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Van-Far Quiz Bowl Team Takes Third In State

The Van-Far Quiz Bowl Team traveled to Columbia last week to battle it out in the 2021 MSHSAA Scholar Bowl Championships.

Their journey to the state tournament marks the very first time the school district has competed at this level.

"Van Far has never won district, sectionals, or competed at the state level before," the team's coach, Teresa Winders, told the Tribune. "We were very excited that we were able to go to new levels this year and we are looking forward to what is in store for us next year!"

To cap off a remarkable season, they walked away with some new hardware for the school to display – the third-place award – after a 310-110 win over Summersville.

Not only that, but Cameron Jones also took home top honors at the conference and district level.

"Quiz Bowl is basically an academic trivia competition," Winders explained. "The questions are read by a moderator and each team buzzes in when or if they know the answer. The team who answers the question correctly is given three bonus questions."

According to Winders, if the team incorrectly answers the bonus questions, it then goes to the opposing team for a shot.

For those who never experienced quiz bowl, the questions come in a wide variety covering history, literature, math and math computation,

geography, science, art, music, and even pop culture.

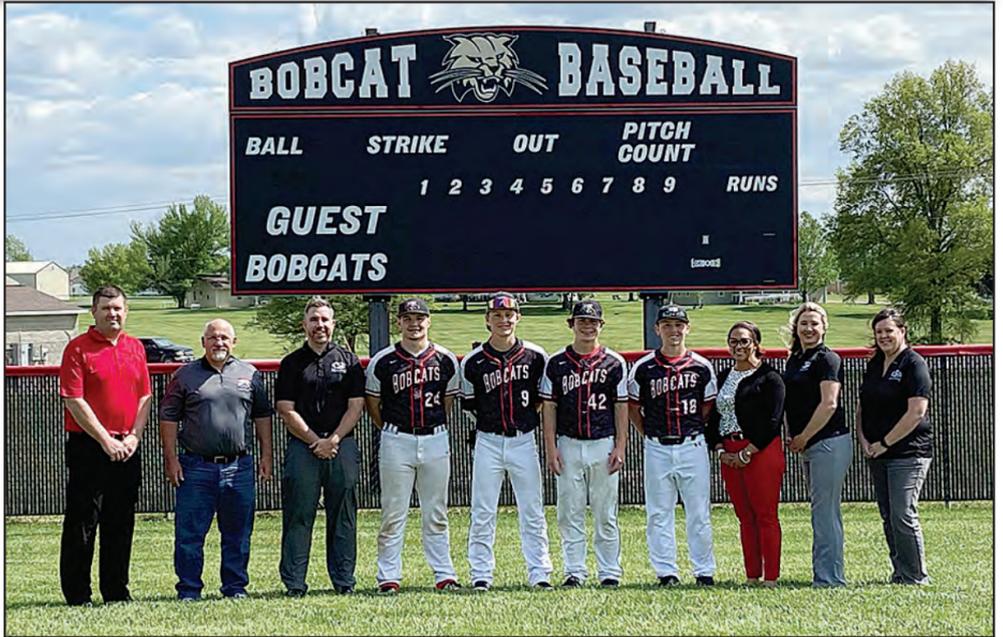
"We played in person this season," Winders continued. "Many schools competed virtually, but our conference met and decided that quiz bowl competitions could be held safely using the guidelines given to us by health officials."

As for standout moments in the competition, Winders commented that "the mounting excitement as we advanced was both fun and nerve-racking. Lots of laughter during practices. I am very proud of my quiz bowl team!! We supported each other and grew both individually and as a team."

"I would add just how proud we are of these students and our coach Teresa Winders," Van-Far Principal Kim Pafford told the Tribune. "They are an outstanding group of students who always represent Van-Far and our community well."

Van-Far School District Superintendent, John Fortney, also congratulated the team and Coach Winders on their success.

"The Van-Far R-I District is extremely proud of these students and their coach and congratulate them for their hard work during this school year," he said. "This is an extremely talented group of young people and they have done an outstanding job representing their school, their families and their community."



CSB Donates New Baseball Score Board

Community State Bank donated the funds needed to purchase a new scoreboard for the Bowling Green High School baseball field. Pictured from left: Adam Trower, senior vice president at Community State Bank, Scott Mullins, BGHS principal, Kyle Scherder, assistant vice president at Community State Bank, Tristan Charlton, senior, Cooper Kiel, junior, Clay Lazear, senior, DJ Feldmann, junior, Tiffany Coleman-Dade, Bowling Green Booster president, Brittany Henke, assistant cashier at Community State Bank, and Bridgette Reuther, vice president at Community State Bank.

Louisiana Swears In Newly Elected Council

of our great city," Mooney told the Tribune. Married to Michele Mooney, he's been a familiar face in Louisiana since 2005. The couple are often spotted at school events supporting their two children, Quincy and Olivia.

Mooney says he decided to run because he felt he could make a positive impact on the community and would like to help create ways for businesses to thrive.

He was one of three sworn in during last month's regular council meeting. Wards I and IV incumbents Nancy Evans and Bob Ringhausen were reelected for another two-year term.

Although Ward III candidate Mike Sherman won the election, he was unable to fill the seat after having to forfeit the public office due to a Missouri state statute that disqualified him.

Sherman's opponent and Ward III incumbent, Nick Fregeau, was reappointed to the position until the April 2022 municipal election.

Sherman told the Tribune that he's working on the necessary steps to possibly run again for another elected position in the future.

"I don't think the ward is represented the way residents want," Sherman said. "I know that firsthand because I talked to several hundred people."

The new council was put to work right away as they discussed the current status of the city's budget along with other agenda items before going into a closed session.

Regular meetings of the Louisiana city council are currently closed to in person audiences, but are live streamed through the Zoom app.

Those wishing to address the council and city officials are still able to do so although they need to sign up beforehand.

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Van-Far High School Quiz Bowl Team



Newly elected Louisiana Ward III councilmember, Josh Mooney, signs official paperwork to take office.

BY BRICE CHANDLER STAFF WRITER

Louisiana residents and audience members will see a new face sitting in the vacant Ward II seat with newly elected council member Josh Mooney who was sworn in last month.

Mooney was elected to the position after Kathy Smith vacated the seat to assume the role of mayor.

"It's an honor to serve the people

Bringing Handmade Pizza Back To Louisiana

BY BRICE J. CHANDLER STAFF WRITER

For local entrepreneur, Chad Bowen, his new pizzeria in Louisiana is already off to a blistering pace.

Despite working through some rocky patches early on and the high demand, Chad says he feels blessed at how everything has come together at this point.

"The building was already set up as a restaurant," he said. After setting another business with his partner Justin Sheppard at the former Alps building now jointly occupied with D-Stop, Chad started exploring the idea of bringing pizza back to the former Pizza Hut building.

"It's kind of strange how it all fell into place," Chad continued. "Justin had the building and then all of a sudden we looked online and there's all the equipment."

The only problem was that equipment was hundreds of miles away in New York.

Chad managed the duo's Patriot Towing and Car Hauling which frequently picked up vehicles for customers from various parts of the United States. The company had trucks and trailers readily available to transport the heavy cooking equipment.

Problem solved. After driving out to New York and picking up the equipment, Chad got to work with his family and friends on renovating the building. Another task Chad was perfectly suited to handle. Prior to working with Sheppard, Chad operated his own renovation service in the area for 27-years which handled everything from water dam-

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Last MO Confederate Born In Pike County; Died Seven Decades Ago



John Thomas Graves

By Brent Engel Contributing Writer

Missouri's last Confederate was born in Pike County and passed away seven decades ago.

John Thomas Graves left the rebel army due to illness, but ended up living longer than any of his Missouri comrades and just about everyone else who fought in the Civil War. He died of heart failure at age 108 on May 9, 1950.

Graves was born at Prairieville near modern day Eolia on Jan. 1, 1842. His father, James, oversaw a tobacco plantation.

At the outset of war, Graves joined a Confederate company commanded by Harvard-educated John Bullock Clark Jr., the son of a U.S. Congressman. He also fought with one-time Missouri Gov. Sterling Price.

Graves was discharged for unspecified medical reasons in January 1862. He would work as a farmer, store owner and construction contractor. In addition, Graves owned mines in the West. He and his wife, Addie Ann Ray Graves, had two

sons, James and Major.

Five years after Addie died in 1924, Graves applied for residency at the Confederate Soldiers Home of Missouri, which opened through donations in 1891 at Higginsville. The application was denied because Graves' income was too high, but he finally was accepted in 1933.

Women who visited were told to be on the lookout because Graves would plant a kiss on their cheeks. Staff once caught a 102-year-old Graves sneaking around the room of a younger veteran's widow. He also loved listening to the radio and rocking in his chair. Though toothless late in life, Graves made sure birthdays were never dull.

"He took a bit of cake and ice cream, but did not let it spoil his daily round of eight highballs and huge fistfuls of chewing tobacco," wrote author Richard A. Serrano.

The state took over operations and Graves eventually had the house pretty much to himself. The bill for keeping him there reached \$25,000 a year — more than \$260,000 today. One lawmaker complained the state could "keep him in the best hotel in St. Louis for less money."

Upon his death, Graves was buried in the home's cemetery with more than 800 other soldiers and family members. The house was torn down, but the grounds were established in 1952 as the Confederate Memorial State Historic Site. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1981.

Pleasant Crump of Alabama is the last verifiable Confederate veteran. He died at 104 on Dec. 31, 1951. Albert Woolson of Minnesota is the last man to have served in the Union Army. He passed at 106 on Aug. 2, 1956.

Graves listened intently to America. See CONFEDERATE on page 5



Newly re-elected and elected councilmembers are sworn in by Louisiana city clerk, Memarie Gonzalez, during the April 26 regular council meeting. Pictured, from left: Nancy Evans, Bob Ringhausen, and Josh Mooney.

NECC Holds 40th Annual Crime Victim's Ceremony

BY BRICE CHANDLER STAFF WRITER

The third full week of April marked the 40th anniversary of National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW).

As part of the week, offenders at Northeastern Correctional Center (NECC) helped raise money to donate to various non-profit organizations.

The department and the week

dedicated to victims, their families, and all the lives impacted by crime offers offenders at NECC the opportunity to give back to the community in a meaningful way.

This year, they chose to donate earnings to central Missouri chapter of Bikers Against Child Abuse and Safe Haven of Grace — an organization that helps single mothers in need.

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This service of listing all obituaries in today's paper, for any funeral home, is sponsored by McCoy & Blossom Funeral Homes

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In Loving Memory
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Rep. Chad Perkins Capitol Report

House & Senate Give Final Approval To FY 2022 State Operating Budget (HBs 1-13, 15, 18, 19)

Members of the House and Senate wrapped up work on the Fiscal Year 2022 State Operating Budget on Friday. The fiscally responsible spending plan continues to support state operations and programs that will help lead Missouri out of the pandemic. In total, the budget contains \$35.6 billion of state and federal spending authority. The appropriations bills that make up the spending plan will now head to the governor's office for his consideration.

Record Investment In K-12 Education

The final version of the budget makes a significant investment in the state's system of education. Once again the legislature has fully funded the K-12 School Foundation Formula. The record investment for early childhood education and K-12 education checks in at nearly \$7.5 billion. The final version of the state operating budget also includes a \$20 million increase for K-12 school transportation, exceeding more than \$110 million in funding for the first time in several years.

The spending plan also includes: \$7.3 million in federal funds for the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (GEER II) to help meet needs in K-12 schools

\$5 million for a deferred maintenance grant program for charter schools who own their own building or a building owned by the local school district

\$3 million for a Rural Advising Program to help high school students and counselors in rural areas with college entry

\$2.5 million to boost reading literacy in the St. Louis area

\$3.25 million to initiate the School Turnaround Act

Protecting Missouri's Vulnerable Children

The 2021 legislative session has seen the General Assembly make a commitment to provide additional resources to foster and adoptive parents. The state operating budget also includes funding to ensure vulnerable young people can find a nurturing home. The plan provides a \$40.7 million increase for adoption and guardianship subsidies, as well as a \$12.8 million increase to Foster Care Maintenance Payments that support families with foster children.

General Assembly Approves Bill to Empower Students to Succeed

Academically (HB 349)

The House and Senate have given final approval legislation meant to empower parents to have access to schools and educational resources that will best meet the needs of their children. The legislation will create Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (ESAs) to help parents afford the best educational opportunities for their kids.

Legislature Approves Bill To Protect Victims Of Domestic Abuse (SB 71)

Legislation is now on its way to the governor that would allow victims of domestic abuse to obtain lifetime orders of protection against their abusers. The bill received overwhelming bipartisan support in both the House and Senate.

Under current law, a court can issue an order of protection for up to one year. Supporters of the bill said some victims of abuse are subject to fear and trauma when they have to see their abuser each year to ask a judge to renew the order. The bill approved by the General Assembly would allow the court to issue orders of protection for at least two years and up to 10 years if an evidentiary hearing finds the abusers pose a serious danger to the physical or mental health of the victim or a minor household member. In these cases, the order could be renewed periodically and be valid for at least two years and up to the lifetime of the abuser.

