

First Quarter 2024

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News



A Beaver Creek Township snowblower chips away at a wall of snow to widen a path for rural traffic on 131st in western Rock County following yet another blizzard in the 2022-23 winter season. (Date of Publication: March 2, 2023)

LORI SORENSON,
ROCK COUNTY STAR HERALD,
LIVERNE, MINNESOTA



SIERRA BRUGGEMAN, FERDINAND (INDIANA) NEWS

Students ended the day soaking their Principal, Mrs. Winkler, in celebration of passing their \$10,000 fund- raising goal. How much did they raise? A whopping \$11,133.61! Way to go, Ferdinand Elementary! (Date of publication: May 4, 2023)



ANDY SHARP, WILLIAMSON COUNTY SUN, SUNDAY SUN, GEORGETOWN, TEXAS

Clark Thurmond and Linda Scarbrough, publishers of the Williamson County Sun, pose for a portrait near their presses on Thursday, May 4, 2023. (Date of publication: Sept. 27, 2023) [Editor's note: Thurman and Scarbough were honored at the Cattleman's Ball this year.]



SEMANTHA RAQUEL NORRIS, SAN FERNANDO (CALIFORNIA) VALLEY SUN/EL SOL

David Urzua's mic was cut when his two minutes for commentary ended at the San Fernando City Council meeting on Nov. 8. The meeting was contentious with conservative parents debating younger queer-friendly youth about the future of San Fernando public programming. (Date of publication: Nov. 9, 2023)



JACOB KESSLER, THE VILLAGE REPORTER, MONTPELIER, OHIO

TAKE OFF — An F-16 takes off from the Ohio National Guard’s 180th Fighter Wing to participate in base exercises. (Date of publication: Sept. 13, 2023)





SIERRA BRUGGEMAN, FERDINAND (INDIANA) NEWS

Abigail Scherzer, age 4, was excited as Santa joined the Tour of Trees and she gave him a big hug! (Date of publication: Dec. 21, 2023)



RANA JONES, KEMMERER (WYOMING) GAZETTE

Mikiko Munesada kneels at her great-grandfather's grave at South Lincoln Cemetery in Kemmerer after seeing it for the first time on Saturday, Sept. 2. Munesada traveled from Hiroshima, Japan, to visit the gravesite. (Date of publication: Sept. 12, 2023)



ANDY SHARP, WILLIAMSON COUNTY SUN, SUNDAY SUN, GEORGETOWN, TEXAS

Families enjoy a midway ride on Wednesday, October 25, the opening day of the Williamson County Fair and Rodeo, held at the Williamson County Expo Center through October 28. (Date of publication: Oct. 29, 2023)





SEMANTHA RAQUEL NORRIS, SAN FERNANDO (CALIFORNIA) VALLEY SUN/EL SOL

Ballet Folklórico Ollin performs at the unveiling and ringing of the Mexican Liberty Bell replica in the City of San Fernando on Sept. 16. (Date of publication: Sept. 20, 2023)



ANTJEA WOLFF, WASHINGTON (MISSOURI) MISSOURIAN

SMILES FOR SLUSHIES - Tasha Schuetz, owner of Serendipity Slush Co., dispenses a strawberry frosé slush Nov. 20. Serendipity Slush Co. Schuetz is opening an adult frozen cocktail bar in downtown Washington. (Date of publication: Nov. 22, 2023)



REED ANFINSON, SWIFT COUNTY MONITOR-NEWS, BENSON, MINNESOTA

Cinderella, played by Maylu Pena, leaps through the air during The Continental Ballet company's performance of the classic story made famous by Disney. The ballet took place Sunday at the Benson High School Performing Arts Center. (Date of publication: Oct. 26, 2023)



DON COGGER, KEMMERER (WYOMING) GAZETTE

Bullfighter Cooper Erickson stares down 1,500 pounds of agitated beef during Saturday's Cokeville Pioneer Day Rodeo, presented by the Cokeville Stock and Saddle Club. The event featured mutton bustin', a chicken chase, team roping, barrel racing and, of course, bronc and bull riding. For more photos and a recap, see next week's Gazette. (Date of publication: July 25, 2023)



