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Pike County Khoury League Votes To Cancel 2020 Season

Due to the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Pike County Khoury League along with its board of directors has made the difficult and disappointing decision to cancel the 2020 season.

After exhausting all possible options, they concluded that because of the significant public health risks that are still unknown it will not be possible to proceed with our season. The health and safety of spectators, players, sponsors, volunteers, employees, and everyone involved with the association is and will continue

to be the number one priority.

This is heartbreaking for everyone, especially the kids. But, right now as the world comes together, they must do everything they can to help stem the spread of this deadly virus. While they have taken this pause from the season, their board of directors has planned to have free community style baseball and softball, once the counties have reached the appropriate phases (given they are within the summer months of course). They hope to publish more information on that when they have

an approximate timeline.

They will start issuing refunds as soon as possible. All refunds will be returned to the original form of payment. Ramsey Woodall Dickerman and Charla Smith, both of Vandalia, will call everyone that was registered about their refund.

They are missing all the kids, volunteers and umpires. Keep practicing and get outside to get some vitamin D. Parents, they appreciate your continued trust, support and patience through this uncertain time.

First COVID-19 Death In Pike County

BY BRICE CHANDLER
STAFF WRITER

As of Friday, May 8, the Pike County Health Department reported the county's first COVID-19 related death.

The department was notified last Friday of the first death of a Pike County resident due to COVID-19. The resident was an elderly female who tested positive for COVID-19 on April 24, 2020.

"It is with a heavy heart that we extend our sympathy," said Administrator Rhonda Stumbaugh "Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time."

Stumbaugh stressed the importance of following guidelines from the Missouri Department of Health as well as the Pike County Health Department.

"It is a crucial time that we all work together and do our part to stop the spread of COVID-19 to prevent any more precious lives taken as a result of this virus," she continued.

The department warned that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions may be at higher risk for more serious complications from COVID-19.

If you think, you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and symptoms, such as cough or difficulty breathing, call your health care provider for medical advice before showing up.

As of Monday, May 11 at noon Pike County has had 12 confirmed cases. Ten of those cases have recovered with one currently active.

Vandalia Cemetery Association Plans Memorial Day Program

The Vandalia Cemetery Association has announced it will host a program on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25 at 10 a.m.

Members from Vandalia and the surrounding communities will gather to honor veterans and celebrate our country. Everyone is in-

cluded to attend. All rules of social distancing will be enforced for the safety of those attending.

The cemetery association office will be open during the Memorial Day holiday weekend. Donations will be accepted by members or community volunteers during that

time. All donations to the Vandalia Cemetery Association are tax deductible.

The association is asking that all Memorial Day flowers be removed by Sunday, May 31 so mowing can resume on Monday, June 1.

Pike County Fair Announces Plans To Move Forward

BY BRICE CHANDLER
STAFF WRITER

On Wednesday, May 6, the Pike County Missouri Fair Board meet and decided to move forward with this year's fair as scheduled on July 28-Aug. 1, 2020.

This decision comes in the wake of several fair cancellations surrounding the area. Both Pike County, Ill., and the Lincoln County fair have recently canceled due to concerns over the coronaries.

Missouri Governor Mike Parson is waiting until June 1 to decide how the state will proceed with holding its annual fair.

According to the Pike County Fair's website and social media, vendors, performers, and contractors are ready and willing perform on July 28-Aug 1.

A social media post stated that a representative of Kenny's Funland Carnival embalmed a letter to the

board outlining the steps they will take to sanitize rides and screen their employees.

"With the overwhelming approval of the board, the only way this fair will not take place is if the state or another government agency says we can't proceed," commented board president Don St. Clair.

The site went on to state: "Members of the board did have discussions with the Pike County Health Department officials who had talks with members of Gov. Mike Parson's Task Force. The task force members said fairs and festivals are okay to proceed at this time. The health department did note fair board members will have to come up with an outlined plan on steps the fair board plans to take to encourage social distancing, hand washing, etc. Event chairs will be meeting soon to explore all ideas."

The board also approved a mo-

tion made by past president, Tim Gamm, to lower season ticket prices by \$5 this year as a show of appreciation for the community's support over the years.

"This would be for both adult and children passes. Gate prices will remain the same and Tuesday night kids will continue to get in free," the post continued.

As of this writing, each event will continue as planned.

According to the post, country music star Riley Green also contacted the board and supports the decision.

"[He's] completely on board for entertaining the fans in the area."

The People's Tribune will continue to report any changes as they are made available.

Readers can also monitor the county fair's Facebook page and website <http://www.pikecountyfair.org> for further information.

NECAC To Perform Housing Assessment In Nine Area Counties Including Pike

The not-for-profit North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) is doing a housing assessment of cities and towns in nine counties with the goal of providing a road map communities can use to identify and address needs.

The Rural Housing Readiness Assessment will target communities that want to address current housing and ensure residents have access to safe, affordable and quality homes.

NECAC is sending packets with information to leaders in each community in Lewis, Macon, Marion, Monroe, Montgomery, Pike, Ralls, Randolph, and Shelby counties. The assessment is free to those which agree to participate.

"Studies like this usually cost communities a lot of money," said NECAC Deputy Director for Housing Development Programs Carla Potts. "So, what we're going to do is

provide them with information on where they are now, identify any gaps and highlight public and private programs that can bridge those gaps."

The assessment is funded by a \$25,000 grant from Neighbor Works America, a Congressionally-chartered and funded not-for-profit organization that helps communities with development efforts. NECAC has been a chartered member of NeighborWorks since 2004.

NECAC will tally the assessment answers. Depending upon the number of participants, the project is expected to take up to six months. Communities will be asked about recent housing studies, existing codes and ordinances, vacant lots and buildings, new home construction, rehabilitation of existing houses, ownership programs that are offered locally, infrastructure support, civic

participation and programs for special needs populations such as seniors and veterans.

"Once we're done, we'll have a picture of every community in Northeast Missouri," Potts said. "We'll have a better handle on what the housing needs are. We will provide that information to our cities and towns and let them decide how they want to proceed. NECAC will be there to offer support and information about how communities can apply for funding."

Potts said NECAC is recognized as a national leader in housing and home ownership opportunities. Since 1997, the agency has been a partner in the construction, renovation, management or planned development of 1,300 apartments and homes for the elderly, families and the disabled in 27 Missouri communities. The developments represent an investment of more than \$77 million in quality, affordable housing. NECAC also works with public and private investment partners to develop home ownership programs.

More information about the Rural Housing Readiness Assessment is available by calling Potts at 573-324-6622.

