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Red Kettle Success

Charles Sidwell places a donation in the Salvation Army Christmas Red Kettle at the Bowling Green Walmart. This year's campaign brought in \$5,517.39, down slightly from last year's \$5,597.62. Pictured ringing bells are North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) Office Manager Christina Ray, left, and her daughter, Morgan Windmiller. The fund-raiser was sponsored by the Salvation Army, NECAC and Walmart. Proceeds will be used in Pike County to help the disadvantaged.

Clopton Invitational Ends With Excitement

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

It was two days of edge-of-the-seat excitement for the 2023 Annual Clopton Hawk Invitational Tournament on Friday, Jan. 6, and Saturday, Jan. 7.

The ladies kicked off the action on Friday night with the Louisiana Lady Bulldogs taking on Monroe City for the consolation game. Louisiana had an opening night loss against Elsberry which sent them into the consolation bracket where they beat Wright City 58-30 in the semi-finals. In the consolation game, Louisiana kept it close for the first half but found themselves trailing by eight points going into the fourth quarter.

Down by two points and with only two seconds remaining while deep on the Lady Panthers' side of the court, a

Monroe City forward tossed the ball away from the sidelines to run out the clock and the Lady Dogs' chances of a quick field goal. Raegan Bowser scored 15 points in the game with Jalaya Ries scoring 6. Tyona Campbell, Jordan Pederson, and Reece Womack each put 5 on the board. The (2) Silex Lady Owls took on (4) Clopton Lady Hawks for the third-place game and treated the crowd to another exciting match. The Lady Hawks controlled most of the game outscoring Silex 11-10 in the opening quarter, 26-19 by the end of the first half, and 42-29 in the third.

But the Lady Owls kept the pressure on and battled back for a 52-50 win in the final minute of the game.

Sara Grateke put in the top score for the Silex ladies with 13. Followed by Maddy Hall with 12. Other scorers were:

Rita Thoroughman, 8; Abigail Mooney, 8; Maddie Isom, 7; and Kate Kientzy, 3

The Lady Hawk's top scorer was Shana Yates with 14 points followed by Skylar Parker who earned 11. Also, scoring was: Tingleigh Spoonster, 7; Braya Smith, 7; Jasmine Hammett, 7; Tylie Gronck, 2; and Campbell Lindsay, 2.

The girls championship game came down to the (3) Elsberry Lady Indians defeating Winfield 51-34.

The boys championship matches on Saturday, Jan. 7 proved just as exciting with both the third-place and championship games going into overtime.

After forcing an overtime showdown, the Clopton Hawks weren't able to hold off the Elsberry Indians in the championship game.

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Commission Awards Contracts For Projects In Northeast District

The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission awarded contracts for Northeast District projects during its regular meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 4.

Contracts include the following:

A \$2,263,616 contract was awarded to Bleigh Construction Company, for a bridge replacement on U.S. Route 136 in Schuyler County over North Fork Middle Fabius near Lancaster. Also included in this contract is a bridge replacement on Missouri Route 15 in Scotland County over North Fork Wyaconda River near Memphis.

A \$4,807,787 contract was awarded to Magruder Paving, LLC, for a resurfacing on U.S. Route 61 in Pike and Ralls counties from New

London to Bowling Green.

A \$11,416,278 contract was awarded to Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc., for pavement resurfacing on Missouri Route 19 from New London to Route J (Bassinger Corner) in Audrain County. Also included in this contract are intersection improvements on Missouri Route 19 at Mark Twain School.

A \$7,696,186 contract was awarded to Magruder Paving, LLC, for pavement improvements on the following routes in Montgomery and Pike Counties:

Montgomery/Pike Counties - Resurfacing Missouri Route 161 from Bus. 61 in Pike County to Interstate 70 near Danville in Montgomery County.

Pike County - Microsurfacing on Bus. 61 from 0.3

mile south of Rte. UU to the roundabout in Bowling Green.

Pike County - Resurfacing Route NN from Rte. 54 to U.S. 61 near Bowling Green.

Pike County - Seal coat Route UU from U.S. 61 to U.S. 54 near Louisiana.

A \$1,860,049 contract was awarded to STF, LLC DBA Traffic Control Company for pavement marking at various locations throughout the district.

Additional information, regarding timelines and impacts to traffic, will be released prior to the start of construction.

For more information, please contact MoDOT's Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT (1-888-275-6636).

Is The Person Next To You Homeless?



Cody A. Hobson Sr.

By Codi A. Hobson Sr.
Editor's Note: The Missouri Point In Time Count of the homeless population in the state is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 25. Codi Hobson is a Pike County resident.

When you hear the word "homeless" what comes to your mind?

Maybe the image of a dirty man unclean, unshaven, with matted hair? Let's go deeper. What words or emotions come to mind? Poverty, despair, sickness?

What if I told you that though those paradigms may

exist, that is not always the case? Would you believe the man next to you at the coffee shop on his two-year-old laptop in a cheap, thrift shop, button down and dark-wash blue jeans to be a homeless man?

Or the woman behind the counter at the gas station with the words "shift lead" under her name? What about the man behind you in the store buying a mess kit a camp stove and beans at 70 cents a can? But he's in \$200 work boots and drives a large SUV. Those are all people I have met or read about, and the last was me. My tenure as a homeless member of society was short. I was blessed in that way, but I did learn new things every night and day - both first-hand and second-hand. I had to re-learn a lot as well.

We don't always choose our circumstances and we aren't always at their mercy, either. The man taking a shower in the work sink may have been kicked out of his home, forced to leave his kid behind. Or maybe he felt he had to walk away to save his own mental health.

I had a job and a cell phone on which I could watch TV and talk to others. I'd step into the break room after everyone had left to don my sleepwear and lie in my bed roll in the back of my SUV with all the amenities of your home, save for on-demand heat, air conditioning and running water.

Homeless aren't always in the crevasses of society, nor are they sequestered to the dark corners of the cities. I was the co-worker in the truck who laughs so he doesn't make others feel pity. Pity and the current paradigm do nothing but imprison the person within the box that society has placed them. This is not their situation that is separate. That I learned in my experience when people would despair at learning of my living situation.

If you are reading this and you are homeless but want to change that, do not despair. Take a breath, take each problem one step at a time. It's OK to have setbacks. I did, I also got very lucky and was blessed immensely by God. That's how I'm able to send you this.

You are not alone.

Priorities Rep. Perkins Wants To Focus On In Upcoming Session

State Representative Chad Perkins is looking forward to working with colleagues this session and tackling many issues that will bring benefits to all Missourians.

