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Comin' & Goin' Turner Style



By Sharon Hoover

Jiust found out that the Turner Community Library is holding a Virtual Art Contest, "Nightmares at Turner Community Library. It's been going on for a while, and entries can be submitted until 6pm on October 13. This contest

is for three age groups, and the library is accepting all artforms 2D & 3D digital. The rules are as follows: Artist must enter their own artwork, no copyrighted characters, no AI art, no nudity, one entry per artist, 3D art must have a minimum of two pictures for the piece. All artwork must be submitted with a picture attachment. One piece

of art per picture. Pictures of artwork must be emailed to <u>ogalarza-lopez@kckpl.org</u> by the deadline. More info on kckpl.org.

Turner Community Garden and Turner Community Library are pleased to announce that Fall Fest is back this year. Join us on October 2 from 5pm until 7pm. Free family fun, caricatures, face painting, kettle corn, hot dogs, games and more. 667 S 55th St. KCK.

In the spirit of Halloween, a Turner Community Library craft program for all ages is entitled "Trick R" Eats Bracelet" will be on October 4 at 11am-12pm at the library. Let your inner fashionista take flight in the library's quiet stacks and dusty tomes as you create your own one-of-a- kind bracelet. Designed to impress everyone ... whether the living or the dead. Registration required. kckpl.org.

How is your crocheting? I'm told all I need to know is one type of stitch. The Turner Community

Library's Friday "Crafternoon: Crochet Book Sleeve" is at the Windmill KC at 2pm on October 10. This old lefty is going to give it a try. Join the crew as we create a cool Crochet Book sleeve for all your cute library finds while becoming a master of the granny stitch. You don't need to sign up if you are bringing your own project otherwise registration is required. kckpl.org.

Saturday, October 11, is a big Day in the Turner Community. It's the TURNER DAY celebration. The parade starts at 10am from Turner High School on 55th and ends at 55th & Inland Drive. Make sure to bring your lawn chairs for the adults and plastic bags for the kiddoes to collect the treats along the route. After the parade, join the fun at Steineger field at 5800 Metropolitan (behind the Turner Middle School) and celebrate the 40th Anniversary Turner Days! The theme is: Growing up Turner-ABear's Tale. Enjoy live music, crafts, games, food trucks, and much more. Festivities end at 5pm.

That's it for now. Until next time, stay safe and be kind to those around you.

Stock Market Insights

Markets React as Fed Shifts Policy, Investors Look Ahead

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Markets are entering a new phase following the Federal Reserve's latest decision, which marked a meaningful shift in its fight to balance inflation and economic growth. While the Fed's move to lower rates was widely anticipated, the real story is what happens next—how businesses, consumers, and investors will respond to this new policy direction.

Inflation remains above the central bank's 2% target, but signs of a cooling labor market — slower job creation, rising jobless claims — appear to have convinced policymakers that keeping rates elevated may do more harm than good. The Fed's decision signals a desire to support growth while continuing to monitor price pressures carefully.

For investors, this moment is both an opportunity and a test. Lower rates reduce borrowing costs and can provide a tailwind for risk-based assets, but they also raise the question of whether the economy is slowing more quickly than expected. Markets will now have to sort out whether the Fed acted early enough to engineer a soft landing or whether a period of turbulence lies ahead.

The first leg of this rate-cutting cycle has been a strong one for equities,



Kansas State, Disability Leaders Launch New ABLE **Account Educational Campaign for Foster Youth** KCDD Awards Grant to State Treasurer's Office to Expand Access to Financial Empowerment Tools for Young Kansans with Disabilities

TOPEKA, KS - The Kansas Council on Developmental Disabilities (KCDD), in partnership with the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF), the Office of State Treasurer Steven Johnson, and Kansas Council on Economic Education proudly announces the launch of a new statewide educational campaign designed to increase awareness and enrollment in the Kansas ABLE savings program for youth with disabilities in the foster care system.

The Kansas Council on Developmental Disabilities (KCDD), Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF), Office of the Kansas State Treasurer, and Kansas Council on Economic Education invite members of the media to attend a press event announcing the launch of a new educational campaign to

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youth with disabilities in foster care.

