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Logan Pals 4-H tops Biblesta Parade

HUMBOLDT — Awards have been announced for the floats on display at Saturday’s Biblesta Parade.

The Logan Pals 4-H float, “For God So Loved,” was named the grand prize winner, depicting a scene from John 3:16-17.

Other winners:

- Beauty Prize, “The

- Baptism of Jesus,” from Mark 1:9-11, Humboldt First Baptist Church
- Drama Prize, “Boys Jeer Elisha,” from 2nd Kings 2:23-25, St. Peter’s Lutheran Church
- Spectacular Prize, “Jesus Calms the Storm,” from Matthew 8:23-27, Humboldt United Methodist Church
- Philip Doty Memo-

- rial, “Praise the Lord,” from Psalms 113:3, Restoration Fellowship
- Walking Entry, “Journey of the Wise-men,” from Matthew 2:1-12, Logan Pals 4-H
- Authenticity Prize, “A Cloud of Glory,” from Exodus 4:34-35, Humboldt Faith Assembly of God

US pays half of U.N. dues

U.S. will pay \$682 million for the year

Bloomberg News/TNS

The Trump administration agreed to pay about half its \$1.4 billion in dues to the U.N. peacekeeping department for 2025, according to the United Nations, but unpaid dues and past arrears mean the organization will need to slash a quarter of troops and personnel worldwide.

The officials, who spoke to reporters on condition of anonymity, said the U.S. will pay \$682 million for the year. In addition to the amount it’s not paying for 2025, the U.S. owes \$1.58 billion in arrears.

President Donald Trump’s decision appears to make good on an announcement he made in August that he would be slashing more than \$800 million from congressio-

nal funding designated for peacekeeping in 2024 and 2025. U.N. officials had said the move would endanger operations in places like South Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

That means the peacekeeping department will enact a contingency plan to cut about 15% of its budget, according to the officials. The U.N. has been in a full-blown liquidity crisis since January, according to Secretary General Antonio Guterres, prompted in large part by the U.S. refusal to pay what it owes.

The U.S. mission to the U.N. didn’t immediately reply to a request for comment.

BEFORE Wednesday’s announcement, the U.S. had all but stopped paying its bills to the United Nations since Trump took office in January. The financial delinquency tracks with a wider pullback from U.N. institutions such as the Human Rights Council and UNESCO, as well as a refusal to pay the

bills with non-U.N. organizations such as NATO.

A chunk of the newly announced funding will go to Haiti, where a U.S.-supported “gang suppression force” was recently approved to replace a Kenyan-led mission that failed to bring peace to the troubled Caribbean nation. The rest, some \$600 million, will be spread as needed among other U.N. peacekeeping missions.

The U.S. is responsible for almost 27% of the budget for U.N. Peacekeeping, which was \$5.6 billion in the 2024-25 period. The money that the U.S. is withholding is part of its payment obligations as a U.N. member state.

U.N. Peacekeeping is responsible for protecting civilians, implementing peace agreements and supporting post-conflict recovery in vulnerable nations across the globe. Currently, there are 11 peacekeeping operations, including in Lebanon, Cyprus and the Central African Republic.

Poll: Majority reject RFK Jr., Tylenol claim

By JENNIFER SHUTT
Kansas Reflector

WASHINGTON — A majority of Americans disapprove of Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.’s job performance and the federal government’s evolving vaccine policy, according to a poll released Thursday by the non-partisan health organization KFF.

In addition, the vast majority of those surveyed have heard the unproven claims made by President Donald Trump, Kennedy and others in late September that taking acetaminophen, also known as Tylenol, during pregnancy could be one possible environmental factor in a child later being diagnosed with autism.

A TOTAL OF 77% of the people KFF polled said they knew of the statements, though whether people believe the claims, which have yet to be established by the medical community, varied.

Only 4% of those surveyed said it is “definitely true” that taking Tylenol during pregnancy increases the risk of the child developing autism, and 35% said the claim is “definitely false.” Thirty percent said it is “probably true” and 30% said it is “probably false.”