Among the issues that Rep. Perkins will focus on are; workforce development, initiative petition reform, and tackling crime in St. Louis. Regarding workforce development, Rep. Perkins said, "The need for a more skilled workforce has become painfully obvious over the past few years. Not only do we need to train more workers for these jobs, we need to invest in the trade and vocational schools that will carry out this mission. Additionally, state and local governments developing partnerships with private business will help facilitate this important task." He continued, "Workforce development is a top priority for me and though it is difficult to get legislation across the finish line, I believe this issue has bipartisan support and will be a great benefit to not only the 40th District, but the whole state."



State Representative Chad Perkins, right, top, is pictured during the swearing in ceremonies in Jefferson City.

erty and opportunity for all Missourians while striving to increase the effectiveness of governmental operations." Ashcroft also praised lawmakers for the work they've done to develop "parent-empowering educational reform designed to enhance student achievement" and to ensure Missouri has "safe, secure, and accessible elections."

After Ashcroft's address,

the pride she felt in being the first woman to represent her district and one of the only Lakota Sioux to serve in the Missouri legislature. Dinkins also urged her colleagues from both parties to find the "common ground where we can do what is best and what is right for Missouri."

With Dinkins presiding, the House then elected State Representative Dean Plocher to serve as speaker of the house for the next two years. Plocher previously served as Majority Floor Leader for the House during the 101st General Assembly. Plocher delivered an address in which he told members they are here "to leave the next generation of Missourians with more opportunities, to create a tomorrow that is better than today, and to give all of those that follow us the freedom and opportunity to achieve their own American Dream." Plocher also outlined his priorities for the legislative session including improving public safety, increasing educational opportunities for students, and providing additional tax relief to Missouri taxpayers.

Members now await their committee assignments so they can begin work on the legislation that will be considered during the 2023 session. The next order of business for the House is to discuss and adopt the official House Rules that will govern the proceedings of the House.



State Representative Chad Perkins, right, is pictured with Governor Parsons and wife, Teresa along with Perkins' two nieces, Claire and Carly King.

THE 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY BEGINS

The day began at noon as the House was called to order by Secretary of State John Ashcroft, who temporarily presided over the proceedings. Ashcroft delivered a short address where he told members the calling of public servants is to "maximize lib-

members were administered the oath of office by the Honorable W. Brent Powell, Judge of the Supreme Court of Missouri. House members then elected State Representative Chris Dinkins to serve as the temporary speaker to oversee house proceedings. Dinkins delivered a brief address in which she described

Clopton Alumni Association Memorial Scholarship Fund Donations

The Clopton Alumni Association Memorial Scholarship Fund received the following Memorials,

Donations and Honor Gifts from Oct. 1, 2022-Dec. 31, 2022.

In memory of Judy Running Gilbert given by Judy Taylor Brown, Dale and Gail Herring,

In memory of Rosie Reed Adams given by Judy Taylor Brown, Paul and Nadine Krieg, Melba and Ben Houston, LaVerne and Robert Wright, Linda and Robert Frank.

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In memory of Melaney Magruder given by Kathleen Rudd Alexander, Louise Sitton, Robert and Linda Frank.

In memory of Michael Q. Alexander given by Kathleen Rudd Alexander.

In memory of Charles W. Rudd, Sr., Anna Rudd, Mar-

jorie Rudd, Fred G. Rudd, Joyce L. Rudd, given by Kathleen Rudd Alexander.

In memory of Nathan Teague given by Blake and Jennifer Shaw, Dale and Gail

Miller, Robert and Linda Frank, Brad and Michelle Noah.

In memory of Kevin Lewellen given by Dale and

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Latest Update On The Bowling Green 2023 Bicentennial

As of now there are no real changes on the schedule of activities or committees.

They have been on hold since the holidays, in order for people to concentrate on their family celebrations. They are now at the point of securing business sponsors, and adding family posts to memorialize the families of Bowling Green now and from the past.

The commemorative booklet is the financial means used to pay for the celebration. At Thanksgiving they mailed to every business that participates in the life of Bowling Green, a flyer on various costs, sizes, and features of how to participate. If you have misplaced your mailing, the information can be secured from the website:

bgmo200.com or you can call 324-3000 and they will email a new copy.

If you want to honor your individual family, just download the same form to apply for that. The original deadline for this is Sunday, Jan. 15, as they need to set the final budget before they finish the planning and execution of the event. If you can't make that deadline, please contact them. There is some flexibility. They must have your participation if this is going to be a truly successful 50 year celebration.

The steering committee is: Don Hamilton, Jim Arico, Sarah Gigous, and Tracy Brookshier. They look forward to hearing from everyone.

OBITUARIES

D'Anthony Trevon Coleman, 22, Louisiana
Vicky Lynn Griffith, 74, Clarksville
Gerald Jerry R. Luedloff, 86, Eolia
Lena E. Sartain, 89, New Florence
James Alex Carter, 73, Louisiana
William Minor Sr., 81, Louisiana
Ruth Ann Lilley, 86, Elsberry
Harold Mick Lee Meher, 82, Silex
Janet Botkins, 80, Mexico
Cindy Maschmeier, 64, Louisiana



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COMMUNITY NEWS



'Wreaths Across America'

Each December on National "Wreaths Across America" Day, the Mission of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is to remember, honor and teach about all veterans who have served, in whatever capacity, the United States of America. Wreaths Across America Day is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 3,700 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad. Thousands of wreaths were laid in honor of those who fought for freedom throughout our history at the National, State, and Chapter levels of DAR. On Saturday, Dec. 17, the Louisiana Pike County Chapter of DAR placed a wreath at the soldier statue in the circle drive of Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana to honor all veterans and to remember their service in any and all ways.

Bange Is 2022 Rockhurst University Graduate

Rockhurst University awarded close to 300 degrees at its winter commencement ceremony, held Dec. 11, 2022, at Arvest Bank Theatre at the Midland in downtown Kansas City. Included in the graduates

was Emily Bange of Elsberry who received a bachelor of science and graduated Cum Laude.

The program featured two student speakers, with Nhukim Nguyen, a biochemistry major, representing un-

dergraduate students, and Jessica Davis, a Doctor of Education degree recipient, representing graduate students.

Bange was also named to the fall dean's list.

Area Students Named To Columbia College Dean's List

Columbia College recently announced its dean's list for the fall 2022 semester (August-December 2022). To be named to the dean's list, a student must have completed 12 semester hours in a 16-week period and achieved a mini-

mum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0-point scale.