Event Date: Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025

Press Conference Time: 10:30 -11:00 a.m. (lunch and demonstration to follow)

Location: Marcus Welcome Center, Wichita State University (1845 Fairmount St, Wichita, KS 67260)

This innovative initiative is made possible through a new grant awarded by KCDD to the Kansas State Treasurer's Office and the Kansas ABLE Savings Program. The campaign will specifically focus on foster youth with disabilities, their caregivers, and support networks,

expand access to ABLE accounts for with the goal of equipping them with tools to build financial independence and plan for their future. In the first year, it is estimated that this initiative will impact the lives of at least 700 Kansans in our foster care system.

> "Far too many youth with disabilities in foster care age out of the system without access to the financial education or tools they need to thrive independently," said Sara Hart Weir, Executive Director of the Kansas Council on Developmental Disabilities. "Through this new partnership with the Kansas State Treasurer's Office and the Kansas Department for Children

and Families, we are taking a major step forward in closing that gap and ensuring that these young people know about and can access the benefits of an ABLE account."

The Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act allows individuals with disabilities to save money in a tax-advantaged account without jeopardizing their eligibility for public benefits like Medicaid or Supplemental Security Income. The Kansas ABLE program enables Kansans with disabilities to save for future expenses such as education, housing, and health care - now with a special focus on those transitioning out of foster care.

Here and Now

You, who wake up every morning with disheveled hair, trying to delay what will be the start of a new day, preferring to stay buried in the idyllic comfort of your pillow.

Or you, who, as soon as the alarm goes off, jump out of bed hurrying, as the minutes slip by between eating breakfast, taking a shower, grabbing the keys, and rushing out ready to start a new day.

And yes, you, who, as soon as you begin to connect to reality after waking up, you direct your mind towards what you have to do throughout the morning or the afternoon, and if you rush, throughout the week. The future. You are living in the future.

Or maybe you start to think about how your date last night did not go as well as you had hoped, or that something at work didn't turn out the way you wanted, or maybe you start wishing that you had studied more for that exam. The past. Now you are living in the past.

Past and future. Future and past. They are both only temporary moments, brought together by an invisible thread constantly moving you from one to the other.

And all the while you aren't appreciating the flavor of what you are having for breakfast, the soft touch of your pajamas on your skin, or the rays of the sun that stream through your window.

Thoughts about what has happened or is to come, which then set off a chain of other thoughts, because that is what you have become good at: living automatically

in the future or in the past.

You live looking forward and looking back, wasting each second of the present, missing out on what is happening now.

And if you stop? Have you ever tried? You could try it even if it is

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Rep. Derek Schmidt now accepting applications for U.S. **Military Academy nominations**

WASHINGTON, DC: Congressman Derek Schmidt (KS-02) announced today that his office is now accepting applications from Kansas students seeking nominations to attend the United States military service academies for the Class of 2030.

Each year, Members of Congress may nominate a limited number of candidates for appointment to the U.S. Military Academy (West Point), the U.S. Naval Academy, the U.S. Air Force Academy and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. Students who receive a nomination are considered for appointment by the respective academy's admissions board.

"Service academies provide exceptional opportunities for young Kansans to pursue higher education while preparing to serve our country as officers in the Armed Forces, "Schmidt said. "I encourage all qualified students who are interested in military service to apply."

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, at least 17 years old but not yet 23, unmarried and without dependents. Applicants seeking nomination from Congressman Schmidt also must reside in the 2nd Congressional District. A complete application packet must be submitted to Congressman Schmidt's Topeka office by October 15.

Detailed instructions, eligibility requirements and application materials are available on Congressman Schmidt's website at schmidt.house.gov/ services/military-academy-nominations.

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Market Insights...

and history suggests there may be more room to run. Historically, the second year of a rate-cutting cycle has delivered solid gains for stocks — as long as the economy avoids a recession. Markets tend to respond best when cuts are seen as a proactive step to sustain growth rather than a desperate move to fight crisis. With the Fed signaling a willingness to ease further and near-term recession risks appearing limited, the backdrop for equities remains broadly supportive.

Seasonal and technical forces may make the coming weeks even more important. September is historically one of the most challenging months for equities, and recent trading has shown narrowing market breadth—meaning fewer stocks are participating in the rally. If confidence builds around the Fed's move, participa-

tion could broaden and help sustain momentum. If not, a short-term pullback would not be surprising.

