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## NECAC Draws More National Recognition

A job training program developed by the North East Community Action Corporation is getting more recognition from the federal government.

Jeanna Caldwell of the U.S. Department of Labor presented certificates July 12 to six new graduates of the NECAC apprenticeship program. Three other NECAC team members were recognized for achieving energy audit status. Caldwell called the program a success.

"We believe that the earn and learn method of registered apprenticeship is the premier way to be able to learn as you need to be successful in the workforce, and we are very appreciative of this program," said Caldwell, DOL Apprenticeship and Training Representative. "We're looking forward to working with NECAC to be able to develop new programs in in-demand programs."

"We went from two graduates last year to nine this year, which speaks well to not only our graduates but to the weatherization directors and supervisors who mentored them in the areas of responsibility this program covers to ensure they had the knowledge and skills expected of a graduate," said NECAC President and Chief Executive Officer Dan Page. "It also speaks well as an acknowledgement of the program's worth. They, like you and I, are not going to invest an entire year of our lives to reach a goal unless it means something, and this program means something."

Dan McDowell, state technical weatherization supervisor for the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, has experience with apprenticeships and said the program offers graduates endless job opportunities.

"The energy sector is the fastest growing sector nationwide," McDowell said. "You guys have chosen a really good time to make that commitment and take the step through being in the apprenticeship program and now graduating to a huge career opportunity and path that will take you essentially anywhere you want to go."

The six new apprenticeship graduates are Brandon Warren, Jacob Niffen, Brenden Henderson, Andrew Mackey, Zaqry Uplinger and Jacob Schler. Receiving certificates as energy auditors were James Patrick, Clinton Caldwell and Tom Branham.

"We are very excited to have six more people complete their apprenticeship and three others become energy auditors," said NECAC Deputy Director for Housing Development Programs Carla Potts. "The training, both classroom and on-the-job, has been invaluable and has made them better employees. The apprenticeships are a pathway to not just a job, but a career in home energy conservation."

Others attending the ceremony were Pike County Commissioner and NECAC Pike County Board Member Tommy Wallace; NECAC Pike County Board Member Curt Mitchell; Bowling Green Mayor Jim Arico; and NECAC Weatherization Directors Eric Benn and Brit-tany Wasson.

The apprentice program was developed by NECAC in partnership with the U.S. Department of Labor, Missouri Department of Labor, the Northeast Missouri Workforce Development Board and Pike-Lincoln Technical Center.

The goal is to provide newly-hired weatherization employees with skills that will allow them to work in a variety of construction and energy job fields.

The NECAC effort began in March 2021. The program consists of 144 hours of classroom learning and 2,000 hours of on-the-job education. Upon completion, participants earn a Department of Labor certification as a home performance laborer.

NECAC showcases the apprenticeship as a model for weatherization across the country. More information is available by calling NECAC at 573-324-6622.

NECAC program recognized

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## Matt Chance Selected As Missouri's Boys Track, Field Coach Of The Year

By BRICE CHANDLER  
EDITOR

In a year filled with extraordinary accomplishments, Bowling Green School District's Athletic Director and Head Track & Field/Cross Country Coach, Matt Chance, has been recognized as the 2023 Missouri Boys Track and Field Coach of the Year by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross-Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA).

"I received word today from the USTFCCCA that I was selected as the 2023 Missouri Boys Track and Field Coach of the Year," Chance wrote on social media. "This is a wonderful honor, but this award is shared equally with my athletes and my coaching staff."

Under Chance's leadership, the Bowling Green track team had an exemplary 2023 season. They broke eight school records, saw four individual state champions rise, and had numerous all-state events. The team also clinched the Conference, District, Sectional, and State Team Championship by a considerable margin of nearly 40 points.

Chance, who attributed the team's success to the combined efforts of his athletes and the coaching staff, praised the past season as an "unbelievable experience."

