corum said. "God can redeem your life."

After giving his life to God, Corum twice went on "The 700 Club" to discuss his ministry. He also received encouragement there to write a book.

"I've got four kids, and my kids knew that I'd been in prison, and my kids knew I was a drug dealer, but my kids didn't really know me, and I didn't want anybody to," he said.

Corum said no to writing a book that would describe his human failings.

But God said yes and that was that, Corum said. In 2013, he wrote and planned a printing of 5,000 copies for, "The Ultimate Pardon."

Corum said he hoped to sell 600 books at \$12 each, enough to cover printing costs. He planned to give the rest of the

books to prison inmates to guide them toward salvation.

Not knowing Corum at the time, Olathe, Kansas, resident **Greg Voss** read "The Ultimate Pardon." Voss said he found the first half dark and scary – a true-life depiction of criminal behavior.

"In the second half, I was so moved and blown away by what God had done with his life that I wanted to meet him."

Voss called Corum and liked what he heard.

"It was refreshing to me," Voss said, "because ... all I had dealt with were high-powered people who wanted to make a ton of money. He was like, 'I don't want to make a dime, I just want to give it away.' And I said, let's try 50,000 books."

Corum said he believed giving away so many books would take a lifetime, but they did so in three years.

Today, the book has sold out, twice, and is up for another printing.

"Now, we've given away 85,000," Corum said. "We're getting ready to print another 15,000 so we can give away 100,000. That book is now in all 50 states and over 2,400 prisons and jails."

Voss said Tuesday that Corum has not made a dime on the books. Instead, Corum takes whatever donations he receives and puts them toward the next printing. "The Ultimate Pardon" amounts to a free "best-seller," Voss said.

Data shows each book in prison is read by 20 to 30 inmates, Corum said.

"If you use the very low number of 20, times 85,000 (inmates), that means over a million people ... have read my book," he said.

PARDON

"Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more."
Hebrews 10:17

Corum said he said he is thankful for the pardon from Nixon, which four previous governors had denied.

"I know that God has forgiven me, I know that my friends have forgiven me, my family's forgiven me, but I wanted the state to forgive me."

The pardon adds to Corum's message about what can happen if inmates change their lives.

But as much as he values the pardon from Nixon, Corum said he received another with greater meaning.

"I got the ultimate pardon from God."



RICHMOND NEWS SUDOKU

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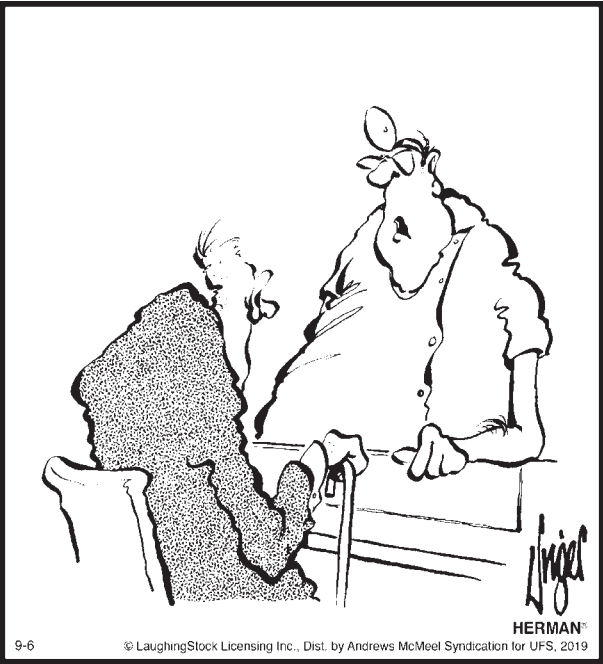
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the number 1 thru 9 must fit in each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

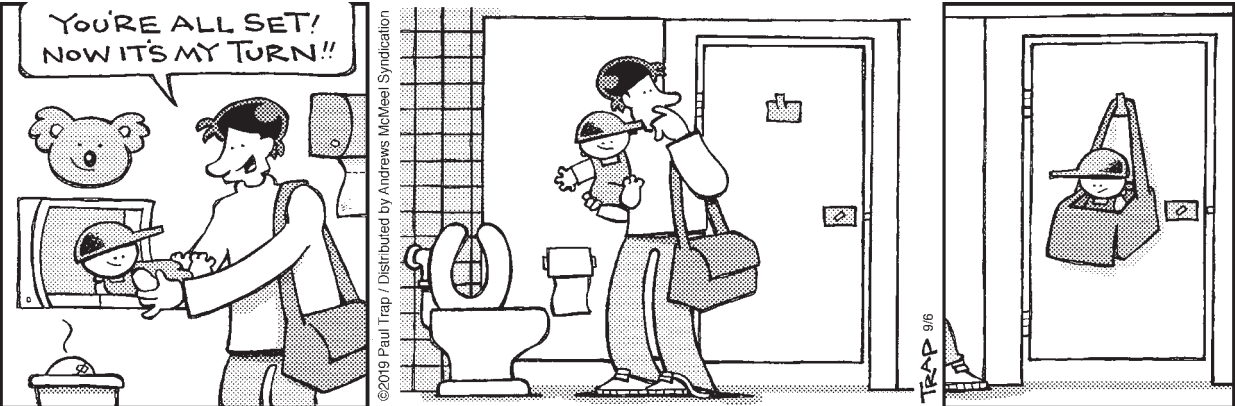
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Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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V P M N W Z K U Z B B . ” — C J G N A Z L J P C

Previous Solution: “I’ve had dentists who have wanted to help me out, but I say, ‘You know, I won’t work again if you fix my teeth.’” — Steve Buscemi

