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H2Ozarks awarded \$69,000 from BRCC

By JEFF DEZORT
Newton County Times

MARSHALL — H2Ozarks was awarded \$69,676 from the Buffalo River Conservation Committee (BRCC) at its meeting at the Searcy County Civic Center on Tuesday, Oct. 31.

Erin Scott, senior policy and program director, had made the proposal for the organization that is administering a program helping eligible homeowners with septic system remediation.

When the BRCC was established by Governor Asa Hutchinson in 2019, it came with \$2 million to be spent on

initiatives identified by feedback from local landowners, county and municipal officials, tourism industry representatives, conservation organizations, agricultural groups and other stakeholders within the Buffalo River Watershed. BRCC has already issued grants for municipal water and wastewater infrastructure, improving unpaved roads, and to cost sharing programs that benefit the agriculture and forest industries inside the watershed. The BRCC still has \$69,676 remaining.

H2Ozarks wants to expand the septic system remediation program into the Buffalo River Watershed that includes Mill Creek, a

tributary to Buffalo National River. Mill Creek begins in Boone County and flows south along state Highway 7 and empties into the Buffalo National River near Pruitt.

Scott said the funds would be used to establish a relationship with landowners in that part of the watershed, primarily through outreach meetings and workshops.

Representatives from the United States Geological Survey (USGS) also attended the meeting and proposed the remaining BRCC funds be used to build on seepage investigations previously conducted on Big Creek. This tributary flows into the Buffalo National River at Carver. The creek is located in a karst

landscape of sinkholes, sinking streams, caves, springs, and similar features created by dissolving limestone. Stream flow measurements and non-toxic dye tracing would be used to identify and complete the picture of the stream's behaviors.

Katherine Andrews, director, Office of Outdoor Recreation within the Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism, connected with the meeting remotely and offered the committee a third proposal. She cited the important role tourism plays in the watershed. She noted Searcy and Newton counties have many recreational trails and suggested money be used to hire a consultant

to recommend infrastructure development that would allow for extending and connecting these trails.

She emphasized there would be local community involvement in developing a master plan for the project.

The BRCC, chaired by Arkansas Agriculture Secretary Wes Ward, includes other state department secretaries, state agency officials and local stakeholders, deliberated over these proposals. At previous meetings, the BRCC received proposals for additional funding for feral hog management, the continuation of the unpaved roads program, and

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Scare on the Square



Scare on the Square was a big success this year. Downtown businesses saw a lot of ghosts and goblins visit on Tuesday. Harrison Daily Times' Carol Lawson (left) and Amanda Furr hand candy to Harley Herrera (Spin) and Rush Herrera (Wreck-It Ralph). JEFF BRASEL/STAFF

Lead Hill man honored by Bass Fishing Hall of Fame

By JAY COOPER
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SPRINGFIELD, Mo.— World class bass fisherman and Lead Hill native, Glen Andrews, received honors from the 2023 Bass Fishing Hall of Fame at the Johnny Morris' Wonders of Wildlife National Museum and Aquarium in Springfield, Missouri on Sept. 28. The ceremony inducted three movers and shakers in the world of bass fishing: Glen Andrews, Mike Iaconelli, and the late Bruce Holt.

Andrews is regarded as a pioneer in the world of fishing. He holds two consecutive national titles in freshwater fishing for the years of 1965 and 1966, and was described as being "ahead of his time." One notable reason was his credit for being the first in professional bass fishing to emphasize the importance of using topographical maps.

Nearly 40 years went by without a press interview before Andrews met with the Daily Times in 2006, and once again for an interview in 2023. Despite holding two titles in the World Series of Freshwater Fishing, his public presence had fallen off the map for quite some time.

Andrews said he was grateful for being nominated. Among the various pro fishing awards

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Holiday Open House Celebration

Kicks off the holiday season

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Local businesses are inviting the community to kick off the holiday season with four-days of holiday open house's. The celebration will take place Thursday through Sunday, November 9 — 12 at participating Harrison businesses.

The Harrison Daily Times will publish an 8-page special section featuring the participating businesses. The section will be filled with photos of the local businesses and their employees.

The businesses will be decked out with their holiday decor. Many will serve refreshments to store visitors during the 4-day event.

Harrison Chamber of Commerce Ambassador and Senior Account Executive for the Daily Times, Sheri Keeton explained, "This is one of my favorite special sections we publish each year. The event seems to get people in the holiday spir-

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Christmas is around the corner!



Volunteers with Camp Jack started putting up the large Christmas Wreaths and Decorations around the Harrison square and side streets Wednesday morning. Holiday Open House will be Nov. 9-12 and the Annual Harrison Christmas Parade will be held on Monday night, Nov. 27. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO/LEE H. DUNLAP

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HOGS HOPING TO TURN SEASON IN SWAMP



Razorback senior quarterback K.J. Jefferson (No. 1) from Sardis, Miss throws for a first down against Mississippi State at Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium in Fayetteville. The Razorbacks travel to Florida on Saturday. CRAVEN WHITLOW/NATE ALLEN SPORTS SERVICES

By OTIS KIRK
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FAYETTEVILLE — Arkansas hopes to turn its season around starting Saturday in The Swamp against the Gators.

Florida (5-3, 3-2) is undefeated in The Swamp this season and the Hogs have never won there. The Hogs will enter the game with a new offensive coordinator Kenny Guiton. He moved from coaching wide receivers to quarterbacks following the 7-3 loss to Mississippi State when Sam Pittman fired Dan Enos. Quarterback KJ Jefferson talked Tuesday about the change.

“We kind of worked with him on the things we were doing with Coach Enos as far as quarterback drills and everything, so he’s learning as well different drills and different things we do,” Jefferson said. “It’s been fun so far. Like I said, he’s played the position before so he kind of knows some quarterback things that he brought and we’ve added to our toolbox and had a great outlook on different things from the quarterback perspective and what we’re seeing.

“An easy way to be able to dissect what the defense is trying to disguise or what the defense is trying to get into. He’s been a great asset to the quarterback room. We’ve been coachable. We’ve taken his coaching. Like I said, we’re all around, we’re learning from Coach Guiton. Not as a receivers coach, but as our quarterback coach and as an offensive coordinator, and he’s learning from us as well. It’s just all around a great team effort.”

Guiton played quarterback at Ohio State from 2009-2013. Jefferson was asked if he has watched any film of Guiton playing quarterback for the Buckeyes?

“Yeah, I watched some of them a while back,” Jefferson said. “We always go back-and-forth about who’s the best runner? Who had the best run? Things like that. We all have fun with it. Have jokes with it. Just having a guy like Coach Guiton, just a positive person. A great person to be around. A great coach and a great man. Just having a guy like that being able to coach you and have fun with, and also he played the position, so it’s just fun to be able to take some time up and just jump around.”

Andrew Armstrong leads the Hogs with 43 receptions for 520 yards and four touchdowns. He

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Semien’s 5 RBIs, Seager’s home run lead Rangers over Diamondbacks, 11-7

By RONALD BLUM
AP Baseball Writer

PHOENIX — Adolis García gathered Texas Rangers hitters in a clubhouse side room Tuesday afternoon and told them his World Series was over.

Max Scherzer was finished, too, injuries costing the American League champions their top slugger and potential Game 7 starting pitcher.

“Pull together guys. Let’s finish it!” Travis Jankowski recalled García saying.

Rangers batters not only bonded, they whipped through the Arizona Diamondbacks like a desert storm.

Marcus Semien’s two-run triple and three-run homer powered Texas to a 10-run lead by the third inning. Corey Seager hit another long home run and the Rangers won 11-7 to move ahead three games to one in the World Series.

“That took a lot of guts for him to come out there and speak,” Seager said of García. “He was vulnerable. He wants to be out there. He told us he loved us.”

Texas improved to a record 10-0 on the road this postseason and closed within one win of the first title in the 63-season history of a franchise that started as the expansion Washington Senators in 1961.

Nathan Eovaldi tries to clinch the third all-wild card Series on Wednesday night against Zac Gallen in a rematch of

Game 1 starters.

“We’ve got our top guy on the mound now,” Semien said. “He’s a guy who’s been waiting for this moment the entire year.”

Forty-two of 49 previous teams to take 3-1 leads have gone on to win the World Series. The most recent club to overcome a 3-1 deficit was the Chicago Cubs against Cleveland in 2016.

Rangers batters built a 10-0 cushion by becoming the first team in Series history with consecutive five-run innings. Seager’s third two-run homer of the Series capped the second, Semien’s drive punctuated the third and Jonah Heim added an eighth-inning shot.

Texas scored its first 10 runs with two outs, battering an Arizona staff that needed four pitchers to get its first eight outs. Miguel Castro’s wild pitch brought home the first run, and an error by Gold Glove first baseman Christian Walker — the first by either team in the Series — led to five unearned runs in the third.

“This was nothing that we saw coming,” Diamondbacks manager Torey Lovullo said. “It all came unraveled on us there in a matter of two innings.”

Seager and Semien, All-Star middle infielders signed as free agents for \$500 million combined before the 2022 season, have six RBIs each in the Series. Seager, the first shortstop with three Series

homers, has four long balls in his last five games dating to the AL Championship Series. After leading the Los Angeles Dodgers to the 2020 title, he could join Sandy Koufax, Bob Gibson and Reggie Jackson as the only two-time World Series MVPs.

Jankowski, replacing García in right field, singled in the second and hit a two-run double in the third in his first Series at-bats.

“I was locked in last night waiting, preparing to start. I didn’t get the official news until 2 o’clock today,” Jankowski said. “Shoot, I’ve been ready to go 15 years ago.”

Andrew Heaney, a 32-year-old lefty with his fifth big league team, earned the win by allowing four hits in five innings. Six relievers followed, with closer José Leclerc getting the final out.

“We had a 10-run lead. It’s a lot easier to go out there, attack the strike zone and not feel so confined to having to make perfect pitches,” Heaney said.

There was a festive mood at Chase Field, where the roof was open for the second straight night and some fans arrived in Halloween costumes.

Josh Jung doubled off opener Joe Mantiplly leading off the second and in came Castro, who gave up García’s winning homer in the 11th inning of Game 1. Jung advanced on a ground-out and put Texas ahead when Castro bounced a changeup

off the plate for a wild pitch.

Semien hooked a slider that landed about 18 inches fair and bounced into the left-field corner for a two-run triple and a 3-0 lead.

“Looking for the outside corner. It didn’t do what I want to do. It just kind of stayed in the zone there,” Castro said through a translator.

Seager hit Kyle Nelson’s slider 431 feet off a video board above the right-center wall for his sixth postseason homer.

“Made a mistake to the wrong hitter,” Nelson said. “The plan was to carefully pitch around him.”

In the first World Series to open with three errorless games, Arizona’s defense cracked at an inopportune time. After singles by Jung and Nathaniel Lowe with one out in the third, Luis Frías relieved and Heim hit a sharp grounder to Walker, who had a chance for a double play but dropped the ball on the transfer as he looked to throw to second.

Jankowski doubled and Semien sent a fastball at the letters over the left-field wall for his first homer since Sept. 27.

“I hadn’t jogged around the bases in a while,” Semien said. Heim had been 0 for 12 before his homer against Ryne Nelson.

TEAM HALLOWEEN

Rangers players gathered with their families at the team

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MISSOURI-GEORGIA; LSU-Alabama put SEC football back in spotlight

By ERIC OLSON
AP College Football Writer

SEC standard bearers Georgia and Alabama are front and center in Week 10 of the college football season after the Pac-12 commanded the national spotlight for most of the last month.

The No. 1 Bulldogs begin what figures to be their toughest three-game stretch of the season when No. 14 Missouri visits on Saturday. No. 8 Alabama hosts No. 13 LSU in what should be its most challenging remaining regular-season game, though the Iron Bowl finale against Auburn can be a wildcard.

The other Top 25 matchups have No. 5 Washington at No.

24 Southern California and No. 25 Kansas State at No. 7 Texas.

Missouri merits the Bulldogs’ full attention after quietly winning seven of eight. After that, the two-time defending national champions play No. 11 Mississippi at home and travel to No. 19 Tennessee.