Audrain County Announces Second Case of COVID-19

BY BRICE CHANDLER
STAFF WRITER

On Saturday, May 9, the Audrain County Health Department announced its second positive case of novel coronavirus.

According to the department, the case was not travel related, and the patient is currently quarantined at their home.

Both of Audrain county's confirmed cases have been community transmissions of which one has recovered.

The Department staff are working in coordination with the Missouri Department of Health and senior services to determine any close contacts of that individual who were possibly exposed.

"ACHD health officials will provide guidance to these individuals and monitor them closely for the development of symptoms," the Department went on to state.

As of this writing, Lincoln County currently has had 50 confirmed cases and 27 probable cases. The Lincoln County Health Department has reported 56 have recovered with one death.

For more information, visit the DHSS website at www.health.mo.gov/coronavirus or the CDC website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus. A statewide COVID-19 hotline also operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 877-435-8411.

Pike County Clerk Promises Safe Voting On June 2

As the Tuesday June 2 General Municipal Election in Pike County approaches, many voters are concerned about COVID-19 safety at the polls. "We want to assure voters that steps are being taken to see that the voting places are safe," says Susie Oberdahlhoff, Pike County Clerk.

"We will be following federal and state guidelines such as limiting no more than 10 people in the voting

area, using 6 foot markers between voters, disinfectant wipes, hand sanitizer, face masks and gloves, if requested," she adds.

Absentee voting is also available through the County Clerk's office. Deadline for mailing absentee ballots to voters is Wednesday, May 20 and completed ballots can be received up to election day. Voters may also absentee vote in person by calling 324-2412.

Louisiana Farmers Market Delays Opening

Due to the weather conditions and some apprehension over being out in public just yet, the decision has been made by the Louisiana Community Betterment Farmers Market to postpone the opening of the LCBA Farmers Market.

Opening day will now be Wednesday, May 27 at 3 p.m. "We were certainly hoping that the earlier date would

work, but with so many vendors not having product coming in yet, we felt it best to postpone for a few weeks. We are looking forward to opening the Market when the time is right," said Diana Huckstep, market manager.

Market hours will remain the same, Wednesdays, 3-6 p.m., weather permitting. "We had a few bumpy operating days last year due to storms, but we

were always able to open and continue the Market once they blew through," said Huckstep. "Bringing fresh produce to our neighbors is a priority and the Market is always a great community activity."

The vendors are all looking forward to welcoming everyone back to the Market on May 27," said Huckstep.

Audrain County Library District Introduces Hoopla To Patrons

The Mexico-Audrain County Library District has a new digital service for library district patrons. Hoopla.

Mexico-Audrain Library District card holders can download the free hoopla digital mobile app on their Android or IOS device or visit hoopladigital.com to begin enjoying thousands of titles. You will be able to borrow eBooks, audiobooks, movies, music, comics and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, phone or even your television! No waiting, titles can

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being added daily. Your public library will be at your fingertips. Anytime. Anywhere.

"We are glad to be able to offer this additional source of digital materials to the patrons of the Mexico-Audrain County Library District. We are committed to providing lifelong learning. We hope you enjoy this new service," stated Christal Bruner, director.

For additional information please call 573-581-4939



Mills Secures \$1,000 Grant

Sheryl Mills, special education instructor with the Louisiana R-II School District, was nominated and received a one-time grant for \$1,000. The grant was made possible by the KHQA "One Class at a Time" program. Mills runs a special education program for high needs students at Louisiana Middle School. Her focus for using the grant funds will be providing students with real world opportunities to develop essential life skills. Upon receiving the grant Mills noted, "this was such a humbling surprise. I am blessed to work with an amazing department of special education staff members in a school that truly cares about our students. I plan to use this windfall to provide our kids with even greater opportunities."

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Pictured are cars in the parking lot and on the street by the Vandalia First Presbyterian Church during the drive-in church service due to COVID-19. Photo submitted by Ruth Nation

News From Vandalia First Presbyterian

BY DELORES DEPPE
 Sunday, May 3, the congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Vandalia met to worship together for the first time since March.
 Under the leadership of temporary pastor, the Rev. Mike Lewton, the worship committee and many others, a drive-in church service was made available to our members and guests.
 Cars, parked in the lot and street around the church, could tune their radio to a certain station and clearly hear the minister and our traditional music from the organist and choir leader from inside the church.
 A printed bulletin provided the order of worship and you were free to join in the responses and sing along with the hymns from our cars. We were able to celebrate and share a communion service with the elements provided in sealed packets.
 Through the work of members all were able to worship together again, wave at each other, and even the rain held off until after the service. Attendance was great with over 25 cars

and still room to spare. The church is hoping to continue worshipping in this manner in the future.
 An open invitation is extended to all who would like to join us for Sunday worship in the parking lot. Just be ready to tune your radio to FM 89.1.

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NECAC Re-Opens Office To Public

The not-for-profit North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) has re-opened its service centers and other offices to clients and the public in Pike County and other locations.
 Though the facilities remained open for work by staff, doors were locked to cut down on foot traffic in late March due to concerns about the coronavirus and as part of Missouri Gov. Mike Parson's stay-at-home order. NECAC is an essential services provider.
 In addition to service centers in 12 counties, the NECAC Central Administration, Housing Development, Community Services and Weatherization offices in Bowling Green are open.
 Face-to-face contact will still be limited to appointments that require it and other social distancing protocols will still be observed. Most clients' needs can be handled by telephone or computer.
 "We want to reassure the people we serve that we will do everything we can to maintain a healthy climate while meeting their needs," said NECAC County Services Programs Director Linda Fritz. "With the current COVID-19 pandemic, we want the public to know that we're still here to serve their needs with our vital social services, housing development and community health programs."
 The NECAC Family Planning and Women, Infants and Children (WIC) programs also are seeing clients. There are Family Planning clinics in Hannibal, Bowling Green, Warrenton and O'Fallon. The WIC clinics are held only in Warrenton and O'Fallon. WIC is served by other providers in the rest of the region.
 "Family Planning and WIC will continue, as they have throughout the entire shelter in place restrictions, to provide services to patients within the parameters of the federal guidelines for COVID-19," said NECAC Community Health Programs Director Brenda Fuqua. "All patients, established and new, are able to access services via telehealth and all staff continue to diligently work with patients and available resources to assure the patients' needs are being met and services are safely provided."
 More info is available from NECAC Family Planning at 573-221-3404. Clients may reach the NECAC WIC program 636-240-7350.
 For more info about community services programs, call the NECAC Pike County Service Center at 573-324-2207.