TODAY'S CLUE: M equals T

RICHMOND NEWS CROSSWORD PUZZLE 2

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8 Hanks or Smothers
11 Plato's last letter
13 Help wanted abbr.
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16 Tan or Grant
17 Prefix for classic
18 Giraffe feature
20 Of the past
22 Hartford competitor
24 Cobra kin
25 Spirit
26 Melodramatic cry
28 Deaden
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33 Coll. student
34 One-time Mets' stadium
35 Email command
37 Swing a sickle
39 Eyebrow or rainbow
40 Whirlpool
41 Doctrines
42 Snort of disgust
43 Morn's counterpart
45 Bird that soars
47 "The Prisoner of —"
50 Out of work
51 Ms. Thurman
52 Comedian
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58 Actress — Tyler
59 Codgers' queries
60 Eat between meals
61 Salt Lake athlete
62 Compost
63 — Capp of the comics
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1 Library abbr.
2 Down Under bird
3 Not deaf
4 Go-between
5 Vulnerable
6 Dress part
7 Vacillates (hyph.)
8 Look after
9 Ess molding
10 Romantic sight
12 Rock concert venues
19 Unit of heat
21 Med. staffers
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23 Do editing
24 Red-faced
25 Clamp
27 Mimics
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30 Unite
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36 Did batik
38 Choir selections
44 "Star Wars" heavy
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ACROSS

1 Human herbivore

6 Ecuador's capital

11 Rio Grande town

12 Caught some rays

13 Held to the mat

14 Pawned

15 Rest

16 Perform perfectly

17 Row

19 "Fatha" Hines

23 Magazine execs

26 Declare

28 Stage prompt

29 Out of bed

31 Fixes a sock

33 Inch along

34 Dots in a river

35 Gear tooth

36 Lhasa —

39 Curly letter

40 Stepped on

42 Berlin single

44 Jug

46 Newspaper type

51 Noted sci-fi writer

54 Badminton target

55 Repeal

56 Oscar nominees

57 Laments loudly

58 Arrange, as hair

DOWN

1 Rockies ski resort

2 Sea eagle

3 Cowboy — Autry

4 Skillful

5 High sign

6 Je ne sais —

7 Dad's brother

8 Printer's supply

9 Kickoff stand

10 Out of the ordinary

11 DJ's platters

12 Stock holding

16 Ariz. neighbor

18 Fleming of 007 fame

20 Ranch measure

21 Undersized pups

22 Minus

23 Slip-up

24 San — Padres

25 Compass pt.

27 Hwys.

29 Bank dep.

30 Pollution control org.

32 Malt brew

34 Charged particle

37 Irritate

38 Polite word

41 Wicked one

43 Decree

45 Stir fry pans

47 Bohemian

48 Superstar

49 Trevi Fountain coin

50 Lubber's aye

51 Clumsy vessel

52 Meet, in poker

53 — got it!

54 Univ. degrees

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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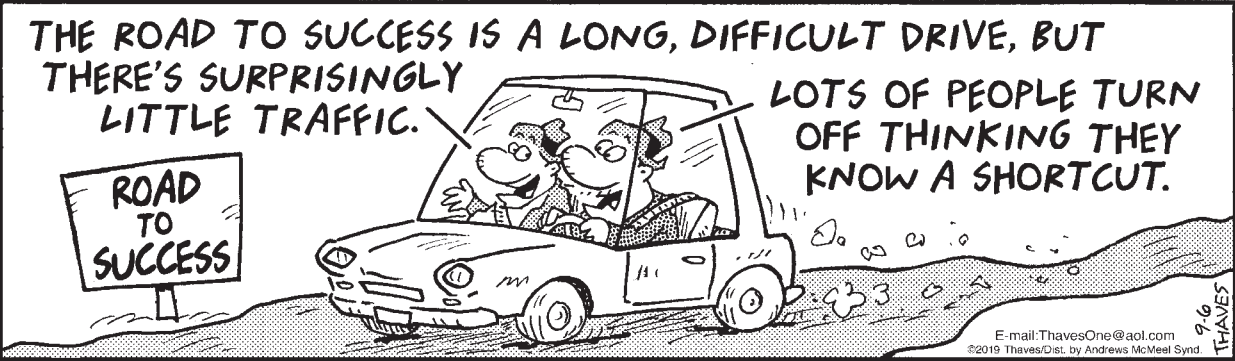
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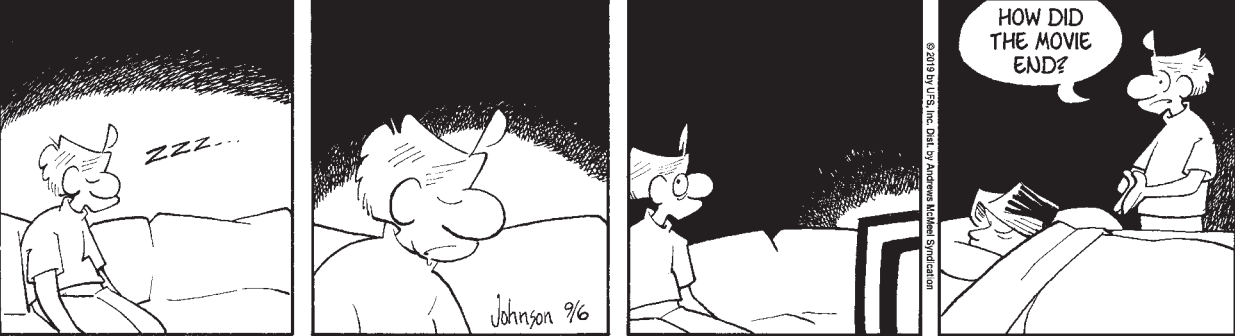
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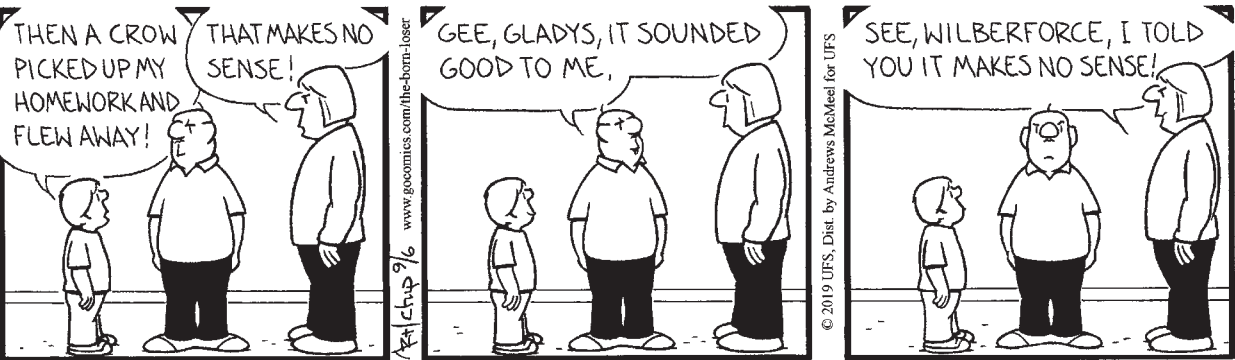
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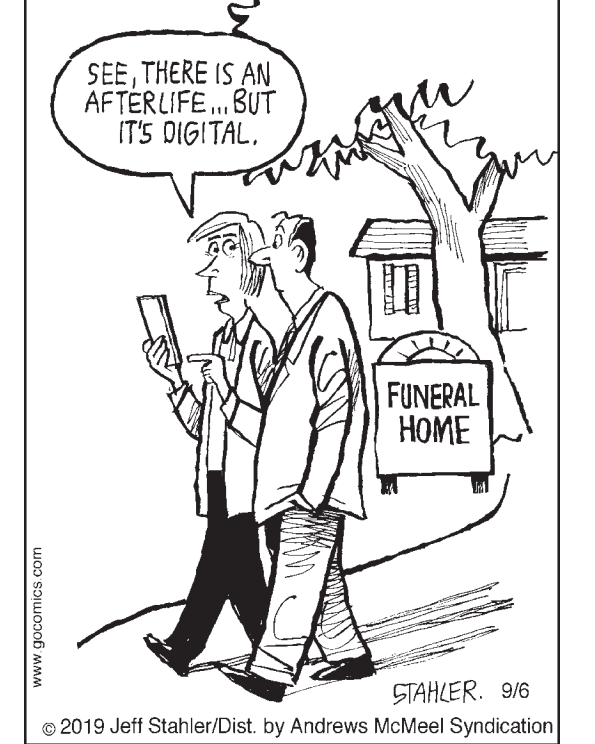
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ASTROGRAPH