The following students who received the honor from the area include:

Bowling Green - Claire Graver, day campus - Colum-

bia, and Victoria Meier, On-

line.

Elsberry - Kylie Kinsler, day campus - Columbia.

Silex - Jaclyn Adams, day campus - Columbia.

Vandalia - Olivia Bybee, day campus - Columbia.

MDC Reports 8,599 Deer Taken During Alternative Methods

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that deer hunters in Missouri harvested 8,599 deer during the alternative methods portion of the firearms deer season, Dec. 24-Jan. 3.

Top harvest counties were Franklin with 200 deer harvested, Harrison with 186, and Macon with 162.

The harvest total for last year's alternative methods portion was 10,038.

For current ongoing preliminary harvest totals by season, county, and type of deer, visit the MDC website at

<https://extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest-table/>.

For harvest summaries from past years, visit <https://mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/deer/deer-reports/deer-harvest-summary>.

The archery deer and turkey season runs through Jan. 15.

Find more information on deer hunting from MDC's 2022 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet, available where permits are sold and online at <https://mdc.mo.gov/sites/default/files/2022-06/2022FDT.pdf>.

MO State Fair Announces Theme

The Missouri State Fair team announced the 2023 Missouri State Fair theme "WHERE TRADITIONS GROW" this week.

Their team, along with the Department of Agriculture, is excited to hear all about your favorite long-lasting Fair traditions. And, we hope you will find some new traditions to last a lifetime.

Start planning your trip to Sedalia, Aug. 10-20.

We Welcome Your Local News

State Tech Dean's List

State Technical College of Missouri would like to announce December 2022 students who achieved the dean's list during the 2022 fall semester.

To be placed on the dean's list, a full-time student must earn a semester grade point average between 3.5 and 4.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Area students named to the dean's list include: Payton Burnett, Bowling Green; Samuel Polacek, Laddonia; John Ray, Louisiana; Emma Hombs, Martinsburg; Hayden Miller, Hayden Miller and Johnathan Sullivan, Silex; Michael Allen, Ashton Garnett, Tia Gaston, Quinter Jacyna, Easton McAfee, Braden Trower, and Jacob Woodward, Vandalia; and Joshua Selby, Williamsburg.

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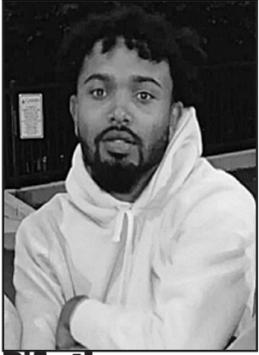
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OBITUARIES



D'Anthony Trevon Coleman

D'Anthony Trevon Coleman departed from us in the physical form on Monday, Dec. 19, 2022, at the age of 22. He was a warm-hearted, humorous, and loving son, brother, nephew, uncle, grandson and friend to many.

Celebration of life services were held Friday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. The Rev. Charlie Moore officiated.

Visitation started at 11 a.m., with funeral to follow at 1 p.m., followed by burial at Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana.

D'Anthony is survived by his mother, Layla Moore; stepfather, Alvin Moore, both of Iowa; biological father, Anthony Coleman of Missouri; four brothers, Alonzo Findley of Jefferson City, Andre Findley, Morgan, Ty, and Ella of Bowling Green, Casey Coleman of Iowa, and Donavon Howard of Oklahoma; maternal grandparents, Bob and Jonilyn Findley of Louisiana; uncle/aunt, Joe and Erin Findley; along with other aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by Leola Coleman, Bob and Joyce Findley, John Branstetter, and Ethel Harvey.

D'Anthony was a very accomplished young man. He was greatly talented in many sports, stealing the spotlight had become normal to him. Along with sports he was very academically inclined as well. He started school in Hazelwood to Louisiana, Keokuk, Burlington, and Ottumwa where he completed some college.

His passion was business, making music and becoming a barber, he thought everyone should look good, along with sharing his beautiful smile and making others smile. He had many various jobs from Burger King to welding. His favorite job was working at a pork factory deboning bacon.

D'Anthony impacted many from all over the map. He loved and was loved by many and will be missed by many more.

Pallbearers were Casey Coleman, Andre Findley, Alonzo Findley, Abricion Ivey, Malcolm Anderson, and Diamond Esko. Honorary pallbearers were Alvin Moore and Joe Findley.

Memorial donations can be made to the family, c/o Collier Funeral Home.



Vicky Lynn Griffith

Vicky Lynn Griffith, 74, of Clarksville died Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2022 at the Hannibal Regional Hospital in Hannibal.

Cremation rites were provided by Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Vicky was born Oct. 28, 1948 in Harrisburg, Ill., to William C. and Sammie Wagner Stump. She was married to Robert D. Griffith on Aug. 26, 1972 at the Buena Vista Community Church in Harrisburg, Ill.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Griffith; two sons, Wesley Robert Griffith and wife, Kristy of Clarksville, and Adam Thatcher Griffith and wife, Ashley of Clarksville; a daughter, Courtney Lynn Griffith of Clarksville; five grandchildren, Charlotte, Halie, Ethan, Ella, and Olivia;

cousins, Barbara G. Duffee, Cheryl Duffee Humm and husband, Richard, and Rick Duffee of Harrisburg, Ill., and Pamela Stump Moore of Cape Girardeau.

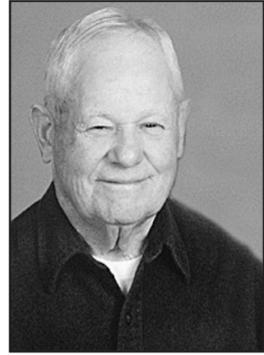
She was preceded in death by her daddy and mother, her grandparents, some of her uncles, aunts, and cousins, and a brother-in-law, Michael Griffith.

Vicky was a graduate of the Harrisburg High School with the class of 1966. She attended and graduated from Southeastern Junior College, and Southern Illinois University graduating with a bachelor's degree in home economics and a masters degree in early childhood development and education.

She was a teacher in Bradford, Ill., for two years and then was employed by the State of Illinois Education for about a year until her marriage.

Vicky was a member of the Calumet Presbyterian Church near Clarksville and also served as an elder of the church. She will be remembered as a loving mother, aunt, grandmother, and the best cook for her family.

Memorials may be made to the Calumet Presbyterian Church.



Gerald 'Jerry' R. Luedloff

Gerald "Jerry" R. Luedloff, 86, from Eolia died Saturday, Dec. 24, 2022, surrounded by family.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m., Thursday Dec. 29 at Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory in Silex. Burial followed at St. Alphonsus Cemetery and a lunch followed interment at the KC Hall in Millwood.