Alabama will be looking for payback after LSU’s Jayden Daniels ran 25 yards for a touchdown and completed a two-point pass for a 32-31 overtime win in Baton Rouge last season. That was the Crimson Tide’s second loss and likely kept them from a third straight College Football Playoff bid.

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Raiders fire McDaniels, Ziegler

By MARK ANDERSON
AP Sports Writer

HENDERSON, Nev. — When the Las Vegas Raiders hired Josh McDaniels in January 2022, he said he had learned from his first stint as an NFL head coach.

But McDaniels’ record actually was worse the second time around than it was with the Denver Broncos in 2009 and 2010, and late Tuesday night, the Raiders announced that owner Mark Davis fired McDaniels and general manager Dave Ziegler.

McDaniels became the first non-interim coach in the Super Bowl era to be fired by two franchises before the end of his second season.

“After much thought about what the Raiders need to move forward, I have decided to part ways with Josh and Dave,” Davis said in a statement. “I want to thank them both for their hard work and wish them and their families nothing but the best.”

The Raiders announced linebackers coach Antonio Pierce will take over as the interim coach. His first game will be Sunday at home against the Giants. He played for New York from 2005-09.

Las Vegas also announced assistant general manager Champ Kelly will be the interim GM.

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Alpena Elementary Honor Roll



The following students were named to the Alpena Elementary 1st nine weeks honor roll:

All A's grade 1-6

- Wyatt Allen Baker
- Emma Fumiko Burcham
- Brian James Carey
- Judson Creek Chaney
- Kellie Jean Clopp
- Benjamin Curry Andrew
- Karen Huesca-Jimenez
- Cassia Jane Ruth Myers
- Johnna Leigh Rutherford
- Bristyl Toliver

A's and B's grade 1-6

- Avaleigh Grace Bailey
- Adelynn Renee Baker
- Braylon Wayde Baker
- Heston Reese Baker
- Olivia Claire Baker
- Wyatt Wylan Ballard
- Kaylee Jo Bryant
- Sarah Noelle Burcham
- Kamri Shae Case
- Tolbert Hugh Cope
- Jayden Alexander Dickard
- Leigha Nichole Dickard
- Chance Lee Dougherty
- Natalie Lanae Dunsing
- Nevaeh Alyssia Dunsing
- Preston Joe Eppes
- Madison Mahina Grende
- Konnor Joseph Gross
- Brooklyn Jade Hatcher
- Rowan Howard Henson
- Jacob Rock Hilton,
- Autumn Akila Jackson
- Alonna Lane Lewis
- Alec Isaiah Marshall
- Hadley Grace Matthews
- Alexander Robert McCoy
- Julian Bryant Methvin
- Matthias Lee Meyers
- Muncy, Lucas Alexander
- Dillinger Daniel Myers
- Colton Derek Pettit
- Popejoy, Bennett Blake
- Alexander Keith Riley
- Clairity Larain Sjolín
- Brinkley Judith Smith
- Jaxsen Ray Lynn Stewart
- Gabryal Alexander Summerall
- Crysta Stoem-Ophelia Teague
- Aniah Chiann Updyke
- Kyrilee Nikole Wehrle
- Makayla Jade Wehrle
- Alyssa Danielle Woods
- Kyndal Cassidy Yates

North Arkansas College granted HVAC Excellence Accreditation

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North Arkansas College (Northark) has earned accreditation from HVAC Excellence, an industry organization that establishes national standards for institutions that offer education in Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVACR).

"We are proud to be granted accreditation for our HVACR training program," said Northark President Dr. Rick Massengale, Sr. "Having outside, expert reviewers ensures us we are delivering a superior educational experience from our faculty to the student to the employers who hire them. Lead instructor Jeff Smith has developed and delivers a program that has students ready to go to work when they complete this curriculum, this accreditation reinforces the quality being delivered in both the classroom and the field."

Northark sought programmatic accreditation for its HVACR program. Programmatic accreditation is an independent, third-party review of an education program, comparing it to es-

As a nationally accredited institution, Northark can assure prospective students and employer partners that the institution's HVACR program has met or exceeded national standards.

established, industry-accepted standards. These standards are designed to ensure that the future workforce receives the quality training required for success in the HVACR industry.

To pursue this accreditation, the college completed a detailed, comprehensive self-study that demonstrated compliance with each of the required standards. The self-study was then sent to HVAC Excellence, where an accreditation review board thoroughly assessed the submission.

The accreditation review board, having approved the self-study, sent a team to conduct an intense onsite review of the program. Upon a thorough review of all the documentation presented by the administration, faculty, and the onsite accreditation team, the HVAC Excellence accreditation review board

unanimously decided to grant accreditation of the program.

As a nationally accredited institution, Northark can assure prospective students and employer partners that the institution's HVACR program has met or exceeded national standards and has the resources and administrative support to professionally train the workforce.

Additionally, the accreditation helps enhance student placement and employer satisfaction, and may lead to advanced placement opportunities with major employers in the HVACR industry.

Northark will begin enrolling new students for the spring 2024 semester November 27, 2023. For more information about Northark's HVACR program or to enroll in classes, visit www.northark.edu.

Alpena High School Honor Roll students announced

The following students have been named to the Alpena High School first nine weeks Honor Roll.

All A's grades 7-12

- Serenity Ella Benoit
- Laini Raiann Block
- Sophia Grace Bright
- Chloe Grace Cantwell
- Hayden Kayleigh Coffman
- Ella Katherine Curry
- Ellany Grace Donelson
- Lindsay Kate Dunsing
- Blair Nicole Eppes
- Cierra Elaine Evans
- Talia Amber Marie Hilton
- Joseph Avery Hulsey
- Nicholas Chase Humphrey
- Madison Rayne Jackson
- Candice Marie Moore
- Cassidy Danene Ohler
- Naomi Peliah Pitrucha
- Sophia Abigail Saul
- Kyla Taylor Trublood
- Josephine Grace Wheatley

All A's and B's grades 7-12

- Dylan Bobby Adams
- Adrianna LaMae Ballard
- Donovan Lee Berry
- Michael Cole Besse
- Brayden Xander Brown
- Addison Kay Bryant
- Tyler Alan Cantwell
- Brody Benjamin Carlson
- Cassandra Olivia Chaney
- Keigan MarieCline
- Tinley Nicole Comer
- Annalee Reese Crawford
- Cameron Ray Dickard
- Lucas Conner Dunsing
- Karleigh Shayne Fason
- Nella Maria Forney
- Yaiza Gonzalez Azua
- Hadleigh Rhae Hawthorne
- Elizabeth Hernandez
- Yahir Huesca-Jimenez
- Jetton, Bayleigh Jean
- Jetton, Rhonnie Eliece
- Kincaid-Seymore, Cayden Cash
- LaFollette, Conner Lee
- LaFollette, Rylee Reece
- Logan, Kenlee Lauren
- Lowry, Heather Autumn
- Matthews, Ashlynn Marian
- Mays, Ella Rae
- McCoy, Abbigale Alexa
- McNair, Bryanna Lashae
- Kolby Allen Minor
- James Dylan Owens
- Gracie Alexandra Popejoy
- Alex Mason Ragland
- Evan Lee Rinehart
- Olivia Mercedes Santos
- Tucker Alan Savage
- Evan Allen Sims
- Thomas James Smith
- Palmer Andrew Stubbs
- Suraya Marie Tennison
- Jaxon Cooper Woods
- Kamdyn Eileen Woods

License and registration, please

Cars purchased after Aug. 1 will have a full 60 days to register

By TERRI IVIE SMITH
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The Arkansas General Assembly recently passed Act 41. This act changes the time frame in which a vehicle in Arkansas must be registered after purchase. The new guidelines took effect Aug. 1, and Arkansans now have 60 days to register a vehicle after purchase instead of 30 to pay the sales tax and register the vehicle. A lump sum payment of sales tax is often a hindrance when purchasing a car or truck, and this will provide an additional 30 days to obtain the funds needed for sales tax. Temporary plate tags (paper tags) are now effective for 60 days from the date issued due to Act 41. The Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration hopes reduction in expired temporary tags on Arkansas' roads now that Arkansans have more time to register the vehicle.

This change will affect passenger cars, motorhomes, motorcycles and commercial trucks. Boats are not included.

Temporary tags for trailers



will still expire in 30 days. According to the Arkansas Department of Finance, there are 2.7 million passenger vehicles currently registered in Arkansas. This includes cars, trucks and SUVs.

Based on current registrations, the most popular vehicle in Arkansas is the Ford F-150 pickup truck with more than 100,000 registered. The Chevy Silverado is second and the GMC Sierra is third (the top three vehicles are trucks).

Arkansans can register a vehicle at any of the state's 134 Revenue Offices. Registration is also available online at <https://mydmv.arkansas.gov/> along with other Revenue Office services.

When considering purchas-



ing a new vehicle may want to consider the sales tax that will be due with registration. To calculate sales tax prior to purchase, use the Sales Tax Calculator at airsdsmvpub.dfa.arkansas.gov.

Vehicles purchased before Aug. 1, 2023, are still subject to the 30 day deadline.

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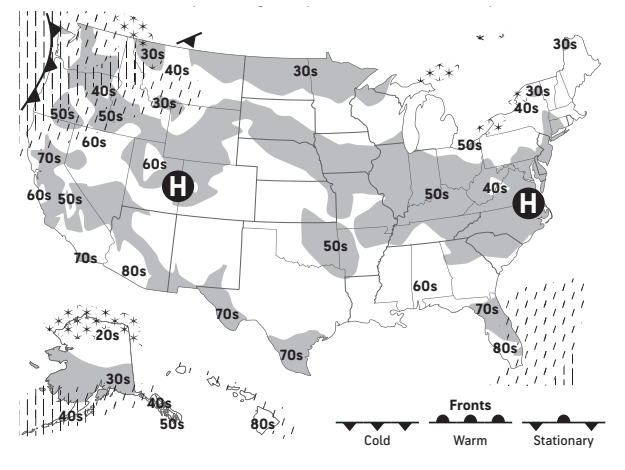
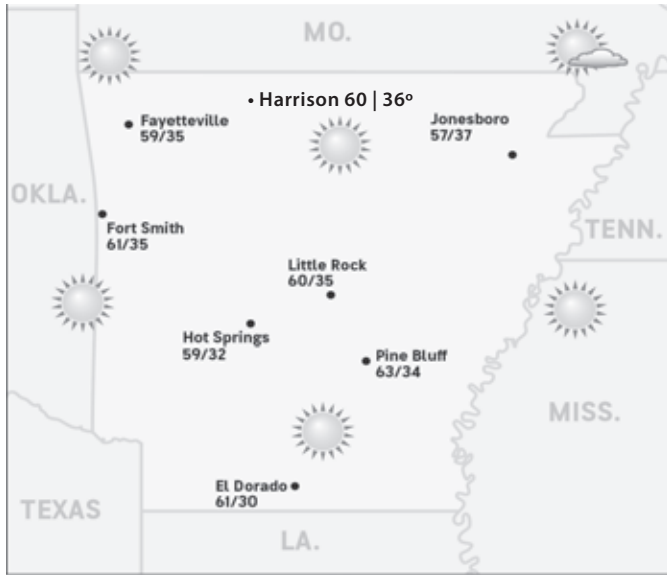
Today's forecast

Tonight: Clear skies. Low 37F. Winds S at 5 to 10 mph.
Tomorrow: Sunny skies. High 67F. Winds SSW at 10 to 15 mph.
Tomorrow night: A mostly clear sky. Low 43F. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.

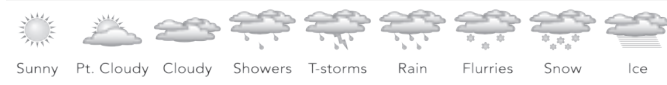


Extended forecast

Saturday: Mostly sunny skies. High 69F. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.
Saturday night: Mainly clear skies. Low 51F. Winds light and variable.
Sunday: Sunshine and clouds mixed. High 73F. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.
Sunday night: Partly cloudy. Low 57F. Winds S at 10 to 15 mph.
Monday: Partly cloudy skies. High 71F. Winds SSW at 10 to 15 mph.
Monday night: Partly to mostly cloudy. Low around 50F. Winds W at 5 to 10 mph.
Tuesday: Cloudy with showers. High 59F. Winds WNW at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 40%.
Tuesday night: Partly cloudy skies. Low 46F. Winds light and variable.



