



Almanac

From Marysville Water Plant
Read at 8 a.m. for previous
24 hours

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23
76 | 60

THURSDAY, SEPT. 24
70 | 60

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25
67 | 60 | 1.01 inch precipitation

SATURDAY, SEPT. 26
76 | 63 | .32 inch precipitation

SUNDAY, SEPT. 27
82 | 63

MONDAY, SEPT. 28
79 | 64 | .01 inch precipitation

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29
76 estimate | 68

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30
73 estimate | 65

OCTOBER MOISTURE TO DATE
0.00 of an inch

2026 MOISTURE TO DATE
30.94 inches

NORMAL OCTOBER MOISTURE
2.52 inches

NORMAL ANNUAL MOISTURE
33.60 inches





Chris Pannbacker

REPEAT CHAMPION

Sadie Felty won her third straight title Sept. 26 at the National Pedal Pull Championships in Mitchell, S.D. She finished first in the 6-year-old girls class. Felty was one of three to have a full pull on her first try. A second full pull gave her the title. Forty-three qualified in this division at National Pedal Pullers individual state contests in Ohio, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Oklahoma, Colorado, Wisconsin and Minnesota. About 29 competed Saturday. Felty is the daughter of Jacob and Heather Felty, Marysville. She defended her title as champion at the 2026 Kansas State Fair this season. Also competing Saturday was Ella Bergmann, Beattie, who finished fifth in the 11-year-old girls class with 42 qualifiers. In her fifth year of national competition, Ella has placed fourth, sixth and eighth and was first in 2025. Ella repeated as 2026 Kansas State Fair champion in her division. She is the daughter of Mike and Melinda Bergmann.

Trooper Ben to speak here

Trooper Ben, a retired Kansas Highway Patrolman who has gained popularity as a social media commentator and national speaker, will be in town Tuesday morning to meet with students from Marshall County's high schools at Marysville High School's annual Civic Engagement Day in the MHS auditorium.

Trooper Ben later will speak at a noon Lunch & Learn class for adults at Landoll Lanes.

Trooper Ben Gardner is a 26-year veteran of the Kansas Highway Patrol. He has since become a national speaker, author and founder of the Help More movement, which focuses on public safety, leadership, safe driving and the importance of noticing, caring, listening and acting.

He recently released



Trooper Ben Gardner

his memoir, "Awkward in a Thin Blue Line." It's about growing up feeling out of place, struggling in school, finding his way in the U.S. Army and later in the patrol. Gardner co-wrote the book with Elaine McAllister. Gardner said his message is simple, "Help more, judge less, keep going."

Also on Tuesday's program, Marysville City Council's Youth Advisory Committee will offer ideas on leadership to the student audience.

Marshall County Clerk Sandy Wilson plans to run a mock election for the students, who will have the opportunity to vote on selected Kansas statewide races and local school questions.

Students who are 18 or will be 18 on or before the Nov. 3 general election can register to vote.

Tuesday's Lunch & Learn will be at Landoll Lanes conference center. Doors open at 11:45 a.m. Lunch is \$12. To reserve a seat, people can email Paula Landoll-Smith at paula.landoll@landoll.com or call 785-562-4788.

Vaccination clinics slated in October

Marshall County Health Department has scheduled four outreach clinics in October.

Oct. 6 — 10 to 11:30 a.m., Beattie Fire Station; 2 to 3 p.m., Bremen Fire Station.

Oct. 7 — 9 to 10:30, Axtell American Legion; 11 to 12:30, Summerfield Fire Station.

Oct. 8 — 10:15 to 11:45, Blue Rapids Community Center; 12:30 to 1:45

p.m., Waterville Community Center.

Oct. 13 — 9 to 10:30, Frankfort Nutrition Site; 11 a.m. to noon, Vermillion Community Center.

Adult, adolescent and child vaccines will be offered, including influenza and COVID shots.

For more information, people can call the health department, 785-562-3485.

PUBLIC RECORD

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SHERIFF JAIL ACTIVITY

Chad A. Bargdill, Waterville, was arrested Sept. 26 and booked and bonded the next day on a cash bond.

DISTRICT COURT TRAFFIC

Deanna L. Whalen, Wymore, Neb., entered a three-month diversion agreement for a reckless driving charge. An unlawful vehicle registration charge was dismissed by the state as she provided proof that the vehicle is now lawfully registered. She was assessed \$108 in court costs, a \$200 fee and a \$160 fine.