Visitation was from 9 a.m., until time of services Thursday at the funeral home.

Jerry was born Jan. 26, 1936 in St. Louis, the son of Christ and Mildred Luedloff. He married Marge Grothaus on June 27, 1959, whom he was married to for 63 years. She survives.

Other survivors include siblings, Don Luedloff and Karen Murphy; children, Russell and wife, Sharon and Gary and wife, Judy; six grandchildren, Sarah, Haley and husband, Dan, Benjamin, Emily, Mitchell, and Ryan; two step-grandchildren, Tarah and husband, Kyle, and Ryan and wife, Krissa; two great-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Jerry served his country in the United States Army, and then worked for Westwood Country Club in Creve Coeur for 53 years. He loved his family, had a great sense of humor, could fix about anything, had a green thumb, and loved to talk to his family and friends.

Pallbearers were Benjamin Luedloff, Ryan Luedloff, Mitchell Luedloff, Dan Perotti, Denny Miller, and Scott Murphy.

Memorials may be made to the St. Alphonsus Catholic Church in Millwood.

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

Lena E. Sartain Woodward

Lena Esther Sartain Woodward, 89, of New Florence died Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2022, at St. Andrews at New Florence Care Center.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m., Monday, Jan. 2 at Myers Funeral Home in Wellsville, with Bro. Raymond Doussard officiating. Burial followed in Siloam Cemetery in rural Pike County.

Visitation was Monday, from 1 p.m., until service time at the funeral home.

Lena was born Oct. 24, 1933, in Pike County. She was the daughter of Otto and Ruth Reese Willis. On Nov. 29, 1952, she married William Ray Sartain who preceded her

in death on Jan. 18, 1991. On Nov. 8, 1993, she married Marion Woodward who preceded her in death on Aug. 26, 1998.

Survivors include one son, Kevin Sartain and wife, Linda of Brookfield; a daughter, Karen Sartain of Mexico; one sister, Imogene Eastman of Louisiana; five grandchildren, Angie Poage and husband, Scott of Wellsville, Tim Kleinsorge of Middletown, Shelly Cooper and husband, Matt of Marceline, Kiley Liebhart and husband, Carl of New Boston, and Cassie Sparks of Marceline; and 11 great-grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Madelyn, and Garrett Poage, Gracie and Logan Liebhart, Payton and Breelyn Liebhart, Gabby and Adry Lodder, and Adalyn and Raiden Sparks.

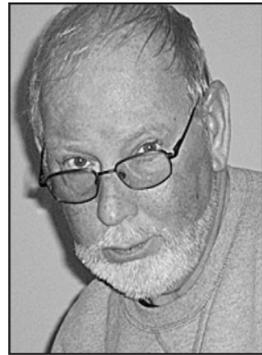
She was preceded in death by her parents, five brothers, Charles Thomas Willis, Walter Kenneth Willis, Otto Major Willis, Orville Lewis Willis, and Garland Edward Willis; and two sisters, Wilma Marie Willis, and Clara Louise Willis.

Lena worked as a CNA at Elsberry Health Care Center for several years.

She was a member of the Star Hope Baptist Church of Elsberry. She enjoyed flower gardening and spending time with family.

Memorials may be given to the Siloam Cemetery. They may be sent c/o Myers Funeral Home, 203 E. Bates Street, Wellsville, MO 63384.

Condolences may be given at myersfuneralhome.biz.



James 'Alex' Cafer

In the early morning hours of Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2022, James "Alex" Cafer died peacefully in his sleep after a long battle with cancer at the age of 73.

The family will hold a celebration of Alex's life in the spring. Collect your stories because they want to hear them.

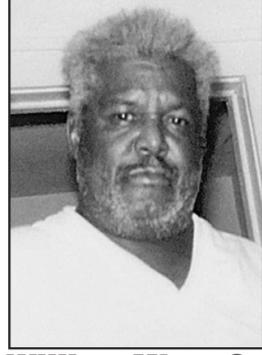
Alex was born Feb. 2, 1949, in Louisiana to James Edward and Elizabeth McCune Cafer. He graduated from Louisiana High School in 1967 and worked as a painter and carpenter until landing a job at Dundee Cement Plant in Clarksville. Alex worked at the cement plant until it was closed by Holcim in 2008.

The closure of the cement plant allowed Alex to return to his passion for building things. His retirement was very active with remodeling and construction projects. Wood, brick or metal, he could build anything he set his mind to and he always enjoyed the camaraderie of working with a small crew to help others.

Alex is survived by three children, Amy Rodgers and husband, Mike of Napoleon, Jim Cafer and wife, Erika and sons, Josh and Jordan of Shawnee, Kan., and John Cafer and sons Jacob and Jonathan, and a daughter, Morgan of Louisiana; a sister, Ruth Carter and husband, Shane of Troy and brother Michael Cafer and wife, Ginger of Louisiana.

Alex was preceded in death by his mother, father and three siblings, John Edward Cafer, Karen McCune Cafer and Nancy Clo Hopper.

Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana in charge of arrangements.



William Minor Sr.

William "Jim" Lee Minor Sr., was born in New London

on Saturday, March 22, 1941. He was the second oldest of five children. He was born to Clarence Franklin Minor and Eleanor Coleman Minor Bryant. He died Thursday, Dec. 22, 2022, at the age of 81.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m., Thursday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. Pastor James Smith officiated. Burial was at Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana.

Visitation was from 11 a.m., until time of service Thursday at the funeral home. He was married to Fannie D. Minor in June of 1994, and they moved to Hannibal.

Jim accepted Jesus Christ at a young age. After school, he enlisted in the United States Navy, serving in San Diego, Calif. He said that he couldn't swim, but learned quickly when he had to jump off the ship into the water as part of his initial training. After his military service, he returned home, where he married Mary D. Givens in 1960. They had seven children.

Jim worked several places over the years as a laborer: Hercules Inc., Limerick's Mobile Station, Valley Steel, Louisiana Middle School, even hauling hay some summers.

Most recently, Jim lived in Davenport, Iowa with his oldest son, Bill, and wife. This arrangement allowed Jim to stay in closer contact with his children, and participate in family celebrations. It brought Jim much joy, working alongside his boys, and sharing his life's wisdom. Often, he fussed with Bill and Stephen as they collected scrap metal, finding little treasures that they shared with the people they loved. Family, lovingly, referred to them as, "Sanford & Sons". To say Jim loved tinkering with vehicles, scraping, and watching old westerns is an understatement. His great-great-granddaughters loved him and made him happy. The youngest was always looking out for her, "Papas."