NATIONAL SUMMARY: Tomorrow, dry weather is expected through a vast expanse of the country as even the Northeast falls under high pressure. Milder conditions will spread from the South into southern sections of the Midwest. Outside of some showers along Florida's Atlantic coast, the Northwest will be the wettest region as a storm brings rain and snow.



Statewide

City	High	Low	Precip
El Dorado	62	32	0.00
Fayetteville	59	36	0.00
Fort Smith	63	34	0.00
Harrison	60	36	0.00
Hot Springs	59	33	0.00
Jonesboro	59	33	0.00
Little Rock	61	33	0.00
Mountain Home	59	34	0.00
Pine Bluff	63	34	0.00
Russellville	62	31	0.00

Today's Records

Record High
84°F
Record Low
17°F
One year ago
High 73°, Low 46°
Ten years ago
High 54°, Low 39°
Precip. year to date
41.45 inches

Lake and River Levels

Buffalo River	Flood Level	7 a.m.	24-hour change
Boxley	—	1.80	0
Ponca	—	2.00	+ 0.10
Pruitt	—	3.50	- 0.10
Hasty	—	6.20	- 0.40
St. Joe	—	4.50	- 0.50
Hwy 14	—	4.50	- 0.60

Lakes	Current level	24-hour change
Beaver Lake	1,114.11	- 0.05
Table Rock Lake	912.96	- 0.13
Bull Shoals Lake	653.42	- 0.08
Norfolk	553.24	+ 0.01

Almanac

Sunrise 7:34 a.m. **Sunset** 6:17 p.m.
Moonrise 10:04 p.m. **Moonset** 12:45 a.m.

Ozark Mountain School District Honor Rolls

The following students have been named to the Ozark Mountain School District's Honor Roll for the first nine weeks.

Bruno-Pyatt All A's

- Axl Baumgardner
- Timberly Brasel
- Drake Caviness
- Annika Hobart
- Emmaline Mallicoat
- Jessie White

Bruno-Pyatt All A's and B's

- Ryker Allen
- Khloe Baird
- Rylee Baird
- Devin Bolin
- Skylar Bolin
- William Bruce
- Bentley Byler
- Mallary Caviness
- Eli Crombie
- LylaJean Foster
- Cecilya Light
- Samuel Lodrigue
- Cameron Smith
- Jazmin Smith
- Joshua Smith
- Keevyn Smith
- Robert Wakefield
- Gabrielle White
- St. Joe All A's
- Breccan Bartley
- Kylee Berkley
- Michaela Dean
- Markus Gentry
- Bentley Nichols

St. Joe All A's and B's

- Gabriel Abelar
- Nina Cross
- Daniel Curtis
- Emma Gentry
- Caleb Grinder
- King Hendrix
- Kingston Hill
- Konley Hill
- Levi Hunter
- Addison Loggins
- Brantley Loggins
- Kolten Marshall
- Scarlett Murphy
- Karma Saxon
- Joseph Stanislaw
- Brees Waite
- Hailey Wyatt
- Western Grove all A's
- Asher Daniels
- Aztin Dillon
- Dillon Hollis

- Caleb Hudson
- Keyton Keymer
- Pearson Long
- Ava Middleton
- Kingsley Middleton
- Macy Middleton
- Jimmy Morrison
- Jacob Shatswell
- Jaiden Sims
- Ava Smith
- Luke Smith
- McKenna Smith
- Noah Smith
- Chloe Trammell
- Colten Trammell
- Allie Wheeler
- Matthew Whiteside

Western Grove All A's and B's

- Jace Bolin
- Hunter Campbell
- Jase Campbell
- Layton Campbell
- Reylee Campbell
- Tilton Campbell
- Ansley Daniels
- Noah Eddings
- Carson Freeman
- Braxton Garner
- Reed Groves
- Ryan Groves
- Sawyer Henthorne
- Sierra Hollis
- Ava Isbell
- Jude Marroquin
- Colter Martin
- Warren McGee
- Isabella Middleton
- Olivia Middleton
- Lynda Morrison
- Ashley Ricketts
- James Satchel
- Calven Sims
- Ella Smith
- Lawson Smith
- Bryor Summers
- Hunter Vanzant
- Trace Buffalo
- Macey Williams
- Jaxson Williford

OM High School All A's

- Alexis Henson
- Isaiah Pearson
- Jayden Bradshaw
- Jewel Ragland
- Hannah Shatswell
- Natalie Collins
- Olivia Eddings
- Donnie Flud
- Sarah Flud
- Brilee Keymer

- Masen McCutcheon
- Daniel Riddell
- Lydia Smith
- Addison Wyatt
- Jasalyn Applegate
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DEAR ANNIE

Dear Annie:
 I'm a 20-year-old girl, and my boyfriend is 24, soon to be 25. We've been dating for about three months, and he's the best boyfriend I've ever had. This is only my second relationship and his fifth. Unfortunately, two of those exes weren't very nice; one cheated on him, and the other left him for another boy.



DEAR ANNIE
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The other day was my first day at a new job. My shift was from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. But what they didn't tell me was that I had to stay an extra 30 minutes to clean up the place. The manager was being pretty strict with me also. I hadn't eaten properly before coming or drunk enough water. I assumed they would let me go to the food court at the mall to get some food, but the manager said I wasn't allowed to leave the store. So, basically, I was tired, hungry, thirsty, and on top of all that, I was also having bad period cramps.

My boyfriend came to pick me up thinking I was going to be ready at 9, but I had to stay until 9:30. So I ran out of there, stressed, sad and very angry — at the manager, at myself, at everything. I also felt bad making my boyfriend wait for 30 minutes. I started ranting to him about how much I hated this. I remember saying, "I hate this! I hate everyone, I hate everything, I hate myself," and at one point, I blurted out "I hate you." And as soon as the words came out of me, I regretted it. But we can't take back words. He dropped me at my house and just said, "Go. We're here. Bye."

I genuinely regretted it, but I'm not very good with words, so it took me about three days to write down an apology and give it to him through a voicemail.

He said he got my voicemail. It's been five days since I lashed out. He's started texting me again, but sending mostly one-word texts or emojis, and he's most likely very hurt. I don't blame him at all. I feel so regretful about this. He's been nothing but kind to me and treated me well. And I hurt him. I feel as guilty as if I'd kicked a child or

something. I was tired, hungry, dehydrated and in a negative headspace, but that wasn't an excuse to act as I did.

I want him to know that I didn't mean it. But I'm worried I've ruined our relationship. People say that we remember

the bad things more than the good ones. I could apologize 10 more times, I could tell him "I love you" every day, but I'm scared he'll only be like, "Remember that time in the car? She probably hates me secretly" — even though I love him a lot and he's one of the best things that happened to me. I feel horrible about what I said to him.

What should I do?
 — *Confused and Remorseful*

Dear Confused and Remorseful:

You need to stop beating yourself up and start giving yourself some grace. Yes, what you said was wrong, and you acted out of anger. Now you have an opportunity to learn from your mistake. "I hate you" is quite an aggressive statement — even coming from someone who is exhausted, dehydrated and hungry. It's time to get curious about where this angry outburst came from, with the help of a good therapist. Working with a professional will also prove to your boyfriend that you are taking this incident seriously.

First and foremost, however, it's important that you deliver an effective apology. Be specific about what you are sorry for, and explain to him the context of the situation without making excuses for yourself. Show him that you understand the pain your words must have caused, and explain to him why it took you three days to reach out. Your letter to me here is a great template to use for your apology. Good luck!

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Public Record



HARRISON POLICE DEPARTMENT LOG

Oct. 31
1:48 a.m. – An officer on patrol advised he would be out at an address on North Willow with an open door on a vehicle. He later said the owner forgot to close the door.
5:31 a.m. – An officer on a traffic stop arrested a 36-year-old woman for driving on a license suspended for DWI and no proof of insurance. She was later taken to the Boone County Jail for incarceration.
5:51 a.m. – A caller reported possible abuse of dogs at an address on Lawrence Street. The information was passed on to Animal Control, who later said the dogs were well fed and the electric fence surrounding the yard was designed for small dogs.
8:03 a.m. – A caller reported a break-in at storage units outside Maple Church Apartments. An officer determined there had been a fire at the building a month earlier and homeless people had been trying to make entry. No property was reported stolen.
8:23 a.m. – A man called the HPD to report a man

owed him money following a court case in Conway. He said a warrant was issued for the man's arrest, but he was living in Harrison and had not been arrested. An officer explained the caller's options.
9:02 a.m. – A caller reported a possibly suicidal female subject in an apartment at The Links. An officer spoke to the woman, who said she was neither suicidal nor homicidal. She declined medical treatment at the time.
9:14 a.m. – A two-vehicle, non-injury wreck was reported in the 100 block of Highway 65 North.
11:18 a.m. – An employee at McDonald's on North Main called to report receiving a counterfeit \$100 bill the previous day. A formal fraud complaint was filed.
11:32 a.m. – A disturbance was reported at Walmart in which one customer pulled a weapon on another customer. An officer said a formal report would be filed, but no arrests were noted.
12:30 p.m. – A reckless driver was reported turning onto Orendorff from North Main. An officer checked the

area, but the vehicle was gone.
12:48 p.m. – A woman on East Washington called to report a male subject had been harassing her for money and she left the residence before calling police. An officer stopped the vehicle the caller said the man was driving and determined it was a civil matter. The man was issued a criminal trespass warning for the caller's residence.
1:50 p.m. – A recovery service reported repossessing a vehicle on Cottonwood Road. Information noted for future reference.
1:54 p.m. – An officer on patrol advised he'd be out at Walmart regarding theft of property. A male subject was cited for theft of property and was issued a criminal trespass warning for the store.
2:35 p.m. – An employee at Cash Saver reported two suspected female shoplifters in a vehicle in the parking lot. An officer said both women were issued criminal trespass warnings for the business.
3:56 p.m. – An officer on a traffic stop arrested a 29-year-old woman on a

warrant for failure to appear in court on obstructing governmental operations. She was later released after posting \$585 professional bond.
4:13 p.m. – A two-vehicle wreck with possible injuries and entrapment was reported on the Bypass behind Cash Saver.
4:16 p.m. – A male subject called to talk to an officer about open carry laws. Information given.
4:24 p.m. – A female subject called to report someone picked up her vehicle from an address on Main Street saying he had sold it. An officer explained it was a civil matter.
4:31 p.m. – A caller reported broken glass on the roadway at Highways 65 North and 43. On-call Street Department personnel were notified.
4:46 p.m. – A caller reported someone in an 18-wheeler trying to reverse down the hill on West Ridge. A wrecker service was notified.
5:17 p.m. – A woman called to talk to an officer about her mother, who was elderly and suffered mental problems. The officer ex-

plained the proper process for taking the mother's driver's license.
6:27 p.m. – A reckless driver was reported northbound on Highway 65 approaching the city limits. Officers were notified.
7:17 p.m. – A caller reported some juveniles waiting for a ride outside the Boone County Library. An officer responded and said the parents arrived on scene.
7:40 p.m. – A reckless driver was reported southbound on Highway 7 North approaching the city limits. Officers were notified.
7:49 p.m. – A caller reported a water leak at Hester Drive and Melshire Cove. On-call Water Department personnel were notified.
8:55 p.m. – A caller reported a possibly intoxicated female subject dressed as a hippie causing a disturbance outside an address on Covey Lane. An office said the subject was gone when he arrived on scene.
9:09 p.m. – A caller reported a possibly suicidal female subject at an address on North 2nd Street. An officer responded and said EMS transported the woman for

evaluation.
9:25 p.m. – A caller reported having video surveillance footage of people throwing rocks at signs on West Bower the previous Saturday. A formal complaint was filed.
10:35 p.m. – A woman on North Rowland called to report a possible prowler on the porch of her residence. An officer checked the area, but didn't locate anything out of the ordinary.
11:10 p.m. – Carroll County authorities requested officers watch for a man in a car with his two juvenile daughters he picked up from school and hadn't been seen since. Officers were notified.
11:27 p.m. – An officer on patrol advised he'd be out with a suspicious vehicle parked behind a medical clinic on Highway 65 North. He later said the vehicle belonged to a cleaning crew.
11:58 p.m. – A caller reported a possible disturbance at an address on South Ash. An officer said it appeared no one was present at the residence, so the caller was advised to contact the landlord.