BILL STICKELS II, ISANTI-CHISAGO COUNTY STAR, CAMBRIDGE, MINNESOTA

LLAMA LOVE — Ayvah Graves, age 10, snuggles up to Bob the llama for a selfie during the Cambridge Baptist Church's Fall Carnival held on Saturday, Nov. 11. Attendees of the free event were able to pet, feed, and walk the llamas around the parking lot. There were also free horse rides, plus other activities inside the church. (Date of publication: Nov. 16, 2023)



JACOB KESSLER, THE VILLAGE REPORTER, MONTPELIER, OHIO

EAVESDROP — Miss Scarlet (Emma Schlade), Mr. Green (Jaden Kaulen), Mrs. Peacock (Teagan Grimes), and Professor Plum (Brenton Wheeler) try to listen in on the conversation taking place on the other side of the door. Colonel Mustard (Ryan Spiess) also tries to listen in, albeit less successfully. (Date of publication: Sept. 13, 2023)



CATHI UTLEY, HERMANN (MISSOURI) ADVERTISER-COURIER

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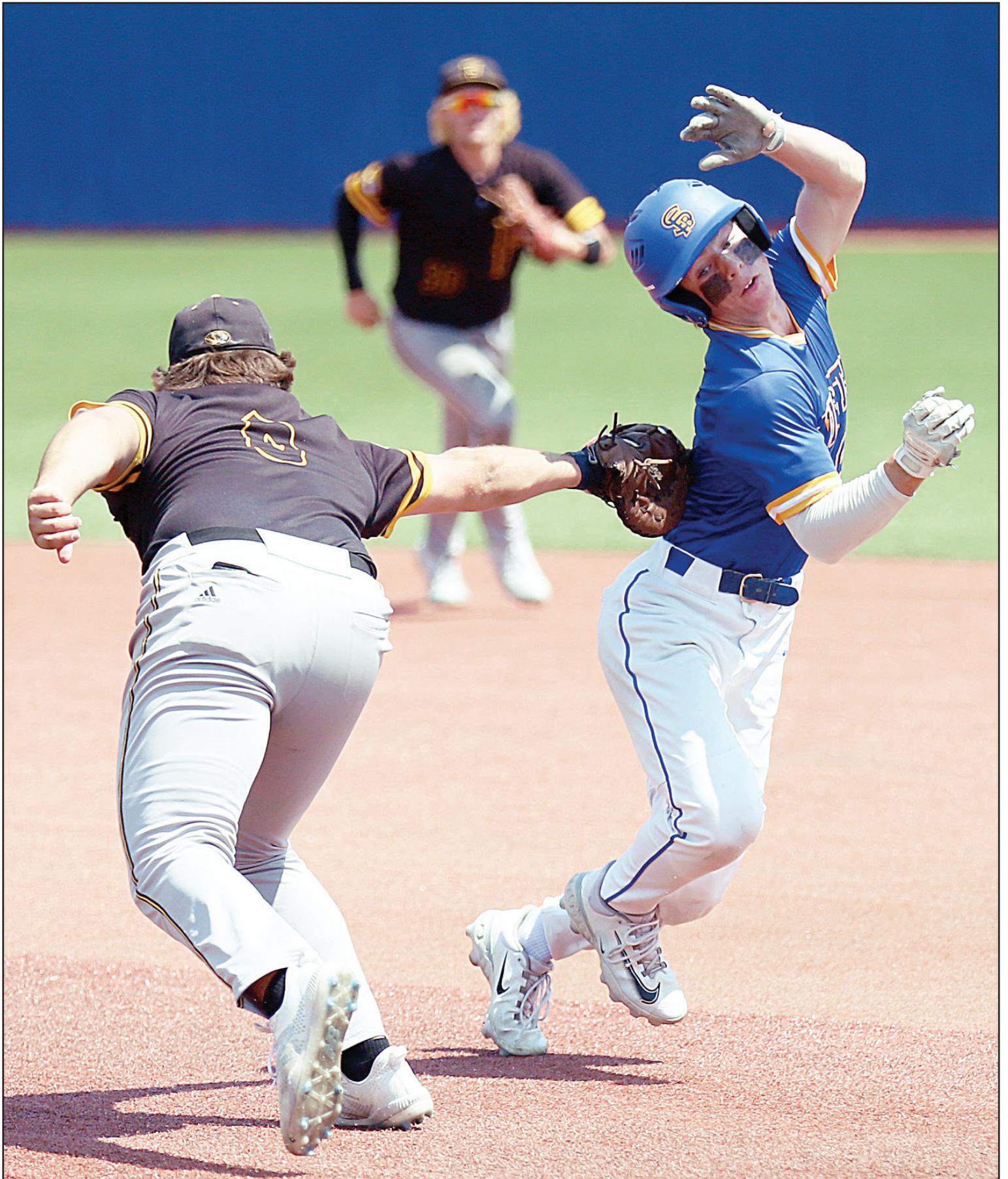
SIERRA BRUGGEMAN, FERDINAND (INDIANA) NEWS