Jim's grandchildren remember their overnights, playing and wrestling with him, and his giving them all the junk food they wanted.

Even as his health declined, Jim would offer to help cut the grass, carry groceries, or lend a hand when opportunities arose. He seldom bit his tongue. He told you when you were doing something wrong. If he was shaking his right finger at you, you knew he was riled up or had a point to make. Jim worked hard and played hard.

Jim leaves several to cherish his memory including his children, William Lee Minor Jr., and wife, D'Lesia of Davenport, Iowa, Linda Bennett and husband, Christopher of Aurora, Ill., Michael Minor and wife, Bobbie of Louisiana, Donnie Minor and wife, Richelle of McKinney, Texas, Stephen Minor and David Minor of Davenport, Iowa; stepdaughters, Shanette Griffith and husband, Ronnie of Hannibal, and Kisa Thompson of Hannibal; siblings, Henry Bryant and wife, Toni of Curryville, Patricia Raspberry and husband, Roland of Bowling Green, and Gail Bryant of Missouri.

Also surviving are grandchildren, Angel Steward of Bowling Green, Karoy Smith and Kartney Smith of Quincy, Ill., Mecca Minor of Gainesville, Fla., Angel Burns of Bowling Green, Donnie Jr. and Devin Minor of McKinney, Texas; David Mayfield, Ronald Griffith, Jr., Tiffanie Griffith, Shamir Griffith, and Ronald Griffith III of Hannibal. He also leaves a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his wife, Fannie, his parents, Clarence Franklin Minor, Eleanor and Wilfred Bryant, a daughter, Frankie Ann, and one sister, Mabel Pearl.

Jim seldom spent much time talking on the phone, but at the end of each call he'd say, "Have a super-fine day," or, "later," never goodbye.



Ruth Ann Lilley

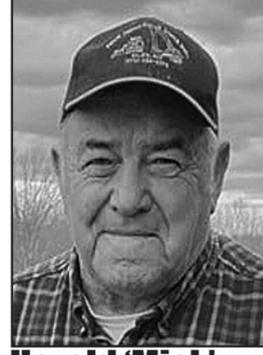
Ruth Ann Lilley, 86, of Elsberry died Sunday, Dec. 25, 2022 at Maple Grove Lodge in Louisiana.

She was born April 27, 1936 in Elsberry to Richard and Clara Francis Thomas Lilley. She attended the local schools along with her five siblings. Ruth Ann had worked at The Red Door Inn and Stu's. She enjoyed bowling, fishing and spending time with her friends and family.

She is survived by two sisters, Joy Lou Early and Peggy Hall; nieces, nephews, other relatives, and good friends, Janice Hare and Jeanette Brooksher.

Ruth Ann was preceded in death by her parents and a stillborn daughter, Berniece.

Family and friends may sign the online guest book @ www.mccoyblossomfh.com.



Harold 'Mick' Lee Mehler

Harold "Mick" Lee Mehler, 82, of Silex died Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023 at his residence in Silex.

Funeral service were held at 3 p.m., Saturday at Millwood Knights of Columbus Hall in Silex. To honor Mick the family requested everyone to wear flannel or Mick Mehler and Sons apparel. Interment was in St. Alphonsus Cemetery in Millwood.

Family and friends were received from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday at Millwood Knights of Columbus Hall in Silex.

He was born April 5, 1940, in St. Louis, the son of Harold Richard and Alice Marie Malloy Mehler. Mick was united in marriage to Mary Jane Klein on Nov. 18, 1967 at the St. Alphonsus Catholic Church in Millwood. Two sons and one daughter were born.

Mick is survived by his wife of 55 years, Jane Mehler of Silex; two sons, Danny Mehler and Jennifer Duvel of Silex, George Mehler and wife, Jennifer of Silex; a daughter, Susan Mehler-Henry of Silex; brothers and sisters, Ethel Worthington of Bowling Green, Ruth Ann Crow and husband, Charlie of Farber, Gerald Mehler and wife, Cindy of Silex, and Debbie Hays and husband, David of Mexico; grandchildren, Max Mehler, Michael Henry, Mason Henry, Alivia Mehler, and Evan Mehler; nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers and sisters, John, George, Rosemary, Barb and Vickie.

Mick worked as a Pepsi Cola driver for several years and then as a lineman for Cuivre River Electric Cooperative. He founded Mick Mehler and Sons in 1981, the family continues to operate the business. Mick enjoyed the many hours he put in with the employees that became his family over the years.

He had a true passion for farming row crops, raising hogs and cattle. Mick was always looking to buy and sell farms any chance he would get. He and Jane spent many hours horseback riding and some of their best memories were made on "vacation" farming in Kirksville.

Mick enjoyed fishing with his grandchildren, deer and turkey hunting. He was a loving, family man, who valued the time he spent with his family. Mick never knew a stranger and could light up a room with his smile.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to American

Cancer Society or American Heart Association in care of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel P.O. Box 222 Troy, MO 63379.

Arrangements are under the direction of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel; 351 Monroe Street, Troy, MO 63379.

Online condolences may be made at www.kemperkeimfamilyfuneralchapel.com.



Janet Ruth Botkins

Janet Ruth Botkins, 80, of Mexico died Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, at Heisinger Bluffs in Jefferson City.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Janet was born Sept. 10, 1942, in Elvins, the daughter of Virgil and Mamie Barton Murry. On April 10, 1982, in Vandalia, she married Van Botkins. He died June 2, 2007.

Janet graduated from Flat River High School in 1960. She worked for the Missouri 12th Judicial Circuit Court for more than 20 years, retiring in 2001 from her court reporter position.

She will be remembered by many as an unselfish caretaker who gave many years of her life lovingly taking care of her husband, Van through his many years of illness. Van was the love of her life and she devoted herself completely to his well-being.

Janet had a lifelong passion for music. From dancing around the record player and at school dances as a teenager to dancing the nights away with Van years later. She loved to sing and spent years singing in the church's choir and entertaining crowds as a member of The Silvertones. Janet's musical talent also included playing the piano for her church and on many other special occasions. Her deep love of gospel music moved her to attend every Gaither Homecoming concert within traveling distance. Most of her retirement days were spent singing along with a Gaither DVD.

She also loved to travel. No matter how near or far, she loved the adventure of seeing what was over the next hill. Many of her fondest travel memories were of those annual trips taken with her high school classmates.