Biden signs EO aiming for AI governance

Staff Report
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President Biden signed an Executive Order on Oct. 30 emphasizing the need to responsibly govern the development and use of Artificial Intelligence (AI). The order acknowledges the transformative potential of AI while underscoring the pressing concerns related to its misuse, including fraud, discrimination, bias, and disinformation, which necessitate a comprehensive, society-wide approach involving public and private sectors.

The Executive Order covers eight key priorities:

- Safety and Security: Ensuring AI systems are safe, secure, and ethically developed.
- Promoting Responsible Innovation: Supporting programs that equip the workforce with AI skills and attract global AI talent to the United States.
- Supporting American Workers: Adapting job training and education to support a diverse workforce and preventing AI deployments that undermine workers' rights and job quality.
- Equity and Civil Rights: Promoting technical evaluations, oversight, and regulations that prevent unlawful discrimination and abuse, particularly in the justice system.
- Consumer Protection: Enforcing existing consumer protection laws and establishing safeguards against potential harms, including fraud, bias, discrimination, privacy infringements, and safety issues.
- Privacy and Civil Liberties: Calling for lawful, secure, and privacy-conscious data practices, with a focus on privacy-enhancing technologies to safeguard individuals' data.
- Internal Capacity and Regulation: Attracting and retaining AI professionals from diverse backgrounds and disciplines and ensuring all government employees receive AI training.

—Global Leadership: Promoting common approaches to shared challenges while engaging with other nations, including competitors, to ensure AI benefits the world without exacerbating inequities or threatening human rights.

The order addresses different aspects of AI governance, including privacy protection, federal government use of AI, increasing AI talent in government, and strengthening American leadership in the global AI landscape.

—Privacy Protection: The Order calls for the evaluation of commercially available information (CAI) procured by government agencies, especially CAI containing personally identifiable information. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will be tasked with issuing a Request for Information (RFI) to gather feedback on how privacy impact assessments can be more effective, particularly in the context of AI.

—Federal Government Use of AI: The executive order focuses on advancing the use of AI within the federal government. It establishes an interagency council to coordinate the development and use of AI in government agencies. It also requires agencies to designate Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers and create internal AI governance boards. These officers will be responsible for coordinating AI use, promoting innovation, and managing risks within their agencies.

—AI Talent in Government: Establishing a task force to accelerate the hiring of AI talent across agencies. The task force will work to track and report on progress, identify best practices, and improve retention.

—American Leadership Abroad: The executive order calls for the United States to lead efforts to expand engagements with international allies and partners to advance common AI-related policies.

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There are no funerals at this time		

Deaths

Emmett Taylor, 83, of Leadhill, died on Oct. 25 (2023). Graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Nov. 4, at Anderson Flat Cemetery, in Everton. Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.

Kelly Charles Gutterud, 62, of Bull Shoals, died on Oct. 24 (2023). A private service will be held at a later date. Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.

Jeffery Stewart Davis, 61, Bono, died on Oct. 28 (2023). Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.

The Harrison Daily Times is pleased to publish death notices of reasonable length at no charge to the family. Expanded obits, with more detail and information or photos, may be purchased as paid advertising through a funeral home or by contacting the newspaper at obits@harrisondaily.com. Our front desk can be reached at 870-741-2325 for more information.

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OBITUARIES

Charlie Lichti
 80, Huntsville

Charlie Lichti, of Huntsville, passed away Oct. 27, (2023), in Springdale at the age of 80. Visitation was 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31, at Charles M. Nelson Memorial Chapel, in Berryville.

Funeral service for Charlie Lichti was 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, at Shiloh Methodist Church.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude's Research, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Online condolences may be sent to nelsonfuneral.com.



Jeffery Stewart Davis
 61, Bono

Jeffery Stewart Davis, 61, of Bono, passed away on Oct. 28 (2023). He was born on July 26, 1962, in Joplin, Missouri, to William and Linda (Raby) Moore. He is survived by his daughters: Heather Davis, Amanda Davis and Chris Davis. Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.

Kelly Charles Gutterud
 62, Bull Shoals

Kelly Charles Gutterud, 62, of Bull Shoals, passed away at home on Oct. 24 (2023). Born Oct. 13, 1961, in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, the son of Elmer and Amy Schmitke Gutterud. Kelly leaves his siblings, Terry Ellen Spear and Wane Elmer Gutterud, along with other family members and friends. A private service will be held at a later date. Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.

Emmett Taylor
 83, Lead Hill

Emmett Gerald "Jerry" Taylor, 83, of Lead Hill, passed away on Oct. 25 (2023). He was born on Aug. 21, 1940, in Pindall, to Gerald B Taylor and Hazel Mae Martin Taylor. He was preceded in death by his parents and daughter, Carolyn "Candy" Mullins. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Cora Taylor and children: Jerri Yocham, Sherry Ramos, Tina Rogers, Emmett Joshua Ray Taylor and Richard Taylor.

Graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Nov. 4, at Anderson Flat Cemetery, in Everton. Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.

Rosalee Arnold
 83, Harrison

Rose (Brown) Arnold, passed from this life at the age of 83 on Oct. 20 (2023). She was born in Zack, Arkansas on May 6, 1940. The youngest daughter of Roy and Ruby (Stills) Brown.

Rose's siblings were Willomae, Wilma, Nevelean, Devon and Rocky. She is survived by her sister, Wilma; her daughters: Brenda Fisher, Patty Amyx and Verna Pulliam.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Hillcrest Nursing Home, Harrison, Arkansas. Arrangements were under the direction of Coffman Funeral Home, in Harrison.

Thomas Luebker
 69, Mountain Home

Thomas Andrew Luebker, 69, of Mountain Home, died Wednesday, Oct. 25 (2023). He was born Dec. 7, 1953, in West Chicago, Illinois, the son of Thomas and Marge (Miller) Luebker.

Thomas is preceded in death by his wife Diana Jean (Kampen) Luebker and parents. He is survived by his son Gregory, his sister Bonnie Jean Pecenak, Care entrusted to Diamond State Funerals.

Adel Omran, Associated Press video producer in Libya, dies at 46

By The Associated Press

Adel Omran, a video producer in chaos-stricken Libya for The Associated Press, has died. He was 46.

Omran died at his family home in the Egyptian Mediterranean city of Port Said early Friday after suffering a heart attack, his family said.

Before joining the AP more than a decade ago, Omran worked as a hotel manager in the Egyptian resort town of Sharm el-Sheikh. He decided to return to his native Libya to work as a journalist in the aftermath of the Arab Spring.

He became a pillar of AP coverage of the NATO-backed uprising that toppled longtime Libyan dictator Moammar Gadhafi in 2011 and led to his killing.

Omran was a mentor to many of the country's younger journalists.

"During a difficult period in the country's history, Adel was able to network and establish contacts and stringers across Libya," said Derl McCrudden, AP's vice president and head of global news production. "He also had a competitive desire to get the story out and this was a great combination."

Omran led AP's video coverage of the civil

war in Libya and abuses of migrants across the North African country, which have become a major transit point for people fleeing conflicts and poverty in Africa and the Middle East. He was also a video journalist himself, who could shoot and produce compelling stories.

He had a strong judgement for when events would likely turn into big news. Most recently, Omran's fast reaction to reports of devastating flooding in the city of Derna, Libya, helped the agency be among the first to break the news of the growing death toll.

Omran is remembered for his resounding laugh and his constant willingness to help others, often stepping outside the scope of his own job to help a colleague out. In the unpredictable and often dangerous landscape of Libya, he navigated his way among the country's many powerbrokers with ease.

Rob Celliers, former South Africa senior producer for the AP, covered the 2011 uprising in Libya and first approached Omran about working for the news agency. He says he was immediately impressed by Omran's instinctive understanding

of the fast-paced tempo of the work.

"Not only did I find a great colleague I also found a great, great friend who always gave me a warm greeting," he said. "So very sad and unexpected you're leaving us so soon, rest now my friend."

In recent years, Adel worked in the Libyan capital of Tripoli, where he covered the country's faltering steps towards political stability. He hoped, like many, to see calmer days in his home country. The loss of another colleague, AP contributor Mohamed Ben Khalifa, who died covering clashes be-

tween militias in Tripoli in 2019, affected him greatly.

"Adel's work brought him in daily contact with human suffering and frustrated hopes, but despite that, he remained a person whose positive outlook was contagious," said Maggie Hyde, AP news director for Egypt, Libya, Sudan and Yemen. "He brought that with him to every aspect of the job."

Omran's body was transferred to Libya for burial in his home city of Benghazi. He is survived by his 8-year-old son Faris and wife, Rasha, who live in Port Said, Egypt.

The woman accused of killing pro cyclist Mo Wilson tracked her on a fitness app, prosecutors say

By The Associated Press

The murder trial of a woman accused of gunning down rising pro cyclist Anna Moriah Wilson and fleeing the country began Wednesday with Texas prosecutors telling jurors they would hear Wilson's final screams and the shots that killed her.

Kaitlin Armstrong, 35,

has pleaded not guilty to murder and faces up to 99 years in prison in the May 2022 slaying of Wilson, a competitive gravel and mountain bike racer. Wilson had been shot several times when she was found at a friend's home before a race that she was among the favorites to win.

"The last thing Mo did on this earth was

scream in terror," Travis County prosecutor Rickey Jones told jurors in opening statements. "Those screams are followed by 'Pop! Pop!'" Jones said, punching his fist into his hand for emphasis. "You won't hear any more screams after that."

Seconds after those shots, Jones said, "Kaitlin Armstrong stood

over Mo Wilson and put a third shot right into Mo Wilson's heart."

In a short opening statement, defense attorney Geoffrey Puryear said Armstrong was caught in a "web of circumstantial evidence."

No video evidence or witnesses can put Armstrong at the scene of the shooting, Puryear

said.

Police have said Wilson, a 25-year-old Vermont native, had previously dated Armstrong's boyfriend, Colin Strickland, who also was a competitive gravel racer, and had gone swimming with him earlier in the day. The trial began three weeks after authorities said Armstrong tried to

escape from custody.

Prosecutors said they will show that Armstrong tracked Strickland's communications with Wilson — as well as Wilson's whereabouts — in the weeks and days before the shooting. Armstrong was able to track Wilson's location because Wilson had not turned on a safety feature on a phone app.



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The year of the possum

By JASE GRAVES

According to my extensive research (approximately five minutes on Google when I should have been folding underwear), the Chinese zodiac system assigns an animal symbol to each year. It is believed that people born in a given year have the personality of that year's animal. For example, based on the placemats at my favorite Chinese buffet, I was born in the Year of the Dog, which means I am loyal, honest and difficult to housebreak.

Although it has absolutely nothing to do with the Chinese zodiac system, I am hereby declaring this year to be the Year of the Possum! The common possum (also known as the "opossum," "roadkill" or "hissing rat-kitty") is actually a marsupial, meaning that when possums feel threatened, they hiss with a strong Australian accent. They vaguely resemble a small house cat who spent a drunken night on the town with a set of malfunctioning Norelco clippers.

"So why this sudden interest in possums?" you probably aren't asking. Within the past two months, I've had two encounters with these repulsive, yet somehow endearing creatures.

The first occurred one evening last month while my wife and I were taking our evening geriatric power stroll. As we walked past our house, we noticed an unidentified hairy object on our front lawn. At first, we thought it might be a bunny, a kitten or even one of our family doglets who had escaped to the front yard to kill the rest of our grass.

Upon closer inspection (I made my wife go look), we discovered that it was a young possum – probably a teenager based on all of the sighing and eye rolling. Because East Texas was experiencing record heat and a drought at the time (and because I feel a kindred connection to all creatures with bad hair) I decided to prepare the possum a small dish of water and a handful of kibble dog food.

When I returned with the food and water, the possum gave me a half-hearted hiss and revealed in its clutches the carcass of a half-eaten rodent. In other words, I was like one of those restaurant servers who try to force a dessert on me after I've already stuffed myself. (I usually agree to the dessert.)