Friday, September 6, 2019

Saturday, September 7, 2019

Honesty is the best policy, and when in doubt, go directly to the source and ask pertinent questions. This year is about getting it right and making a difference. Positive change can prevail if you resist temptation and focus on what you do best. Don't overreact or overdo it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Live up to your promises. Consistency on your part will play a role in the way others react to you and the support you receive. Moderation will be in your best interest.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Take an educational trip. Visit a place that will give insight into something you'd like to try. Expand your interests and teach people close to you what you've learned.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Don't let your past interfere with your future. Someone will mislead you if given a chance. Concentrate on what you know, and trust your instincts to push you in the right direction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Simplicity and moderation are essential if you want to avoid being compelled to make an unnecessary purchase, pay for someone else's poor judgment or get involved in something you shouldn't.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- You'll thrive on change, new beginnings and investment in your ideas and skills. Embrace what life has to offer and include someone as eager as you to excel.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Refuse to let anyone take advantage of you. Do your wheeling and dealing and look for opportunities that will help you enhance your qualifications and skills. Concentrate on advancement.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- You'll thrive on excitement and adventure, but do your homework before you jump into something. Someone will lavishly embellish the facts to entice you; be careful.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Take a day trip, sign up for something that will expand your mind or kick back with someone who brings out the best in you and make today memorable.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Being thorough with your plans will eliminate backtracking. Spend time with someone who encourages you to rigorously prioritize your time. Maintain balance and integrity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Sit tight and watch what unfolds. Getting involved too quickly in someone else's plans will turn out to be a costly misadventure that could ruin the relationship.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Make plans with a loved one and do what you can to improve the relationship. A promise you make will encourage a positive change to your living arrangements.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Stick to what you enjoy doing and to the people whom you can trust to be reasonable and reliable. Don't let someone from your past disrupt your life.

Use your imagination, be creative and adjust your life to fit what's going on around you. Positive change is heading your way, and being prepared to take advantage of what's available will make a difference. Live in the moment, reflect on the past and embrace the future with optimism.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Get involved in events that offer knowledge and a different perspective on the possibilities you encounter. Knowing the ins and outs will help you make a favorable lifestyle choice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Refuse to give in to someone who is controlling. Look for new interests, and distance yourself from bad influences. Self-help will be successful.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Participate in a cause you want to help. You can make a difference if you speak up. The people you encounter will have a positive impact on your life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Move forward with caution. Not everyone you encounter has good intentions. Watch for consistency, truth and respect for facts when dealing with others. Don't buy into something you don't need.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- If you express your emotions, you'll make a difference to someone who has been waiting to hear what you have to say. Sharing feelings will lead to romantic plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Open up only to those you know you can trust. Keep a low profile and be a diligent observer. Your keen perception will protect you from making a mistake.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Make plans that will help stabilize your personal or professional life. Catch up with the latest technology or spend time with someone you want to work alongside.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Be careful how you interpret what is being told to you. Someone will give you the wrong impression about a position that interests you. Do your research before you make a commitment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- A change will be enlightening. Take in what you see and hear and mull over what you can do with the information you gather. A romantic encounter will promote a lifestyle change.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Getting involved in someone else's life will be considered meddling. Be a good listener, but don't offer advice or hands-on help. Focus on self-improvement, not on changing others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- A positive change at home will boost your relationship with someone special. Love, romance and making plans as a couple will enhance your life.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Make a change only because it's what's right and best for you. If you follow someone else, you will end up having regrets. Trust in what you know and what you enjoy doing.

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Fall Garage and Bake Sale: Lathrop Assembly of God Church, 110 Pine Street. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 12th and 13th, 8am to 5pm and Saturday, Sept. 14th, 8am to noon. \$2 bag sale. Children to adult clothes, furniture, lots of material and sewing supplies, stove, microwave, dishwasher and lots and lots of misc. Don't miss this one!

Multi family sale. Thurs-Sat. September 5-7 8am. 8500 East Highway 116. Lathrop. ALOT of brand new and used household items and home decor. ALOT of brand new art supplies (construction paper, glue, paint, crayons, etc). Baby girl stuff. 0-6m. Brand new baby Bjorn travel playpen. Kinde twist breast feeding system. Women's, teen, men's name brand clothing. King size bed. Above ground pool gate. ALOT of hardware store stuff and clamps. Guy stuff. ALOT OF MISC ITEMS.