Finally, her family must admit that everyone has a dark side and Janet's was putt-putt golf. When this God-fearing, loving, and playful woman stepped onto the putt-putt course, it was a win at all cost mindset.

Survivors include her children, Jeff Zimmer of Vandalia, Toni Monsen of Mexico, Joel Zimmer and wife, Christie of Farmington, Cindi Kelly and husband, Matt of Barnett, and John Zimmer and wife, Cobi of Hannibal; a sister, Nancy Beate and husband, Charles of Jefferson City; and many beloved grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

In addition to her husband, Van, Janet was preceded in death by her parents, Virgil Murry and George and Mamie Scott.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her memory to Gentiva Hospice (Jefferson City). For more information go to www.gentivahs.com.



Cindy Maschmeier

Cindy L. Maschmeier, 64, of Louisiana died Saturday,

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Growing Lavender In Missouri - Outcomes At Kirksville Site

A team of MU Extension Field Specialists received a Missouri Department of Agriculture Specialty Crops Block grant in January 2021, to fund a lavender research project at three sites in Missouri: Kirksville, Springfield, and Ste. Genevieve. The purpose of the project is to learn which cultivars of lavender are best suited for each site based on flower production, winter hardiness, drought hardiness and overall vigor of the plant, and provide this information to producers and home gardeners.

The project started in Kirksville in May of 2021. Over 120 lavender plants, 13 cultivars, were planted in seven raised rows with drip irrigation laid down the length of each row to provide water to plants during dry periods throughout the summer. Data was collected every two weeks from the first week of June 2021 through the end of October 2021. Data collected included height and width of the plants, vigor and in bloom/not in bloom. Based on data collected in 2021, the cultivars 'Super', 'Phenomenal', 'Grosso', 'Melissa' and 'Provence' performed the best.

Plants were covered in late December 2021 with row cover for winter protection. Garden staples were used to keep the covers in place. The covers were removed on March 29, and pruning was done in April to remove dead growth and shape the plants. The plants started blooming in late May with the first flower harvest of 2022 on June 3. Flower stems for each cultivar were measured, with 'Grosso' and 'Provence' having the longest stems. The flowers were weighed and weights recorded for each harvest. In 2022, the same cultivars, 'Super', 'Phenomenal', 'Grosso', 'Melissa' and 'Provence', again outperformed all the other cultivars. All these, with the exception of 'Melissa', had 14-21 inch stems. Stem length is important for floral arranging. 'Grosso' was the biggest producer of flowers. 'Melissa' is a white flowered culti-

var, with shorter stems, but it is very pretty when arranged in bouquets with the purple cultivars.

This information has been presented at workshops, programs and through newsletters. A local producer, Titus Creek Flower Farm, near LaPlata, has made the decision to incorporate lavender into their existing operation. They planted 400 lavender plants in 2022, and will plant another 400 this spring. Their plans are to develop value-added lavender products like soap, infused honey, candles, sachets, and much more. They are currently transforming an old barn on the farm into a flower shop.

Home gardeners should consider growing lavender. It makes a beautiful addition to a garden, and there are several benefits to growing it. Apart from its beautiful color, lavender is known for its soothing scent. It has a relaxing effect and helps relieve stress. Lavender oil is a commonly used ingredient in shampoos, soaps, air fresheners, candles and scented sachets. Fresh lavender plants will keep a garden fragrant as well as attract a variety of pollinators like bees, butterflies, praying mantis and others. In urban settings where the population of natural pollinators, including bees and butterflies, is on a decline, lavender plants offer an invaluable attraction to these species.

Some insects like fleas, flies, and mosquitos don't like lavender. Hence, growing a lavender plant in a garden may be a way to deter these unwanted insect pests. The use of lavender products on skin can serve the purpose of mosquito repellent without damaging your skin.

Lavender plants prefer full sun and a sandy-loam, well-drained soil. Water-logged or soil that is always moist or wet will cause root rot in the plants and may kill them.

For more information on growing lavender, contact me at the MU Extension Center in Adair County at 660-665-9866 or email schutterj@missouri.edu.

PLEASE NOTE: There are two

photos attached that can go with this article. "Master Gardener volunteer Diane Burger and MU Extension horticulture specialist Jennifer Schutter, collected data on the lavender plants every two weeks during the summer. Data collected included height and width of the plants, vigor and in bloom/not in bloom."

PESTICIDES & POLLINATORS

By: Donna Aufdenberg, Field Specialist in Horticulture, University of Missouri Extension

Pesticide is a general term we use for a chemical designed to kill an unwanted pest. Pesticides can be divided into categories based on what they target.

Insecticides = insects
Fungicides = diseases
Herbicides = weeds
Miticides = mites

With every pesticide used, there is always a risk to the environment regardless if the source is a natural or organic control. There are factors that are involved that can determine how toxic a pesticide can be towards pollinators and beneficial insects.

Toxicity of the chemical. Pesticides can vary in toxicity. Commonly, we can purchase safe and easy to use chemicals with a 4-hour re-entry period. These are the safest for us as gardeners, but they still pose a threat to insects. Organic pesticides are commonly misunderstood in the general public. Organic does not mean safe. They still pose a risk to people, pollinators and beneficial insects as some are still very toxic. Precautions still need to be taken. Luckily, access to the most hazardous pesticides is limited by restricted-use licensing.

Regardless of the toxicity rating, read the label to learn how it can affect pollinators and beneficials in the environment, and personal protective equipment to protect yourself from exposure.

Choice of formulation. Different formulations, even of the same

active ingredient of the pesticide, can vary in their toxicity to pollinators. Dust formulations are typically more dangerous because the particles can be picked up on the insects bodies. It also poses more risk for us because we can inhale in those particles during applications. Generally, liquid formulations, applied according to the label, are safer all around.

How long the chemical sticks around (residual). The longer the chemical sticks around in the environment, the greater the chance it will be picked up by pollinators, beneficials and other vertebrates. Insecticides that degrade quickly are best for pollinator high traffic areas.

Temperature at the time of application can affect pesticides. Pesticides stick around longer when temperatures are unusually low. The flip side of that is also true: high temperatures will cause pesticides to disappear quicker.

Drift can make exposure worse. If pesticides move to non-target plants (plants you didn't mean to expose to the chemical), exposure to beneficials and pollinators increase because the surface area covered by the pesticide increases.

Timing of application. Evening applications are best because pollinators are less active and many flowers close. Exposure drastically increases when applications take place earlier in the day.

Plant stage. Fact is, when plants bloom, there will be pollinators and additional beneficial insects. Try to avoid applications of pesticides during the blooming stages of plants.