My next possum encounter happened a month later when my wife interrupted my slumber to inform me that there was a possum in our swimming pool/liquid cash vortex. When I asked her if she got it out, she said that she thought I should do it since she basically does everything else except breathe for me. (I'm still trying to figure out how to turn that over to her, too.)

When I went outside, the possum was sitting just inside one of the skimmer intake thingies – judging me because he didn't like my bathrobe. There was no time to reconsider my leisurewear, though, as I sprang into action, using the pole end of my dip net to gouge the possum out of the skimmer and then skillfully twirling the pole to scoop him in the net and deposit him over the back fence – while cold possum water streamed down my arm and into my robe.

Although these experiences were not altogether pleasant, it's nice to know that our neighborhood has a healthy ecosystem that supports the local wildlife – even if it has no taste in bathrobes.

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EDITORIAL

Enough is enough with shady use of state funds

By ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

Americans today are so deeply divided that pretty much the only thing they can agree upon is an overriding distrust of government. Public approval of political institutions at all levels is at historic lows. In states like Missouri, dysfunctional leadership is evident in everything from its infrastructure to its schools to its health care system.

What a time for the Missouri House speaker to file a false expense report about a trip to Hawaii on the taxpayers' dime.

For the second time in recent weeks, House Speaker Dean Plocher has been exposed attempting to use state money in highly questionable ways.

Last week on this page, we asked why Plocher — who is running next year for lieutenant governor — was leading a mysterious, relentless campaign to steer a state contract worth almost \$800,000 to a private company for constituent services that are already provided in-house by the state.

Now his fellow politicians of both parties are demanding explanations for the Des Peres Republican's use of state money to reimburse himself for travel expenses to Hawaii and elsewhere that were already covered by his campaign committee.

Enough is enough. Whether Plocher remains in his House seat is between him and his St. Louis County constituents. But

for the good of the public's battered trust in its state government, Plocher should resign his House speakership immediately.

Details remain murky regarding why Plocher and others in his caucus attempted (unsuccessfully) to steer a contract for constituent services to a private company, to the point of endorsing form letters that originated with a lobbying firm working for the company. As we said last week, the whole story presents more questions than answers — but the questions alone demand explanation.

The details about Plocher's Hawaiian adventure and other tax-funded jaunts, in contrast, aren't murky at all. Put simply, Plocher used campaign funds to pay for travel related to conferences and other official events, then got the state to reimburse him by claiming he had paid for it out of his own pocket.

In other words, Plocher effectively double-dipped, first from his campaign donors, then from the taxpayers. It arguably represents tax-funded augmentation of his campaign committee, which would be illegal on its face.

As reported by the Missouri Independent, Plocher in August pressed legislative staff to reimburse him for almost \$1,200 for a plane ticket to Hawaii, where he had earlier attended a conference. Although Plocher was making the request outside the normal 90-day window from the ticket purchase set by House rules, he convinced staff to cov-

er the cost anyway.

But it turns out there was a bigger problem than the 90-day window: Plocher hadn't personally purchased the ticket as he had claimed; his campaign had purchased it. And now he was getting personally reimbursed for it by the state.

It wasn't an isolated incident. The Independent's reporting laid out at least nine other instances since 2018 in which Plocher used campaign funds for trips, then got the state to reimburse him by signing sworn statements that he had used "personal funds" for the expenses.

Plocher claims the whole issue stems from "administrative errors" and says he is in process of repaying the improperly reimbursed money to the state. Even if that explanation is taken at face value, it doesn't speak well of a politician who is asking the voters to install in him a statewide post that's next in line to the governor's office.

The House Ethics Committee meets privately Friday for what many have speculated is a review of Plocher's situation.

Rather than drag state government through this unnecessary distraction, Plocher should resign his speakership and consider ending his campaign for lieutenant governor. While nothing revealed so far is solid evidence of intentional criminality, the standard for leading one of Missouri's two legislative chambers should be higher — and on that point, the verdict is already in.

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IN TRANSPORT

A stylish way to improve men's health and well-being

By TOM PURCELL

Hopefully, the rugged beard I've been sporting will motivate at least one of my fellow men to take better care of his health this November.

Every November, you see, two charitable organizations, Movember and No-Shave November, raise funds by encouraging men to not cut or shave their facial hair.

Both organizations have made November an enjoyable month for we men to share photos of our thickening mustaches, beards and other long hair.

The idea is to get men thinking and talking about mental health, suicide prevention, prostate, testicular and colon cancer, and other illnesses affecting men.

According to a December 2022 report by the CDC men live, on average, about six years fewer than women.

There are a number of reasons why, explains HuffPost, and they don't include any men jokes.

For starters, several studies show men are less likely to talk about their health and more likely to deny anything is wrong.

Avigail Lev, a licensed clinical psychologist in California, explained to HuffPost that because men are conditioned by society to deeply repress and suppress their emotions, they avoid seeking support for health issues when they need it.

Too often, we put off colonoscopies and prostate tests — limiting our doctors' ability to detect and correct cancer in its earliest stages.

We ignore symptoms, pretending to ourselves nothing is wrong — giving whatever it is free reign to get worse until something really is wrong.

We think it isn't masculine to engage a counselor when we are suffering a bout of depression — which is one reason why 60 men die from suicide around the world every hour of

every day.

Too often, men self-medicate their medical problems or worries away through destructive social behaviors, such as smoking, drinking alcohol or using drugs — habits which are sure to destroy good health.

Add to this that men are much more likely to make poor dietary choices — for example, fast food that is loaded with artery-clogging fats — and it becomes clear why male health is so much worse than it needs to be.

But we can and must do better on the men's health front — and every other front.

Men and boys are struggling in our country like never before.

It's wonderful that so many of our girls are flourishing in school and the workforce, but our boys are falling behind at alarming rates.

New York Times columnist David Brooks cites the statistics:

"By high school, two-thirds of the students in the top 10 percent of the class, ranked by GPA, are girls, while roughly two-thirds of the students at the lowest decile are boys."

Brooks notes that men are especially struggling in the workforce — if they're working at all: One in three males with only a high school diploma — 10 million men — is now out of the labor force.

Men are increasingly isolated with far fewer friends than women, according to an American Perspectives Survey, leaving them with much less support to navigate the growing life and health challenges they face.

The great hope for all good people is for all of us to flourish regardless of our age or sex.

We all hope that our dads, uncles, brothers and sons become the healthiest, most productive people they can be.

Maybe seeing a face with a new mustache or beard this November will spark the robust discussion we need to help men improve their health and realize their full potential as flourishing human beings.

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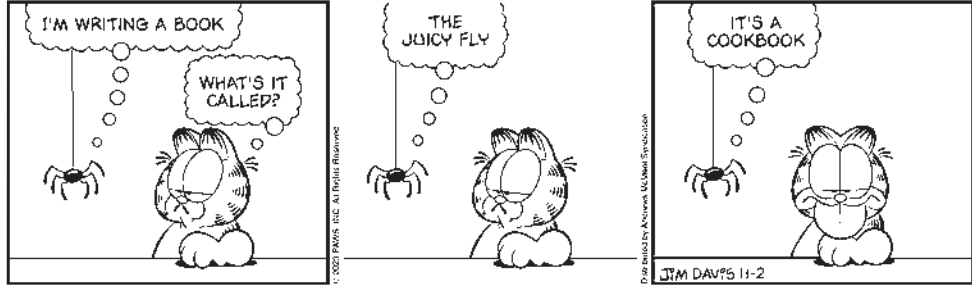
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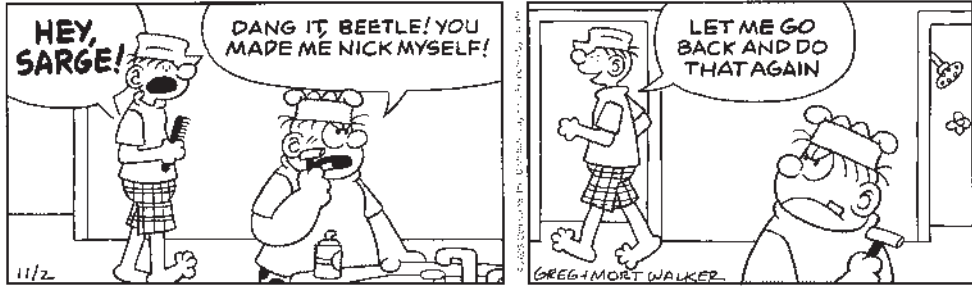
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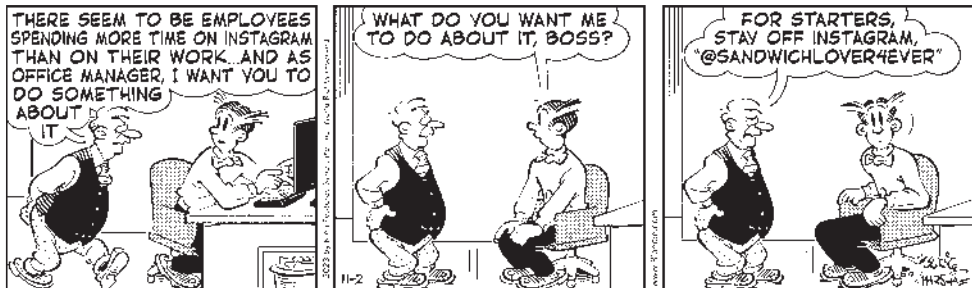
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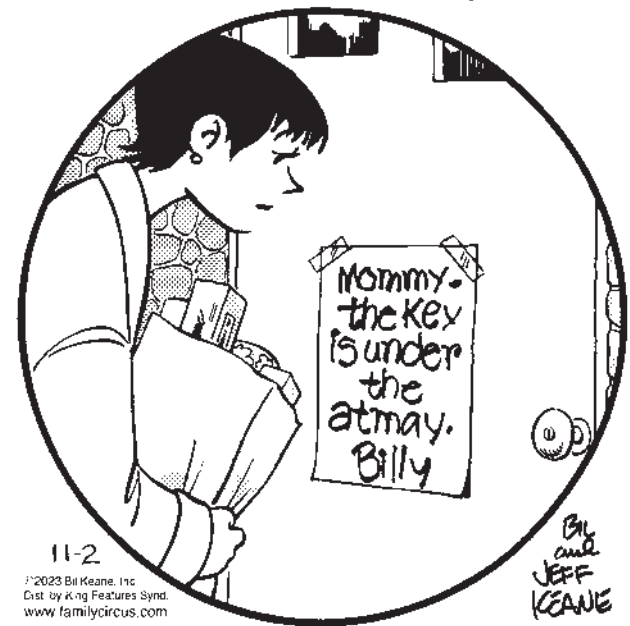


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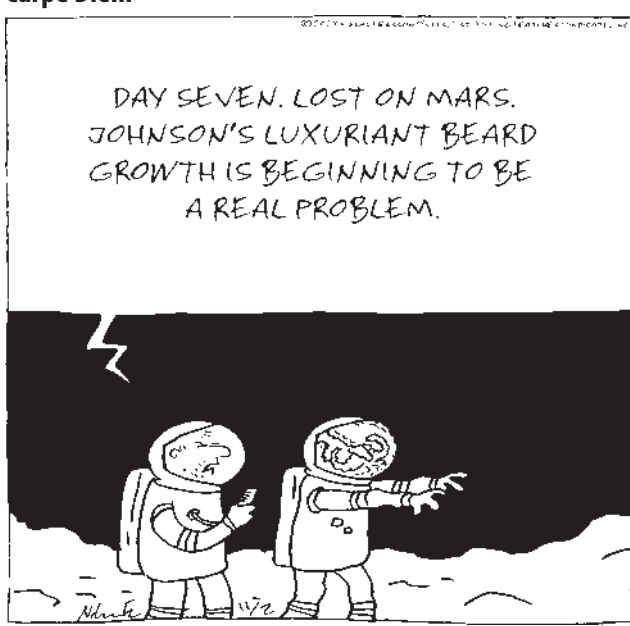


THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



Carpe Diem



CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- That woman
- Like the Sahara
- Advanced degree
- Smoked salmon
- Alliance acronym
- Wander
- Elec. unit
- Dice
- Commedia dell'—
- Shipboard bed
- Genteel
- Statue in Piccadilly Circus
- "Mayday!"
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DOWN

- 36 Charge
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- 41 Bureau parts
- 43 Curved path
- 45 — Rachel Wood
- 46 007 portrayer
- 50 Sitting — of the world
- 53 Actor — Baldwin
- 54 Luxury car
- 56 Groom's assertion
- 57 Sommelier's suggestion
- 58 Lost traction
- 59 Big shot
- 60 Poetic preposition
- 61 Notices
- 62 Opposite of WSW

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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3 Put into words

9 Unicorn feature

4 Fix firmly

5 Cheer from the bleachers

6 "Believe — not!"