Providing Skilled Veterans With a Direct Path to Licensure (HB 476)

Missouri will soon cut bureaucratic red tape to ensure more skilled veterans are able to work and practice in the state. Under legislation on its way to the governor, the state would recognize military occupational specialties for licensure.

Specifically, the legislation includes a Military Occupational Specialty as a type of licensure when applying for licensure in Missouri in the same occupation under Missouri's Reciprocity Laws. The bill's sponsor said the bill will allow military men and women to use the training they received while serving to come home and get skilled jobs, and to continue utilizing the skills they have worked so hard to obtain.

Other Bills Truly Agreed To & Finally Passed

SB 120 modifies provisions relating to military affairs, including state designations, hiring preferences and classifications for state employment, state agency services,

school designations, military protections for motor vehicle insurance, and qualified military projects in the Missouri Works Program.

HB 362 modifies provisions regarding the Sunshine Law. A public governmental body is authorized to close records and meetings related to evacuation and lockdown procedures on property owned or leased by the body. Information submitted by software or surveillance companies that secure access to buildings of the body may also be closed. A public governmental body is authorized to close records that are related to email addresses and telephone numbers submitted to a public governmental body by individuals or entities for the sole purpose of receiving electronic or other communications. The public body may also close records of utility usage and bill records for customers of public utilities unless the customer requests them or authorizes their release. The bill also enacts the Government Lending Transparency Act that creates new reporting requirements for the state auditor relating to state lending and credit support programs.

HB 685 lowers the minimum age requirement to 21 years for holding various county offices and special district board memberships. Included in the offices and districts affected are: county clerk; county auditor; county coroner; county surveyor; seven-director school board; ambulance district board; sewer district trustee; public water supply district board; emergency telephone services board; hospital district board; fire protection district board; court clerk; and mayor for third or fourth class cities.

Clopton Baccalaureate Is Wednesday, May 19

The pastors of Southern Pike County will be holding its annual baccalaureate services at 7 p.m., in the Dale Miller Gymnasium on Wednesday, May 19 for the Clopton High School graduating class and their families and friends.

This service will include special memories, music and the message

will be given by the Rev. Mark Albee, Pastor of Edgewood Baptist Church, and participation of other local pastors.

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Logan Anthony Graduates From McKendree University

Logan Anthony, of Elsberry has graduated cum laude from McKendree University with a BS degree in chemistry pre-professional.

The university is conferring 667 degrees in 2021--35 doctoral, 181 master's, 446 bachelor's and five associate degrees--on students who completed their program requirements in December 2020, and in May and July 2021.

A total of 124 students graduated with Latin honors (pending final grades for the spring and summer terms): 21 summa cum laude, 55 magna cum laude and 48 cum laude. Eighteen graduates were members of the university's Honors Program. The McKendree University Class of 2021 hails from 29 states and 15 countries. #McK2021



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COMMUNITY NEWS

From The Mayor's Desk...

The transition from spring into summer feels different this year. As the flowers bud and the grass grows so quickly so is our community.

As we look to the early signs of summer heat, we also look forward to more opportunities for connections with our families and friends. Many thanks to Mary Twellman and Karen Leverenz of the Heir Study Club for planting flowers from Prairies Edge in the planter boxes. I am inspired by the welcoming of new businesses and services to the City of Bowling Green by all the support and patronage I see, and I am also inspired by the welcoming, by you, as a town, that are welcoming new families and individuals as well. This inspiration combined with hope for a brighter time in our history is invigorating and exciting. How we reach out and how we treat people advertises what we are!

I have been writing a lot about shopping local's importance and how it is imperative if a city is going to grow and keep up with its growth. Poor planning and preparation usually result in panic and poor workmanship. When people shop locally it sustains a vibrant positive attitude and pride which spurs on and entices involvement, improvement, partnership, and support for one another. For example, I hope most of you have taken time to see the beautification of the Square area accomplished by the Downtown Revitalization Committee. I have mentioned how many businesses, organizations, and individuals have volunteered their products, efforts, and time to make this area so very attractive as they promote our local businesses with banners. Furthermore, they have a plan to go all the way down Court Street. They have a vision for the downtown business area and people are Adopting the Project! Wonderful job Tracy B, the DTRC, Rotary Club grant, and those that donated their products, services, and volunteered!

I DO WANT TO STRESS that growth does not correlate to losing our small-town philosophy and way of life. Growth secures our way of



JIM ARICO, MAYOR
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life and improves what we have been entrusted by those who came before us. For instance, Forever Primitive has replaced the sidewalk in front of their business along with Gypsy Soul and many have renovated their store's appearance like Legion's, Ann Lane, Henny Penny, Bowling Green Veterinary Clinic, and Refuge Church.

There will be a free community dinner on June 2 at the Second Baptist Church in Bowling Green. It will be from 5-6 p.m., and the public is invited. If you know an elderly or disabled person that needs a hotdog dinner, chips, water, and a dessert please pick one up and deliver it to them. Second Baptist plans on having a monthly free dinner in hopes that many will be fed.

The city will be expanding the Barb Allison Park at the Library/Community Center with additional playground equipment and walking trail. A grant from Dr. Pepper/Ka-Boom is making this possible. Please tell you family and friends about Wings and Wheels on June 5 at the Bowling Green Airport. Fine food, fun, family atmosphere, and fantastic airplanes and cars, etc. If you have a car, truck, or motorcycle you would like to show off, please bring it to the Wheels part of the "Wings and Wheels." Admission is free to enter the Wheels show as well as the entire event. Come see the renovation of our Municipal Airport. I have observed some great looking vehicles in Bowling Green and Pike County. Please share them with and allow the public to enjoy them too!

The nation's social fabric has been torn by partisan distrust, disinformation, exclusion, and overall upheaval in the destruction of our American cities. Our ties to one another are fragile as we grow more divided over social issues, race, vaccine participation, health, and the economy. Please, do not let this happen in our terrific city and county. Let us break down barriers that divide through communication and acceptance of one another. We can do this by reaching out and supporting one another and discover how to have more peace-filled relationships.



NECAC Community Action Reception

The 12-county-area not-for-profit North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) recently held a reception at its Pike County Service Center in Bowling Green in recognition of the agency's 56th anniversary and the May observance of National Community Action Month. Pictured, from left, are NECAC Employment Services Coordinator Kirsten White, Emergency Services Coordinator Katie McGarity, Housing Assistance Counselor Laurie Durbin, Housing Assistance Counselor LaTanya Chatman, Emergency Services Coordinator Dawn Harell, Deputy Director for Community Services Programs Janice Robinson, County Services Programs Director Linda Fritz, Executive Secretary Christina Ray, President and Chief Executive Officer Don Patrick, Chief Deputy Director Dan Page, Section 8 Rent-Assistance Program Director Dianna Clair, LIHEAP Supervisor Angela Katenbraker, LIHEAP Counselor Cindy Lake, LIHEAP Counselor Danielle Sanders and LIHEAP Counselor Vera Wood. Celebration receptions were held at all 12 NECAC County Service Centers.

USDA Awards MDC Two Partnership Projects

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) will continue initiatives to integrate conservation with agriculture practices and help restore and manage sand prairies after being awarded two partnership projects through the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP).

Through RCPP, conservation partners work in collaboration with NRCS to help farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners throughout the nation to implement systems that conserve water and soil resources, improve wildlife habitats, and increase climate resilience.

"The Regional Conservation Partnership Program is public-private partnership working at its best," said Terry Cosby, acting chief for USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service. "These new projects will harness the power of partnership to help bring about solutions to natural resource concerns across the country while supporting our efforts to combat the climate crisis."

PRECISION FARM DATA & STRATEGIC BUFFER PLACEMENT

NRCS is awarding Missouri \$930,377 to create and implement management strategies that target unprofitable cropland acres. This project will utilize farm data to enhance water

and soil health, target at-risk grassland-associated species habitat on agricultural land, and assist producers to avoid the need for natural resource regulatory requirements. Project goals include:

Utilizing on-farm yield data to identify non-profitable cropland acres and establish the areas to high-diversity herbaceous buffers.

Decrease water and soil quality degradation through the adoption of alternative management regimes designed to mitigate nutrient runoff and soil erosion from cropland.

Encourage producers to make informed decision by targeting conservation practices that maximize environmental benefits.

"This project will focus on using row crop yield data to identify non-profitable cropland," explained MDC Farm Bill Coordinator Lisa Potter. "Participants will use this information to convert non-productive cropland to a diverse mix of native warm-season grasses and forbs, which provide drought tolerance, help improve soil health, and provide essential habitat for many declining pollinator and grassland bird species. Encouraging producers to transition their low-yield acres to native warm-season grasses and forbs will also save producers time and input costs associated with producing a crop.

This project is a great example of how true collaboration among our Missouri conservation and agriculture partners can help us all better serve Missouri producers in ways that can address both economic and conservation concerns on their farms."

The funding amount will be for five years and will be used to provide cost-share to landowners in support of applying eligible practices. Missouri counties included in the project area are Saline, Lafayette, Pettis, Macon, Randolph, Chariton, and Linn.

Landowners who qualify to participate in this project are encouraged to contact their local MDC Private Land Conservationist for more information. The first enrollment opportunity is anticipated to be announced next year.

Contributing partners include: MDC, MFA Incorporated, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Missouri Corn Merchandising Council, Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council, Bayer U.S., Missouri Rural Water Association, The Nature Conservancy, Missouri River Bird Observatory, Associated Electric Cooperative, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Fertilizer Institute.

To learn more about the Regional Conservation Partnership Program, visit the RCPP website.

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Susan C. Mills

Mass of Christian Burial for Susan Carol Mills of Elsberry was held at 10 a.m., Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Elsberry. Fr. Charles Tichacek, church pastor, officiated with burial in the Elsberry City Cemetery near Elsberry.

Visitation was from 4-8 p.m., Thursday at Carter-Ricks Funeral Home in Elsberry and again from 9 a.m. until the time of funeral Mass at 10 a.m., Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Mrs. Mills, 72, died Thursday, April 29, 2021 at SSM St. Joseph Hospital Rehabilitation Center in Lake St. Louis.

Born Aug. 26, 1948 in St. Charles, she was the daughter of Frank Robert and Rose Ann Simon Dwiggin. Susan was a 1967 graduate of Elsberry High School. She was united in marriage on Oct. 30, 1971 in Elsberry to William Andrew "Bill" Mills. This union was blessed with one son, Ryan Andrew.

Susan worked in food service for the Elsberry R-II School District and later in the deli at IGA. Susan was a past member of the Red Hat Society, an avid reader and loyal patron of the Joseph R. Palmer Family Memorial Library, member of the Bible study at the Elsberry First Christian Church, and a long-time and faithful member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Susan was a proud supporter of the Elsberry Community and gave her heart to all she met.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Rose Ann Dwiggin; a brother, Robert Dwiggin; one brother-in-law, Allen Mills; one sister-in-law, Reita Ann Mills; and her beloved husband of nearly 31 years, Bill Mills, who died on Sept. 7, 2002.

Survivors include a son, Ryan Mills and wife, Stephanie; and one sister, Mary Ann Momphard of Silex; three sisters-in-law, Judy Dwiggin of Troy, Judy Holmes and husband, Tommy of Elsberry, and Annette Mills, also of Elsberry. Susan also leaves two aunts, Jean Maschmidt of Elsberry and Kay Simon of St. Charles County; and many other relatives and friends.

Memorials may be made to Masses or the Joseph R. Palmer Family Memorial Library, c/o Carter-Ricks Funeral Home, 107 S. 5th Street, Elsberry, MO 63343.

Online condolences maybe made at www.carterricksfuneralhome.com.



Michael Terrell Randall

Michael Terrell Randall, 41, of Bowling Green died peacefully on Monday, May 3, 2021 at his home.

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home is handling the cremation rites.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Michael was the youngest child of James R. and Janet Ledell Randall. He was born Feb. 27, 1980 in St. Louis. His father preceded him in death.

Michael spent his younger years living with his family in St. Louis County. The family later moved to the Moscow Mills/Troy area. Michael graduated from Troy High School. He then attended and graduated from a community college, studying computer technology. Michael enjoyed working on computers and gaming. He also loved fishing and spent years learning to play guitar. In high school, he was a weightlifter, and was given the nickname "Bear" by his classmates. Michael was always sure to take the time to check on his mom, who he lovingly referred to as "Boss". He loved to joke and make people smile.

As one of Jehovah's Witnesses, Michael dedicated his life to doing God's will and sharing the Bible's hope for the future, "God...will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed

away" - Revelation 21:3,4.

Michael is survived by his mother, Janet; a brother, James "Ray" Randall and wife, Sharon; and two sisters, Lynda Randall and Dana Randall; along with many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, James; and a sister, Fern Williams.

To learn more about the Bible's hope for the future, Michael shared with others, please visit JW.org.

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



Robin Elaine Harrison

Robin Elaine Harrison, 55, of Louisiana died Thursday, May 6, 2021 in Louisiana.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. Burial will be at Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana.

Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m., Tuesday (today) at the funeral home.

She was born on July 13, 1965 in Louisiana and had lived there all of her life.