Garage Sale: 1110 St. Paul, Excelsior Springs. Sat Sept 7, 8 am - 1 pm. Antiques: white treadle sewing machine, drying rack, old school desk, trunk, wood medicine chest, wooden high chair, plus smaller items, 2 bathroom shelves, wood bench, 3 kitchen chairs, wood pedestal, lots of home decor, knick knacks, and much more.

Multi-Family Garage Sale: 20803 Jesse James Farm Rd Kearney MO 64060. Sept. 14, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., little bit everything. Some leather coats & goods.

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FRIENDS GATHER for lunch and a game of bingo at the Ray County Senior Center. From left are Wendell Hendrix, Carolyn Durbin and Marian Shaner.



RAY COUNTY Senior Center employee Gladys Collins is as cheerful in the lunch line as she is in the office.

Ray County Senior Center feeds bodies, souls

TERESA SHAW
Associate editor

RICHMOND – “There is always someone here to talk to, to pray with,” Carolyn Durbin said while finishing lunch at the Ray County Senior Center, 1015 W. Royle St.

Marian Shaner from Hardin used to come from with her husband.

“He passed away 2 and 1/2 years ago, and I just kept coming,” Shaner said. “They are my second family now.”

The Ray County Senior Center bustles with activity from 9 a.m. until about 3 p.m.

Burdin comes to the center before 10 a.m. to help staff prepare for the day.

The day includes bingo, a hot lunch, pool, ceramics, exercise classes, food preservation classes, health classes and check-ups from the health department.

“The health department comes twice a month to take blood pressures and check on our folks,” Pat Mills, center director, said Wednesday. “We also have Tri-County Mental Health come in to help with mental health issues.”

Wendell Hendrix recalls his bout with depression after his wife died in 2011.

“I sat and stared at the four walls,” he said. “A neighbor convinced me to come to an event at the center and I haven’t left. I’m here every day.”

That socialization is important to Shaner and Burdin, too.

For a few hours a day, they meet with their other “family” members, sharing a meal and few laughs.

“We also serve as a nutrition center,” Mills said. “For some, this is the only hot meal they may get every day.”

Socialization is another

need the center fills, she said.

“In a month’s time, we may see more than 1,100 people come through the center,” Mills said.

Visitors can play pool, join in a Tuesday ceramics class, play bingo, join a line-dancing class or exercise.

Most of the funding comes from grants, Mills said.

“We also offer a variety of classes and I have to have at least eight people attend the classes to qualify for the grants,” she said.

A free diabetes management class begins at 1 p.m., Monday, Sept. 9 and goes for six weeks.

The Missouri Extension office also offered summer food preservation workshops, Mills said.

“The center is a great place,” Shaner said. “The meals are reasonable and

I get a ride from Direct Transit. We have a lot of fun on the ride here, too,” she said. “I don’t understand why we don’t get more people here.”

Hendrix said it’s easy to sit at home and hard to take that first step to get out.

Since he began getting out more, Hendrix now goes dancing three times a week and finds his depression has lifted.

“People just don’t know what they are missing,” Shaner said.



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RAY COUNTY Senior Center director Pat Mills dishes up lunch for people who come to the senior center at 1015 W. Royle St.

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Entries accepted for 2021 Missouri photo project

JEFFERSON CITY – Missouri 2021 invites professional and amateur photographers to share unique and meaningful aspects of places in Missouri through the “My Missouri 2021 Photo Project.”

Two-hundred photographs will be selected to be part of the permanent Missouri Bicentennial collection at the State Historical Society of Missouri, a press release stated.

Entries must meet the following guidelines:

- Submit a title, photographer name, date, county location, and description, including as much location specific information as possible (i.e. address, intersection, GPS coordinates, etc.).
- Photographs should focus on place and/or elements of place in the current geographic boundaries of Missouri. While people may be included in the photograph, they should not be recognizable or the focus of the photograph.
- Photographs should

be taken in 2018 or 2019.

- Photographs may be in color or black and white. They should not be digitally altered beyond standard optimization (i.e. removal of dust, cropping, and reasonable adjustments to exposure, color, and contrast.) Photographs should also be free of watermarks.
- The digital photograph must be a minimum of 8 megapixels, 300 dpi, and submitted as either a jpeg, jpeg2000, or tiff file.
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- Each photographer may submit up to five photographs for the contest.
- Photographs must be received at <https://missouri2021.org/my-missouri> by Nov. 1, 2019, for evaluation.

Notification of selection will be made by Jan. 31, 2020.

PRESERVING FOOD WORKSHOP



DURING A WATER BATH Pickling food preservation session Aug. 27 at the Ray County Senior Center, 1015 W. Royle St., Gladys Collins cans some green beans to eat later.

CALENDAR

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

Biscuits and gravy breakfast, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 315 Clark St.

5K Run/Walk, 8 to 10 a.m., Southview Park, \$40. Hosted by Central Missouri Community Credit Union.

Auditions for “The Fox on the Fairway” are from 10 a.m. until noon, Trails Regional Library, 1008 Main St., Lexington.

Walk Against Suicide, 11 to 11:30 a.m., Hamann Park on north Highway 13.

MONDAY, SEPT. 9

Library Storytime, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., Ray County Library, 215 E. Lexington St. The world of Mo Willems with pigeons and elephants. Children will make their own elephant.

Free High School Equivalency tutoring, noon to 2 p.m., Ray County Library. Offers a strategy to pass the high school equivalency exam.

Diabetes Self-Management Class, 1 p.m., Ray County Senior Center, 1015 W. Royle St. No charge for the six-week class.

Auditions for “The Fox on the Fairway” are from 6 to 8 p.m., Trails Regional Library, 1008 Main St., Lexington. Enter through the back door.

A support group for those living with or at-risk of developing Huntington’s Disease meets at 7 p.m. in the Liberty Hospital Education Center. For information, call Rosalie Hamilton at 816-935-4267.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

UMC Food Pantry, by appointment only. Call 816-776-2122 to make an appointment.