Community Calendar...

Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or toll-free 888-324-9636 or e-mail to: peopletribune@sbcglobal.net
On May 15: CANCELED - The American Red Cross blood drive sponsored by the Curryville Presbyterian and Baptist churches and New Harmony Christian Church has been canceled. A late summer drive is being planned.

On-line edition available at thepeopletribune.com



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511 North 4th St. Louisiana - Charming home has 4- 5 BR/ 2 1/2 BA. New laminate flooring, some original hardwood. Rooms are spacious. Nice patio and small utility shed. Currently rented. List Price: \$45,000



115 North 5th St. Louisiana - Commercial building/Laundromat. Fantastic turn-key business opportunity located in downtown Louisiana. List Price: \$165,000



619 Frankford Rd. Louisiana - 1 Story, bungalow home with 2 BR/1 BA, 845 sq.ft. Home has new metal roof, siding, rewiring and new side-walks. Has much potential. List Price: \$25,000



510 N. 5th St. Louisiana - Investment Opportunity! 2 BR/1 BA, 1,105 sq.ft. living space. Partial basement. Newer furnace, air conditioning, and paved driveway. List Price: \$28,500

520 S. Main St. Louisiana - Property includes 3 lots. Has Mississippi River view. Home has no value. Ground is in the Flood plain. List Price: \$30,000.
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Hamilton Celebrates 30 Years With Farmers Insurance



Don Hamilton

Don Hamilton first began his journey with Farmers Insurance in May of 1990. The People's Tribune had an opportunity to catch up and discuss his time as an area business-owner and his volunteer service.

Don owns and operates the Bowling Green agency along with his wife Marilyn. The two met while in completing music degrees in what is now Truman State University.

Prior to starting in insurance, both had been educators in public schools. Don spent 12 years as a vocal and instrumental teacher in Louisiana.

Despite spending over a decade as the high school music teacher, Don and Marilyn sought out a career with more security which allowed them to better provide for their two sons and spend more time together as a family.

Yet, their shared musical background continued playing a significant role in their lives.

With the growing business, both found time volunteering as music coaches and helping with their church's music program – a church for which Don has been a lifelong member. Even during the difficult times brought on by the pandemic, Don and Marilyn have continued producing music for the weekly on-

line worship.

Don also volunteers as a bugler for military funerals in the area.

"My dad almost died on Iwo Jima, and that's my way of giving back to those who served," he told The Tribune. "I don't like the electronic bugle. I use a real bugle and I think our local veterans deserve to have taps performed live."

Raised on the family farm in the Frankford area, Don and his family have stayed active in the arts for the Bowling Green School District.

Besides the amount of competition in the area, one of the other biggest challenges he has faced is the advancing changes in insurance regulations and technology. "If I were out of the agency for a month, I would be behind due to change."

On the flip side, he spoke of how much he enjoyed helping others. "Several people have gotten themselves in trouble and thought they would see a hundred-thousand-dollar loss, and I helped them work through where everything was covered. I pride myself in knowing the insurance laws backwards and forwards so I can fight for them no matter what."

Don plans on running the agency for several more years but would ultimately like to bring in a partner. "I wouldn't mind bringing in someone to learn the ropes and meet everybody and then I can go part-time."

After 30-years he's ready to find a serious partner to develop and keep the business going when he eventually retires.

"I'm the longest serving property/casualty agent in Bowling Green. There are other finance agents who have served longer but as far as auto home, I'm the longest serving one in Bowling Green continuously with one company."

When asked if he would do it over: "I think so. It has been a good business to take care of my family and our living needs. It allowed us to spend more time with (he and Marilyn's) sons."

Bridge, Culvert Work Planned In Pike County

Weather permitting, MoDOT crews will be doing the following work in Pike County. Please see the locations and dates below.

U.S. Route 61 north - May 12 and May 18-19, road will be reduced to one lane at Gailey Bridge while bridge work is completed. The work will be completed between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., each day with an 11 ft. width restriction in place.

Pike County Route K- May 13-14, road

will be closed from Pike County Route M to CRD 415 for culvert work. The work will be completed between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. each day.

U.S. Route 61 south - May 20-21, road will be reduced to one lane at Peno Creek Bridge, located south of Frankford, while bridge work is completed. The work will be completed between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. each day with an 11 ft. width restriction in place.

Pike County Route B - May 12-14 and May 18-21, road will be closed from Outer Road U.S. 61 to Missouri Route 79 for culvert work. The work will be completed between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m., each day.

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Saturday, May 23, 2020 - 10 a.m.
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Mrs. Jean & The Late Jack Cutforth, Items Consigned by Bill Edwards Estate
Directions: From the east edge of Mexico go south on Route JJ 2.7 miles, then right on AR 820, go .6 miles west to AR 823 then left .3 mile to farm. OR, from Kingdom City, MO on Highway 54, take the Mexico (Bus. 54) exit, turn left cross over the highway, then go right on Commerce Rd. (AR 820) next to WalMart; then 1.5 miles to highway crossover, turn right on crossover & go east (left) 1.5 miles on AR 820 to AR 823, then south .3 mile to sale site. Follow sale signs.

Due to the death of Mr. Jack Cutforth, Mrs. Cutforth will be selling the following farm machinery, tools, and equipment at public auction. Also consigned to this auction are items belonging to the late Bill Edwards.