Tabetha N. Nickelson, Marysville, speeding, \$183.

TRAFFIC COURT ACTION AND TRAFFIC SETTLED

Cinda L. Hughes, Hanover, pleaded no contest to and was found guilty of driving without liability insurance charge. She was sentenced to an underlying 30-day jail term. The sentence was suspended, and she was placed on six months of unsupervised probation. She was assessed \$108 in court costs and a \$200 fine.

Glen E. Michaels, Greenleaf, pleaded guilty to and was found guilty of a driving without liability insurance charge. He was sentenced to an underlying 30-day jail term. The sentence was suspended, and he was placed on six months of unsupervised probation. He was assessed \$108 in court costs and a \$200 fine.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Bob C. Burk and Sheri R. Wagenshutz, both of Marysville.

Elizabeth A. O'Roke, Marysville, and Tristan D. Schmitz, Beattie.

CIVIL FILED

Rocket Mortgage, LLC, v. Bryant M. Jones, Marysville, and Jamie L. Jones, Marysville, and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown executors, administrations, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; and the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability and all other person who are or may be concerned; asking \$170,561 plus interest, costs and the foreclosure of a mortgage.

MT Rental Properties, LLC v. Justin Esslinger and Megan Esslinger, both of Marysville, asking \$21,099, individually and severally, plus interest and costs for property rented at 723 and 721 Broadway, Marysville.

CRIMINAL COURT ACTION

Charges against Travis A. Rock, Beattie, were amended to two counts of aggravated indecent liberties with a child, two counts of sexual exploitation of a child and two counts of breach of privacy

CRIMINAL SETTLED

Kason T. Brown, Frankfort,

pleaded no contest to and was found guilty of theft of property valued at less than \$1,500 and criminal damage to property. A charge of burglary of a storage container located in Frankfort with the intent to commit a theft therein was dismissed on a motion of Assistant Marshall County Attorney Luke S. Sunderland. He was sentenced to an underlying 60-day jail term. The sentence was suspended, and he was placed on 12 months of supervised probation. He was assessed \$158 in court costs, \$105 in fees and \$750 in fines.

In a second case, Kason T. Brown, Frankfort, pleaded no contest to and was found guilty of theft of property valued at less than \$1,500. He was sentenced to an underlying 30-day jail term, concurrent with the case above. The sentence was suspended, and he was placed on 12 months of supervised probation. He was assessed \$158 in court costs, \$105 in fees and a \$500 fine.

Kenneth B. Witt, Marysville, pleaded no contest to and was found guilty of an orally amended charge of domestic battery. A charge of criminal threat was dismissed on a motion of Marshall County Attorney Meghan K. Voracek. He was sentenced to an underlying six-month jail term. The sentence was suspended, and he was placed on six months of supervised probation. He was ordered to complete a drug/alcohol evaluation and follow the recommendations. He was also ordered to complete a batterers intervention assessment and follow the recommendations. He was assessed \$158 in court costs, \$405 in fees, a \$500 fine and attorney fee to be determined.

DIVORCE SETTLED

In Alyssa M. Moore, Bremen, v. Kevin T. Kleinert, Bremen, divorce was granted.

In Megan E. Lamb, Frankfort, v. Jason M. Lamb, Seneca, divorce was granted.

LIMITED CIVIL FILED

Midland Credit Management, Inc. v. Monica Friend, Marysville, asking \$853 plus interest and costs.

LVNV Funding LLV v. Jillian Brandt, Waterville, asking \$3,748 plus interest and costs.

Midland Credit Management, Inc. v. Dottie Smith, Blue Rapids, asking \$645 plus interest and costs.

Citibank, N.A. v. Joseph Y. Salazar, Marysville, asking \$2,415 plus interest and costs.

Community Memorial Healthcare Inc., has filed actions in five cases asking payment plus interest, costs and pre-judgment interest: Beverly Chrisco and Blake Chrisco, \$529, Cecelia Ingram and Jeromy South, \$1,258, Kristina Duran, \$235, Sierra Evans, \$360, Jennifer Musil and Matthew W. Musil, \$768, all of Marysville.

LIMITED CIVIL SETTLED

Credit Management Services, Grand Island, Neb., v. Austin Warnkenbrake, Marysville. Judgment for Credit Management Services of \$1,040 plus interest and costs.