Freezing and dehydrating produce class, MU Extension Home Preservation series, 2 to 4 p.m., Ray County Extension Office, 1015 W. Royle St.

Bus tour visits Ray County landmarks

RICHMOND – The Ray County Historical Society bus tour is at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 28, and begins at the Ray County Museum, 901 W. Royle St.

The tour is \$20 per person with a minimum of 20 riders needed, a press release stated.

The tour visits **Bob Ford’s** gravesite, veterans memorials, including the Korean and Vietnam memorials, and the riverboat landing at Camden.

Call 816-776-2305 to reserve a ride.

Driver exam testing changes to Monday

RICHMOND – The Richmond driver examination station will conduct driver exam testing Mondays only, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 12:30 to 4 p.m., Capt. **Scott Shippers**, commanding officer of Troop A, Lee’s Summit, stated in a press release.

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‘TOO OLD FOR THIS’

AGGIES COACH KIRK THACKER JOKES AFTER OT THRILLER



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The game comes down to one play – either a stop and the game’s over or a conversion forcing a tie that sends the game to a second overtime.

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Hardin-Central’s diamond girls prep for season opener at jamboree.

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Richmond football opens 2019 with win over Liberty-Mountain View

A NEW SEASON



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New coach leads Richmond team

Aggies hold off Lions in OT thriller

SHAWN RONEY
Sports editor

HARDIN – Watching Norborne Hardin-Central hold on for a 48-46 home- and season-opening overtime win over Kansas City East Christian did not make Aggies coach **Kirk Thacker** feel like a kid again.

“I’m too old for this,” Thacker cracked after the Aug. 30 win at Hardin-Central. “Makes me older every time. It makes my brain hurt trying to figure out what to call next.”

The Aggies had to make a stop on a two-point conversion attempt to secure the win. After going up 48-40 on **Kysor Hughes’** 9-yard TD run and two-point conversion, they gave up a 15-yard TD pass from **Philip Tomac** to **Ben Tomac**. They expected the Lions to attempt a two-point conversion pass to tie it and force double overtime.

KCEC tried running up the middle instead. A gang of Aggies stuffed the attempt and the ballgame was over.

“I was calling out, ‘Pass,’” Thacker said. “I don’t know why they ran it. I’m happy that they ... tried to run the ball up the middle, instead of going outside.”

Hughes, who was in at linebacker and assigned to blitz on the play, was expecting a pass, too.

“We were just lucky that they handed it off up the middle, right to the side that we blitzed,” he said. “And we won the game.”

But in KCEC coach **Tim Bouldin’s** opinion, the Lions telegraphed they were planning to run when they sent running back **Vince Tomac** into the ballgame for the play. The senior ball carrier had been forced to sit out for a while because of a muscle cramp.

“Fantastic job ... (by) them reading it ..., defensive-wise, but that was our mistake,” he said.

Regardless of how it ended, it “still was a fantastic game played by both sides,” Bouldin said.

With their first two possessions, the Aggies threatened to pull away and make overtime unnecessary, as Hughes scored on 2- and 8-yard TD runs to give NHC a 12-0 lead. But then, **Gabe Spencer** answered with a 67-yard kickoff return for a touchdown, **Luke Bouldin** returned an interception for a touchdown and **Philip Tomac** tossed a two-point conversion pass to **Micah White** to give the Leawood, Kansas-based program a 14-12 lead after one quarter.



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BRAYDEN SCHICK, No. 33, leads the celebrating as Norborne Hardin-Central stops Kansas City East Christian’s two-point conversion attempt to cap a 48-46 overtime win Aug. 30 at Hardin-Central.

NHC threatened to pull away again during the second quarter, with Hughes scoring on a 1-yard TD run, followed by a 2-yard TD run and two-point conversion run to help the Aggies build a 26-14 halftime lead. KCEC, however, rallied by scoring on back-to-back third quarter possessions to briefly reclaim the lead, 28-26.

NHC led 34-28 after three quarters, thanks in part to an unexpected call that gave the Aggies the football in KCEC territory. After Vince Tomac’s 41-yard TD run and Philip Tomac’s two-point conversion run had given the Lions their two-point lead with 2 minutes, 15 seconds remaining, KCEC kicked off. The kickoff went out of bounds and KCEC was flagged for illegal procedure. NHC accepted the penalty.

Typically, when the receiving team

accepts an illegal procedure penalty on a kickoff, the kicking team backs up 5 yards from the previous kickoff spot and kicks again. But when the Lions were flagged, NHC got the ball at the KCEC 26-yard line. The Aggies staged a four-play scoring drive, capped by Hughes’ 9-yard TD run and two-point conversion run with 33 seconds left.

“I was not going to argue (against) the decision of the referee to give us the ball after an out-of-bounds kick 5 yards from where ... they (had) kicked it,” Thacker said.

Philip Tomac’s 44-yard TD pass to Ben Tomac made it 34-34 with 11:07 left in the fourth quarter. Despite having decreased visibility because of a power outage on one light pole late in the fourth quarter, Hughes led the Aggies on a 50-yard scoring drive, capped by his 2-yard

TD run with 22 seconds remaining, to make it 40-34 NHC.

Philip Tomac connected with Ben Tomac for a 37-yard TD pass as time expired to tie it again. Philip Tomac’s two-point run attempt failed, forcing overtime and setting up the ending that gave Thacker brain pain.

Having escaped with the win, the Aggies will continue their varsity 8-man football schedule Friday at Orrick. The Bearcats (1-0) defeated the Aggies 54-30 in Week 2 of 2018 – Orrick’s first season as an 8-man program.

“We’re looking to go down there, give ... them our best. ... I know they’re a good team and they’re very talented,” NHC senior offensive/defensive lineman **Geoffrey Cunningham** said. “So we have to have our heads on straight and be ready to work this week.”



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LAST-MINUTE TWEAKS



HARDIN-CENTRAL infielder Brogan DeMint swings at a pitch during preseason jamboree action Aug. 29, hosted by Polo High School at Stagecoach Park.

Coach uses jamboree to evaluate players, Hardin-Central lineup configurations

SHAWN RONEY
Sports editor

POLO – Hardin-Central varsity softball coach **Brandee Doyle** experimented with her lineup when the Bulldogs participated in a weather-shortened preseason jamboree Aug. 29 at Stagecoach Park.