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- Machinery & Farm Related: 2011 New Holland BR7070 4x6 Baler, string & net wrap, 540 PTO. Extra sweep pickup. Low bale count; like new. New Holland 1411 Disk Conditioner, 11 ft. cut, hyd. swing, 540 PTO. Nice condition. JD 275 Disk Mower, 9 ft. cut Kuhn GA300 GM 3 pt. PTO Rake 3 pt. PTO Gyro Rake Hay Tedder-man. fold 2015 Woods DS120 10 ft. 3 pt. w/hard rubber rear wheel tires. Used very little. Sunflower 19 ft. hyd. fold Disk w/dual inboard wheels, harrow attached. Kewanee #86 12 ft. Cultimulcher w/dual inboard wheels. Davis 3 pt. Backhoe w/16" Bucket 3 pt. Blade w/transport wheels. Soil Mover 10 ft. pull-type Box Blade Hyd. Posthole Digger, mounts on pallet forks w/12 in. auger Rear Bale Spike & 2 Front Bale Spikes 3 pt. Weight Box 4 JD Suitcase Weights. 7 Bales of Big Baler Twine & 1 Roll Net Wrap. 500 gal. Skid Fuel Tank w/elec pump. Pallet Forks for Loader.
- Lawn & Garden: 2011 JD 2305D, 453 hrs., hydrostat drive, 3 pt., 540 PTO, 62 in. deck. To be sold with 200 CX Loader w/50 in. bucket. Perfect condition. Grasshopper 725D, hyd. fold-up 61 in. deck. 189.5 hrs. Nice! Yard Machine Push Mower; HD Lawn Roller; 2 Lawn Spreaders; Troybilt Bronco Rear Tire 5 1/2 hp Tiller; Worksaver 12v Grass Seeder; 12v Lawn Sprayer w/wand & boom; Elec. Hedge Trimmer; Gas Pwr Weedeater; Garden Hose & Hose Reels; Stihl BG56C Leaf Blower; Stihl BGA Rechr. Leaf Blower.
- Shop & Misc.: Miller-matic 250 Wire Welder; Magna-force 7 hp 60 gal 230v Vertical Tank Air Compressor; Acetylene Torch w/cart & gauges; Pallet Jack; Lot Ext. Cords; Husky 10 ft. Step Ladder; Davidson 8 ft. Fiberglass Step Ladder; Lg. Lot C-Clamps; 3 ft. x 3 1/2 ft. Metal Welding Table w/vise; Craftsman Roll-around Toolbox; Nice Hand Tools-open end & box end wrenches, sockets, etc.; 15, 16 & 24 inch Pittsburg Crescent Wrenches; Pipe Wrenches; Ridgid Chop Saw; Ridgid Miter Saw; 4 1/2 gal. Shop Vac; Grizzly 8" Grinder on stand; Grizzly Industrial Bench Model Drill Press; 12T Shop Press; Chicago Electric 1300 lb. Double Cable Winch on rolling track; New motor & hydraulic Oil; Stihl MS180C 14" Chainsaw; Husqvarna air-injected No. 55 Chainsaw 16" bar; Shovels, Rakes, Posthole Diggers, etc.; Handyman Jack; Chain Hoist; Lot Nuts, Bolts, etc.; 3 ft. Metal Bender; Metal Shelving; Sev. Tarps; High Speed Shop Fan; Rockwell 10 in. Table Saw; Alum. Scoop; Pro-tuff Plastic Tool Bin; Lots Battery Pwr Drills, Impact Drivers, Hand Saws & Sawzall; Gallagher Solar Fencer; Sev. Ratchet Straps; Furniture Clamps; Portable Air Tank; Bolt Cutters; Berger Transit w/stick & stand; Metal Desk; Log Chains; Ryobi 1700 psi Elec Power Washer; Galv Wash Tub; Shop Stools; Porter Cable Router; Makita Sander; Bostich Saber Saw; Bostich Brad Nailer; Elec Drills; Ridgid Finish Nailer; Dewalt Plate Joints; Ridgid 6800 Running Watts 8500 Starting Watts Generator w/Yamaha Motor-new, never used. Alum. Ext. Ladder; lot of new Lumber 2x4 & 2x6 var. lengths; Some new Barn Metal, var. lengths and colors; Steel Fence Posts, var. lengths; Porter Cable 135 psi 3 hp 4 gal Air Compressor; Husky Tile Saw; Picnic Table.
- Guns: Armscor M200 Revolver, 38 Special, in hard case. Remington 1100 20 ga. Shotgun, vent rib barrel Browning Belgium 12 ga. Shotgun 2 3/4 chamber, vent rib barrel Winchester 37A 410 Single Shot Shotgun, 2 1/2-3" choke barrel Remington 550-1 22 cal. Rifle. Henry Hex Barrel 22 Rifle. Bolt-action 22 Rifle. Powermaster Pellet Rifle. Gun Display Cabinet w/glass door. Lot of ammunition for above guns
- Toys: JD 720 Precision NF w/Loader, Heat Houser, Rear Chains - JD 4020 WF - JD 430 WF - JD MT - JD #55 3 Bottom Pull-type Plow - JD Van Brunt Wheat Drill - Great Plains Drill - Flare Box Wagon. .
- Other miscellaneous small items not listed.
- Sale order will be shop tools at 10 a.m. Will stop at 11:45 a.m. to sell guns & toys followed by tractors, farm equipment, truck, trailers and lawn & garden.
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OBITUARIES



Nellie Eudora Buffington

Nellie Eudora Buffington, 91, of Louisiana died Saturday May 2, 2020 at Maple Grove Lodge in Louisiana.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m., Wednesday at Riverview Cemetery Louisiana with Pastor Bill Maupin officiating.

Nellie was born May 28, 1928 to Harvey Wright and Rosa Nell Niffen. She married Joseph Richard Buffington on July 26, 1945. He preceded her in death. She was the mother of seven children, Ronald Buffington, Perry Buffington, Rosanna Brown, Barbara Bolton, Michael Buffington, Shelly Finley, who survive, and Harvey "Buck" Buffington who also preceded her in death.

Nellie was a strong-willed woman with a big heart. She often put others needs ahead of herself helping in any way she could. She loved sewing, crocheting, and craft work. We'll miss her family dinners and that homemade fudge at the holidays. She loved her family and especially those grandchildren. She was loved by many and will be missed by all.

Collier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Memorials can be given to donor's choice in care of the funeral home.

Belinda Rene Harvey

Belinda Rene Harvey, 57, of Clarksville died Wednesday, May 6, 2020 at St. Joseph Hospital West in Lake St. Louis.

Cremation rites for Belinda are under the direction of Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Belinda was born Jan. 19, 1963 in Warrensburg to Roy Logan and Betty Snow. She was joined in marriage to Joe Harvey. He survives.

Also surviving are her dad, James Eure of Portsmouth, Va.; father, Roy Logan and wife, Lila of Sedalia; daughters, Heather Almaraz of Bowling Green and Melissa Utterback and husband, Aaron of Monroe City; grandchildren, Dominic Sprague, Jade Stevens, Andres Almaraz, Landon Utterback, Aaden Utterback, and Noraa Utterback; a brother, Duane Logan of Sedalia; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Belinda was preceded in death by mother, Betty Eure; sister, Rosaletta Logan; and a granddaughter, Shawna Jane Villa Stevens.

Belinda grew up in Portsmouth, Va., but spent the last 15 years in Pike County. She was a CNA by profession. She loved collecting Indian memorabilia, and loved her dog and her grandchildren.

Tracey Lynn Littrell

Tracey Lynn Littrell, 52, of Columbia died Friday, May 1, 2020 at his home.

There are no services planned at this time. Cremation rites were accorded by Bienhoff Funeral Home.