She is survived by two sons, T. J. Harrison and Fred Harrison, Jr., both of Louisiana; four daughters, Kimberly Rue, Tara Jones, Kayla Smith, all of Louisiana, and Betty Harrison of Bowling Green; seven grandchildren; two brothers, Dale Resor of Louisiana, and Kenny Resor of Mexico; a sister, Kim Resor of Mexico; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Margaret Resor, a brother, Larry Resor, a grandson, Dominik Jones, and a granddaughter, Kaylynn Smith.

Robin had worked as a nurse's assistant at the Maple Grove Lodge nursing home, then for many years at the Press-Journal. She enjoyed family gatherings, playing bingo, dancing, karaoke, watching hallmark movies, and drinking coffee. She will be remembered as a loving mother and grandmother.

Pallbearers will be Jason Standley, Marcus Jones, Daniel Morrison, and Kenneth Smith Jr. Honorary pallbearers will be T. J. Harrison, Fred Harrison Jr., Trevor Harrison, Tannor Rue, and Braydon Smith.

Hall Places in Crop Production

Avery Hall of the Clopton FFA Chapter received the second-place Missouri FFA Diversified Crop Production Placement Proficiency Award at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention.

Proficiency awards recognize FFA members who excel as agricultural entrepreneurs, employees or volunteers while gaining hands-on career experience. Diversified crop production placement is one of 46 proficiency award areas recognized at the state level. Missouri Crop Improvement Association sponsored this award.

The Missouri FFA has 25,662 members representing 351 chapters. The national organization has more than 760,000 members representing 8,739 chapters in all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

The FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

Community Calendar...

Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or toll-free 888-324-9636 or e-mail to: peopletribune@sbcglobal.net

On May 27: There will be a meeting of the board of trustees of the Pike County Health Department, Home Health and Hospice Agency at 8:30 a.m., in the conference room at 1 Healthcare Place, Bowling Green.

Our Fax Number Is 324-6111

Tips, Tricks For Planting Your Spring Garden

Ready to start planning your spring garden, but not sure where to start? We've got your back. With this handy guide full of tips for spring planting, you'll head into the growing season more prepared than ever.

If you're an experienced gardener, you're probably eagerly awaiting spring, when the ground thaws and you can start digging (us, too!). But if you're a first-time grower, the start of spring can be daunting. When should you start planting in spring? How can you best prepare your landscape? What are the best trees and flowers to plant in spring?

We'll let you in on a secret - spring planting is no more challenging than gardening at any other time of the year. And with a little help, you'll be ready to plant a garden that thrives in spring, and all the way through the colder months.

In this handy guide full of spring planting tips, you'll learn:

How to prepare your garden for spring

How to pick the perfect spot for spring planting

When to start planting in spring

What trees and plants are best for spring planting

Caring for your garden into summer and beyond

How do I prepare my garden for spring?

Depending on the hardiness zone you live in, you may only need minimal preparations for your garden. If spring is mild where you live, for example (like in Zones 7 and up), you won't need to change much.

But if you're in a colder area (like Zones 5 and below), you can start preparing for spring by making sure your plants survive the winter. You may need to invest in some gardening tools and supplies to help your plants stay healthy until spring. Frost protection blankets can keep your plants safe and ensure that frost doesn't damage them, and layering mulch can help insulate the roots of more sensitive plants.

If you're feeling really motivated, you can even use spring to organize your gardening shed or equipment, evaluating your supplies and replacing anything that's worn or not working the way it should (like investing in new, sharper pruners, or replenishing fertilizer).

As for potted plants? Move anything that's not as cold-hardy inside for the winter, like avocado or lemon trees.

You can also move potted outdoor plants closer to southern-facing walls to keep them healthier throughout spring, as concrete walls often absorb heat during the day and release it overnight. While this isn't possible for plants in the ground or in raised garden beds, anything in pots and planters is easy to move to a warmer location.

How do you pick the right spot for a spring garden?

Planting a new garden this spring? The most important step of starting a spring garden is picking the right spot. You'll want to find an area with the right soil and light conditions for your plants to thrive.

Woman planting flowers in the soil

For most plants, you'll want to choose a fairly level area with at least partial sun (4-8 hours of sunlight per day). The longer most plants spend in the sun, the more likely they are to survive.

Planting in a shady area? No problem - there are plenty of plants that can thrive in low light. Just select trees and plants that perform better in shade.

When it comes to soil, most plants prefer nutrient-rich, well-

draining soil. But if you have clay, silt or sandy soil, there are plenty of options for plants that will thrive - there are many that aren't particularly picky about soil conditions. When you're getting ready to plant in spring, just decide what you want to grow where, and prepare the soil for planting, as described below.

How do you prepare soil for spring?

Healthy soil is crucial for plant growth and success, especially when planting new trees and plants, and it's something many beginners overlook when starting their spring garden.

Cultivating rich soil takes time, so when you're planning on planting in spring, it's best to start preparing your soil in early winter. Below is a quick guide on how to prepare your soil for spring:

1. Remove weeds

Before you plant in spring, you'll want to remove any weeds present in your planting area. Be as thorough as you can, since some weeds can regenerate from even a tiny amount of root left behind.

2. Simple digging

Simple digging, as the process is known, involves using gardening tools to turn over the top layer of your garden's soil and clear it of debris. Use a shovel or spade to loosen the top layer of soil, breaking up any large clumps and removing rocks or other debris, before you plant.

3. Composting

Composting, a natural process of recycling organic matter into fertilizer, has many benefits for your soil and your plants, including retaining nutrients and water more effectively. Graphic displaying how composting works

It's rich with critical nutrients like nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, and can help clay or silt soil loosen up so water, air, and roots can spread through the foundation easier. It can also help prevent erosion. (As an added bonus, it's great for the environment, too!)

If you compost at home, you can add mature compost to your soil before planting - you can also buy compost at many nurseries and hardware stores. You'll know your compost is mature when it's has a crumbly, even texture, without recognizable scraps, a dark and rich color, and when it smells earthy rather than sour.

4. Begin planting

Once you've prepared your soil, you're ready to start planting. In colder climates, you'll want to wait until the ground thaws after the last frost before planting, so you don't subject sensitive young plants to cold or frost. (See our table below for a spring planting timeline by hardiness zone!)

If you're planting seedlings, remember to harden them off (gradually introducing them to the outdoors 7-14 days before you plant) before planting them outside, so you can increase their resistance to the elements. If you're hardening seedlings outside, remember to quickly bring them in if there's an unseasonable cold snap or storm!

5. Nurture for growth

Once your spring plants are in the ground, you'll want to carefully nurture them to maximize their growth, especially during the first growing season until they're fully established. Water plants well immediately after planting, and water when the soil is dry after that. Fertilize according to your specific plant's care instructions. Our guide to fertilizing plants covers everything you need to know about maximizing plant growth.

What can I plant in early spring?

There are many trees and shrubs that will thrive even when planted in early spring. Most people won't begin planting in the ground until March or April, but there are still planting options earlier in the year. These options will help you brighten your garden as soon as possible:

Shrubs like forsythia, flowering quince, camellias and viburnum
Hardy trees like birch, dogwood, willow and magnolia

Evergreens like pines, tujas and spruces

For warmer-weather loving plants like avocados, lemon trees and other fruits, you can plant them in containers and keep them inside in the winter - just move them outside when the weather warms up.

If you want to plant decorative trees and plants, there are a ton of options, even in early spring. One of the most distinctive trees out there - the Weeping Willow - thrives in early spring. Because it doesn't lose its leaves until autumn, it will look radiant throughout spring and summer.



Stephanie Thoroughman



Gwen Gilbert

Silex Track Athletes Named All Conference

Gwen Gilbert, junior, daughter of Julie Henry and Jeremy Gilbert was named

All-Conference second team Long Jump and 2021 EMO Conference Outstanding Jumper.

Rita Thoroughman, sophomore, daughter of Tim and Stephanie Thoroughman was named All-Conference second team Triple Jump.

Annual Meeting New Keith Cemetery

New Hartford Sat. May 22 - 1 p.m. At The Cemetery

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In a previously published Planning and Zoning Public Hearing Notice scheduled for Wednesday, May 12 at 5:30 p.m., the City of Bowling Green listed one of the addresses incorrectly. The second request should read as follows: 2) review request for the rezoning of property located at Champ Clark and Sharry St. from B-1 Business Highway to Multiple-family. If you have any questions, please call Bowling Green City Hall, 573-324-5451.



Food Bank Donation

Michael Powell of the Salt River Master Gardener, presented a check in the amount of \$300 to Regional Coordinator, Steve Yager of The Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri. Yager said, "these funds will enable The Food Bank to provide at least 1,200 meals to those in need in Marion county". Thanks to partnerships like Salt River Master Gardener club. For more details how you can get involved go to www.sharefoodbringe.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CONFEDERATE

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ica's progress during World War II. He was particularly interested in the atomic bomb, which he called "the devil's instrument." Having partici-

pated in the nation's most deadly war, Graves had some advice.

"The best thing that all nations can do today is to let well enough alone to keep peace," he said shortly before his final birthday. "No one ever wins in a war, and the next one won't be funny."



The owner of Chad's Pizzeria, Chad Bowen, stands in front of one of the pizza ovens he picked up from New York to open his new venture in Louisiana.



Sophia Rogers and Josephine Oblinger ready some of the restaurant's refreshments for the busy lunch hour.

PIZZA

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age and carpet cleaning to complete remodels.

All the while prepping the building at 3215 Georgia Street, they built a solid social media following by teasing fans with pictures of hand tossed pizzas and mouthwatering deserts.

That build up brought on an opening day that nearly overwhelmed the small team as they ran out of fresh dough.

"We thought we were ready, but we underestimated the amount of order that came in," his staff posted on social media.

Despite the setback which is normal for a startup restaurant, they kept customer service and communication a priority and are still seeing large crowds with each day.

"We're getting anywhere between 60-100 new customers each day," Chad explained. "Because of the volume of the fresh dough, I got to have another station. I don't know if it's how we worked Facebook. I didn't think it would be like this. We haven't even hanged any decorations yet."

It might come as a surprise for many to see someone who owns a house renovating company shift into the restaurant business, but its also a skill Chad has earned through experience.

At 16-years-old, he started working as a dishwasher at a restaurant called Fajita Café which served up to 2,500 people daily. Over the course of a few years, Chad worked his way up to salad cook and eventually head cook.

"The chef there taught me everything."

Eventually, he moved on but according to Chad, he always wanted to come back to the restaurant business.

"This town needed something," he answered when asked why pizza. "I planned on trying to do something with the restaurant business but didn't know it would happen like this. How it fell into place. It's still falling in place."

Unlike chain restaurants, the pizzas there are completely handmade, and Chad has brought on family along with hiring others to help keep up with demand.

"We don't even freeze ours overnight. We're doing over 200 pizzas a day in dough," Chad explained. "As the day goes on, you've got to know when to pull the dough out because you don't want it to overproof. We're continually making up more as the day goes."

So far, the fresh pizza has been a hit with locals.

But, if you ask Chad how he juggles restaurateur, managing the vehicle towing company, and being a father of three boys, he'll tell you he's just trying to support his kids.

While his oldest son is currently on his last year at Washington University and his youngest, Carson, is graduating this year.

His middle son, Chad junior, is helping out with the restaurant.

"He's always loved pizza," Chad (Sr.) joked. "When he turned fourteen, he told me he needed to make a pizza. When I told him that I was opening this place up, he said 'I want to be a part of it.' He knows how to make those pizzas like no tomorrow. He's got his own method. We made the dough together and it took us 20-30 different types of doughs before we decided on one. He's got it down to an art. Chad's going to manage this place."

That day might come sooner than expected at the pace business is growing. Only weeks after opening, Chad is already planning an expansion project to help with the flow of carryout pizza and possibly outside dining.

"Me and Justin started out with zero, but now that its turning around, all the money is going back into the business." He explained how he hopes the pizza will eventually attract more visitors to the town and help out the area. "I want to bring in people from other towns like Pittsfield, Hannibal, Troy, and further away."

Besides his children, Chad's wife, Berta, and her daughter, Karyme, help out with serving, Chad's older brother has also joined in after leaving behind a ten-year manufacturing job.

Although not everything has been a cakewalk (a tiramisu cakewalk?), Chad says he's thankful to have the support of the community, his family, and his team.

So, what's the owner's favorite pizza so far?
"Chicken bacon ranch."

Harness Named Freshman Of The Year Finalist

By BRICE J. CHANDLER
STAFF WRITER

Bowling Green graduate of 2019 and Southern Illinois University sophomore, Sarah Harness, was named among the 30 finalists for the 2021 Schutt Sports/NFCA Division I National Freshman of the Year award. The National Fastpitch Coaches Association announced the list of finalists at the end of April and will narrow that list down this week to the top-10.

Due to the cancelation of last season because of COVID-19, the list contains players from both 2020 and

2021.

Harness has already made a big impact as the Salukis' hurler ranking in the top-five of the nearly every category for the Missouri Valley Conference statistics for pitchers. She is number one for innings pitched at 167.5 and tied for most wins and batters struck out.