"This team was incredible all year and the memories will last forever," Chance continued. "Again, thank you to all the athletes and my awesome coaching staff: Joe Chinn, Sandra Schuckenbrock, Samantha Krankka, Sindy Pierce, Dan Grimes, and Nick Koettters."

The letter from the USTFCCCA announcing Chance's recognition further emphasized the significance of this honor, which is based not only on the success of the



team throughout the season but also on Chance's exemplary leadership.

Started in 2014 by Association and sponsored by the United States Marine Corps, the USTFCCCA High School Coach of the Year Award Program recognizes the best high school boys' and girls' coaches at both the state and national levels in cross country and track & field.

The USTFCCCA, with over 11,000 coaching members, represents NCAA track & field and cross-country programs of all divisions, the NAIA, the NJCAA, and several state high school track & field/cross country coaches associations.

Sam Seemes, CEO of the USTFCCCA, wrote in the letter to Chance, "The USTFC-

CA and the United States Marine Corps are proud to be able to bring this well-deserved recognition to you, the cross-country program, and the school."

Seemes further informed that the award would be shipped to Bowling Green High School, in the hopes that it would be presented to Chance at a planned assembly or pep rally.

This recognition marks an achievement for Coach Chance, his team, and Bowling Green High School in a season and school year that will forever be etched in their memory. The honor testifies to Chance's dedication to the sport and his commitment to developing well-rounded individuals, on and off the track.

## Quilt Show, Sale To Benefit Accident Victims

A quilt show and auction is being planned for the Van-Far Ambulance employees Leslie Dahl and Jason Bostic who were injured in a two-vehicle crash on Tuesday, July 4.

The committee is looking for gently used or new quilts including any type of quilt or wall hangings and barn quilts.

The show, auction is See QUILT on page 7

## Annual Gospel Sing Returns For Fair Week

The annual Gospel Sing sponsored by Prayer and Action in Christ Together (PACT) will be held Sunday, July 23 at the Pike County Fairgrounds, beginning at 3 p.m.

This event includes musicians from across the area offering songs of Christian praise. The already full program includes women and men of all ages and multiple denominations.

PACT is a small group instituted by the Bowling Green Ministerial Alliance several decades ago. The purpose of PACT is to provide opportunities for Christians of all denominations to gather for prayer and worship. The group also presents the annual National Day of Prayer observance.

There is no charge to attend the sing, but an offering will be taken to benefit the Hope Center of Pike County and the BG Ministerial Alliance. A canned goods collection will also be received to be given to the Hope Center.

For further information, visit the Facebook page (Prayer and Action in Christ Together - PACT) or contact Karen, 314-941-0210.

## Update Given On Van-Far Ambulance EMT, Paramedic Following Accident

Van-Far Ambulance Administrator Wendy Majors Hull issued the following statement on Sunday, July 16 in regards to the condition of EMT Leslie Dahl and paramedic Jason Bostic.

It has been just over a week since the Tuesday, July 4 accident occurred, that critically injured two of our crew members. It is difficult to put into words the amount of love and support we have seen from far and wide. No doubt, it has helped us navigate this difficult situation. As of today, both crew members remain hospitalized in Columbia. With their permission, we are releasing an update on their injuries and condition.

EMT Leslie Dahl suffered internal injuries to her spleen and lungs in addition to multiple fractures to both legs and her pelvis. She spent several days on life support and on a ventilator, but we are happy to report she is off the vent and breathing on her own now. She has received several surgeries and remains in the ICU in critical but stable condition. Her recovery time is unknown but expected to be extensive.

Paramedic Jason Bostic suffered multiple fractures in both legs and arms and has received multiple surgeries. He is listed in serious but stable condition. Jason has been moved to the orthopedic rehabilitation center to begin physical therapy. After in-patient physical therapy he will be sent to RUSK Rehabilitation in Columbia for additional therapy. Doctors have estimated his recovery time at 18-months.

There have been several community benefits set up to help support Leslie and Jason, we will continue to share those on our page. They will need our continued support in the days and months ahead.