He was born July 9, 1967 in Mexico, the son of Linda Littrell.

Survivors include two sisters, Gina Schambach and husband, Dean of Vandalia and Lori Stuart of Hannibal; three aunts, Marilyn Tedrow of Raymore, Alma Swon and husband, Larry of Mexico, and Rose Marie Williams of Ballwin; and several nephews, nieces and cousins.

Mr. Littrell was a lifetime area resident. He was employed as a chef for Cornerstone Group Home in Columbia. He loved cooking, playing darts and music.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family, c/o Bienhoff Funeral Home, P.O. Box 427, Perry, MO 63462.

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Alarice Turnbough

Alarice Turnbough, 61, of New London, died Friday, May 8, 2020 at her daughter's home in Thompson.

Graveside services were at 11 a.m., Tuesday (today) at Fairview Cemetery in Ashley. Due to continued COVID-19 restrictions, social distancing was implemented.

Services were under the direction of the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Alarice was born June 18, 1958, in Louisiana, the daughter of Lencie L. and Verline Nadine Perkins Hinds. She married John Turnbough, Jr., Oct. 28, 1973. He preceded her in death Dec. 18, 2019.

Survivors include sons, John E. Turnbough III and wife, Robin of Fenton, and Charles J. "CJ" Turnbough and wife, Angel of Mt. Laurel, N.J.; daughters, Kristina Farrah and husband, Jason of Thompson, and Vanessa Kamrowski and husband, Robert of New London; 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; brothers, Frank Hinds of Foristell, and Kim William "Bill" Hinds of Hannibal; and a sister, Lorena Perkins of Bowling Green.

She was preceded in death by her husband; and her parents.

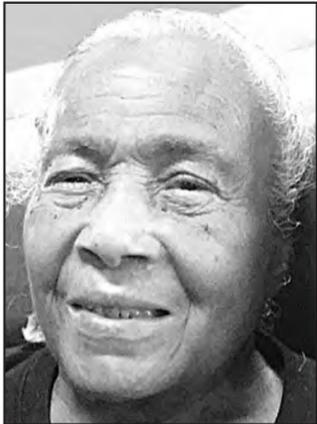
Alarice grew up in Ashley and Curryville, and attended school in Ashley at the one-room school house. She was baptized and a Baptist by faith. In her working years, Alarice worked for Bowling Green R-I School District, Hannibal LaGrange College and was an over the road truck driver. During her years at BGHS, Alarice enjoyed the responsibility of being a bus driver. Between routes she served as a sign language interpreter. She later went on to be an interpreter for Hannibal LaGrange College.

She enjoyed ceramics, crocheting, jigsaw puzzles, gardening, and cooking. She had a sweet tooth for chocolate treats. Her favorites were Butterfinger and M&M's. Her grandchildren were the loves of her life.

Alarice will be greatly missed by all that knew her.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the family, c/o Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Online condolences may be left at www.bibbveach.com.



dren. She was a loving, giving, and a very courageous woman. She had a special love for her grandchildren and called them "you little boogers." She taught them all to love God. When they were with her, she sent them all to church. She stood by them through thick and thin, even in their hard places in life. Though she was short in stature, she was tall in wisdom. Her heart was one of love, patience, gentleness, kindness, meekness, and she cried many tears in silence.

Edgar Mae lived the last of her life at the Maple Grove Lodge and had a great love for her special caregivers, Carla Scott, and Connie Jackson, as well as her roommate, Miss Diane, and all of the residents she had come to know.

On May 6, 2020, Edgar Mae Nalley, 94, blocked the noise of all and heard the voice of God's call. She took her flight alone and transitioned to Glory. As she entered Heaven's Gates she never looked back because to live is Christ, to die is gain!

She leaves to cherish her memories; preceded in death by her husband, Waldo W. Nalley, daughter Betty Ya Von Caldwell, and four brothers, C.J. Johnston and wife, Pearl, Ronald Johnston, JV Johnston, and Troy Kemp.

Her grandchildren are Charlotte Lee, Denise Nash and husband, Donald, Yolonda Todd, Audra Lynn Campbell and husband, Kenton, Danielle Williams, Zelia Caldwell, and Don Caldwell. She also has 25 great-grandchildren, 38 great-great-grandchildren, and special significant others, Michael Love and Christy McPike, along with an abundance of loved ones, relatives and friends.



Olive Frances 'Pokey' Ross

Olive Frances "Pokey" Ross, 83, of Bowling Green died Friday, May 8, 2020.

Private graveside services will be held at Greenlawn Cemetery in Bowling Green with Homer Poor officiating. Services are under the direction of Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Pokey was born Sept. 26, 1936 to William Perry and Lois Elmore Mickey Tinsley in Bowling Green. She eloped with Joseph Rayburn Ross on Dec. 22, 1956 in Hernando, Miss. He survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Julie Cox and husband, Pete of Bowling Green, and Diane Rees and husband, Tim of Center; five grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and sisters-in-law Dorothy Sisson, Betty Evans, and Wilma Poor.

She was preceded in death by her parents; four sisters; and a baby brother in infancy.

Pokey worked at local garment factories until her retirement. Upon retirement she enjoyed spending time with family, and traveling to the Mall of America, Dodgeville, USA, and House on the Rocks.

Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church.

Online condolences may be left at www.bibbveach.com.

We Welcome Your Local News

Edgar Mae Nalley

Edgar Mae Nalley was born to Edgar Johnston and Florence Pickens on July 27, 1925 in Chickasha, Okla.

Edgar Mae accepted Jesus Christ as her personal savior at an early age and would quickly tell you "God does not like ugly!" She believed in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Edgar Mae was married to Waldo W. Nalley where they resided in Bowling Green for many years. To this union no children were born. Edgar Mae had one daughter, Betty Ya Von, who was her dearest and only child. Betty cared and loved her mother until her death.

Edgar Mae knew her purpose and devoted her life to her grandchild-

Card Of Thanks
The family of Patricia Ann Graver would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, flowers, visits, donations and other acts of kindness during the loss of our loved one.
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Crime Victim's Week At NECC

National Crime Victim's Rights Week, April 20-24, NECC had a series of events including a silent action, toiletry drive, and bake sale. All proceeds will benefit NECC, Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA) the Hope Center and Kids in motion. RJO offenders, Michael Campbell, Jacky Wong, Luke Scammell, Lazaro Guerra-Hernandez and Michael Krallman built a bench with the Crime Victims theme painted on it. This was donated to the Eolia City Park in Eolia, Mo. Committee members Lana Byram, Dana Harmon and Amber Stubenrauch were there to present the bench to City Clerk, Shawnda Zumwalt. Pictured, from left: Shawnda Zumwalt, Amber Stubenrauch, Lana Byram, Dana Harmon. The RJO offenders have built a wood project for the past three years to donate to the surrounding communities which includes two benches and a picnic table.