7 Dummies

8 Laud

10 Sticky fruit

14 Club —

19 Family history diagram

21 Nixon successor

23 "On the double!"

25 Crazy

26 Fencing sword

27 Tater

29 Taking heed

30 Sidelong glance

31 British stables

34 Ireland

37 Bronte's "Jane —"

38 Cygnet

40 Ballerina

42 Steers clear of

44 Boorish

46 Crow's cry

47 Hodgepodge

48 Hawaiian goose

49 Christmas

51 Norse deity

52 Church head

55 Expire

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

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

" X C N R B ' E G X Y S E G T S P X R Y V Z X H
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 P X J G V . " — J R Y P G T I X T T X S J V

Previous Solution: "If there's a golf course in heaven, I hope it's like Augusta National. I just don't want an early tee time." — Gary Player

TODAY'S CLUE: B equals E

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 306th day of 2023 and the 41st day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1889, after the Omnibus Bill divided the Dakota Territory, North Dakota and South Dakota were admitted as the 39th and 40th U.S. states, respectively.

In 1947, aircraft designer Howard Hughes piloted his "Spruce Goose," the largest flying wooden plane ever built, on its maiden (and only) flight.

In 1983, President Ronald Reagan signed legislation making the third Monday of January a federal holiday marking the birth of Martin Luther King Jr.

In 2000, the first permanent crew arrived at the International Space Station.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Marie Antoinette (1755-1793), queen of France; James K. Polk (1795-1849), 11th U.S. president; Warren G. Harding (1865-1923), 29th U.S. president; Burt Lancaster (1913-1994), actor; Steve Ditko (1927-2018), comic book artist/writer.

ASTRO-GRAPH

The more you are willing to do, the more you'll get back. Live in the moment, embrace change and enjoy the ride. It's time to rely on your knowledge, experience and ingenuity to reach your objective. Take the steps necessary to ensure you fulfill your expectations and reach the pinnacle of your aspirations. Explore your options and exercise your rights.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Talk to experts, get the lowdown and develop a strategy that promotes your vision. The option to work alongside someone who understands your viewpoint will inspire you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Pay attention to cash flow. It's OK to help others, but don't leave yourself short. Think outside the box to devise a plan that will lower your overhead. Keep up with professional trends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — A positive change is within reach. Consider what's important to you and how much you can achieve. Take control, and bring about changes that offer opportunities to use your skills meaningfully.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Focus on learning, self-improvement and opportunities that align with your dreams. Put a plan and timeline in place, and don't stop until you reach your goal. Don't fall prey to temptation.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Plan to have fun. Socialize, take part in an event, attend a reunion or invest time and money in yourself. Don't wait for things to come to you; create opportunities yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Handle others with care. You will not get what you want if you aren't sensitive to people's needs. Someone will use manipulative tactics to take advantage of your enthusiasm.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Seek out friends and family. Share your thoughts and feelings, and you'll get meaningful feedback. An unexpected opportunity will give you something to consider.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Don't judge others, or you'll face similar circumstances. Bide your time, do your best to keep the peace and don't make impossible promises. Say less and do more.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Let your imagination run wild today. Your insight will increase your profile. Your compassion will change how others feel about you. Don't shy away from taking charge.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Collect your thoughts and go over your plan. There is no room for error or sloppiness. If you don't have everything in order, postpone your plans. You can expect to face opposition.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't be shy; call the shots and make things happen. Speak up and share your intentions, and the input you receive will help you plan your next move.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Refuse to let anyone play with your emotions. Set high standards and make your position clear. If you give someone the upper hand, they will take advantage of you. Protect your home and heart.

SUDOKU

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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HOW TO PLAY: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

H2OZARKS

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to further promote and advertise agricultural cost share programs.

Several committee members called attention to the committee's mission to preserve water quality within the watershed and acknowledged the value of H2O's program as it improves the quality of life for people living within the watershed.

Scott's remarks about reaching out to and meeting with proper-

ty owners in the area and explaining to them the benefits of the program apparently carried a lot of weight in gaining the committee's support. The committee members present at the venue as well as sitting in remotely apparently voted unanimously to award the full amount of \$69,676 to H2Ozarks.

Scott thanked the committee and said information would be forthcoming soon when it would begin scheduling public meetings in the watershed communities.



Buffalo River Conservation Committee members meeting in Marshall Tuesday, Oct. 31, included from left, Shea Lewis, secretary of the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism; Shane Khoury, secretary of the Arkansas Department of Energy; Dr. Richard McMullen, Arkansas Department of Health, state environmental health director and Chairman of the BRCC and Arkansas Agriculture Secretary Wes Ward. JEFF DEZORT/STAFF

HOLIDAY

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it. I love seeing all the beautiful decorations as well as all the holiday merchandise our local businesses have to offer. If people will take part in this celebration, I believe they will never leave home for their Christmas Shopping."

At press-time about 20 local businesses will be participating including Shelby's Gift Shop, Six Sister's Boutique, B's Boutique and Things, Frenzy of Harrison, The Cake Shop, Mistletoe's Oak Furniture, Yamaha of Harrison, The Tacky Cactus, Early Bird Boutique, Kudu Apparel 2 Gear, Arvest Bank, Benton House Designs, North Arkansas Regional Medical Center, 1st Community Bank, Sullivan Pharmacy, Missing Piece Boutique and Signature Bank. Other local businesses may be added to the list of participants.

ANDREWS

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An autographed photo of Glen Andrews right after receiving his world championship trophy in 1965. The very same sports jacket he wore that day is now on display in the Bass Pro Wonders of Wildlife National Museum in Springfield, Missouri. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

offered around the country, he regarded the Bass Fishing Hall of Fame the greatest honor, and the ceremony one of the greatest nights of his life.

Hundreds of attendees filled the induction ceremony, including Pro Bass Fishermen Rick Clunn, Kevin VanDam, Larry Nixon, and Bill Dance. As Andrews delivered his speech accepting the induction into the Hall of Fame, he jokingly referred to Bill Dance as a "promising student," alluding to the fact that he did train him years ago; along with Ray Scott and other names in the industry.

Andrews said he never took payment for coaching the up-and-coming bass fishermen that he worked with. A man by the name of Joe Lindsey coached Andrews daily for five years and never charged money for his services. So Andrews considered his mentoring an opportunity to pay it forward. The mentoring he paid forward would go on to shape some of the anglers who formed the world of professional bass fishing that we know today.

Largest Christian university in US faces record fine

By COLLIN BINKLEY
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The country's largest Christian university is being fined \$37.7 million by the federal government amid accusations that it misled students about the cost of its graduate programs.

Grand Canyon University, which has more than 100,000 students, mostly in online programs, faces the largest fine of its kind ever issued by the U.S. Education Department. The university dismissed the allegations as "lies and deceptive statements."

"Grand Canyon University categorically denies every accusation in the Department of Education's statement and will take all measures necessary to defend itself from these false accusations," the school said in a five-page statement.

An Education Department investigation found that Grand Canyon lied to more than 7,500 current and former students about the cost of its doctoral programs.

As far back as 2017,

the university told students its doctoral programs would cost between \$40,000 and \$49,000. The department found that less than 2% of graduates completed programs within the range, with 78% paying an additional \$10,000 to \$12,000.

The additional cost often came from "continuation courses" that were needed to finish dissertation requirements, the department said.

"GCU's lies harmed students, broke their trust and led to unexpectedly high levels of student debt," said Richard Cordray, chief operating officer for Federal Student Aid, an office in the Education Department. "Today, we are holding GCU accountable for its actions, protecting students and taxpayers, and upholding the integrity of the federal student aid programs."

The Biden administration is issuing the fine amid a broader push for accountability among U.S. universities. The Education Department recently finalized a new regulation that could cut

federal funding to for-profit college programs that leave graduates unable to repay loans, and the agency plans to give students and families more information about outcomes from all colleges.

Grand Canyon has 20 days to appeal the fine. The department is also adding new conditions the school must meet to continue receiving federal money.

The school will be barred from making "substantial misrepresentations" about the cost of doctoral programs, and if it tell students about the cost of doctoral programs, it must use the average cost paid by graduates.

It also has to report any other investigations or lawsuits, and it must also send a notice to current doctoral students telling them how to submit a complaint to the Education Department.

For the past four years, Grand Canyon has disbursed more federal student aid than any other U.S. institution, the department said.

Earlier this month, Grand Canyon issued

a statement saying federal agencies were unfairly targeting the school with "frivolous accusations" in retaliation for an ongoing lawsuit the university filed against the Education Department in 2021.

Grand Canyon sued after the agency rejected the school's request to be classified as a nonprofit college. It became a for-profit college in 2004 after investors saved it from financial collapse. It applied to become a nonprofit again in 2018 but the Trump administration blocked the move, saying the college remained too close to its previous parent company.

It's considered a nonprofit by its accreditor and the Internal Revenue Service.

Responding to the fine, Grand Canyon said its cost disclosures have been upheld in court during a separate lawsuit, and by the school's accreditor. It said the fine is part of a "disturbing pattern" by the Education Department, adding that the agency declined a request to address the issue through a federal

mediator.

"This speaks volumes about their agenda-driven motivation to bring harm to the university and the coordinated efforts being taken against GCU," the school said.

The university enrolls roughly 20,000 students at its campus in Phoenix, but most of its overall enrollment comes from students who take online classes from outside Arizona. It enrolled 80,000 students in online programs as of 2021, with a roughly even split between undergrad and graduate programs.

The fine was applauded by groups that advocate for student loan borrowers.

"When colleges lie to students, it costs them time and money they'll never get back," said Aaron Ament, president of the group Student Defense. "We're glad to see the Department of Education take action to prevent graduate schools from misleading students about the costs of their programs, and we hope they will continue to crack down on these types of predatory schemes."

More states are teaching financial literacy

By JACKIE VALLEY
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Inside a high school classroom, Bryan Martinez jots down several purchases that would require a short-term savings plan: shoes, phone, headphones, clothes, and food.

His medium-term financial goals take a little more thought, but he settles on a car — he doesn't have one yet — and vacations. Peering way into his future, the 18-year-old also imagines saving money to buy a house, start his own business, retire, and perhaps provide any children with a college fund.

Martinez's friend next to him writes a different long-term goal: Buy a private jet.

"You have to be a millionaire to save up for that," Martinez says with a chuckle.

Call it a reality check or an introduction to a critical life skill, this exercise occurred in a course called Advanced Algebra with Financial Applications. The elective math class has been a mainstay in Capital City Public Charter School's offerings for more than a decade, giving students a foundation in money management while they hone math skills. Conversations about credit, investments, and loans, for instance, intersect with lessons on compound interest, matrices, and exponential equations.

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The Education Reporting Collaborative, a coalition of eight newsrooms, is documenting the math crisis facing schools and highlighting progress. Members of the Collaborative are AL.com, The Associated Press, The Christian Science Monitor, The Dallas Morning News, The Hechinger Report, Idaho Education News, The Post and Courier in South Carolina, and The Seattle Times.

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The Washington, D.C., charter school may be a front-runner in providing financial education, but in recent years, many others have followed suit. Since 2020, nine U.S. states have adopted laws or policies requiring personal finance education before students graduate from high school, bringing the total number to 30 states, according to the Council for Economic Education.

The surge comes as educators are scrambling to bolster students' math skills, which plummeted during the pandemic and haven't fully recovered. At the same time, a general dislike for math remains an obstacle among young people.

But do topics like high interest rates translate to higher interest among students? Tonica Tatum-Gormes, who teaches the course, says yes. She attributes better student engagement to them seeing the connection between

math and their future financial well-being.