So far, she's terrorized opposing batters with a 26-8 record at SIU along with a 1.72 ERA (earned run average).

She's also been named the MVC Pitcher of the Week six times - tying for the 15th most in MVC history.

Harness is currently ranked 12th in the nation for wins.

During her high school career, Harness was named to three-straight All-State teams and helped the Lady Bobcats earn back-to-back Missouri State Championships. She amassed and 59-9 record while at Bowling Green by striking out more than one-third of the batters who faced her.

If Harness is selected in the top-10 list on May 13, the MVC will announce the top three prior to the Women's College World Series on May 27.

NECC

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According to the federal Office for Victims of Crime, "since 1981, the National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) has challenged the Nation to confront and remove barriers to achieving justice for all victims of crime. Each year, communities across the country revisit the history of the victims' rights movement, celebrate the progress made, and recommit to further advancements in the crime victims' field."

After a 26-year career in corrections, NECC Warden Daniel Redington has witnessed how successful these programs are with helping offenders reintegrate back into society.

"It makes them feel more connected to the outside world and also makes them feel like they can give back something which in turn helps them to go back with a more positive attitude," Redington said. "I think that it gives the offenders the opportunity to show that they truly are changing their thoughts and behaviors and makes them more accountable for what they did to get here."

Offenders raised \$3,000 by hand-crafting various items that were auctioned off. The items themselves range from meticulously detailed doll houses to home décor and even paintings.

The ceremony along with the program hold an important place with the facility's National Crime Victims Awareness chairperson, Lana Byram.

"Every year, I do the Crime Victims Ceremony because of two people in my life that were murdered," Byram explained. "This is a small way of giving back in their name. That's why I do the victim circles for staff and offenders."

Redington added, "that the ceremony also allows the staff the opportunity to show the offenders that there is no such thing as a victimless crime. Many offenders often feel that their crimes did not truly hurt

someone if it was not a crime that directly impacted someone. They don't see things like stealing or drug abuse as affecting others, but we teach them that their crimes hurt everyone in society in some way or another."

According to Byram, the department along with the offenders begin preparing for the ceremony months in advance.

One of this year's donation recipients was Safe Haven of Grace.

Karen Klaus, Director of Development for Safe Haven of Grace, accepted a check on behalf of the organization who helps women who are pregnant and homeless. She described her own background as a single mother and how the \$1,500 donation would make a tremendous difference for a struggling mother.

Safe Haven of Grace shelters and supports 10 women who are 18-years + and pregnant along with their children.

The organization offers the women a "safe space to navigate a healthy pregnancy and delivery" along with life skills curriculum, GED coaching, and case management.

More importantly, the program supports the families as they transition to becoming fully independent for a second and third year. Graduates from the program are supported for another 10 years to avoid becoming homeless again.

Members of the Mid-Missouri Chapter for Bikers Against Child Abuse (B.A.C.A.) also accepted a check for \$1,500 from the offenders.

According to B.A.C.A.'s missions statement their intent is to create a safer environment for abused children in order for them to not feel afraid of the world in which they live. They work with local and state officials who are already in place to protect children.

"We desire to send a clear message to all involved with the abused children that the child is a part of our organization, and that we are prepared to lend our physical and emotional support to them by affiliation, and our physical presence," one of

the attending members cited a part of the group's mission statement.

The special guests' words received applause from the offenders who helped raise the donation money. Both groups stayed to speak with offenders and staff after the ceremony.

But the offenders' efforts to make amends and give back to the community go beyond the week set aside for victims.

According to Julia Branstetter, NECC's Institutional Activity Coordinator, last year, offenders crafted 40 mats and accompanying quilt blankets that were then sent to homeless shelters. These mats are used by unsheltered homeless individuals to provide a waterproof barrier instead of sleeping on the ground.

That number might not seem like many until realizing how the mats were made.

Hundreds of plastic grocery bags make up their main component which are then crocheted together. A single mat can take anywhere from 500 to 750 plastic bags depending on the size needed.

Although the process is time-consuming and labor intensive, it's just one of the many ways NECC offenders are giving back to the community and NECC staff are preparing them for their eventual reintegration back into society.

"We strongly believe in the concept of providing positive alternatives to offenders," Redington explained. "Most come from a background with little positivity and poor social environments. We hope to break the cycle of criminality by teaching them that there is a better way to live. If we can instill in them a sense of community and provide possible alternatives to the negative factors that society gives, we hope they will embrace those behaviors when they leave here. We also hope that they can become positive role models for the next generation by becoming role models for their children. That is the ultimate goal in all of our program efforts."



Pictured, front row, (l-r): Emily 'Sissy' Gray B.A.C.A., Karen Klaus (with The Haven of Grace), John Gibson (seated in wheelchair), and Herbert Gamer. Second row: Ricky Rollins, Anthony Lee, Daniel Kittle, Kenny Friend, Paul 'Reaper' Halbert with B.A.C.A., William Simmons, Cardell Jones, Mike Etchison, and James Baldwin



Offenders at NECC created items such as this log cabin dollhouse to give back to the community and help raise money to donate to various organizations as part of 40th National Crime Victims Awareness Week. The handcrafted dollhouse was made from older recycled People's Tribunes and includes detailed furniture.

Reward Offered For Identification

Pike County Sheriff, Stephen Korte, has released information regarding a breaking and entering in Eolia.

According to the release, shortly before midnight on March 11, 2021, two white males and a white female illegally entered a home on North Main Street in Eolia. They were confronted by the homeowner who was awakened by their presence. The homeowner chased the would-be burglars from the house, and they fled in an older white mid-size SUV.

A \$1,000 reward has been offered for information that results in the positive identification of all three suspects.

For additional information or to provide information contact Sheriff Stephen Korte at 573-324-3202 or email sheriff@pikcountyso.org or private message to the Pike County Sheriff's Office Facebook page.

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MDC Reports Spring Turkey Season Totals

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that turkey hunters checked 31,798 birds during Missouri's 2021 regular spring turkey season, April 19-May 9. Top harvest counties were Franklin with 710 birds telechecked, Texas with 666, and Callaway with 639.

Young turkey hunters also harvested 2,795 birds over the youth weekend, April 10 and 11, bringing the overall 2021 spring turkey harvest to 34,593.

Last year, young turkey hunters harvested 2,724 birds during the spring youth season and hunters harvested 38,734 during the regular spring season for a 2020 spring season total harvest of 41,458 birds.

"Spring turkey harvest was down this year, which can partially be explained by a decline in hunting participation," said MDC Turkey Biologist Reina Tyl. "Last year we saw a big increase in the number of

permits sold and there was a subsequent increase in turkey harvest. This year, the permit sales total was closer to what was observed before the 2020 season. When turkey hunting participation declines, we expect to see a subsequent decline in turkey harvest."

MDC had one report of a non-fatal hunting incident during the 2021 spring turkey season.

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

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.

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

Thy Brother's Killer

Pike County Family's Quarrel Leads To Two Deaths

BY BRENT ENGEL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Editor's note: The following was contributed by award-winning Pike County print and broadcast journalist, public relations professional and author Brent Engel of Louisiana. Engel plans to publish a book about Pike County history this fall.

The hatred was so fierce that they carried weapons just about everywhere.

A Pike County family's verbal battle over land turned violent in spring 1880 and again at the start of 1882, leaving two brothers dead and nothing resolved.

"The hitherto quiet and unassuming little village of New Hartford... was on Tuesday the scene of a tragedy, the likes of which has not occurred in our county for many a day, and it is to be hoped that many a day may come and go before we have again to chronicle a like event," the Louisiana Journal said.

The war of words started when Virginia native and family patriarch William Show died at age 58 on May 10, 1871. Show and his wife, Rebecca, had at least six children — Morgan, Lemuel, Ida, Altha, Parren and Florence.

Disagreement over the division of property left by their father led to intimidation and threats among the Show siblings and their relatives for almost a decade.

On May 17, 1880, Parren confronted Morgan's wife, Martha, and had what the Journal called "a war of words" with her. They each drew pistols, but Parren got off three shots before his sister-in-law could fire. Parren must have been a terrible shot, because the woman ran back inside without a scratch.

Bloodshed would occur the next morning, Morgan went to feed the livestock carrying a rifle and a pistol. Still riled up from the night before, Parren followed him to the stable and began an argument. Accounts say Parren raised a gun and Morgan fired back, the bullet lodging just a couple of inches from Parren's spine. Parren's shot missed Morgan.

Just before he died 20 minutes later, the 21-year-old unmarried Parren reportedly denied Morgan's account and said his brother was the instigator.

"There is no question about there being two shots fired, some say the shots were not close together than half a minute, others say a minute," the Journal reported. "The supposition is that defendant after shooting deceased with his rifle took (Parren's) pistol and shot it off for the purpose of manufacturing testimony in his behalf."

Justice of the Peace Levi Moore told Pike County Prosecuting Attorney David Ball that Morgan "came to me right away and gave himself up." There was no inquest, because Morgan "acknowledged more than we could prove by others," Moore said.

Moore held the suspect at his house two miles east of New Hartford. Before Morgan could be taken to the Pike County Jail in Bowling Green, an attempt was made to kill him. While providing few details, the Journal said at least two family members may have been involved. For his safety, Morgan was moved to the Audrain County Jail in Mexico and was soon thereafter released on bail.

On a change of venue, the case was moved to Marion County, with the trial set for Jan. 9, 1882. On New Year's Day, Morgan returned to Pike County and visited with witnesses. That evening, he stopped by the Olney home of a sister.

Most of the family had rejected Morgan after Perren's death, but "as time passed on he began to repent of his conduct, or at least professed to repent, and said that he intended to lead a better life," according to the 1888 book "History of Lincoln County, Missouri, from the Earliest Times to the Present."

Morgan had reconciled with all except a brother identified as "Marshall." There is no one by that name in available family records, but it's possible the man was Lemuel, whose middle name began with "M."

In any case, Marshall "had sworn, time and again, to take the life of Morgan on sight," the Mexico Ledger reported.

The sister saw Marshall approaching on his horse and "after some parleying, persuaded the two brothers" to be civil. One account says Marshall shot Morgan in the yard as they walked toward the house. Another says the murder happened inside. Either way, Morgan was killed instantly, with one shot to the head and two to the body.

On Jan. 5, Lincoln County Prosecuting Attorney Robert Walton charged Marshall with murder. Future U.S. Congressman and presidential candidate Champ Clark of Bowling Green defended him.

Several witnesses testified that Morgan "was generally regarded as a bad and dangerous man, and that Marshall was regarded as a quiet and peaceable man," the Lincoln County history book said. Marshall contended that Morgan fired first as the two were alone inside the house. A jury acquitted him on Jan. 19.

Three months later, Morgan's widow began sending poetic letters to the Ledger. The newspaper said the words were original but pointless. After a couple of weeks, the paper told readers it would no longer print her work, saying it would now "appear in the proper place — the waste basket."

Lemuel Show died in 1917 and is buried in Montgomery City. Parren is buried at Ashley. Records do not show where Morgan was laid to rest.

As had been originally planned by William Show, the land was divided among remaining family members.

Bicentennial Photo Contest Announced For Pike County

Pike County residents are invited to celebrate Missouri's bicentennial by entering a photo contest "People, Places and Faces of Missouri". The contest is sponsored by the Friends of the Louisiana Library. Photos will be on display throughout the library for the month of September, according to Holly Mabry, librarian.

Entries are due Thursday, August 24 at the Louisiana Public Library. Color or black and white photos 8" X 10" but not larger than 11" X 14". Entries must be framed or matted.

The photographer must supply

contact information with submission. Entry fee is \$10 cash prizes of \$75 for Best in Show. Three runner-up prizes of \$20 will be awarded. Photographers may have a buy option on their photos A 10% fee will be charged by the Friends of the Louisiana Library.

Missouri was admitted to the United States in 1821 and is celebrating its bicentennial in 2021. For more information, contact the Louisiana Public Library at 754-4491.



BGHS Art Students Participate In Competition

Bowling Green High School students participated in the Hannibal LaGrange University 31st Annual High School Art Competition from April 12-16. Shay Rohn received two honorable mentions - one for her portrait drawing and the second for her mixed media still life. Presenting their artwork from left to right: Emily Traynor, Shay Rohn, Zoe Brandenburger, Whitley Carroll, Audrey Brewster, and Shelby Cohea.

MDC Asks Anglers To Help Stop Invasive Round Gobies

Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) fisheries biologists say that the Show-Me-State has another aquatic invader to be on the watch for. This one has the potential to throw off the delicate ecology of our river and stream systems and threaten some of Missouri's most popular gamefish. It's already been detected in the Mississippi River near St. Louis—and anglers might be the first line of defense.

The round goby (*Neogobius melanostomus*) is native to the Black and Caspian Seas between Europe and Asia and was brought to the U.S. by way of the Great Lakes in cargo ship ballast. Since then, the invasive fish has made its way down the Illinois River and has been confirmed just across the Mississippi at Alton, Illinois. MDC fisheries biologists warn that it's only a matter of time before we could be seeing them here.