The committee raised a total of \$573.50. Donations from the offender organizations (Gavel Club, VVA, RJO, NAACP and OOA) was \$1,050 and an additional \$250 from Gavel Club to go to Avenues.



Jeffrey G. Long

Jeffrey Gerald Long, 62, of Sullivan died Thursday, April 16, 2020 at his home with his family by his side after battling pancreatic cancer.

Jeffrey, a.k.a. Jeffer, was born Aug. 15, 1957 in Flint, Mich., to Carla Trim Long Hedges and Gerald "Jerry" Long. Jeff graduated in 1976 from Union-Whitten High School as vice president of his class. He was married to Karen Begley in 1982 and was blessed with two sons then later divorced.

Jeff was a welder at Building Technology and Manchester Tank in Hannibal from 1977-94. He was a meticulous die caster for Ace Precision Casting in Marshalltown, Iowa for 12 years leaving for Colorado City, Colo., to work with his sister, Kathy, and former brother-in-law, as a machinist at Pro-Tec Tool & Mfg. In 2008, Jeff returned to Sullivan to assist as a caregiver for his stepfather, Norman Hedges, and to work at Scotch Die Cast until his health declined in 2017.

Jeff enjoyed studying his Bible,

volunteering at the Sullivan Senior Center, yard work at his mother's home and fishing with his family. A highlight in 2018 was a walleye fishing trip to Pierre, S.D., with his sister, Kathy and brother-in-law, Tom. He loved spending time with his grandchildren and his great-nieces and nephews. Being from Michigan, it was a given that he was a die-hard Detroit Lions football fan and living in Missouri, he was an avid St. Louis Cardinals baseball fan and enjoyed attending their games. Jeff's passion was to please his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He attended Green Mound Baptist Church in St. Clair and has been spiritually blessed with his amazing church family.

Jeff is survived by his mother, Carla Hedges of Sullivan; father, Gerald "Jerry" Long of Bowling Green; two sons, Jason Long and wife, Katelyn of Excelsior Springs, and Jesse Long and wife, Dawn of Hannibal; six grandchildren, Lily, Cora, Wyatt, Kayden, Eliab and Annalise; four siblings, Kathy Long Bays and husband, Tom of Union, Iowa, Terry Mills of Marshalltown, Iowa, Roger Mills and wife, Gaylene of Ackley, Iowa, Kelly Mills Katzer and husband, Trent of Nevada, Iowa; childhood friend, David Gray of State Center, Iowa and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Jeff was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Edmond and Viola Long, uncle, Gene Long, aunt Judy Long and stepmother, Lavena Long, all of Bowling Green, MO and uncle, Robert Long of Quincy, Ill.

Cremation rites were accorded at Eaton Funeral Home in Sullivan and his memorial services in Missouri and in Iowa will be postponed due to the impact of the coronavirus.

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The Public Water Supply Dist. #1 of Pike County is accepting applications for a full-time maintenance position. The successful candidate must have a valid driver's license, be able to acquire applicable water license certification and take on-call duties nights and weekends.

Applications will be accepted through May 19, 2020 and may be picked up at the district office at 1106 W. Adams St., Bowling Green. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; or call 573-324-3221.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

MDC Reports Spring Turkey Season Ended With 41,454

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that turkey hunters checked 38,730 birds during Missouri's 2020 regular spring turkey season, April 20 through May 10. Top harvest counties were Franklin with 899 birds harvested, Callaway with 699, and Laclede with 651.

Young turkey hunters also harvested 2,724 birds during the 2020 spring youth season, April 4 and 5, bringing the overall 2020 spring turkey harvest to 41,454.

Last year, young turkey hunters harvested 2,546 birds during the spring youth season and hunters harvested 36,249 during the regular

spring season for a 2019 spring season total harvest of 38,795 birds.

"Even though nonresident permit sales were down this year, there were about 9,600 more spring turkey hunters overall than in 2019 due to an increase in resident permit sales," said MDC Turkey Biologist Reina Tyl. "When turkey hunting participation increases, we expect to see a subsequent increase in turkey harvest. It's great to see that more Missourians were able to get out into the turkey woods this year."

Get more information on this year's spring turkey harvest numbers by county at extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest_t

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Get more information on turkey harvest numbers for past seasons at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey/turkey-reports/turkey-harvest-summaries-past-seasons.

MDC had one report of a non-fatal hunting incident during the 2020 spring turkey season. It involved one hunter mistakenly shooting another hunter.

For more information about turkey hunting in Missouri, visit MDC online at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey.



Kent Wins Republican Scholarship

The Pike County Republican Central Committee is excited to announce Landon Kent, son of Ryan and Leisha Kent, as the 2020 scholarship recipient. Also pictured is Gale Griffith-Frolos, chairwoman, and Chad Perkins, committeeman.

2020 Special Olympics Of Missouri State Games Going Viral

Special Olympics Missouri (SOMO) will be hosting its first-ever Virtual Summer Games this May and June. Due to COVID-19, the State Summer Games experience had to be altered and moved to an online format.

The 2020 Virtual Summer Games will be unlike any other competition Special Olympics Missouri has ever put on. It will include opportunities for athletes and Unified Partners to compete in a variety of events from the comfort of their own homes.

From May 16-18, athletes will "compete" by turning in their scores for all of the events in which they are interested in competing (listed below). The results will be announced via Facebook Live at 7 p.m., Saturday, June 6.

Nine events are featured: planking, speed dribble (basketball), standing long jump, run/walk/roll (150 feet), run/walk/roll (75 feet), wall sits, volleyball set/bump, swimming kicks, and soccer juggling. These obviously aren't SOMO's traditional events, but these events don't require much equipment and can easily be done from home. There are modified and Unified divisions for several of the events as well.

The Virtual Summer Games kick off at 7 p.m. Friday, June 5 via Facebook Live, with the Opening Ceremony. The virtual Opening Ceremony will include pieces that would traditionally be in a Special Olympics Missouri Opening Ceremony including the Athlete's and Coach's Oath, a Law Enforcement Torch Run, entertainment, a special guest declaring the games officially open, and much more.

SOMO is inviting the general public to take part in these games. Volunteers can record messages of support for the athletes, help fundraise, run in the #SOMOVirtalTorchRun, and tune into the Opening Ceremony June 5 and the recap show on Saturday, June 6. More information for volunteers is below.