Minimizing pesticide exposure is important to all pollinators and beneficials, especially bees. Attached are two illustrations that provide great tips for helping to save our wonderful pollinators. The QR code will take you to pollinator.org where you can find more information on this topic. I encourage all to spend some time browsing this excellent website!

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January Book Reviews

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Six friends are going on a camping trip, after getting lost their van breaks down leaving them stranded. Being told they are not that far from the resort they decide to hike on to their destination. The farther they go into the woods, the more strange things start to happen. They notice claw marks on a tree, man length high. Howls start closer to dark, and no resort in sight.

The friends decide they need to make camp because it is getting too dark to travel, and hoping with a fire burning the animal following them will back off. Arguments follow, blaming each other for being in this situation, they find spots around the campfire and go to sleep. During the night, one of them is found dead. Was it the wild animal they think is following them, or is it one of them?

This book is a fast read. It is interesting enough that you do not want to put it down until it is finished. And just when you think you have figured out who or what did it, the author adds a twist.

I was completely wrong in the end!



Lindsey Eick

JANUARY 2023 YOUNG
ADULT BOOK REVIEW
FAMILY OF LIARS BY
E. LOCKHART
REVIEWED BY
LINDSEY EICK,
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Family of Liars takes place in 1987, 27 years before the events of We Were Liars on a private island off the coast of Massachusetts. It follows 17-year-old Carrie Sinclair as she faces her first summer at her family's vacation property after the death of her 10-year-sister, Rosemary.

Rosemary drowned the previous summer while swimming alone. Carrie, her parents, and her remaining sisters, 16-year-old Penny and 14-year-old Beth must learn how to grieve the loss of Rosemary and move on together as a family.

Carrie tries to repress her sorrow by using pills to numb her pain; the ghost of her sister, Rosemary returns throughout the book to help her deal with her pain and grief. Unexpected arrivals on the island of George, Major, and Pfeff, friends of Carrie's cousin Yardley, set in motion an unforeseen chain of events that entangle the three oldest Sinclair sisters in lies and secrets that will haunt their family for years. This story is scandalous, tragic, and layered with mystery

This book, Family of Liars by E. Lockhart, is a prequel to her novel, We Were Liars. Warning: this book contains spoilers from We Were Liars, so if you have not read it, you may want to read it before you pick up this book. If you enjoy books that have a bit of mystery and scandal, with thriller characteristics, you will definitely enjoy this book. This book is geared toward older teens (grades 9-12) because of some of the themes and events that take place. Author read-alikes include Megan Mirand, Maureen Johnson, Sarah Dessen, and Rainier Rowell.



Louisiana Bulldogs Bring Home Third Place

The Louisiana Bulldogs claimed the third-place trophy after defeating Winfield 66-65 in overtime at the 2023 Clopton Hawk Invitational Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 7.



Lady Owls Win Third Place

The Silex Lady Owls claimed the third-place hardware with a 52-50 win over the Clopton Lady Hawks at the 2023 Clopton Hawk Invitational Tournament on Friday, Jan. 6.



Hawks Earn Second Place

The Clopton Hawks earned the second-place hardware after falling to Elsberry 65-56 during the championship match of the 2023 Clopton Hawk Invitational Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 7.



Bulldog Cheer Selected Best

The Louisiana Bulldogs Cheerleaders were selected as the best cheer team at the 2023 Clopton Hawk Invitational Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 7.

CLOPTON

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Clopton took second place with the 65-56 loss. The top-seeded Hawks looked strong after a big 70-37 win over Silex and a 53-49 semifinal win over Winfield. In the championship game, they came from behind after trailing the Indians by six points in the opening frame to claim a 24-22 lead at the end of the first half.

The second half saw a back-and-forth battle with both teams determined to claim the win. Despite trailing by four points going into the fourth, the Hawks showed off an impressive barrage of three-pointers in the final minutes to help tie the game up 50-50.

Elsberry hit nine of ten free throws along with three field goals, outscoring the Hawks 15-7 in overtime.

Kain Eivins was Clopton's top scorer with 18 points. Cash Eivins wasn't far behind with 11. Other Hawks scorers: Tyler Kuntz, 9; Chase Hall, 9; Jordon Jennewein, 6; and Josh Harvey, 3.

Elsberry's top scorers were Kaden Kinsler with 20 and Kyle Turnbull with 18. Other scorers: Evan Wilson, 12; Dashaun Dodson, 8; and Bryce Irving, 7.

In the third-place matchup, (3) Louisiana edged out (5) Winfield in overtime by one point with a final score of 66-65.

The 3-9 Winfield Warriors came out strong in the first quarter hitting 4 three-pointers and outscoring the Bulldogs 22-14. Louisiana took control in the second quarter by stepping up their defense and only allowing the Warriors five additional points by the end of the first half. Some skilled passing helped Wyatt Martin become a key role for the Bulldogs under the net in the second quarter throughout the game by racking up 24 points.

Despite taking control of the game and going into the fourth with a five-point lead, Winfield wasn't out of the fight yet. They came back with 19 points to tie the game up at 59-59 and force the Bulldogs into overtime. Both teams scored field goals and went back and forth at the free-throw line with Louisiana taking the advantage for a 66-65 win.

The Bulldogs' top scorers were Wyatt Martin with 24 points and Jack Logan with 17. Other scorers: Kenny McCormick, 13; Cooper Lumley, 7; Wyatt Harrison, 2; Sheldon Silvey, 2, and Donovan Richards, 1.



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Community Calendar...

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On Jan. 12: Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual awards banquet. All are invited to attend the Chamber's annual meeting and awards banquet at the Pike County Fairgrounds. Social hour will begin at 5 p.m., with dinner served at 6 p.m. Activities include a year-end review, plus the announcement of various Chamber awards, the Best of Bowling Green Awards, and the Citizen of the Year Award. To purchase tickets, visit the

chamber website, bgchamber.org, or contact Sarah at 324-3733.

On Jan. 24: Red Cross blood drive at Middletown Baptist Church from 1-6 p.m., at 302 Johnson Street. There is a blood supply shortage so if you are able to donate please go to <http://www.redcrossblood.org> and make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome but it would help the RC to know how many techs to send if they have an appointment.

Thank You

Thank you for attending my 90th birthday celebration, the birthday wishes, and gifts.

Special thank you to my family for hosting the celebration.

Bob Cannon

Thank You

To all of my friends and loved ones, "Thank You" for all the cards, food, calls, and prayers while in the hospital with hip surgery and since returning home.