"Round gobies are an exotic, invasive species that use the same habitats and foods as many of our native fish. This puts them in direct competition with our natives, some of which are already in decline because of other environmental factors," said MDC Fisheries Management Biologist Sarah Peper. Compounding the problem is that round gobies are highly aggressive foragers, known to voraciously raid fish nests and eat eggs. These fish also have an enhanced ability to detect water movement, which allows them to feed in complete darkness, giving gobies yet another advantage over other fish in the same habitat.

Already detected in the Mississippi River system, the invasive round gobies could enter the Mer-

amec River as well. "The Meramec is the first major tributary downstream of where they have been found in the Mississippi, and it has a predominately gravel substrate that the gobies seem to prefer," cautioned MDC Fisheries Management Biologist Jen Gironde.

"Smallmouth bass in the Meramec would be the gamefish we're most concerned about," Gironde explained. "Although males guard and defend their nests readily, any distraction or temporary displacement, if an angler catches and releases a smallmouth for example, could allow the gobies enough time to consume most of the smallmouth eggs."

The delicate Meramec ecosystem supports several river-bottom species of conservation concern that gobies might negatively impact as well, including crayfish, mussels, and darters. While gobies may not harm native freshwater mussels directly, the Meramec basin supports many native fish which serve as hosts for the 47 species of mussels known from the Meramec ecosystem.

"Native mussels have suffered many impacts, from sedimentation to pollution, and the invasion of round gobies could mean that even more species may become rare or lost altogether if their host fish are affected," said MDC Scientist Steve McMurray.

Anglers represent the forefront of defense against the invasive round gobies. "Gobies must not be returned to the water," stressed Peper. "Most importantly, gobies should not be transported for use as bait or any other reason. We would like for

anglers to report any gobies they catch."

Round gobies are three to six inches in length but can sometimes grow up to 10 inches. They have soft bodies with large round heads. Their lips are thick, and they have distinctive raised eyes that look frog-like. Young round gobies are solid slate gray, while the older fish are blotched with black and brown. The adults have a white to greenish dorsal fin with a black spot at the posterior base.

These invasive fish can easily be mistaken for native sculpins. One key difference is that the gobies have a fused bottom, or pelvic, fin. Whereas the pelvic fins of sculpins are separate.

MDC encourages anglers to take photos and email MDC with details if they encounter any round gobies. Gobies are illegal to possess or use as bait. Check bait buckets to prevent the accidental spread of these invasives. MDC recommends disposing of gobies by tossing them onto land, well above the shoreline, so they can become food for scavengers, bald eagles, and other birds of prey. Anglers should report the sighting and email photos to MDC-goby@mdc.mo.gov.

"Biologists want to track gobies as they move into new stream systems so we can monitor their impact on native aquatic fauna," Peper said. "We may be able to find some way to mitigate the effects. And we certainly don't want to aid their spread by moving them into new stream systems or impoundments."

Visit MDC's Fishing page for more information on fishing in Missouri.

Bowling Green FFA Awarded Top Chapter At Convention

The Missouri FFA Association awarded Bowling Green FFA Chapter a Gold Emblem, a Top Chapter Award.

Bowling Green placed 30th out of 351 chapters. Only 10 percent of state chapters receive a top chapter designation each year. The Bowling Green FFA advisors are Jason Davis, Matt Graves and Brett Waddell. The top chapters compete for the National FFA Chapter Award. Winners will be announced this fall at the 94th National FFA Convention &

Expo in Indianapolis. This award is sponsored by FCS Financial.

The National Chapter Award Program is designed to recognize FFA chapters that actively implement the mission and strategies of the organization. These chapters improve chapter operations using the National Quality Chapter Standards and a Program of Activities that emphasize growing leaders, building communities and strengthening agriculture. Chapters are rewarded for providing educational experiences

for the entire membership.

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U.S. News Gives Louisiana, Van-Far High Ratings

BY BRICE J. CHANDLER
STAFF WRITER

Area high schools were given high marks in the U.S. News' recently released 2021 Best High Schools national rankings.

Louisiana High School got the highest rating out of the area schools. The listing ranked Louisiana in 60th out of 603 schools in Missouri and 4,611 in the national rankings putting the school in the top 10 percent.

According to the listing's overview of LHS, "Louisiana High is ranked 60th within Missouri. Students have the opportunity to take Advanced Placement coursework and exams. The AP participation rate at Louisiana High is 22 percent. The total minority enrollment is 22 percent, and 58 percent of students are economically disadvantaged."

The top spot in Missouri was awarded to Metro Academic and Classical High School in St. Louis with a nation ranking of 137.

"We were really excited to find out," Louisiana High School Principal, Nick Haggemann told the Tribune. "Especially just in time for Teacher Appreciation Week. The staff works really hard to help the students, and something like this is a nice surprise."

Haggemann explained he wasn't aware of the school's placement on

the list until a friend sent him a congratulatory message. He was quick to point out that many of the teachers who put in long hours at earned the merit.

"Many show up at the school bright and early and leaving late into the night, long after I do," he said.

That display of the dedication along with high performing classes in recent years have helped earned the high ranking — which to the best of his knowledge is the highest the school has attained.

"It was definitely something to celebrate," he continued. "Other schools in larger areas laud their placement on the listing, but this is the first time for us."

U.S. News stated that it does not collect any information directly from the schools. Instead, all the data collected came from third-party sources such as the U.S. Department of Education along with statewide math and reading level assessments.

"A great high school educates all students from different social and economic backgrounds, exposing them to challenging coursework on the path to graduation," U.S. News' website stated. "The highest ranked U.S. public schools in U.S. News & World Report's 2021 Best High Schools rankings are those whose students demonstrated outstanding outcomes above expectations in

math and reading state assessments, earned qualifying scores in an array of college-level exams, and graduated in high proportions."

Approximately 17,860 public high schools out of the nearly 24,000 reviewed were ranked by the organization.

Van-Far High School earned the next highest ranking from the site at 137th in the state. The school earned a separate distinction as number one in the Mexico, MO Metro Area High Schools category which included Community R-VI, and Mexico High School.

Silex High School followed in the 145th spot with Clopton following at 150th in Missouri.

Bowling Green High School finished up the listings for area schools at 316.

Find the U.S. News 2021 Best U.S. High Schools list at: <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/national-rankings>

On-line edition available at thepeopletribune.com



COMMUNITY NEWS



Jim & Marie Leverenz - 2021

Leverenz Couple Reflects On 65 Years Of Marriage

For many, imagining 65 years of marriage to one person is difficult; for Jim and Marie Leverenz, it's a reality worth celebrating.

On Sunday, May 30 this Bowling Green couple will mark their 65th anniversary. Married in 1956 at Assumption Church in O'Fallon surrounded by their large families and friends, this heartfelt union between a St. Charles boy - James Leverenz, and a Josephville girl - Marie Molitor, has yielded a beautiful legacy that will thrive for generations to come.

Following the wedding and an evening of celebrating back in 1956, this newly wedded couple made their first home in a small apartment in St. Charles located in a brick house that still stands behind Baue Funeral Home. After a short time, Jim and Marie left the apartment and moved to a farm house on Elm Street in what could be described back then as rural St. Charles. It was here they enjoyed the births of children Tom, Glen, Karen and Gary.

Drawn to a career in farming, the then family of six moved to a farm north of Troy in 1962. Following this move, Jeff, Gene and Danny were born to complete their family of nine. In 1968 Jim and Marie's dream of owning their own farm was realized when they bought acreage in Cyrene.

After working on the old farm house on their new property for three years, the family settled there permanently in 1971 and remained there until Jim and Marie moved to

'town' in 2014, and then subsequently sold much of the family farm in 2016. The first few months of living on their new farm, Marie recalled, were lean and filled with long days of hard work as the house was repaired and indoor plumbing was ultimately added. Marie comments, "For months I heated and then hauled hot water in order to do laundry because all we had was a cistern and cold water, but those tubs of dirty water I hauled outside after each load helped us grow some of the best gardens we ever had!"

To complement the farming operation in which the entire family was engaged, Marie operated an upholstery business for 30 years. In addition, she made bridesmaid and wedding dresses for nearly 100 couples over the years. "That's the money I used to take the kids to the dentist, doctors appointments, and provided some store-bought clothes for them," Marie remarked.

For years, in addition to raising her children and caring for her family, her joy was quilting; all of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren enjoy beautiful hand-pieced and quilted art made by Marie over the years. She also participated enthusiastically in the St. Clement Ladies Sodality Sewing Circle for more than 15 years.

In addition to operating the family farm and raising seven children, Jim often substituted as a mail carrier, helped Marie with the upholstery business, and worked for ten years as a full time rural mail carrier during the latter part of his em-

ployed life. One of Jim's favorite memories, though, "was building their house throughout the years to Marie's specifications," he chuckled.

Tragedy struck this farm family in 1976 when their firstborn son, Tom, was killed in a truck accident. "When I think back over all the events of our life, Tom's death was certainly the most difficult and life-altering. We still miss him more than 40 years later," Marie said.

In 1986, Marie recalls with pride her youngest son, Danny, being the last of her children to graduate from high school. "Having all my children graduate high school was very significant for us since neither Jim nor I had the chance to go much beyond the eighth grade. We are so pleased that several of our children even went to college. And most of our grandchildren have college educations, many have post-graduate degrees, and two have even earned their doctoral degrees, so far. That's quite a change over just a couple of generations."

Marie and Jim also reflected on their great joy at the birth of their first grandchild, Jill Marie, born to only daughter Karen and her husband in 1982. Jim and Marie now have twelve grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren to love and cherish as they look back on the life they've created and the path they've walked together so far over the last 65 years. There is much to celebrate and much for this couple to enjoy as they continue making lasting and beautiful memories together.



Jim & Marie Leverenz - 1956

Graves Places Second In FFA Forest Award

Bailey Graves of the Bowling Green FFA Chapter received the second-place Missouri FFA Forest Management Proficiency Award at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention.

Proficiency awards recognize FFA members who excel as agricultural entrepreneurs, employees or volunteers while gaining hands-on career experience. Forest management is one of 46 proficiency award areas recognized at the state level. The Forest and Woodland Association of Missouri sponsored this award.

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Plackemeier Recognized At MO FFA Convention

The Missouri FFA Association recognized Alexis Plackemeier of the Silex FFA Chapter as the Area 5 Star Farmer and one of four finalists at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention. Her parents are Steve and Suzie Plackemeier of Silex. Her advisor is Sean O'Brien.

Area Star Farmers are chosen based upon outstanding production agriculture in the student's supervised agricultural experience program and active participation in FFA. Area 5 includes 19 chapters in the Northeast District.

MFA, Inc., Columbia, sponsors the 16 area Star Farmer awards and the State Farmer Award.

Plackemeier's SAE includes a commer-

cial cow-calf operation, row crops and poultry.

She began with showing Simmental heifers and steers at county fairs. Plackemeier has expanded to compete at state and national shows. She has developed her commercial cow-calf herd to 23 commercial SimAngus cows. She markets her open heifers in the Show-Me-Select Replacement Heifer Program. Plackemeier rents 152 row-crop acres, alternating soybeans and corn. She makes decisions about fertilizer and herbicide applications, planting, and harvesting. She sells her crops to St. Louis companies, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company and Bunge Limited. Plackemeier also has a flock of approximately 80 laying hens and sells

eggs locally.

Plackemeier currently serves as area treasurer and chapter president, and previously served as chapter historian and secretary. She participated at state in the FFA knowledge leadership development event. She also participated in horse evaluation and selection, and livestock evaluation career development events. She placed second in the FFA knowledge LDE, sixth in the horse evaluation and selection CDE, and received a Group I individual rating in the livestock evaluation CDE. Plackemeier is a graduate of Helping Youth Maximize Agricultural eXperiences Academy, Helping Youth Prepare for Excellence Academy and Missouri Agribusiness Academy.

Silex FFA Chapter Places In Meats Evaluation

The Silex FFA Chapter placed second in the meats evaluation and technology career development event at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention. There were 24 teams in the competition.

The team members include Natalie Kientzy, Maddy Hall, Landon White and Sara Grateke. Kientzy placed second, Hall placed sixth, White placed 25th and Grateke placed 46th out of 88 participants. The Silex FFA advisor is Sean O'Brien.

Participants in the event are required to complete comprehensive exams in meat selection, storage, cooking, nutrition and safety. They also are asked to perform activities involving mathematical formulas for making cost-efficient meat products. Competitors identify cuts of meat by

species, retail trade name and prime cut identification.

Sponsored by University of Missouri College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, CDEs prepare student members for career success, engage student learning and make a real connection to lifetime goals.

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Clarksville VFW, Auxiliary Present Awards

The Clarksville Memorial Post 4610 and Auxiliary held regular meetings and special honors were given during the evening.

Awards were given to VFW Patriot Pen Essay winners. First place winners included Owen Whitehead, Post Level, Owen also received first Place at District Level and fifth place Department Level. Owen attends Our Lady Of Good Success School, Louisiana.

Second Place - Post Level - Karsyn Hallows, Clopton School, third place - Lydia Sullivan - Our Lady of Good success School-Louisiana and fourth place-Michaela Deters - Our Lady of Good Success School, Louisiana, The Theme Was "What Patriotism Is To Me"

Each one received a certificate and a monetary award..