Virtual Summer Games schedule and times are as follows:

- Training on their own
May 4 - 15
- Competition from home
Saturday, May 16 - 18
- Opening Ceremony
Friday, June 5 - 7 p.m.
- Sports Zone (yoga and health lessons)
Saturday, June 6 - 9 a.m.
- #SOMOVirtalTorchRun
Saturday, June 6 - 10 a.m.
- End of games recap video
Saturday, June 6 - 7 p.m.
- Dance
Saturday, June 6 - 7:30 p.m.
- #SOMOVirtalTorchRun

The Virtual Summer Games will also include a #SOMOVirtalTorchRun. Every year, thousands of law enforcement officers raise awareness and funds for Special Olympics Missouri through the annual LETR Torch Run. Due to COVID-19, SOMO had to cancel the in-person portion for the State Summer Games and the Torch Run.

In honor of the 35th year of the Torch Run, everyone (law enforcement officers, coaches, families, SOMO athletes, sponsors, etc.) can run/walk/roll 3.5 miles in your neighborhood to participate. Pay \$10 to participate; pay/fundraise a total of \$35 and you get a shirt.

The official run will take place at 10 a.m., on Saturday, June 6. If you can't participate on that day, you can

take part any other day that week. Regardless of when you run, walk, or roll that week, take pictures and post them to social media with the hashtag #SOMOVirtalTorchRun.

For more information about the #SOMOVirtalTorchRun, please visit www.somo.rallyup.com/virtualtorchrun2020.

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Volunteers are a key part of SOMO's success, and even though this event is happening virtually, there are still ways for volunteers to get involved.

- Record a message of support for our athletes on Fipgrid.
- Purchase your Virtual Summer Games shirt (and other SOMO apparel) in our online store!
- Participate in #SOMOSpiritWeek leading up to the games June 1-5!
- Join us the morning of Saturday, June 6 for yoga and health lessons
- Join us the evening of June 5 on Facebook at 7 p.m. for our Opening Ceremony!
- You can also join us again the next night on June 6 for the wrap-up video and dance party!
- Join the #SOMOVirtalTorchRun!
- Raise money and submit your #SOMOVoice video and challenge three friends to do the same!

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For more information about the 2020 Virtual Summer Games, please contact Kayla Hull at 573.469.7835 or email hull@somo.org. Please also visit the Special Olympics Missouri website at www.somo.org/Virtual

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Clarksville Memorial VFW, Auxiliary Install Officers

The Clarksville Memorial VFW 4610 Auxiliary officers for the year of 2020/2021 were installed on Monday, May 4 at 6 p.m., by teleconference provided by Secretary Virginia Starks.

The officers that were installed

were: Mary Tarpein - president, Gracie Wyatt - sr. vice president, Helen Riffle - jr. vice, Virginia Starks - secretary, Dianne Gardner - chaplain, Michael Everett - Conductor and Kelly Hubbard - assistant conductor, Amy Cooke - guard, Ora

Belle Conway - first yaer trustee.

The officers were installed by Past President Joanne Hammuck, Joanne will again serve as Treasurer.

The other elected and appointed officers will be installed at a later date at the post home.

MDC Reports CWD Results For 2019-20 Season

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reports it has completed its monitoring and testing efforts for the 2019-2020 chronic wasting disease (CWD) surveillance year. From those efforts, MDC reports it has confirmed 46 new cases of the deadly deer disease.

These new findings bring the total number of CWD cases in the state to 162. MDC has tested more than 137,000 deer since the first cases of CWD were found in free-ranging deer in Missouri in 2012.

The 46 new cases were found in the following counties: 3 in Adair, 6 in Franklin, 1 in Jefferson, 8 in Linn, 8 in Macon, 2 in Oregon, 2 in Perry, 1 in Polk, 10 in Ste Genevieve, 2 in Stone, and 3 in Taney.

Previously this season, MDC confirmed 25 of the 46 new cases of CWD in Missouri from nearly 29,000 tissue samples collected from white-tailed deer and submit-

ted for disease testing. Most of the tissue samples were taken from hunter-harvested deer.

MDC has also confirmed an additional 21 of the 46 new cases of CWD through its post-season targeted culling efforts in January, February, and early March in areas where previous cases of CWD have been found. MDC thanks the 1,390 participating landowners who helped MDC staff remove nearly 2,400 deer in those areas to manage CWD.

All deer harvested through targeted culling that did not test positive for the disease were either returned to the landowner or donated to local food pantries through the Share the Harvest venison-donation program.

According to MDC, post-season targeted culling can help decrease CWD transmission by reducing the number of potentially infected deer

within infected areas. Missouri and other states, such as Illinois, have successfully limited the percent of deer infected with CWD by sustaining a long-term, targeted-culling management program. For more information on MDC targeted culling efforts, visit mdc.mo.gov/cwd under "Post Season Targeted Culling."

CWD is a deadly disease in white-tailed deer and other members of the deer family. The purpose of MDC's CWD sampling and testing efforts is to find cases early so the Department can limit the spread of the disease by implementing management actions such as targeted culling. Learn more about CWD at mdc.mo.gov/cwd.

MDC has confirmed 46 new cases of chronic wasting disease found through its monitoring and testing efforts for the 2019-2020 CWD surveillance year.

Write On, Kids!

Remember the days when children routinely wrote thank-you letters to relatives, or how exciting it was to correspond with a pen pal in another country.

The U. S. Postal Service and educational publisher Scholastic have teamed up to rekindle that interest, and promote letter writing as a critical English language skill for U.S. schoolchildren.

This is not their first collaboration to encourage children to communicate through the written word, but it is the first time that the classroom has gone remote. Because teachers, parents and students are now at home, supporting classroom materials have been supplemented with lessons geared towards remote learning.

This year's edition of the initiative — designed for students in grades 3 and 4 — is known as "Show Someone You Care."

Online resources include templates and activity sheets for eight daily topics: letters of gratitude, writing to an elder,

letters across the distance, writing to a favorite author, letters of encouragement, writing to pen pals, letters of celebration and letters of reflection.

The lessons not only encourage self-expression around those topics, they also cover life skills such as properly addressing an envelope, buying and using stamps, and mailing cards and letters.

Among the templates online are printable greeting cards provided by Hallmark.

Over the years, the partnership with Scholastic has allowed the Postal Service to reach around 90,000 teachers and 3 million students annually.