Combined, 65% said it’s either probably or definitely false to say that taking acetamino-



Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr., joined by President Donald Trump, delivers an announcement on “significant medical and scientific findings for America’s children” in the Roosevelt Room of the White House on Sept. 22, 2025 in Washington, D.C. PHOTO BY ANDREW HARNIK/GETTY IMAGES

phen during pregnancy increases the chance of a child developing autism, a complex disorder that experts believe is the result of both genetic and environmental factors.

When broken down by political party, 86% of Democrats, 67% of independents and 43% of Republicans said the claims were either probably or definitely false.

The survey shows 59% somewhat or strongly disapprove of how Kennedy is handling his new role at the top of the country’s public health infrastructure.

The level of support changes considerably depending on political party affiliation, with 86% of Democrats, 64% of independents and 26% of Republicans disapproving.

A slightly higher

number, 62%, either somewhat or strongly disapprove of the United States’ vaccine policy.

A similar trend emerged when those polled were broken up by political parties. Eighty-eight percent of Democrats, 67% of independents and 31% of Republicans somewhat or strongly disapproved of vaccine policy.

THE SURVEY shows a declining share of Americans have faith in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to provide trusted information about vaccines, compared with previ-

ous KFF polls in September 2023 and earlier this year.

A total of 63% of respondents two years ago trusted the CDC on vaccines, but that has declined to 50%.

Democrats’ faith in the CDC’s vaccine recommendations has dropped from 88% two years ago to 64%, independents have gone from 61% to 47% and Republicans have remained relatively steady, only going from 40% to 39%.

ACROSS POLITICAL parties, a person’s own doctor as well as the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Medical Association remain broadly trusted for vaccine information.

Eighty-three percent said they trust their doctor or health care provider, 69% believed information from the American Academy of Pediatrics and 64% had faith in the AMA.

The poll of 1,334 adults took place from Sept. 23 to Sept. 29 and had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points for the full survey. Questions broken down by a person’s political ideology had a margin of error of plus or minus 6 percentage points.

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Low a year ago	45	Excess since Jan. 1	6.14

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ALLEN COUNTY, KS JUVENILE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF:

NAME: JONYA WILLARD
Case No. AL-2024-JC-0000064
DOB: XX-XX-2016
A ☐ male ☒ female

A minor child under 18 years of age

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: **Koi Willard (aka Koi Ginder)**, [mother] [current whereabouts believed to be in or around Iola, Kansas; Savonburg, Kansas; or Elsmore Kansas or surrounding areas], her parents and adult relatives and all other persons who are or may be concerned.

TO: **John Willard** [father] [current whereabouts believed to be in or around Iola, Kansas or surrounding areas], his parents and adult relatives and all other persons who are or may be concerned.

A hearing has been set in this court pursuant to the Kansas code for the care of children requesting the Court to adopt a permanent custodian/guardianship of the child identified above pursuant to the Kansas code for the care of children and, thereafter, enter such orders as circumstances and statutes

permit and require.

You are required to appear before the District Court, at the Allen County Courthouse, 1 N. Washington, Iola, Kansas 66749 for a formal hearing beginning at **10:00 a.m. on October 28, 2025**, or prior to that time file your written response with the clerk of this court. If, after a child has been adjudged to be a child in need of care, the court finds a parent to be absent or unfit, the court may make an order permanently establishing a court ordered custodianship/guardianship. Prior to that date and time, a parent, grandparent or any other party to the proceeding may file a written response to the pleading with the Clerk of the District Court.

Each parent or other legal custodian of the child has a right to appear and be heard personally either with or without an attorney. The court will appoint an attorney for a parent who is financially unable to hire one. Jacob T. Manbeck, an attorney in Iola, Kansas has been appointed to represent Koi Willard (aka Koi Ginder). Daniel C. Smith, an attorney in Chanute, Kansas has been appointed to represent John Willard. Kenna Bideau-Kepley, an attorney in Chanute, Kansas has been appointed as guardian ad litem for the child.

Clerk of the District Court
Dina L. Morrison

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