Here is a listing of the benefits coming up:

- July 17 - BBQ at the Bar Code Parking Lot
- Hosted by White Rose Missionary Baptist Church from Bowling Green
- July 29-30 - 50/50 raffle & silent auction

By Shoot 4 the stars See AMBULANCE on page 7

## Connor Arrested On Drug Charges

Missouri State Highway Patrol conducted a narcotics investigation in Vandalia.

As a result of the investigation, a traffic stop was conducted along West Walsh Boulevard and South Maple Street. During the vehicle stop, Ryan Connor, 41, of Vandalia was found to be in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. Connor was subsequently arrested for possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia and transported to the Audrain County Jail.

The Audrain County Sheriff and his staff remain committed to working with our communities, community partners, and other area law enforcement agencies to

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On Thursday, July 13 at approximately 1:30 p.m., members of the Audrain County Sheriff's Office, East Central Drug Task Force, and

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## The Wrath Of Grapes

### Pike County Man Part Of Booze Ban Battle

By BRENT ENGEL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER  
Editor's note: Following is the second part of a story series by contributing writer Brent Engel.

John and Mary Henderson never backed away from the causes in which they believed.

The former Missouri U.S. Senator from Pike County and the health advocate who was a native of New York jumped headlong into the abstinence movement in 1905.

It started in April with the very public formation of John B. Henderson Tent 1089 of the Independent Order of Rechabites.

The group was founded in England in 1835, and took its name from the Biblical account in Jeremiah where a family declined to drink wine offered to them because they had been instructed against it. They also were commanded not to build houses but to live in tents.

At the time, churches and taverns were the two main social gathering places for adults. The Rechabites hoped the power of persuasion would keep society from gulping the giggle juice.

"A prominent member of

the order stated last evening that the establishment of John B. Henderson Tent was the beginning of a new era of Rechabitism" in the U.S., the Washington Evening Star reported.

The newspaper said the order "would continue to battle for temperance along moral suasion lines, and instead of fighting the saloons in the courts they would create a sentiment that would cause them to close for want of patronage."

The Hendersons had powerful allies in the movement. Thirty men were invited to be part of the John B. Henderson Tent. Women had to form their own affiliates, and Mary Henderson joined one in October 1905.

The Star described the John Henderson Tent members as "business and professional men, artisans and employees of the general government, all of whom are zealous in well-doing." Five hundred people were invited to the induction ceremony at Washington's Concordia Hall.

The Star said the 78-year-old Henderson "has not drunk intoxicating liquors during the past 44 years, and he and

Mrs. Henderson have of recent years discarded it from their public functions."

Meeting Chairman John Quigley introduced Henderson as "the distinguished Christian gentleman" who would be "a tower of strength to our efforts."

Before his address, Henderson acknowledged his age, but added he hadn't reached it prematurely because of drink. He then urged the crowd to do as Rechabites had done for centuries and protect themselves "against the evil effects of alcohol."

With the directive came an admonishment. Henderson warned the crowd not to be "This society has placed its faith in temperance as a conservator of morals, and also a guaranty of good government," he said. "They are sowing good seed that must ripen into an abundant harvest for themselves and their country. Let us hope that they may never become weary in well-doing."

All of the brave talk was fine, but there was just one hiccup - the Hendersons had a basement full of liquid courage.

Next time: Gutter buster.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Donations Made To LHS Alumni, Friends Association

The Louisiana Alumni and Friends Association accepts all donations.

Memorials and honorariums from anyone who wishes to contribute to the scholarship fund. The donations are tax-deductible contributions which allow the alumni association to continue presenting scholarships to those who need them to further their education.

The following donations have been made to the LHS Alumni and Friends Association from January-June 2023:

In memory of Cyndi Brown: Elizabeth Matteson, Dan and Danette DeBourge-Carolyn Sanderson, Arti and Lori Stoddard, Pam Stoddard, Jeff Stoddard, Betty Dolbeare, Stephen and Carolyn Allen, John Allen, Karl and Tina Dewey, Mike and Anne Vieira.