The Fed has taken its first step toward a more accommodative stance, but the path forward remains uncertain. The coming months will show whether this move successfully steadies the economy or whether more action will be needed.

Staying Grounded Amid Uncertainty

Periods like this can tempt investors to overreact. A more productive approach is to use volatility as a chance to strengthen your long-term plan. But the right moves can look different depending on where you are in your financial journey.

For Long-Term Growth Savers (Still Working):

- * Keep Contributing: Market pullbacks can be an advantage when you're buying shares regularly through 401(k)s or IRAs you're purchasing at lower prices.
 - * Stay Growth Minded: If retire-

ment is still years away, maintain an allocation that prioritizes growth, even if it means living with some volatility.

* Consider Rebalancing: Use this time to make sure your portfolio hasn't drifted too far from your target allocation due to recent market moves.

For Retirees Taking Income:

- * Focus on Cash Flow: Review dividend income, interest payments, and withdrawal rates to ensure they are sustainable if markets stay choppy.
- * Maintain a Cash Reserve: Keeping 6–12 months of spending needs in cash or short-term bonds can reduce the need to sell investments at a loss during downturns.
- * Be Selective: Quality and consistency matter more favor companies with strong balance sheets and reliable earnings that can weather economic slowdowns.

By aligning your actions with your stage of life, you can keep short-term volatility from derailing long-term goals. Now is a great time to review your strategy with your financial advisor to make sure your plan reflects recent market changes and your evolving needs.

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Have a blessed week!

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for just a couple of seconds.

I invite you, and I suggest you do, to breathe. Feel yourself. Connect with yourself.

Start to pay attention to what you are doing, to your present moment. Life is just moments, and you have to start getting the most out of each one. Move forward, with intention, and responsibility; make the decision.

The best place to begin is where you find yourself now, reading these lines. Immerse yourself completely in the experience. That way you can be sure to give yourself a few moments, just for you.

Enjoy what you are doing, or at least be conscious of it. Be fully aware of what you are doing, submerging yourself in the experience.

How do you do this? I will tell you now. Paying attention to what you are doing means being conscious.

When you eat, you are eating, and nothing else. Taste the food, notice the texture of what you are eating.

The same when you are showering. Have you ever concentrated on the sensation of water hitting your skin? Or when you enjoy time with your friends, dedicate it to them, and to your conversations...

This also goes for unpleasant moments. Not everything is going to be infused with happiness. Look deeper and find your purpose, your needs, and your feelings.

Discover the power of acceptance. Forget your resentment and your expectations.

We often distance ourselves from the here and now, because it pains us or is not how we had imagined it. Or because we feel guilty for being able to enjoy it...

What's done is done and the future, although you have to work for what you want, will come.

Don't use the past as a couch but rather as a trampoline, and erase the "what if..." from your life, because guessing is not reality. Try to have a few minutes with yourself, with the here and now.

Give yourself over to the expe-

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Kansas City Kansas Public Schools, McCownGordon Construction and LM2 Construction will be accepting sealed bids for a 10,440 sq ft two (2) story addition and misc. renovations inside the existing building for Sumner Academy of Arts & Science at 1610 N. 8th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101. Project scopes include, but are not limited to: selective demolition, building concrete, site concrete, precast concrete, masonry, structural steel, general trades, roofing, waterproofing/joint sealants, glass/glazing, drywall & acoustical, flooring, painting, signage, window treatments, fire suppression, plumbing, HVAC, electrical, earthwork, asphalt paving, landscaping, and site utilities.

There are two site visits scheduled for September 23 & 30, 2025, at 4:00 pm onsite. Please contact tpiepergerdes@mccowngordon. com for more information. A Trade Partner Meet & Greet meeting will be held from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm on September 25, 2025 at 2510 N 59th Street, Kansas City, KS 66104.

Bids will be accepted by McCownGordon Construction on October 9, 2025, at 2:00 PM via Building Connected. The bids will be opened and read aloud publicly at Kansas City Kansas Schools central office and via Zoom. Bids received after said time will not be opened and returned. This project is tax exempt.

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