Forest Park's Danielle Eckert tries to protect the ball during the Lady Rangers' Class 2A Regional championship game battle with Brownstown Central last Saturday. The Lady Rangers defeated the Braves 45-38. (Date of publication: Feb. 14, 2023)



BILL BATTLE, WASHINGTON (MISSOURI) MISSOURIAN

Air Ballou — Union senior Briseyda Ballou gets over Smithville's Alayna Edwards while going for the ball during the second half of Friday's Class 3 semifinal match at World Wide Technology Soccer Park in Fenton. Union led at the half, 2-1, but Smithville came back to win the game, 3-2. Union fell Saturday in the third-place match to Ursuline Academy, 4-0. (Date of publication: June 7, 2023)



ARRON HUSTEAD, WASHINGTON (MISSOURI) MISSOURIAN

Picked off — Borgia baserunner Tyler Kromer (right) tries to avoid the tag from Festus first baseman Ian Brown Saturday during the Class 5 championship game at Sky Bacon Stadium in Ozark. Festus won the state title, defeating the Knights, 8-1. (Date of publication: June 7, 2023)



RON SCHOTT WRIGHT COUNTY JOURNAL , MOUNTAIN GROVE, MISSOURI

Mountain Grove's Kailyn Wake receives the first place plaque from the Fordland Invitational as her teammates celebrate after the big win over a Lady Eagles' team that was one win from the Final Four a year ago. (Date of publication: Dec. 6, 2023)



RICHARD KAER, SAN JUAN RECORD, MONTICELLO, UTAH

San Juan running back Zack Conway tucks the ball inside the pylon for one of his two rushing touchdowns in the 2A state semifinals Saturday, November 4 in Herriman. The Broncos dominated the Summit Academy Bears 51-0, advancing to the championship game for the third straight season. They'll take on South Summit this Saturday at 4 p.m. at Southern Utah University in Cedar City. (Date of publication: Nov. 8, 2023)



DON COGGER, KEMMERER (WYOMING) GAZETTE

Kemmerer Little League All-Stars catcher Harrison Hartmann collides with third baseman Wren Parks, as the two chase down a foul ball during a game at the Bear Lake Tournament Friday in Montpelier, Idaho. Parks — who got the worst of the exchange — showed he was tougher than a bag of hammers by playing the rest of the tournament. (Date of publication: July 18, 2023)



JACOB KESSLER, THE VILLAGE REPORTER, MONTPELIER, OHIO

LEAPING SAVE — Evergreen freshman goalkeeper Alex Mossing comes down after making a save during the Vikings district semifinal win over Lake. (Date of publication: November 1, 2023)



RICH HARDING, THE VILLAGE REPORTER, MONTEPELIER, OHIO

ACROBATIC CATCH — Edgerton wide receiver Scottie Krontz goes up to catch a pass over the top of two Hilltop defensive backs. (Date of publication: August 30, 2023)