"Right now, the social bonds reflected in letter writing are more important than ever," said USPS Brand Marketing Executive Director Chris Karpenko. "We're always excited to see new generations embrace handwritten letters as a way to share love, show thanks and build meaningful connections."

ANNUAL MEETING

The Antioch Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting on Monday, May 25 at 2 p.m., at the Antioch Church.

Those interested in cemetery business are encourage to attend.

Watch Out For Motorcycles As The Weather Warms Up

After being cooped up for weeks during the COVID 19 pandemic, warmer weather and the need for continued social distancing could find many more motorcycles on our roadways this spring and summer. The Missouri Department of Transportation and the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety want to remind motorists to "Watch for Motorcycles" in order to help prevent motorcycle crashes, deaths and injuries on Missouri roadways.

This awareness campaign will run during the month of May and on holidays through the summer.

"Preliminary data shows that approximately 15% of Missouri traffic fatalities in 2019 involved a motorcycle, with 120 motorcyclist lives lost" said Jon Nelson, MoDOT assistant to the state highway safety and traffic engineer. "We want to see that number decrease this year by reminding motorists to be mindful of motorcyclists on the road and by reminding both motorcyclists and other drivers to obey speed limits, put down the phone, and never drive impaired."

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration offers the following tips to drivers on how to prevent a fatal crash with a motorcycle:

- Allow the motorcycle the full width of a lane at all times.
- Always signal when changing lanes or merging with traffic.
- Check all mirrors and blind spots for motorcycles before changing lanes or merging with traffic, especially at intersections.
- Never drive distracted or impaired.
- Motorcyclists must also take precautions to remain safe on the road. Motorcyclists can increase their safety by following these steps:
 - Wear a DOT-compliant helmet and other protective gear.
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COMMUNITY NEWS



Dorothy & Junior Hubert

Huberts Celebrate 50th Anniversary

A 50th wedding celebration party was held March 14, 2020 at the Pike County Fairgrounds in Bowling Green for Junior and Dorothy Hubert.

The event was hosted by their children and grandchildren, Rick Hubert and Becky Roberts of Auxvasse, Lisa Gallup and husband, Mike, Centralia; Brett Hubert, Fort Campbell, Ky., and Annaliese Hubert of Curryville.

Lloyd Kennedy Hubert Jr., and Dorothy Lorraine Kelley were united in marriage on March 6, 1970 at the Church of the Nazarene in Nebo, Ill. Officiating was the Rev. Raymond Barr. James Hubert, brother of the bridegroom was best man; Melvin Baker, brother-in-law of the bridegroom was groomsmen. Shirley Hormann, sister of the bride was matron of honor and Goldie Kelley, sister of the bride was bridesmaid. Barbara Kelley, sister of the bride was flower girl.

Junior and Dorothy have resided around the Curryville most of their 50 years of marriage except for two years 1971-73 when Jr. was drafted into the United States Army. The lived in Fort Bliss, Texas for a short time and Ramstein, Germany where Jr. was in the military stationed at those bases.

Those attending the celebration were Wayne and Mary Jane Gaspie, Tom and Wanda Lovell, Tony and Roma Lovell, Tammy Hobbs, Katelyn Allen, Tim and Michelle Brown,

all of Curryville; Joey and Stacey Hamlett, Jim and Stacy Hopke, Hailey Hopke, Austin Speagle, Kevin and Beth Motley, Sarah, Claire, and Rebecca, Vandalia; Joe and Jennifer Asquith, David and Jo Hager, Janice Mannahan, Gina Holland, Lauren Hill, and Collin Stark, Louisiana.

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The family was appreciative to everyone for their attendance, gifts, but most importantly helping to celebrate their wonderful 50 years of marriage.

The wished God's blessings to everyone.

May Is Mental Health Awareness Month

While 1 in 5 people will experience a mental illness during their lifetime, everyone faces challenges in life that can impact their mental health. The good news is there are practical tools that everyone can use to improve their mental health and increase resiliency - and there are ways that everyone can be supportive of friends, family, and co-workers who are struggling with life's challenges or their mental health.

This May is Mental Health Month Pike County Health Department Home Health & Hospice is highlighting #Tools2Thrive - what individuals can do daily to prioritize their mental health, build resiliency in the face of trauma and obstacles, support those who are struggling, and work towards a path of recovery.

One of the easiest tools anyone can use is taking a mental health screen at mhascreening.org when they need answers. It's a quick, free, and private way for people to assess their mental health and recognize signs of mental health problems.

This May, we are also exploring topics that can help you build your own set of #Tools2Thrive - recognizing and owning your feelings; finding the positive after loss; connecting with others; eliminating toxic influences; creating healthy routines; and supporting others - all as ways to boost the mental health and general wellness of you and your loved ones.

When it comes to your feelings, it can be easy to get caught up in your emotions as you're feeling them. Most people don't think about what emotions they are dealing with but taking the time to really identify what you're feeling can help you to better cope with challenging situations. It's ok to give yourself permission to feel. We know that life can throw us curveballs - and at some point in our lives we will all experience

loss. It may be the end of a relationship, being let go from a job, losing a home, or the death of a loved one. It is natural to go through a grieving process. By looking for opportunity in adversity or finding ways to remember the good things about who or what we've lost, we can help ourselves to recover mentally and emotionally.

It also is true that connections and the people around us can help our overall mental health - or hurt it. It's important to make connections with other people that help enrich our lives and get us through tough times, but it's equally important to recognize when certain people and situations in life can trigger us to feel bad or engage in destructive behaviors. Identifying the toxic influences in our lives and taking steps to create a new life without them can improve mental and physical health over time. And we know that work, paying bills, cleaning, getting enough sleep, and taking care of children are just some of the things we do each day - and it is easy to be overwhelmed. By creating routines, we can organize our days in such a way that taking care of tasks

and ourselves becomes a pattern that makes it easier to get things done without having to think hard about them.

For each of us, the tools we use to keep us mentally healthy will be unique. But Pike County Health Department Home Health & Hospice wants everyone to know that mental illnesses are real, and recovery is possible. Finding what work for you may not be easy but can be achieved by gradually making small changes and building on those successes. By developing your own #Tools2Thrive, it is possible to find balance between work and play, the ups and downs of life, and physical health and mental health - and set yourself on the path to recovery. For more information, visit www.mhanational.org/may. Find local mental health resources on our website at www.pikecountyhealth.org and learn more about the mental and behavioral health services they offer at our office with the help of Clarity Behavioral Health. Follow Pike County Health Department Home Health & Hospice on Facebook or Twitter for Mental Health resources throughout the month of May.

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