Students begin to understand that "yes, I need to learn decimals, and I need to learn fractions, and I need to learn percentages because I have to manage my money and I have to take out a loan," Tatum-Gormes says.

Advocates say personal finance courses could pay dividends if students learn how to make wiser money decisions and avoid financial hazards. In the process, they may also develop an interest in math because of its practical applications.

The K-12 standards for personal finance education, as recommended by the Council for Economic Education, include topics such as earning income, budgeting, saving, investing, and managing credit and financial risk. Experts say it's a course that doesn't necessarily have to be taught by a traditional math teacher.

"The more math you add to financial literacy, frankly, the better it is," says Annamaria Lusardi, founder and academic director of the Global Financial Literacy Excellence Center. "In many cases, to make a decision, you have to do calculations, so I think math is a very powerful tool. ... Having said that, financial literacy is more than math."

Idaho is one of the states where a new financial literacy curriculum is hitting

classrooms. The state Legislature this year approved the course as a graduation requirement.

The new course will give students the chance to apply skills from their algebra, calculus, and economics classes to their real lives — computing their future student loans, rent payments, and income requirements.

"This was such a priority out of the gate because I heard from so many people during the campaign last year that our young people weren't prepared with the basic financial skills they need to succeed in life," says Debbie Critchfield, Idaho's state superintendent of public instruction, who spearheaded the effort.

Experts say the subprime mortgage crisis that helped spark the Great Recession in 2007, followed by pandemic economic uncertainty and today's inflationary period, may have heightened Americans' desire for a solid financial understanding. Less than a quarter, or 24%, of millennials demonstrate basic financial literacy, according to the Council for Economic Education.

Advocates say that left untaught, teens and young adults may turn to questionable sources, such as TikTok or YouTube videos. Plus, children whose parents aren't financially savvy can't rely on learning at home, making it an

equity issue.

In 2020, the NAACP issued a resolution calling for more financial literacy programs in K-12 schools.

In schools with predominantly Black and Hispanic student populations where there are no state-mandated requirements, only 7% of students have guaranteed access to at least a semester-long personal finance course. That figure rises to 14.2% for schools with less than a quarter of students identifying as Black or Hispanic, according to an analysis by Next Gen Personal Finance, a nonprofit that advocates for financial literacy education.

The equity consideration has been a driving force behind the financial literacy course at Capital City Public Charter School, which serves a student body that is 64% Latino and 25% Black.

"It's an empowering course," says Laina Cox, head of the school. "I think it gives our young people the language that they need and the voice when they're in certain rooms and at certain tables."

In Tatum-Gormes' classroom, the conversation about savings goals turns into a math problem on the whiteboard. She's asking students to calculate how much someone would need to save to create an emergency fund covering three months' worth of expenses.

JASPER SWEEPS OWN TOURNEY TITLES

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JASPER — The Jasper Junior High teams made it a complete sweep Saturday evening, winning both championship games of the Jasper Junior High Tournament.

Junior Boys

The Junior Pirates edged the Ozark Mountain Junior Bears 33-30 in the boys' title game.

Jasper jumped out to an 11-3 lead after one quarter and took a 20-10 advantage into halftime. Ozark Mountain cut the gap to 24-19 after three quarters.

Jase Willis led Jasper with 10 points, Tate Smith and Aaron Thomas each scored seven, Jayce Rylee had six and Grady Hankins added three.

Donnie Flud led Ozark Mountain with 11 points, Logan Sisco scored seven points, Sammie Riddell tallied six while Ben Trammell and Bently

Middleton each scored three.

The Junior Lady Pirates overcame a half-time deficit to post a 42-39 win in the girls' title game.

Ozark Mountain bolted to a 12-4 lead after one quarter and was up 16-13 at the half. Jasper scored 15 points in the third quarter to take a 28-25 lead going into the fourth quarter.

In the semifinals played last Thursday, Jasper defeated Alpena 40-33 and Ozark Mountain knocked off Valley Springs 51-29.

After Alpena led 7-6 at the end of the first quarter, Jasper relied for a 17-11 halftime lead and was up 27-23 after three quarters.

Rylee led Jasper with 15 points, Grady Hankins scored eight, Thomas had six, Kolby Middleton netted five, Willis tallied four and Smith added two.

Brody Berry and Alex Ragland each scored

13 to lead Alpena while Kaden Moore added seven.

Ozark Mountain led Valley Springs 13-7 after one quarter, 21-11 at the half and 38-20 after three quarters.

Sisco and Flud each had 12 points to lead Ozark Mountain. Riddell scored 11, Trammell netted seven, Tayte Jackson had four, Middleton chipped in three and Eli Morris added two.

Sawyer Hartman led Valley Springs with nine, Damien Derosier netted eight, Jhett Melton tallied five while Colter Cantrell and Ayden Holt each scored four.

In quarterfinal play earlier last week, Jasper defeated Omaha 51-29 and Ozark Mountain defeated Deer 58-26.

Willis led Jasper with 18 points, Smith tallied 11, Hankins scored nine, Rylee netted six, Thomas chipped in four, Gio Ramirez chipped in two and Owen Luneau added one.

Brett Arnold led Omaha with 18 points, Blake McAlister and Aiden Williams each had four, Tyler Liggett chipped in two and Winchester Edwards added one.

Riddell led Ozark Mountain with 15 points, Middleton tallied 12, Flud bettered 11, Trammell scored eight, Sisco had seven, while Jackson, Morris and Gage Kleinart each added two.

Dillon Young led Deer with 14 points, Ayden Burdine had six while Marcus Casey, Clay Burdine and Nicholas Villa-no each added two.

Junior Girls

Kylee Carlton led Jasper with 16 points, Camber Shrum tallied 11, Delaney Redell netted eight, Emmy Denniston chipped in three while, Rylea Martin, Abby Daniels and Kinley Stephens each added two.

Mahaley Gilmore led Ozark Mountain with 17 points, Hannah Wheeler scored nine, Maci Brum-

ley tallied six, Jayden Applegate netted five and Brilee Keymer added two.

In the semifinals last Thursday, Jasper edged Alpena 27-24 and Ozark Mountain downed Valley Springs 43-34.

Jasper led 9-5 after one quarter, 11-10 at the half and 20-19 after three quarters.

Carlton led Jasper with 11 points, Denniston had six, Redell and Shrum each scored four and Martin added two.

Emily Wray led Alpena with eight points, Candice Moore scored six, Ashlyn Matthews had five Addie Bryant tallied three while Talia Hilton and Gracie Popejoy each added one.

Ozark Mountain led Valley Springs 14-12 after one quarter, 24-18 at the half and 35-19 after three quarters.

Gilmore led Ozark Mountain with 19 points, Applegate tallied 14, Wheeler had eight and Brumley added two.

Blair Kendall led Valley Springs with 10 points, Jada Wray netted eight, Olivia Keeter tallied six, Jaylen Thrash chipped in five, Katie Riggins had three and Kinley Moore added two.

In the quarterfinals earlier last week, Jasper handled Cotter, 35-19, and Valley Springs knocked off Omaha, 49-17.

Carlton led Jasper with 19 points, Shrum had eight, Redell tallied six and Martin added two.

Keeter led Valley Springs with 14 points, Kendall had nine, Brett Tharp had seven, Moore tallied six, Riggins netted four, Wray and Sophie Smith each had three, Reece Williams chipped in two and Landrie Jones added one.

Kadien Gilbert led Omaha with nine points, Kayla Hamilton scored five, Adi Blocker tallied two and Brooklyn Stone added one.

Alpena seniors get first win on the road over Life Way Christian

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The Alpena Senior High teams picked up their first victories of the young season back on Oct. 20, as they swept Life Way Christian on the road. However, Alpena split the junior high games.

Then on Tuesday, Oct. 24, the Alpena junior girls defeated Flippin while the other three teams suffered a home loss

Senior Boys

The Leopards defeated the Warriors 50-38. Alpena led 13-7 after one

quarter, 23-16 at the half and 35-28 after three quarters.

Keaton Toliver led the Leopards with 26 points, DJ Evans tallied 17, Slade Harp had four points and Hayden Jones added three.

The Leopards then fell 50-28 to the Flippin Bobcats last Tuesday. Flippin led 14-9 after one quarter, 23-21 at the half and 37-25 after three quarters.

Toliver led Alpena with 12 points, Evans six, Dylan Adams netted five. Jones had four and Harp added two

Senior Girls

The Lady Leopards rolled to a 56-22 mercy-rule victory. Alpena led 14-3 after one quarter, 30-11 at the half and 41-15 after three quarters.

Laini Block led the Lady Leopards with 15 points, Cassidy Ohler tallied 12, Crandall Eppes netted 10, Rhonnie Jetton and Yaiza Gonzalez each scored seven and Bryanna McNair added five.

Then on Tuesday, the Lady Leopards fell 60-53 to the Flippin Lady Bobcats who led 13-12 after one quarter before Alpena led 25-22 at the half. Flippin then led 47-42 after three quarters.

Ohler poured in 22 points to lead the Lady Leopards. Block tallied 11, Gonzalez netted six, Eppes and McNair each scored five and Jetton added four.

Junior Boys

The Junior Leopards fell 33-26 to the Junior Warriors. Life Way led 17-11 after one quarter, 24-16 at the half and 28-22 after three quarters.

Alex Ragland led Alpena with 10 points Donovan Berry scored eight while Brodie Berry and Kaden Moore each had four points.

Against Flippin, the

Junior Leopards fell 48-33. Flippin led 16-6 after one quarter, 25-20 at the half and 40-25 after three quarters.

Ragland 10 and Donovan Berry each scored 10 points to lead Alpena. Dalton Lair scored three while Moore, David Tumbelson, Jett Jenkins, Brodie Berry and Evan Rhinehart each added two.

Junior Girls

The Junior Lady Leopards defeated the Junior Lady Warriors 41-28. Alpena trailed 9-8 after one quarter, then led 22-19 at the half and 31-24 after

three quarters.

Emmy Wray led Alpena with 14 point, Candice Moore tallied 10, Talia Hilton and Ashlynn Matthews each scored seven and Addi Bryant added three.

Then on Tuesday, the Junior Lady Leopards pounded the Flippin Junior Lady Bobcats 54-19. Alpena led 15-4 after a quarter, 33-8 at the half and 54-16 after three quarters.

Matthews led Alpena with 18 points, Bryant scored 15, Hilton and Wray each tallied seven, Blair Eppes had four and Moore added three.

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HOGS

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said one could tell Guiton played quarterback even when coaching the wide receivers. “Definitely,” Armstrong said. “You know, when we were in meetings, the way he describes certain zones and certain defenses, you just know that he knows defenses inside-out. He points out a stud, or what side the nickel is going to play on. Things like that. He just knows exactly what he’s talking about. You can tell he played quarterback at a high level.”

Since the Hogs have never won at The Swamp what would it mean to this group to get it done?

“It would go down in history,” Jefferson said. “I mean, it would be fun. I feel like that would bring some excitement and pride back into the building. And for the state as well. My teammates and myself, we need that spark and that pride. Just being able to go into a hostile environment like Florida and be able to come away victorious would be a big deal.”

Jefferson also talked about the bye week after eight weeks of playing games. “It’s always good to have an open week to get guys back healthy and get a start on your opponent and get some things to work in, as far as plays, practice different plays and see if you ... the plays that are going to benefit us on Saturday,”

Jefferson said. “So it’s always a great advantage to be able to have a bye week and then roll into the next week and have an opponent to play. So we’re looking forward to it.”

Pittman said the Hogs have eliminated 35% of the playbook. Jefferson certainly gives his approval to that. “It’s just been a positive,” Jefferson said. “I mean, guys don’t have to think as much. Guys can be confident in the games that we are calling. Calling plays that we are good at or we had success on and try to get guys to play faster and play more confidently rather than thinking a lot, playing slower, and scared to make a mistake, so the plan has been good so far. We cut down, trimmed

down on some of the playbook so some of the guys can play faster and just move forward and be able to play confident.”

Arkansas also will cut back on the number of dropbacks they were doing under Enos. “The game plan we have, we want to make sure that I’m comfortable with the game plan that we have,” Jefferson said. “Just building up, the main thing is make sure that everybody else is comfortable with what we got practicing on. What we’re building on. What we are watching film on. It’s a all-around team effort. It’s a unit thing. Whatever game plan we might be and the look that they give us, we’re going to take full advantage of it. I don’t want to say too much.”