Elizabeth Sick - The Voice Of Democracy Essay winner was unable to attend because of being at college she received first place Post Level and second place District Level, she also received a certificate and a monetary award.

Patriotic Youth Awards were given to John Cooke, Addison Schreder, Kaden and Sophia Simmons, Gage Tipp. Other awards were presented to 25 members of the VFW and Auxiliary these were "GOOD JOB" awards for officers and members that continue to go above and beyond of doing the work for the post.

Memorial services were held for Vernon Tipp and Nancy Ash, then installation of officers was held for the auxiliary, installing officer was Joanne Hammuck, past auxiliary president and Installing Secretary Virginia Starks.

Plans were finalized for BBQ to be held at Save-A-Lot Parking Lot in Bowling Green on Friday May 7 and pre-Memorial Day services to be held at Greenwood Cemetery in Clarksville on Sunday, May 30 at 3 p.m.

The speaker for the services will be first place Patriot Pen essay winner Owen Whitehead. Everyone is welcome to attend, the Memorial Day services.

The next meeting will be held Monday, June 7 at 6 p.m.



Pictured are members of the Clarksville VFW and Auxiliary presenting Karsyn Hallows, Clopton School student, third place in the VFW Patriot Pen Essay Contest.

MO Meat, Poultry Processors Awarded CARES Act Funding

The Missouri Department of Agriculture has awarded \$16,716,406 million in CARES Act funding to nearly 150 small and medium sized businesses. As a direct result of the reimbursement grant, more than 40 businesses were assisted in initiating or expanding their level of meat processing through a new grant of inspection or custom exempt inspection status.

"As a cattleman and former small business owner, I am passionate about raising, processing, and buying the products produced right here at home," said Governor Mike Parson. "Investing in small businesses is a way to ensure that our food supply is strong and that Missourians are able to continue feeding their families during future emergencies. These grants will not only benefit Missouri meat processors but also consumers as their access to meat and poultry increases."

The Meat & Poultry Processing Grant was created to support meat and poultry processing establishments that employ fewer than 200 people with the end goal of creating stronger food supply resiliency across the state. The Missouri General Assembly appropriated the federal funds from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") to help support these establishments and their communities.

"Our local meat processors were the backbone of our food supply chain during the COVID-19 pandemic," said Director of Agriculture Chris Chinn. "Last year, our team doubled the amount of red meat under state inspection, so we know the demand is there. We are proud to say that this grant has helped bring 27 businesses into state inspection status, also doubling the number of state inspected facilities in Missouri."

In addition to FFA, Plackemeier is National Honor Society secretary and executive student council vice president. Outside of school, Plackemeier was a founding ambassador for the Mo Beef Mo Kids Mo Fit, and member of the Lincoln/Pike County Cattlemen's Association and Missouri Cattlemen's Association. She served as Olney Blue Skies 4-H Club president and vice president. Plackemeier placed second in the Missouri 4-H Livestock Judging Contest, affording her opportunity to compete at the American Royal Association 4-H Livestock Judging Contest and Aksarben Stock Show American Foods Group Livestock Judging Contest. While at Aksarben, Plackemeier's team received the High Beef Team Honor. She has

served on the Lincoln County Livestock Youth Board and Northeast District Expo Livestock Board. Plackemeier also belongs to the American Maine-Anjou Association, American Simmental Association and Missouri Club Calf Association.

After graduating high school, Plackemeier's plans include attending Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, to study agronomy and animal science. Her plans are to then attend graduate school at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma, to study agronomy. Plackemeier said her goal is to obtain a job as a field agronomist, continue to grow her current SAE and eventually take over the family farm.

Bowling Green
High School
Commencement
Ceremony
Friday, May 14
8 p.m.

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Tristan Matthew Charlton
Tristan Charlton is the son of Matthew Charlton and Jessica Bergman. He plans to attend Central Methodist University to study accounting/business marketing and play football.

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Mya Danielle Leverenz
Mya Leverenz is the daughter of Danny and Holly Leverenz. She plans to attend Missouri State University-Springfield to major in pre-dental.

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Jonah Nicholas Jones
Jonah Jones is the son of Jarred and Heather Jones. He plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia to major in agribusiness management.

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Kennedy Cheyenne Street
Kennedy Street is the daughter of Rebecca Grummel and Roger Milligan. She plans to attend MACC-Columbia to pursue a nursing degree.

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Ethan Wade Riley
Ethan Riley is the son of Ronald and Crystal Riley. He plans to seek employment.

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Ellen Lynn Stewart
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Jacob Dale Bowen
Jacob Bowen is the son of Clint and Julie Bowen. He plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Nayzeth Ambrocio-Banos
Nayzeth Ambrocio is the daughter of Bento Ambrocio and Rosalba Banos Santos. She plans to attend Maryville University.

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proudly presents

Callie Anna Edmond
Callie Edmond is the daughter of Karina Edmond and Danny Edmond. She plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Brandon Gene Cagle
Brandon Cagle is the son of Darin and Crissy Cagle. He plans to attend Sterling College to pursue a degree in education and play football.

CLASS OF 2021

Southside Bar & Grill
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proudly presents

Donald Bruce Nulsen
Donnie Nulsen is the son of Sandy Shealar. He plans to seek employment.

Blake Alexander Martin
Blake Martin is the son of the late Kevin and Adrienne Martin. His future plans are undecided.

Bowling Green Tractor
Bowling Green • 573-324-3337
proudly presents

Dominic Loren Harding
Dominic Harding is the son of Michael Harding and Christina Harding. He plans to seek employment.

Camryn Isabel Grote
Camryn Grote is the daughter of Brandy Grote and the late Bobby Grote. She plans to attend Northwest Missouri State University.

CLASS of 2021

Dawson's Collision Center
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proudly presents

Michael Andrew Starks
Michael Starks is the son of Katie Starks, Daryl Starks, and Stephanie Napoli. He plans to attend college.

Haden's Motorsports Center
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proudly presents

Grace Marie Haden
Grace Haden is the daughter of Corey and Kirsten Haden. She plans to attend MACC-Columbia to attend the occupational therapy assistant program.

Makenzie Lynae Burroughs
Makenzie Burroughs is the daughter of Scott Burroughs and Danae Steinmann. She plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia to major in early childhood education.

Maggie Lynn Raney
Maggie Raney is the daughter of Brian and Raini Raney. She plans to attend Northwest Missouri State University to major in business management.

Ligon's Flooring
Bowling Green • 573-324-3030
proudly presents

Clay Michael LaZear
Clay LaZear is the son of Clay and Amanda LaZear and Laura Turnbough. He plans to attend college to study education.

Dylan Hoss Skirvin
Dylan Skirvin is the son of Hoss Skirvin and Julie Skirvin. He plans to attend Ranken Technical College and continue working at Behlmann Buick-GMC-Cadillac in Troy.

Ann Layne Boutique
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proudly presents

Grace Elizabeth Dameron
Grace Dameron is the daughter of Kara Walton and Jimmy Dameron. She plans to attend St. Charles Community College to study occupational therapy.

Victoria Jade Meier
Jade Meier is the daughter of Sean and Pam Meier. She plans to attend Columbia College to major in accounting.

Congratulations, Graduates!

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Breanna Christine Schlueter

Bre Schlueter is the daughter of Anna Emily, John Hollingsworth, and Stephanie Hollingsworth. She plans to attend college.



Makaylee Anne Scherder

Makaylee Scherder is the daughter of Tim and Bobbie Scherder and Trisha and Jake Sonntag. She plans to attend the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs to study nursing to become a nurse practitioner.



Luebrecht Excavating
Middletown • 573-470-4081
proudly presents

Devonte Anthony Hayes

Davonte Hayes is the son of Siterry Lewis. He plans to become a songwriter/YouTube creator.



Eva Destinee Hendren

Eva Hendren is the daughter of Danielle Barnett and Jordan Eskew. She plans to attend college to study nursing.



Calvert's Insurance
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proudly presents

Marie Antoinette Johnson

Marie Johnson is the daughter of Yolanda Todd. She plans to travel the world.



Taylor RayAnn Johnson

Taylor Johnson is the daughter of Mandy Johnson. She plans to attend St. Charles Community College.



Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes, LLC
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proudly presents

Emma Mae Lynn Dwyer

Emma Dwyer is the daughter of Rob Dwyer and Sandi Dwyer. Her future plans are undecided.



Hickerson Shoe Repair
Bowling Green • 573-324-3688
proudly presents

Shay Stephen Butler

Shay Butler is the son of Steve and De Butler. He plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia to obtain a degree in biology.



Dr. Stephen Chismarich
Bowling Green • 573-324-5519
proudly presents

Joseph Michael McCormick

Joseph McCormick is the son of Mitizi McCormick and Derrick Reading. He plans to attend college.



Young Enterprises
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proudly presents

Hayden Deneal Finley

Hayden Finley is the son of Jessica Grummel and Larry Finley. He plans to attend the American Welding Academy.



Marianne Rose Edwards

Marianne Edwards is the daughter of Jessica and Dennis McCormick and Paul Edwards. She plans to attend college.



2021 Class of

Danny Orf Contracting
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Coltin Lee Riegel

Coltin Riegel is the son of Pamela Golian and Dale Riegel. He plans to attend Missouri State Tech.



Community State Bank
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proudly presents

Alyson Jade Oakley

Alyson Oakley is the daughter of Brian Oakley and Renee Oakley. She plans to attend MACC in January to receive a bachelor's degree in nursing.



Rebecca Ann Sinopole

Rebecca Sinopole is the daughter of Dana Sinopole and Anthony Sinopole. She plans to attend a two-year program on pennfooster.



One Sports Complex
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Summer Cresencia-Marie Scherder

Summer Scherder is the daughter of Adam Scherder and Stephanie Scherder. She plans to attend Missouri Baptist University to major in biology and play softball.



Haylee Nicole Chandler

Haylee Chandler is the daughter of James and Jennifer Chandler. She plans to attend St. Louis Community College to pursue a masters degree in business administration with an emphasis in account and play softball.



Dr. Stephen Chismarich
Bowling Green • 573-324-5519
proudly presents

Ethan William Feldmann

Ethan Feldmann is the son of Paul and Deanna Feldmann. He plans to attend Ranken Tech-Wentzville to study information technology.



Bowling Green Insurance
Bowling Green • 573-324-5762
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Audrey Paige Brewster

Audrey Brewster is the daughter of Sabrina Olsen and Terry Brewster. She plans to attend Missouri Southern State University to major in chemistry-forensic science as a member of the honors program.



Country Gals
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Whitley Morgan Carroll

Whitley Carroll is the daughter of David Carroll. She plans to attend Jefferson College to major in biology.



Connor William Lucas

Connor Lucas is the son of Wendie Lucas and Michael Lucas. He plans to seek employment.



CLASS of 2021

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Chris Sitton is the son of Tom and Kim Sitton. He plans to seek employment.



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McKenna Noel Orf

McKenna Orf is the daughter of Amanda and Clay LaZear and the late Wes Orf. She plans to attend Maryville University to major in occupational therapy.



Taylor Alexis Blair

Taylor Blair is the daughter of Becky Blair. She plans to attend Gem City College.



SENIOR 2021

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Makenna Jaide Russell
Makenna Russell plans to attend college.




Shay Marie Rohn
Shay Rohn is the daughter of Shawn and Dawn Rohn. Her future plans are undecided.




Dr. Stephen Chismarich
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proudly presents

Elijah Ray Pruitt
Eli Pruitt is the son of Rob Pruitt and Jennifer Pruitt. He plans to attend college.




Michael Richard Sidwell
Michael Sidwell is the son of Deann Myers and Brice Sidwell. He plans to attend college.




Harry's Tavern
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Hunter Alan Burroughs
No information provided.




Jeffery Christopher Lovell
Jeffery Lovell Jr. is the son of Jeff and Leslie Lovell. He plans to attend the local 513 Operating Engineers Training Center.




Remax Realty Shop
Bowling Green • 573-324-2800
proudly presents

Evan Scott Meyer
Evan Meyer is the son of Scott and Ellen Meyer. He plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia to major in business and pre-law.




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proudly presents

Juan Diego Leon
Juan Leon is the son of Monica Leon and Guillermo Leon. He plans to attend St. Charles Community College.




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Elijah Lee Gette
No information provided.




SENIOR 2021

Savannah Eve Kemry
Savannah Kemry is the daughter of Cathy Kemry and James Kemry. Her future plans are undecided.




Brian Anthony Fosdick
Brian Fosdick is the son of Jennifer Miller and Clete Miller. He plans to attend college.




Knight Equipment
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Audrey Nicole Dean
Audrey Dean is the daughter of Brian and Sara Dean. She plans to attend Moberly Area Community College then transfer to Columbia College to major in biology. Then attend John Wood Community College to become a certified PA-C/physician assistant.




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proudly presents

Vanessa Yoselin Davis
Vanessa Davis is the daughter of Joseph Davis and JoAnn Matheny. She plans to attend Moberly Area Community College to study occupational therapy.