One experiment centered on pitching. Those who threw for the Bulldogs during their three scrimmages included newcomer **Mackenzie Smith**, a transfer to Hardin-Central from Richmond; and sophomore **Abby McNelly**, who pitched last season.

Smith pitched in Hardin-Central’s opener with Polo, so the Bulldogs could

“I was pretty impressed with all of them.”

BRANDEE DOYLE
VARSITY SOFTBALL COACH

“see what she had,” Doyle said. The sophomore allowed one run during the three-inning scrimmage.

Overall, the outing went well, Smith said. “Everyone looked solid,” she said. “It was really nice.” Those who provided solid help defensively included center fielder **Alexis Yockel**, whose third-inning throw to second base resulted in a putout when the Panthers tried to stretch a single into a double.

“She stayed with it, even though she was short running up on it, and still made the play at second and got her out. ... It was a good job,” Doyle said.

The scrimmage ended 1-1, with the Bulldogs scoring their run in the bottom of the third.

“I was pretty impressed with all of them,” Doyle said. “We needed a little better bats the first game. ... We still had runners that we left stranded, so we (have) got to learn how to keep going.”

Hardin-Central then scrimmaged against Norborne, with the Pirates outscoring the Bulldogs 7-3.

“We put people in there a little bit of everywhere, just to give them playtime and see how they would work in different positions,” Doyle said.

The Bulldogs handled the position-shuffling well, Doyle said.

“They fielded the ball against them,” she said. “And



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GETTING SOME reps as an infielder, Hardin-Central sophomore Abby McNelly rears back to throw to first after fielding a ground ball during an Aug. 29 preseason jamboree at Stagecoach Park.

regardless of the score, I’m pretty pleased with how that turned out.” McNelly was among those who got shuffled, providing some relief pitching. “I feel like I could’ve done better,” she said. “But I (also) feel like I was working on my new pitches (curveball and riseball) – and that went pretty well.” McNelly also pitched in the final scrimmage against Lexington. Play was halted after 1½ innings because of lightning.

“I feel that (outing) was very good,” she said. “My defense backed me up. ... (There were) a few plays that were bobbled, but that happens in a game – and I’m looking forward to the season to see how ... (well) we do.” Hardin-Central was slated to open Wednesday at Winston, then host Lexington Thursday. The Bulldogs were “ready to go,” Doyle said. “We’re going to be pretty stout on the infield, and our outfield looks good,” she said.

After Spartans’ trek through winless, 0-10 desert in 2018

LONG DROUGHT ENDS



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BIG PLAYS OF THE DAY include Richmond senior wide receiver Kain Pierson running the ball about 30 yards to the Eagles’ 4-yard line after catching quarterback Keyshaun Elliott’s pass. From there, Elliott scores on a keeper to increase the team’s lead to 22-7 with less than half a minute left in the third quarter. Richmond, 0-10 last year, starts the 2019 season with a win.

Under a gray sky, Richmond rains on Eagles’ opener, bathes in 42-37 victory at Southwest Baptist



A VITAL PART of the Spartan offense, senior running back Tyler Pyle is a workhorse ball carrier who fights for every yard. He caps his team’s final play on offense Saturday with a two-point conversion.

JACK ‘MILES’ VENTIMIGLIA
Editor-in-chief

BOLIVAR – After the youthful Spartans’ painful 0-10 rebuilding season, they opened 2019 more muscled and mature, better trained and ready to prove themselves.

Their first challenge took place on the road against the Liberty Eagles of Mountain View at Southwest Baptist University.

Odds favored the Eagles. The team posted a 7-4 record last year. Richmond started 2018 against the same team. Liberty ran up the score to 61-19.

To imagine second-year coach **Nick Persell’s** team could improve enough to defeat the Eagles just 12 months after that 42-point shellacking bordered on fantasy.

But nothing beats the odds against a football team better than what the Spartans brought Saturday to Bolivar – determination, preparation and confidence.

Sophomore **Keyshaun Elliott** displayed all three traits.

After taking over quarterbacking duties as a freshman partway through last season, Elliott led Richmond to an unlikely,

seesaw, come-from-behind, 42-37 victory – his first as a Spartan.

“It’s very wonderful. It’s probably the best feeling I’ve had since I’ve played a football game,” he said as players continued to cheer on the field moments after the win.

Despite last year’s scores and losses, Richmond never gave up on any game.

That same no-quit spirit carried over into this year’s first contest.

The Spartans fell behind early; took and built a seemingly insurmountable 28-7 lead; began a third-quarter slide that left them

behind, 37-34, with 3:37 left in the game; but instead of hanging their heads, they focused, they executed plays and with less than 30 seconds on the clock, they marched downfield to score the winning touchdown.

“Our boys fought to the end,” Elliott said, and “finished” like champs.

He recognized credit for the victory drive should extend beyond the players.

“I thank our coaches for that, because they were in there getting us up,” Elliott said.

Among several Spartan standouts in an overall united team effort, senior wide receiver **Dionte Marquez** jumped up in

SCORING BY QUARTER				
TEAMS	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Richmond	16	6	12	8
Liberty	7	0	16	14



SOPHOMORE wide receiver Layne Cavanah, shown here finding blocking and running room on the left side of the offensive line, is a leading contributor

to Richmond’s offense. His third-quarter, 60-yard touchdown run increases the Spartans’ lead to 34-15.

a big way, scoring two of the team’s six TDs.

“A shout out to (Elliott). He gave me some really good passes,” Marquez said.

Persell acknowledged his team fought hard on both sides of the ball, with special recognition going to the offensive line’s pass “pro,” or pass protection.

“We ran the ball into some heavy defensive boxes,” he said. “Without (the line), we just wouldn’t have had the same success we had on offense. Our pass pro was really good when we had to throw it there late in the first half. We had a 2-minute drill where we scored two touchdowns right at the end of the half and the pass pro was tremendous.”

Persell said his team also gave up few yards to penalties.

“We didn’t have a ton of mistakes and we talked to our kids all week about Week 1 games are always full of mistakes,” he said.