Derek Kief, who played at Alabama, has taken over the wide receivers with Guiton moving to quarterbacks. Armstrong likes the moves. “I’m really happy for both of them,” Armstrong said. “Coach Kief coming up and being the wide receiver’s coach and Coach Guiton becoming the OC. That’s a life-changing thing for both of them. I’m really happy for them, and I know they’re grateful for the opportunity as well. It’s still the same. We still go through our receiver drills. Just making sure that... Nothing was lost as much, you know.”

Arkansas and Florida will kickoff at 11 a.m. on Saturday and televised on ESPN2.

SPOTLIGHT

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Other games that bear watching are No. 10 Oklahoma, coming off its upset loss at Kansas, at surging Oklahoma State; Texas A&M at No. 10 Mississippi; and No. 12 Notre Dame at Clemson.

BEST GAME

No. 14 Missouri (7-1, 3-1 SEC) at No. 1 Georgia (8-0, 5-0), Saturday, 3:30 p.m. ET (CBS)

The Tigers are off to their best start since 2013 and have their highest ranking since 2014. QB Brady Cook is third in the SEC in passing efficiency, just ahead of Georgia’s Carson Beck, and Tigers WR Luther Burden leads the conference

in receptions.

The Bulldogs have raised their level of play since closer-than-expected September wins over South Carolina and Auburn, and the return of WR Ladd McConkey from injury the past month has cushioned the blow of losing star TE Brock Bowers.

HEISMAN WATCH

Oklahoma State RB Ollie Gordon II is making a late run after becoming the Cowboys’ first player since 1988 Heisman Trophy winner Barry Sanders to post back-to-back games with 250 yards rushing.

Gordon has moved to the top of the national rushing chart, at 135.9 yards per game. His average is 214.3 over the Cowboys’ current four-game win streak.

The sophomore from Fort Worth, Texas, gets his biggest stage of the season Saturday when No. 10 Oklahoma visits for the final Bedlam Series game before the Sooners move to the Southeastern Conference.

NUMBERS TO KNOW

3 — Southern California’s nation-high number of wins when allowing the opponent 40-plus points. Only 10 other teams have won — once — when the opponent has scored as many points.

5 — Boston College’s win streak if it beats Syracuse. It would be the Eagles’ longest since 2010.

13 — Total second-half points allowed by Buffalo in five MAC games.

29 — Consecutive games Tulane has not allowed a 100-yard rusher.

72 — Boise State running back Ashton Jeanty’s nation-high number of broken tackles, an average of nine per game.

UNDER THE RADAR

No. 23 James Madison (8-0, 5-0 Sun Belt) at Georgia State (6-2, 3-2), Saturday, 3:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)

The Dukes would clear a major obstacle in their bid for a perfect season if they can win on the road against the upstart Panthers.

Key matchup: Georgia State’s Marcus Carroll vs. JMU’s run defense. Carroll is the second-leading rusher in the country with 132.5 yards per game.

JMU is allowing 48.9 per game and 1.58 per carry, both best-in-the-nation marks.

HOTSEAT

San Diego State is trending in the wrong direction under Brady Hoke. The Aztecs went from 12-2 and an appearance in the Mountain West championship game in 2021 to 7-6 last season and now 3-5 with losses in five of their last six games.

Hoke is 26-17 in his second stint at SDSU but 3-7 in his last 10 entering Saturday’s home game against Utah State. The Aztecs are coming off a 6-0 loss to a two-win Nevada, the first time they’ve been shut out since 2018. Hoke’s contract runs through June 2027. He would be owed \$5 million if fired this year.

RAIDERS

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The team will conduct searches for replacements for McDaniels and Ziegler after the season.

McDaniels was the Raiders’ play caller, so offensive coordinator Mick Lombardi might take over those duties.

Davis had hoped to bring the New England’s success westward when he hired McDaniels, the longtime Patriots offensive coordinator. Ziegler worked in New England’s front office, and between the former teammates at John Carroll University, they transformed the Raiders into Patriots West by signing several players with ties to that organization.

But despite taking over a team that made the playoffs in 2021 before losing to the Cincinnati Ben-

gals in the wild-card round, the never Davis so badly wanted never made its way to Las Vegas.

The Raiders under McDaniels went 6-11 in 2022 and are 3-5 so far this season for a .360 winning percentage. His record at Denver was 11-17 (.393 percentage).

Even so, Davis has stood by McDaniels, and the timing of this dismissal is surprising. McDaniels met with the media early Tuesday afternoon and was scheduled for another news conference Wednesday morning to discuss facing the Giants.

But McDaniels had some things working against him. The Raiders have failed to score at least 20 points in eight of their past nine games dating to last season, and offense is his specialty. The one game Las Vegas reached that figure came because of a fourth-quarter safety in a 21-17 victory over the Patri-

ots on Oct. 15.

Perhaps just as damaging was the public displeasure some of his players have shown. Star wide receiver Davante Adams, in particular, has been vocal since the offseason about his concerns regarding the direction of the franchise. Running back Josh Jacobs when asked after Monday night’s loss to the Detroit Lions about what might spark the offense, said, “I don’t know, that ain’t my job.”

McDaniels was hired following the 2021 season when Davis opted not to keep interim coach Rich Bisaccia on for the full-time job even after he led the team to a surprising playoff run.

McDaniels and Ziegler were aggressive in their first offseason, trading first and second-round picks for Adams, giving a big free agent contract to defensive end Chandler Jones

and extending the contracts of Derek Carr, Maxx Crosby, Darren Waller and Hunter Renfrow.

But those moves didn’t lead to positive results on the field as McDaniels never was able to build the high-powered offense Davis expected when he hired him and struggled to win games.

The Raiders lost a record-tying five games after taking double-digit leads, including blowing a 20-0 halftime lead in his home debut against Arizona for the biggest collapse in franchise history. Las Vegas lost to Indianapolis in the Colts’ first game with Jeff Saturday as interim coach after he had never coached above high school level and then lost to Baker Mayfield and the Rams two days after Mayfield joined his new team.

McDaniels benched Carr late last season and eventually cut

him in the offseason, giving the Raiders no return for a starting quarterback who ended up getting a \$150 million contract from New Orleans.

McDaniels brought in his former pupil in New England, Jimmy Garoppolo, as the new starting quarterback and the offense severely regressed, becoming the first team since 2009 to score less than 20 points on offense in each of the first eight games of the season.

The last two weeks were particularly humbling as Las Vegas lost 30-12 to Chicago and undrafted rookie former Division II quarterback Tyson Bagent and then looked completely inept in a 26-14 loss at Detroit on Monday night.

McDaniels finished his tenure with the third-worst record of any Raiders coach with at least 25 games.

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Rangers slugger García; pitcher Scherzer to miss rest of WS

By RONALD BLUM
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PHOENIX — Texas Rangers slugger Adolis García and pitcher Max Scherzer will miss the rest of the World Series after getting hurt in Game 3 against the Arizona Diamondbacks.

García, the AL Championship Series MVP, has a moderate strain of his left oblique. Scherzer, who had been in line to pitch a possible Game 7, has a muscle spasm on the right side of his back.

They were replaced on the active roster by infielder/outfielder Ezequiel Durán and left-hander Brock Burke before the Rangers won 11-7 on Tuesday night to take a 3-1 World Series lead.

"They've worked their entire lives to be on this stage and be in this mo-

ment and they've both suffered injuries that are going to take them out of that," Rangers general manager Chris Young said. "I have great empathy for them in terms of that."

García grabbed his left side while coming out of the batter's box on his flyout against Luis Frías in the eighth inning Monday.

"Adolis did everything he could today," Young said. "He came in, was the first guy in today. He got as much treatment as possible. He went down to the cage and gave it a go, and it was very clear he was in pain. It's not something that's going to get any better over the next five to seven days. I think it would be a more significant timeline if this were the regular season. Made the decision pretty easy."

García hit .323 in the postseason with eight homers and a major league-record 22 RBIs, one more than David Freese had for the 2011 St. Louis Cardinals. García was 3 for 10 in the World Series with two RBIs, including an 11th-inning home run off Miguel Castro that gave Texas a 6-5 win in Friday's opener. He also threw out Christian Walker at the plate from right field in Game 3.

The two-time All-Star batted .357 with five homers and 15 RBIs in the ALCS against Houston, a big league record for RBIs in one postseason series. He homered in five straight games, tied for the second-longest streak in postseason history, before going 0 for 3 with a walk in Game 2 of the World Series.

Travis Jankowski started in right field and was in the No. 9 slot in the batting order. He singled and scored in the second and hit a two-run double in the third in his first Series at-bats.

Jankowski hit .263 with one homer and 30 RBIs in his first season with the Rangers.

"Travis has had a really nice year for us in his role," manager Bruce Bochy said. "Got pressed into a starting role there for a while when we had our injuries and really picked us up when we needed it. Solid all around. Smart player. Good defender. Speed. He's a guy that can handle the bat. He can bunt. He does a good job putting the ball in play."

Mitch Garver moved from fifth to third in the order, where García had been. Josh Jung moved from eighth to fifth, and Nathaniel Lowe moved from seventh to sixth, flipping with Jung. Leo- dy Taveras moved up to

eighth.

Durán last played on Sept. 29. Burke, appearing for the first time since Game 2 of the Division Series on Oct. 8, was charged with three runs in the eighth.

Scherzer left Game 3 after three innings. Asked after the game whether he was taking a muscle relaxant or something stronger, Scherzer responded: "All of the above."

"He received a full day of treatment and there was no progress," Young said. "Our medical team has extreme concern in terms of his ability to re-cover over the next few days."

Acquired from the New York Mets on July 30, Scherzer strained a muscle in his right shoulder on Sept. 12 and returned to make two starts in the ALCS against Houston, going 0-1 with a 9.45 ERA. He allowed five runs over four innings and took the loss in Game 3, then gave up two runs over 2 2/3 innings in a

no-decision in Game 7.

He was pitching Monday with a cut on his right thumb covered with cotton and Super Glue, what he termed Sunday as "a little arts and crafts in the training room."

Scherzer is 1-0 with a 3.72 ERA in four World Series starts, getting a no-decision for Detroit against San Francisco in Game 4 in 2012, winning the 2019 opener for Washington at Houston and getting a no-decision in the Game 7 win that year after getting scratched from a scheduled Game 5 start because of an irritated nerve near his neck.

"He's honest, he's open and he's authentic," Young said. "He gives us as much information as he possibly can provide, and wants us to make the best decision. But he doesn't fight once the decision's made. He understands that we try to do what's best for the team. He understood completely."

SEAGER

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hotel at 10 a.m. About two dozen children were in costume, with Jankowski's two sons and daughter dressed as a falcon, Spider-Man and Bingo from "Blue-ey."

"I'm sure they're all sugared up now, which is great," Jankowski said after the game, breaking into a wide smile.

LATE SURGE

Lourdes Gurriel Jr. hit a sacrifice fly in the fourth for Arizona and a three-run homer in the eighth against Chris Stratton. Tommy

Pham had a sacrifice fly in the eighth, and Gabriel Moreno delivered a two-run single in the ninth.

STREAKING

Arizona's Ketel Marte had two hits, extending his record postseason hitting streak to 20 games.

TRAINER'S ROOM

García (left oblique) and Scherzer (back spasm) were removed from the Texas roster a day after getting hurt. INF/OF Ezequiel Durán and LHP Brock Burke were added, and Burke was charged with three runs in the eighth. ... Seager appeared to twist one or both ankles

on his home run swing. He was removed for for a pinch runner after doubling in the ninth and said he was fine. ... Rangers rookie Evan Carter was hit on the right pinkie by a pitch in the ninth.

UP NEXT

Eovaldi is 4-0 with a 3.53 ERA in five starts this postseason. He left with a 5-3 deficit in Friday's opener, allowing five runs and six hits over 4 2/3 innings.

Gallen gave up three runs and four hits over five innings in the opener and is 2-2 with a 5.27 ERA in five postseason starts, yielding six homers in 27 1/3 in-

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