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### Kansans targeted by court scams

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — A Kansas City woman says she was targeted by a scammer who used a court order to demand money from her. The scammer claimed to be a judge and that the woman had a large debt that was about to be auctioned off. She was asked to pay a fee to get the court order cancelled. She paid the fee and the scammer disappeared. She is now being sued by the scammer for the money she paid.

### Sign-ups for all Pancake Day races begin Saturday

The City of Kansas City is looking for runners for the annual Pancake Day races. Sign-ups for all races begin on Saturday, Feb. 8. Races include a 5K, 10K, and a 15K. The races are held in downtown Kansas City. Registration is free. For more information, visit [www.kcmo.gov](http://www.kcmo.gov).

### Hawaii student finds snail in school lunch

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — A Hawaii student found a snail in his school lunch. The student, who is a high school senior, was eating at a school cafeteria when he noticed something crawling in his lunch. He immediately told the cafeteria staff, who took the lunch away. The student is now being investigated by the school district. The incident has caused a stir in the community.

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