Dwelling on mistakes does not solve them. Focus does. Persell said his staff pushed that message.

“We talked to them about having a ‘next-play mentality’ all week long and I think they did that. It was evident – we got down there in the fourth quarter and had that drive to score, and that’s what we ask them to do.”

GAME HIGHLIGHTS

Down 7-0 in the first quarter, Richmond’s offense began making plays. Starting near midfield, Elliott on a keeper picked up a first down at the 36 and senior running back **Tyler Pyle** kept the drive churning with a carry down to the 12. Marquez snagged a sideline pass at the 10 and fought through Eagle defenders to the end zone with 3 minutes left in the first quarter, cutting the deficit to 7-6.

“A shout out to my blockers. One of my wide receivers was giving me a really good block, and I just had to shed some tackles,” Marquez said. “They just weren’t wrapping me up, so I was just trying to fight them off.”

Chances for a conversion dimmed after refs threw their yellow hankies for an end zone celebration by a team starved for a win.

Richmond refocused after the penalty. Elliott’s line gave him time to look into the end zone. There, Marquez first ran left, then right, getting open just enough to make the catch – toes on both feet barely inbounds – to take an 8-7 lead.

Liberty’s ensuing set of downs showcased Richmond’s defense. Junior defensive back **Matthew Lopez** made



IN RICHMOND’S unlikely victory Saturday over Liberty of Mountain View on neutral ground at Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Spartan sophomore quarterback Keyshaun Elliott passes for three and rushes for two touchdowns. He leads the team to a season-opening victory after the Spartans finished the 2018 season at 0-10.

a big stop and senior linebacker **Colby Williams** sacked Eagles’ senior quarterback **Jaris Acklin**.

The momentum swung to Richmond. Starting at their own 38 after a punt, Marquez caught a pass for a 37-yard gain, sophomore wide receiver **Layne Cavanah** added another 7 yards and Elliott’s keeper put the Spartans on the 19 with a first down. Following another first down, Elliott from the 9 threw a pass to Marquez at the 3. Marquez again fought his way across the chalk line, scoring with just under a minute in the first quarter. Junior fullback **Wyatt Marshall** beat the defense for the two-pointer, putting Richmond ahead 16-7.

Persell talked about Marquez stepping up for the team.

“Dionte Marquez made a couple huge plays in the first half – tremendous plays – where he broke a couple tackles. Those were huge for us,” he said.

Persell spread the love to others players, including Elliott.

“He really played pretty darned well for a sophomore quarterback,” Persell said.

A miscue proved costly to the Eagles. Starting at their own 42, Acklin gave up an interception to Lopez, who carried the ball back the other way to the 7. Wast-

ing no time, Elliott found senior wide receiver **Kain Pierson**, who reached the 4-yard line before being tackled. With 23.3 seconds left, Elliott scored on a keeper, putting Richmond up 22-7 at the half.

Opening the second half, with the ball on his own 39, Elliott broke through the defensive line, pierced the backfield and bolted 61 yards for the score with 11:05 left in the third quarter. His scoring dash gave the Spartans a commanding lead – something never heard in all of 2018 – 28-7.

Liberty attempted its first comeback effort, but Marquez slapped down an end zone pass to deny a score. At the 1, Williams again stepped up for Richmond, recovering an Eagles fumble.

The Eagles took their defensive game up a notch, catching Elliott behind the goal line for a safety that trimmed the lead to 28-9 with 7:10 to go in the third.

The momentum shifted to Liberty. Senior **Colten Weldon** carried in Acklin’s pass for a touchdown, cutting the lead to 28-15 with 6:53 left in the third quarter.

Richmond responded, with Cavanah rushing 60 yards from scrimmage to the promised land. The TD extended the lead to 34-15.

Like the Spartans, the Eagles showed

no signs of their feathers being ruffled. Liberty came back, driving to the 12. There, Acklin found Weldon in the end zone to cut Richmond’s lead to 34-23 at 4:03 in the third quarter.

To start the final quarter, Acklin guided the Eagles to the 1-yard line, where he carried in on a keeper. Liberty also converted, drawing to within three points of Richmond, 34-31.

Proving the Spartans’ once seemingly insurmountable lead could be surmounted, the Eagles again mounted a drive, this one capped by Acklin hitting senior **Zach Stretch** – who stood wide open in the end zone. With 3:37 left in the contest, the TD returned the lead to Liberty for the first time since early in the first quarter.

Richmond players, from their coaches, received assurances that they could regain the lead. They just had to use their talent to execute the plays on which they have drilled.

Taking the lead required a TD, which looked like too tall of an order when Richmond’s offensive line did not give Elliott enough of a push on a keeper on third-and-1 from the 34. But on fourth down, the line got a better push, coupled with a critical leap up and over by Pyle. He picked up just enough inches to keep the drive alive.

With seconds ticking off the clock, odds against victory again mounted. Elliott went down with a sack.

“Any time we’re in that situation, we’re really looking to throw it,” Persell said. “We tried to throw a screen on first down and got sacked.”

Fans in the stands had that sinking “not again” feeling.

But Elliott bounced up, huddled up and with 35 seconds left looked to pass to his fullback, Marshall.

“I knew I could make the throw. I knew he was going to be open. All I had to worry about was my line blocking and I told them, ‘Give me some time and I’ve got you guys,’” Elliott said. “We had each other’s backs.”

The line gave Elliott time. Elliott delivered with the throw. Marshall caught the pass, shook a defender and the refs raised their arms to signal a touchdown.

“Wyatt Marshall’s catch there on that last play was tremendous,” Persell said. “Keyshaun found him and threw a great ball, and that was a great catch by Wyatt.”

The Spartans reclaimed the lead with 26.7 seconds to go, followed up by Pyle, who tacked on the conversion to cap the 42-37 victory.



SELENA FARRELL, No. 15, listens along with her teammates to coach Madison Endsley during Richmond's Aug. 28 preseason jamboree at Lexington.

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Coach takes advantage of preseason jamboree to make team adjustments

Rotation changes prove productive

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LEXINGTON – Richmond varsity volleyball coach **Madison Endsley** had a brainstorm during the Spartans' Aug. 28 preseason jamboree at Lexington High School.