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Taylor Jean Darnell
Taylor Darnell is the daughter of Jamie Darnell and Audra Grimmett. She plans to attend the Pike-Lincoln Technical Center LPN program.

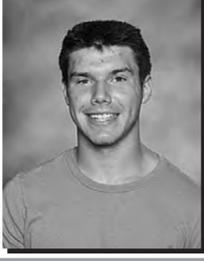



Claire Marie Graver
Claire Graver is the daughter of John and Susan Grote is the daughter of Columbia College to major in elementary education.




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Ryan Douglas Korte
Ryan Korte is the son of Doug and Heather Korte. He plans to attend American Welding Academy.

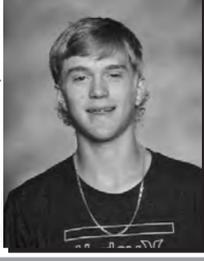



Tylor Len Darnell
Tylor Darnell is the son of Jamie Darnell and Audra Grimmett. He plans to work for a union and seek employment.




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Kamden Reese Burnett
Kamden Burnett is the son of Shawn and Mandy Burnett. He plans to attend American Welding Academy.




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Brianna Walker is the daughter of Jim and Melissa Walker. She plans to attend Truman State University-Kirksville to study communication disorders on the speech-language pathology path.




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Thomas Lee Utley
Thomas Utley is the son of Shannon and Madonna Utley. He plans to attend culinary school to become a chef and own his own restaurant.




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Emily Traynor is the daughter of Lisa Johnson and Donald Griffith. She plans to seek employment.




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Nicholaus Hayes Breakfield
Nick Breakfield is the son of Jeff and Mel Myers. He plans to seek employment.




Hayden Lee Hensen
Hayden Hensen is the son of Nathan Hensen. He plans to join the Missouri National Guard and attend college.




Emily Andrea Traynor
Emily Traynor is the daughter of Lisa Johnson and Donald Griffith. She plans to seek employment.




Shelby Ann Cohea
Shelby Cohea is the daughter of Mark and Lori Cohea. She plans to attend college.




Congrats! CLASS OF 2021

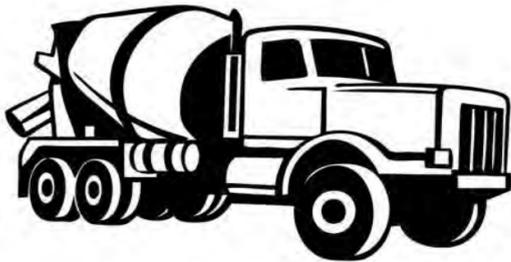
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Christopher Joseph Crowder

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Mark Andrew Elliott

Mark Elliott is the son of Clarence and Jessica Elliott. He plans to do on-the-job training.



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Carley Renee Wilkins

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Jerry Miguel Perez

Jerry Perez is the son of Jennifer Fisher and Mark Fisher. He plans to attend Missouri S&T-Rolla to pursue an electrical engineering career.



Jamie Cay Sencenbaugh

Jamie Sencenbaugh is the daughter of Cathy Sencenbaugh and Kenny Sencenbaugh. She plans to attend Missouri State University-Springfield.



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Michael Thomas Shade

Michael Shade is the son of Jim and Amy Shade. He plans to attend the Grand River Welding Institute-Brookfield to pursue a degree in welding.

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Marsha Victoria Borrowman

Tori Borrowman is the daughter of Krystal Borrowman. She plans to become an elementary teacher.



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Matthew Mark Capstick

Matt Capstick is the son of Mark and Amy Capstick. He plans to attend Ranken Technical College.



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Evan Robert Jones

Evan Jones is the son of Jackson and Becky Jones. He plans to attend Missouri S&T-Rolla to study chemistry.



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Ryleigh Ann-Marie Austin

Ryleigh Austin is the daughter of Randal Allen Shade and Roberta Stacy White-Shade. She plans to attend Maryville University to study forensic



Cole Hudson Martin

Cole Martin is the son of Cindy Martin. He plans to attend Ranken Technical College.



Congratulations, Graduates!

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Christian Cruz Medina

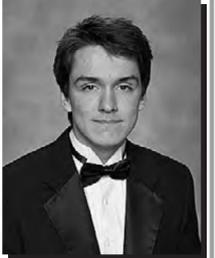
Christian Medina plans to attend Pike-Lincoln Technical Center to become an auto collision technician.



Chad's Pizza
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Carson Moore Bowen

Carson Bowen is the son of Chad Bowen. He plans to attend Truman State University-Kirksville to study psychology or physics.



Hailey Alicia Merida

Hailey Merida is the daughter of Irma Merida and Tranquilino Merida. She plans to attend St. Charles Community College to pursue a degree in criminal justice and then attend the police academy.

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Lindsey Gail Weimer

Lindsey Weimer is the daughter of Wendy and Mike Lindsay and Kurt Weimer. She plans to attend college to become a high school art teacher.



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Madison Marie Bradley

Madison Bradley is the daughter of Jeffrey and Michelle Bradley. She plans to attend University of Central Missouri-Warrensburg to become a professional pilot.



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Rachel Ann Beard

Rachel Beard is the daughter of Jennifer Hagler and Christopher Beard. She plans to attend Harvard Law School to become an attorney.



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Taylor Nichole Stoops

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Riley Frederick Perrine

Riley Perrine is the son of Ryan Perrine and Tisha King. He plans to attend lineman school at State Tech-Linn.



Emily Nicole Hughes

Emily Hughes is the daughter of Kelly Dewey. She plans to attend Missouri State University-Springfield to study business finance.



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Caitlyn Susanne Gloe

Caitlyn Gloe is the daughter of Susie Gloe and Justin Gloe. She plans to attend John Wood Community College to major in ag business and minor in animal science.



Jordan Allen Luck

Jordan Luck is the son of Lyndi Luck and Jeff Luck. He plans to attend college to study agriculture and buy his own farm in the future.



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Bryan Austin Renner

Bryan Renner is the son of Philip Renner and Monica Renner. He plans to attend Truman State University-Kirksville to major in political science and minor in environmental studies.



Trent William Gilmore

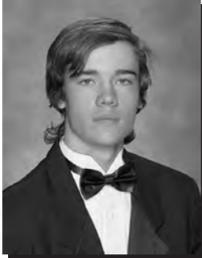
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Samuel Zach Kilby

Zach Kilby is the son of Wanda Kilby and Kevin Kilby. He plans to work in the construction field.



Blake Andrew Hodgkin

Blake Hodgkin is the son of Melissa Hodgkin. He plans to work at Bodine Aluminum.



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Shayla Ann Hopkins

Shayla Hopkins is the daughter of Roger and Gloria Hopkins. She plans to do on-the-job training.



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Jared Andrew Tibbits

Jared Tibbits is the son of Kim Meyers and Carl Tibbits. He plans to attend American Welding Academy.



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Gage Ethan Bishop

Gage Bishop is the son of Gary Bishop and the late Jessica Bishop. He plans to seek employment.



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Sidney Nicole Goldsberry

Sidney Goldsberry is the daughter of Tessa Schmidt. She plans to attend Maryville University to study physical therapy.



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Shyla Darnell Mosby

Shyla Mosby is the daughter of Lucas Mosby, Tasha Kellison, Mamie Mosby and Keitha Butler. She plans to become an electrician.



Ben's Auto Salvage
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Darius Kyrrell Campbell

Darius Campbell is the son of Cynthia Campbell and Kenneth Cannon. She plans to become a minister and preach the word of the Lord.



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Hunter Lee Hobbs

Hunter Hobbs is the son of Daniel Hobbs and Kimberly Watkins. He plans to attend Missouri S&T-Rolla to pursue a degree in aerospace engineering.



Deamona Ray Patrick

Deamona Patrick is the son of Stephanie Patrick and Tim Patrick. He plans to do on-the-job training.



Breanna Nicole Holland

Breanna Nicole Holland is the daughter of Gina Mannahan Holland and Richie Holland. She plans to work at Maple Grove Lodge.



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Emilee Christine Hoskins

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Jacob Ezekiel Gray

Jacob Gray is the son of Alice Donaldson and Matthew Donaldson. He plans to attend Missouri Valley College and play football.



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Cecelia Ariel Hathaway

Cecelia Hathaway is the daughter of Genevieve and Jim Coleman. She plans to minor in IT and work to receive a doctorate in psychology to own her own business.



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Annine Hannah Sanders

Annine Sanders is the daughter of Gordon Sanders and Tannis Carrington and Jessie Sanders and Steve Taylor. She plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia.



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Mahala Dawn Sloan

Mahala Sloan is the daughter of Joseph Sloan Jr., and Marti Robertson. She plans to do on-the-job training for entrepreneur.



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Emma Nicole Inglis

Emma Inglis is the daughter of Yuki Inglis, Kathy Inglis, and Megan Sinclair. She plans to attend Pike-Lincoln Technical Center LPN program and then attend RN school.



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Juan Paolo Gonzalez

Juan P. Gonzalez is the son of Memarie A. Gonzalez and Juan A. Gonzalez. He plans to take a year off then attend St. Charles Community College.



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Makayla Marie Johnston

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Emma Nicole Inglis

Jaidyn Lynn Wommack

Jaidyn Wommack is the daughter of Daneal and Stormye Wommack. She plans to attend college to become an RN.




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**Zaqry Ryan-Tyler
Uplinger**

Zaqry Uplinger is the son of Renee Gregory and Virgil Uplinger. He plans to do on-the-job training.



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**William Hensley
Rousan**

Willie Rousan is the son of Lesslie Rousan. He plans to attend Commercial Driving Technologies.



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**Lane Ryan
Presson**

Lane Presson is the son of Kayla Wilson and Ryan Presson. He plans to attend American Holding Academy.



**Aubrey Renee
Wendel**

Aubrey Renee Wendel is the daughter of Shad Wendel and Gwen Wesefall. She plans to attend SIUE to major in nursing.

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Paiyton Michelle Burnett
Paiyton Burnett is the daughter of Julie Landers and Patrick Burnett. She plans to attend State Tech-Linn to study medical radiologic technology.

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Stephen Bruce Goodman
Stephen Goodman is the son of Christopher Goodman. He plans to join the United States Army.

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Bradley Harvey
Bradley Harvey is the son of Carrie Harvey and Rodney Harvey. He plans to attend University Technical Institute to study auto diesel.

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Jacob James Roark
Jacob Roark is the son of Jennifer Ruby and Billy Ruby. He plans to seek employment in construction.

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Melanie Ann Moody
Melanie Moody is the daughter of Dana Weatherby and Ray Weatherby. She plans to seek employment.

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proudly presents

Parker E. Hull
Parker Hull is the son of Candice Kerns, Tyson Hull and Mari Parrish. He plans to attend college to pursue a degree in education.

Craig's Truck & Tractor
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proudly presents

Cayden J. Caldwell
Cayden Caldwell is the son of Chris and Stacey Caldwell. He plans to attend Northwest Missouri State to study animal science.

County Market
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proudly presents

Anthony W. Garland
Anthony Garland is the son of Jennifer Smith and Tony Holtkamp. He plans to attend State Tech-Linn to study electricity technology.

American Family Insurance
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Dayton Charles-Gregory Sanders
Dayton Sanders is the son of Eureka Scott and Dave Sanders. He plans to seek employment.

Rebecca S. Moore
Rebecca Moore is the daughter of Alan and Paula Moore. She plans to attend Missouri State University-Springfield to study education.

Shelter Insurance
Frank Wallace, agent • 573-594-2235
proudly presents

Ian Campbell Boston
Ian Boston is the son of John and Sarah Boston. He plans to attend State Tech-Linn to study HVAC.

Tyler Loyd Schambach
Tyler Schambach is the son of Mike and Carol Schambach. He plans to seek employment.

Cole Chiropractic
Vandalia • 573-594-2663
proudly presents

LaTrell KieShaun Wright
LaTrell Wright is the son of Ashley and Kevin McKinnie and grandson of Charlie and Teresa Wright. He plans to attend State Tech-Linn to become a medical radiological technician.

Ashton Grant Garnett
Ashton Garnett is the son of Deanna Nolan, Ashley Garnett, and Scott Otis. He plans to attend State Tech-Linn to study light duty diesel technology.

County Market
Vandalia • 573-594-6430
proudly presents

Aubriana C. G. Willis
Aubriana Willis is the daughter of Destiny and Matt Staley and JR Willis. She plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia to study pre-pharmacy health science.

Trenton A. Lower
Trenton Lower is the son of Tony and Candace Lower. He plans to attend State Tech-Linn to study diesel mechanics.

Kuda Auto Repair
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Annalynn Goodpasture Culwell
Annalynn Culwell is the daughter of the late Shannon and Felicity Culwell. She plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia to study agriculture.

Clayton James Heaton
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Preston Phillip Burnett
Preston Burnett is the son of Julie Landers and Patrick Burnett. He plans to work at 3B Machine and Weld.

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Michael D. Allen
Michael Allen is the son of Jamie Kirk and Tony Allen. He plans to attend State Tech-Linn to study industrial electricity.