Community Memorial Healthcare Inc. v. James Dishong, Beattie, was dismissed with prejudice on a motion of CMH as full restitution has been received.

Community Memorial Healthcare Inc. v. Richard Gonzalez and Cynthia Gonzalez, Marysville. Judgment for CMH of \$746 plus interest, costs and pre-judgment interest of \$164.

Community HealthCare System, Inc., Onaga, v. Desiderata M. Williams and Bobby Williams, both of Blue Rapids. Judgment for Community HealthCare System of \$6,477 plus interest, costs and pre-judgment interest of \$1,822.

Community HealthCare System, Inc., Onaga, v. Kimberly J. Groves, Marysville. Judgment for Community HealthCare System of \$914 plus interest, costs and pre-judgment interest of \$312.

Community HealthCare System, Inc., Onaga, v. Erin S. Shubkagel, Frankfort. Judgment for Community HealthCare System of \$2,955 plus interest, costs and pre-judgment interest of \$650.

SMALL CLAIMS FILED

Sunflower Community Credit Union v. Damon Scott, Marysville, asking \$4,296 plus interest and costs.

DEEDS

WARRANTY

Miko & Tamala L. Dannels to Mark D. Johnson & Janice A. Johnson Family Trust - \$1.00 & other - NE1/4 15-4-10.

Douglas G. Dannels & Mary Katherine Wheelus to Mark D. Johnson & Janice A. Johnson Family Trust - \$1.00 & other - NE1/4 15-4-10.

James H. Ronnebaum, et al to Anthony Montell - \$1.00 & other - N 69' W1/2 Lot 4 & N 69' Lot 5 & 6, Block 29, Palmetto, Marysville.

Robert Perry et al to Wyatt A. Deters - \$1.00 & other - all Lots 16, 17, 18 & 19, Block 8, South Park Addn., Axtell & ease on pt Lot 20, Block 8.

Lila M. Alferts to Robert B. & Lea E. Alferts, jt. ten - \$1.00 & other - Lots 19, 20, 21 & 22, Block 7, South Park Addn., Axtell, less tract; tract in NW 1/4 NW 1/4 24-2-10.

QUIT CLAIM

Bruce Weyer to David A. & Kathrynne M. Weyer, jt. ten - W 110' Lot 1 & 2 and W 110' N1/2 Lot 3, Block 21, Pomeroy St., RR Addn., Blue Rapids.

Thomas Zarybnicky to Thomas Zarybnicky Trust - \$1.00 & other - NW1/4 5-1-6.

Ellen M. Pralle et al to Wilbur Jueneman Trust No. 1 - \$1.00 & other - S1/2 SW1/4 & SE1/4 15-2-7.

OTHER

Jason A. & Stacy L. Wood to Trustee of Jason & Stacy Wood Trust - E1/2 SE1/4 12-1-8 (transfer on death).

Lynette L. Day & Laurie A. Cameron, Co-Trustees to Two Sisters, LLC - SW1/4 24 & und. 1/2 int. in W1/2 SE1/4 28-1-8.

Michael D. Anderson, Executor to Sandra Marie Eitel - \$1.00 & other - Lot 8 & 9, Block 6, Hazelwood's Addn., Waterville.

Commissioners approve 2027 county budget

By Chris Pannbacker

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Marshall County's 2027 budget, cut to the revenue-neutral rate of 45.003 mills, was approved Monday by a unanimous vote from county commissioners.

A hearing was held Sept. 8 to exceed the revenue neutral rate with a proposed budget funded in part by 48.191 mills for 2027, but that proposal was not allowed because the proposed budget had not been posted on the county's website as

required by state law.

The revenue neutral rate is the tax rate for the current tax year that would generate the same property tax revenue as levied the previous tax year using the current tax year's total assessed valuation.

Deadline to approve a budget is Oct. 1.

The approved budget includes a 5 percent salary increase for elected officials and an additional \$175 a month for all other county employees. The county has approximately 102 employees.

The wage and salary increases will total about \$218,000.

The county commissioners did not take a wage increase. They are paid \$32,218 each year.

The county is expecting significant health insurance premium increases for 2027, but those numbers aren't available yet. County Clerk Sandy Wilson said she used a 20 percent increase in the budget preparation, but exact numbers are

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