After getting swept 2-0 by Sweet Springs in Richmond's opening match, Endsley told the Spartans they "were going to switch some things" around – specifically, the team's rotation, which "just wasn't working," she said.

"And as soon as we did that, the girls came together and the chemistry really clicked," Endsley said. "And I think we're going to run with that rotation for our first home ... (match)."

After the decision to switch around players, the Spartans split with Wellington-Napoleon. They failed to score a point in the first set, losing 25-10 (all sets started with the score 10-10). But they rallied and edged the Tigers 25-23.

"That was really awesome," Endsley said.

Junior middle hitter **Selena Farrell** called the comeback "very exciting."

"Our mood ... changed, and we just worked better as a team," Farrell said.

Junior outside hitter **Sophia Farnan** was thrilled, too. The Tigers are a "really good team," Farnan said.



SOPHIA FARNAN prepares to serve during Richmond's preseason jamboree at Lexington.

"They've always been a hard competitor for us," she said.

Some talking between the Sweet Springs and Wellington-Napoleon matches might have helped the Spartans split with the Tigers.

"After we went through our circle meeting, we sat down on the benches together," Farrell said. "(We) just talked about what we ... (had done) wrong and how we ... (felt) about it. And we actually got to know each other a little bit – bonded – and that's what changed everything."

The Spartans got swept by Lexington in their final match. With the Spartans leading 16-12, the Minute-women took control with a 9-0 run and won the first set 25-22. Richmond kept the second set close until Lexington staged a late run to win 25-19.

Richmond "made some improvements" during the Lexington match, Endsley said. And the Spartans' performance was better than it had been in their opener, "that's for sure," she said.

The Spartans, who opened the regular season Thursday against visiting Summit Christian Academy, will face two of their jamboree opponents on their non-tournament, regular-season schedule. On Sept. 19, they will host Wellington-Napoleon in non-conference play. They will face Lexington twice in Missouri River Valley Conference East Division competition – Sept. 24 at Lexington, then Oct. 10 at home.



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Sporting K.C. defense digs in for win

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Sports editor

KANSAS CITY, Kansas – Manager and Sporting director **Peter Vermes** saw a sense of focus on defense from Sporting Kansas City during its 1-0 win over the Houston Dynamo at Children’s Mercy Park, particularly on one play.

Early in the second half of the MLS Western Conference meeting Aug. 31, Houston was awarded a free kick in the semicircle atop Sporting’s 18-yard box



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JOHNNY RUSSELL attempts a free kick during SKC’s 1-0 win Aug. 31. for a foul by midfielder **Felipe Gutierrez**, who was issued a yellow card. The ball was blasted into a wall Sporting’s field players had formed inside the box, with the wall repelling the kick.

“If you go back and watch it, you (have) got a bunch of guys that aren’t turning their back when the guy’s hitting it,” Vermes said. “You (have) got guys diving on the ground to block anything going low. ... We’re blocking the ball; we’re fighting for everything in that moment. And that attitude then becomes (contagious) – it’s like a disease, right?”

Vermes saw something else during the play.

“We made a bad mistake and we figured out a way ... to defend the situation,” he said. “That’s something that we weren’t doing before. ... We just didn’t have the concentration. ... I don’t think our attitude was good.”

Johnny Russell, whose header in the 12th minute provided the game-winning



JOHNNY RUSSELL is embraced on his right by Roger Espinoza and his left by Erik Hurtado as Daniel Salloi applauds Russell’s goal for Sporting KC.

goal, said Sporting has the right attitude on an issue that goes beyond fixing a game miscue: its remaining schedule.

“We know we’ve got very few games left,” the native Scotsman said in the Sporting locker room. “(We’re) probably going to have to win all of them. We know that. We knew that, within that stretch of games, that ... (would be) our mindset – that ... we’re going to have to go and (play) one game at a time and win all of them. ... That doesn’t change. That’s the way we’ll be thinking approaching ... (our) next games as well.”

Sporting has six regular-season games left, including a conference meeting with the Portland Timbers on Saturday at Providence Park. The club, which has its front office in Missouri but trains and plays its home games in Kansas, is in ninth place with 37 standings points – one place and three points behind the Timbers. Both teams seek to be among the conference’s top seven teams when the regular season ends Oct. 6, thus qualifying for the MLS Cup playoffs, a single-elimination postseason tournament.

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Orrick football wins season opener

CHILLHOWEE – For the second straight season, Orrick’s 8-man football season opened with a win over Chilhowee/Leeton.

The Bearcats romped to a 68-6 win Aug. 30 at Chilhowee.

“The boys played hard and had a lot of fun,” coach **Matt Hertzog** stated Sunday by email. “Our execution was sloppy at times, and I made it clear to them after the game that raw athleticism will not always be enough to win tight games. There is a lot to improve on, but our boys played fast to the ball, ran hard and made the best of a wet, muddy night on the road. Proud of how they played.”

On Friday, the Bearcats host Norborne Hardin-Central, which opened with an overtime win over Kansas City East Christian. Orrick won 54-30 last year.

Mo. native off team

KANSAS CITY – The Kansas City Chiefs have finalized their 53-man roster for the regular season.

The three-time defending AFC West champions announced final roster cuts Aug. 31. The cuts included Missourian **Jack Fox**, who graduated from Ladue Horton Watkins High School in St. Louis and punted/kicked at Rice University.

An undrafted free agent, Fox competed for the team’s punting position with **Dustin Colquitt**, who has been with the Chiefs since 2005.

The Chiefs are slated to open their 60th season and NFL’s 100th season Sunday against Jacksonville at EverBank Field. As of Monday, the football game remained scheduled, despite reports of mandated hurricane-related evacuations in and around Jacksonville.

Royals up for sale

KANSAS CITY – **John Sherman** is spending a fortune to buy the Kansas City Royals.

Royals fans, no doubt, hope the reported \$1 billion Sherman is paying the Glass family for the Major League Baseball team will reverse the Royals’ fortunes on the ball diamond.

“Our goal, which I firmly believe we’ve achieved, was to have someone local, who truly loved the game of baseball and who would be a great steward for this franchise going forward,” owner and CEO **David Glass** stated.

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