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band, Robbie Maschmeier; two daughters, Cory Maschmeier and Carley Maschmeier; two grandchildren, Korban Burse and Joyce Ann Burse; three sisters, Carol Connors, Cathleen Cornelius, and Stacey Pratt; and numerous friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Judith Parrish, a brother, Brett Parrish, a granddaughter, Arianna Burse, and a nephew, Jeff Pratt.

Cindy was known by many from the local grocery store during her employment with County Market in Louisiana. She came to know the community serving them with smiles and laughs. She later worked in home health care for the mentally and physically disabled at Ruth Jensen Village in Bowling Green.

She always wanted to work and help with handicapped people and this job brought her joy from the residents she took care of. Although bringing smiles and joy to people's lives, some of her best achievements were in the kitchen! Cindy loved to cook and was a good one too. She had received awards for "Cook of the Year" at Pizza Hut in 1991 and placing as one of the best chilies in the "2008 Third Annual Bob Battem Chili Cook Off"

Cindy was a mother to all

and turned no kid or friend away at her doorstep. Seen as a second mother to many people, she loved hard and would give her last penny to someone if they needed it. She always gave 100 percent of herself if it meant making someone's life better.

She and her husband, Robbie gave open invitations to their "Scrabble Nights" to everyone. Coming to scrabble night meant good drinks, memorable laughs, and even better records on the record player. But be prepared to get "spanked" as they both had a dictionary handy to one-up each other at their word game.

Cindy taught her loved ones well about what life and death is. She was Christian by faith. She knew her body was only a vessel for her soul. When she can finally rest, her body is all it ever was, but her soul is eternal. Although all we have left of her is memories, her soul is still with us. In the light, in the music, in the random memories or thoughts of her that come and go. It is her reaching out to let everyone know she is with you, and loves you.

As Cindy always said, "Peace out baby!". We will see you on the other side "Mama Cins"

Memorials may be given to the donor's choice in care of the funeral home.

NECAC Seeks Input Through Survey

The North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) is offering people in its 12 counties a chance to recommend changes to programs or new services for the disadvantaged.

The agency is conducting a Community Needs Survey through June 30. Missouri counties covered are Lewis, Lincoln, Macon, Marion, Monroe, Montgomery, Pike, Ralls, Randolph, St. Charles, Shelby and Warren.

"We are trying to collect information from the counties to identify the needs, which includes any barriers and gaps in services," said NECAC County Services Programs Director Kayla Wasson. "We are trying to identify how we can better serve our communities through additional programs."

NECAC conducts the survey every three years as part of its requirements to receive

federal and state funding for social service, community health and public housing programs. Past questionnaires led to creation of food pantries at NECAC service centers, a diaper distribution program and an employment readiness service.

"It is a big part of the full picture of what NECAC offers," Wasson said. "We encourage people to participate."

The survey features 36 questions covering income, employment, education, housing, transportation and other needs. It can be filled out electronically at NECAC Service Centers, on the NECAC Facebook site or the SurveyMonkey link at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CNA2023>.

In the spring, NECAC will put together focus groups made up of residents, businesses and organizational rep-

resentatives to study the possibilities.

"We'll have more qualitative questions and seek their opinions on issues that are happening in their communities," Wasson said.

The 2020 survey was conducted just as the COVID pandemic was breaking out. Wasson said that while some concerns from that time remain, others will be different.

"There's an economic angle now because of inflation," she said. "Prices have gone through the roof, so it's a different situation than the last survey."

People with questions may call Wasson at 573-324-6633.

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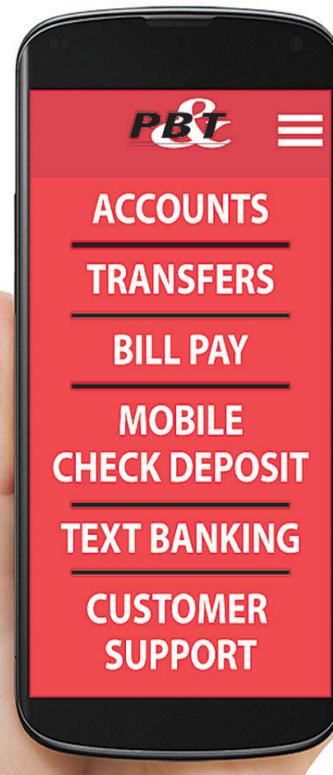
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Jan. 1, 2023 at the Mercy Hospital in Washington.

Her wishes were to be cremated and a Celebration of Life service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana.

Visitation will be held from 12 p.m., until time of service at the funeral home.

Cindy was born Oct. 11, 1958 in Rock Island, Ill., to Richard L. and Judith A. Holmes Parrish. As a child she lived in Illinois, Milwaukee, Wis., until moving to Missouri to meet her husband, Robbie. They were married on Aug. 1, 1987 in St. Charles. She also had lived in Florida for some time before moving back to live out her days in Louisiana.

She is survived by her hus-

Pike County Memorial Hospital

January Specialist Calendar

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Bowling Green Clinic: 573-324-5300 Vandalia Clinic: 573-594-2111

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Dr. Hake Lisa Clervi	2 Dr. Lee Dr. Melander Lisa Clervi	3 Dr. Freeland Lisa Clervi	4 Dr. Freeland	5 Dr. Trone Dr. Knudson Dr. Venkat Lisa Clervi	6 Dr. Conrad Dr. Hoffman Lisa Clervi	7
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- Dr. Hoffman, Louisiana Clinic

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- Dr. Trone, PCMH Hospital

Neurology

- Dr. Hake, Bowling Green

Urology

- Dr. Knudson, Louisiana Clinic

Ears, Nose, Throat

- Dr. Conrad, Louisiana Clinic

Welcome to the PCMH Family, Dr. Borden

Rheumatologist, Dr. Miriam Borden will start seeing patients at the Louisiana Clinic January 13th! If you would like to schedule an appointment with Dr. Borden, please contact the Vandalia Clinic at 573-594-2111.



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After you've secured the straps, place the coat backwards over the child.



Use a blanket over the car seat.



Dress the child in warm, thin and snug layers with hat, mitts and winter boots.

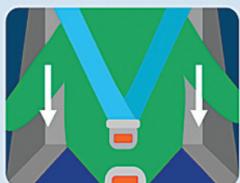
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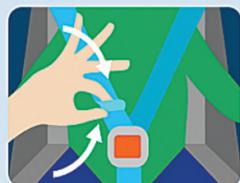
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Step #2: Without loosening the straps, unbuckle & remove your child from the seat.



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