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Harley Rae Young
Harley Young is the daughter of Michael and Jennifer Young. She plans to attend Pace University to study film and screen studies.

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Panna Marie Connaway
Panna Connaway is the daughter of Pat and Crystal Connaway. She plans to attend MACC-Columbia to major in business.

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Shaylee Renee Chandler

Shaylee Chandler is the daughter of Rebecca Chandler and Jerry Green. Her future plans are undecided.



Trevor A. Winders

Trevor Winders is the son of Warren and Claire Winders. He plans to attend Washington University to study computer science.



Best Wishes For A Bright Future

Perkins Electric

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proudly presents

Kristina M. Weedman

Kristina Weedman is the daughter of Mikey Weedman and Gail Weedman. She plans to attend Crowder College to study para-medics.



Bienhoff Funeral Homes

Vandalia • 573-594-2223
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Jordan Evanescence Eckhoff

Jordan Eckhoff is the daughter of Brenda Bogart and Jericho Eckhoff. She plans to attend college to study communication disorders.



LaCrosse Lumber Company

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James Fidel Castro Commer

James Commer's future plans are undecided.



Brent Borders-Fugate

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COMMUNITY NEWS

NECAC Welcomes Changes To Utility Assistance

The not-for-profit North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) is welcoming changes that will allow more low-income people to sign up for utility assistance.

Missouri Gov. Mike Parson announced April 23 that the state is expanding eligibility for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) program to households with incomes up to 135 percent of the federal poverty level to include those with an income of up to 60 percent of state median income.

The change will now allow a family of four with an annual income of up to \$51,021 to receive benefits. Previously, the qualifying income level was \$35,364.

"We welcome this significant change in eligibility for the LIHEAP

program," said NECAC LIHEAP Supervisor Angela Kattenbraker. "The COVID pandemic has kept more people at home the last year. Consequently, their utility bills often are higher. Expanding LIHEAP will give them an opportunity to use money they would have spent on utilities for other needs."

The deadline to sign up for LIHEAP winter assistance is May 31. The eligibility for a one-person household is an annual income of \$26,531 or less; for two people, \$34,694; for three people, \$42,858; for five people, \$59,184; and for six people \$67,348. To determine eligibility for households of more than six people, add an additional \$1,536 per year. Other qualifications apply.

LIHEAP assists with paying part of the energy bills of income-qualifying people. Eligible households could receive a minimum of \$47 up

to a maximum of \$495, depending upon income, household size and type of heating source. Payments are made directly to utility companies. In addition, the Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) offers assistance of up to \$800 to qualifying households of those who have received a utility shut-off notice.

For more information, or an application, call or visit the NECAC Pike County Service Center, 805 Bus. Hwy. 61 North in Bowling Green, at 573-324-2207.

NECAC is contractually-obligated to include the following: This program is funded 100% at \$2,440,475.75 with federal funds received from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) provided by the Missouri Department of Social Services, Family Support Division.



Ellison Speaks To Rotary Club

Pike County Prosecuting Attorney Alex Ellison gave a program to the Louisiana Rotary Club on Thursday, May 6 about Pike County's grand jury program that began in 2019. He delivered insights on how this program benefits the county, and saves time and resources for our local judicial system. He also shared details on his role as prosecuting attorney and his team. Ellison is pictured here with Rotarian, Sherry McCarty.

Missouri WIC Temporary Benefit Increase

Missouri WIC is temporarily increasing the Cash Value Benefit for Fruit and Vegetable Purchases (CVB) to \$35 per month for eligible women and children. WIC is the Department of Health and Senior Services Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) gave USDA authority to temporarily increase the CVB during the federally declared COVID-19 public health emergency. Missouri WIC has elected to use this authority from June through September 2021, to provide additional healthy fruits and vegetables for up

to 60,000 women and children per month. Standard CVB values range from \$9-\$11.

Eligible participants need to contact their WIC local agency to schedule an appointment to load the additional funds on their eWIC card before June 1 to avoid any delays.

WIC families have the opportunity to shop for nutritious foods at over 600 authorized WIC retailers throughout Missouri and can receive services at any of the 118 local agencies. WIC serves financially eligible women, infants, and children under the age of five. Fathers, stepparents, foster parents, grandparents, and

guardians are also encouraged to apply for WIC benefits for any children in the household under the age of five.

Missouri WIC provides quality nutrition education, breastfeeding promotion and support, nutritious foods, and referrals to health services. It is also one of the most successful, cost-effective, and important nutrition intervention programs in the country.

Missourians interested in learning about the benefits of WIC may visit wic.mo.gov or call TEL-LINK at 1-800-835-5465 to find the WIC local agency closest to them.

Missouri WIC Income Guidelines Updated

Missouri WIC announces the release of the updated Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) effective April 1, 2021. WIC is the Department of Health and Senior Services Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

The United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) releases annual adjustments to the IEGs used in determining eligibility for WIC. The IEGs are based on 185 percent of the federal poverty guidelines, adjusted each year to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. The income guideline chart showing the annual, monthly, twice-monthly, biweekly, and weekly income limits is located on the Missouri WIC website at

<https://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/families/howdoiapplyforwic/>.

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MDC Encourages People To Be Bear Aware

With spring underway, Missouri's growing population of about 800 black bears have left their winter dens with some wandering great distances in search of food, territory, and mates. With bears active and on the move, the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reminds people to "Be Bear Aware."

Missouri is home to only black bears, but the name can be misleading. Black bears sometimes have brown, cinnamon, and red coats. While most Missouri black bears are found in the forested parts of southern Missouri, primarily south of Interstate 44, MDC research shows their numbers are growing and their range is expanding northward. With a growing population of bears and expanding range comes an increased potential for human-bear interactions and conflicts.

"Late spring and early summer are prime times for bears to be on the move," said MDC Resource Scientist and Furbearer and Black Bear Biologist Laura Conlee. "Bears are hungry and searching for food. Yearling bears are starting to wander from where they were born seeking food and areas to settle. Adult males begin moving large distances in search of females."

Conlee emphasized that as black bears become active in the spring, they are focused on finding food.

"It is imperative that people remove bear attractants from their property, such as bird feeders, trash, barbecue grills, pet food, and food waste," she said. "Keeping

areas free of attractants and letting bears find natural foods is in everyone's best interest. If you see a bear, let the animal be and enjoy the sighting, but be sure to not offer it any food."

Conlee noted that intentionally feeding bears can be dangerous as it makes the bears comfortable around people. It can also lead bears to cause significant damage to property while searching for a meal.

"When bears lose their fear of humans, they could approach people in search of food or may defend the food sources or territory they associate with people, which can make them dangerous," Conlee said. "When this happens, the bear cannot be relocated and has to be destroyed. A fed bear is a dead bear."

Food is usually a bear's main motivator, but that also means it can be a main source of conflict. MDC offers the following tips to avoid attracting black bears to possible human-created food sources:

Store garbage, recyclables, and compost inside a secure building or in a bear-proof container or location.

Regularly clean and disinfect trash containers to minimize smells that could attract bears.

Keep grills and smokers clean and store them inside.

Don't leave pet food outside. Feed pets a portion at each meal and remove the empty containers.

Refrain from using birdfeeders in bear

country from April through November. If in use, hang them at least 10 feet high and 4 feet away from any structure. Keep in mind that even if a bear cannot get to the birdseed, the scent could still attract it to the area.

Use electric fencing to keep bears away from beehives, chicken coops, vegetable gardens, orchards, and other potential food sources.

While black bears are generally a shy, non-aggressive species and bear attacks are rare throughout their range in North America, MDC offers these tips to stay safe when outdoors in bear country:

Never deliberately offer a bear food!

Keep campsites clean and store all food, toiletries, and trash in a secure vehicle or strung high between two trees.

Do not keep food or toiletries in a tent, and do not burn or bury garbage or food waste.

Make noise, such as clapping, singing or talking loudly, while hiking to prevent surprising a bear.

Travel in a group if possible.

Keep dogs leashed.

Be aware of surroundings. If there are signs of a bear, such as tracks or scat, avoid the area.

Leave bears alone! Do not approach them, and make sure they have an escape route.

For more information on Missouri black bears and how to Be Bear Aware, visit mdc.mo.gov/bearaware.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

MDC Encourages You To Help Missouri's Bumble Bees

Bumble bees are one of the more well-known pollinators due to their large size and loud buzz. These fuzzy fliers are critical pollinators, but sadly their populations are rapidly declining. It's difficult to pinpoint the exact cause of declines, but scientists suspect habitat loss, pesticide use, and climate change are contributors. The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC), as well as the Xerces Society, Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever, and the University of Missouri are encouraging you to participate in community science by joining the Missouri Bumble Bee Atlas.

The Missouri Bumble Bee Atlas is a statewide community science project aimed at tracking and conserving Missouri's native bumble bees. Participants across the state are asked to conduct bumble bee surveys and report back their findings. Survey methods are catch-and-release, so no bees are harmed, and

data collection can be completed on cell phones.

By working together, the Atlas team of researchers will be able to use information submitted to assess species distribution, bumble bee population shifts, habitat associations, and more. This effort will help to better protect, restore, and manage effective habitat that can support healthy bumble bee populations.

No experience is necessary to help, and all are welcome. Participants are only asked to complete two in-depth online training sessions:

Session I – Tuesday, May 11 from 6-8 p.m.

Value of Bumble Bees
Bumble Bee Biology & Ecology
Bumble Bee Conservation
Introduction to the Missouri Bumble Bee Atlas

Session II – Thursday, May 13 from 6-8 p.m.

Identifying Missouri's Bumble Bees

How to Participate in the Atlas
How to Net and Photograph Bumble Bees

How to Submit Findings
Registration is required to attend both workshops. Register at <https://www.mobumblebeeatlas.org/events.html>.

To learn more about the Missouri Bumble Bee Atlas, visit the website at <https://www.mobumblebeeatlas.org/>. To read more about Missouri's native bumble bee populations, visit MDC's website at <https://short.mdc.mo.gov/ZK6>. You can also learn about the importance of Missouri's native bee populations and how they affect our nutrition by listening to MDC's Nature Boost podcast on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, or on the MDC website at <https://mdc.mo.gov/contact-engage/nature-boost-podcast>.

Miller Wins Proficiency Award

Hayden Miller of the Silex FFA Chapter won the Missouri FFA Agricultural Mechanics Fabrication and Design Proficiency Award at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention.

Proficiency awards recognize FFA members who excel as agricultural entrepreneurs,

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Farber Community Betterment Meets To Plan Sesquicentennial

The Farber Community Betterment held a meeting that was called to order by Ruth Etta Williams, treasurer, until Karen Bounds Heaston, vice-president arrived.

Those present were: Ruth Etta Williams, Marie Bounds, Lisa Terry, Lynn Flowers, Edward Babb, Brenda Babb, Brenda Gower, and Karen Bounds Heaston.

There was a discussion concern-

ing a sign for in front of the Farber city hall. It was decided that a sign was needed that was two sided, at least 3' X 4' and tall enough to add a section for Farber events. It was also mentioned that a sign was needed at the Farber Sportsman Park.

Monday, June 12 is set for work at the Sportsman Park and other locations around town. Logo contest is

scheduled to start in the fall.

Edward Babb said Aug. 6 was open for a tractor pull. Discussed were other events that could be offered during the weekend

There was no new business brought up.

The next meeting date was set for 6:30 p.m., Wednesday May 19 at the Farber Community Building with any interested people welcomed.

Tri-County Saddle Club Holds Clean-Up Day

BY BETH TRAYNOR GILBERT

On Saturday, May 1 members met on the grounds of the Tri-County Saddle Club for a clean-up day.

The grass was mowed, leaves raked, and rotten wood was replaced. After all of the hard work was finished a monthly meeting with dinner followed.

During the meeting President

Neil Gilbert informed the club of several continuous fencing options and pricing. This discussion was tabled until the June meeting. They appreciated Turnbull Construction of Curryville for volunteering time and equipment to help them with some excavation. It was decided that the club would donate \$100 to the Pike County Youth Fair Board in support for this year's upcoming

gymkhana.

Members are also selling 2021 gun raffle tickets. The .22 revolver and holster were kindly donated by Paul and Cindy Evans and a winner will be drawn Saturday, July 10. Please reach out to a member if interested in purchasing some tickets. All of the participation and donations are beyond appreciated.

The next meeting will be Saturday, June 5 at 6 p.m. They will host their first horse show of 2021 on Saturday, June 19 at 2 p.m., on the saddle club grounds. They appreciate everyone and their dedication to preserve and build the organization.



White Addresses Chamber

Kirsten White, right, Employment Services Coordinator at the not-for-profit North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC), discussed the May observance of National Community Action Month and the NECAC Expanding Your Employability (EYE) program during the May 3 luncheon of the Louisiana Chamber of Commerce. EYE is a new program that helps participants find employment and breaks down barriers people face in getting a job. NECAC is celebrating Community Action Month by highlighting its social service, community health and public housing programs. More information about EYE and other services is available by calling the NECAC Pike County Service Center, 805 Business Highway 61 in Bowling Green, at 573-324-2207.

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