In memory of James Alex Cafer: Rebecca Wood and Janice Krabbiel.

In memory of Delbert "Junior" Clark: Stephen and Sandra Collier, Nancy Ficken, Elizabeth Matteson, Ed and Darlene Pennington, Jim and Gail Sidwell.

In memory of Donald R. Ince: Class of 1946, Bea Goodin, John Sitton.

In memory of Edward L. Muff: Pam Stoddard, Carolyn Sanderson, Arti and Lori Stod-

dard, Jeff Stoddard.

In memory of Gene Reid: Francis and Mary Luke.

In memory of Jack Sencenbaugh: Pam Todd-Watts.

In memory of Kenneth Sencenbaugh: Harry and Carolyn Elliott, William and Jill Perkins, Pam Todd-Watts.

In memory of Ila Ros Ogle Rollins: Philip Ogle.

The following honorarium has been received in honor of the class of 1949 by the class of 1949.

The following donations for financial support to the General Fund have been received from John and LouAnn Lawrence, Charles (Butch) Elgin.

The following donations to the Ellen Morrow: Math Scholarship Fund (administered by the LHS Alumni and Friends Association) received from Henry Pierce and Shell Oil Company (matching gift-Henry Pierce).

The Louisiana Alumni and Friends appreciate the support of all who wish to see the work of the Association continue. Anyone wishing to contribute may send a donation to The Louisiana Alumni and Friends Association, P.O. Box 404, Louisiana, MO 63353 or through PayPal on the web site [www.louisianaalumniassociation.org](http://www.louisianaalumniassociation.org) at any time.

Those contributions for the scholarship fund should be so designated. It's extremely helpful to also include the address of a person to whom the donor wishes a contribution notification to be sent. Other monies are always welcomed to be used for general purposes (mailings, postage, fundraising projects, financial assistance to school programs, building projects, etc.) and should also be so designated. The Alumni Association's primary concern and purpose is helping the students and the district in whatever way possible.

Donation envelopes are also available at area funeral homes. A memorial donation may be made for a deceased loved one or deceased classmates. An honorarium donation may be made for someone still living perhaps as a gift to honor him or her for some occasion.

All donations to the Alumni Association are greatly appreciated and allow the giving of even more help to the Louisiana R-II School District and its students.

All alumni meetings are open to the public. There are approximately six meetings a year. All alumni and those who attended in any grade are invited to attend.



The 2023 MO FFA H.Y.P.E. Academy members.

## Silex FFA Members Attend H.Y.P.E.



Braden Havlik and Karlie Ellis smile in the rotunda of the State Capitol after providing their testimonies for legislatures.

On June 27-29th two Silex FFA members, Braden Havlik and Karlie Ellis, attended the Missouri H.Y.P.E. Academy in Jefferson City. The Missouri H.Y.P.E. Academy is an event sponsored by Missouri Com. and is for the top 30 incoming seniors in the state, looking to sharpen their knowledge on different agriculture topics. H.Y.P.E. stands for Helping

Youth Prepare for Excellence, and the academy centers around growing the skills of young advocates and leaders in the agriculture industry. Throughout their time at the academy, Havlik and Ellis prepared their own testimony on agricultural issues facing the industry today. The two were then able to provide their testimonies to Missouri State legislators in a mock hearing setting. During their time in Jefferson City, they were also able to meet with the Director of Missouri Agriculture, Chris Chinn, to learn more about her own agriculture story.

## O'Brien Named To Dean's List

Jack O'Brien of Eolia has been named to the dean's list at Hamilton College for the spring 2023 semester.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must have carried a course load of four or more graded credits throughout the semester and earned an average GPA of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.

O'Brien, a sophomore, is a graduate of Clopton High School.



## Clarksville VFW Participates

The Clarksville Memorial VFW Post 4610 participated in the Bowling Green 200 Year Bicentennial activities held on Saturday, July 1, along with participating in the parade, serving food, and donating box lunches to the National Guard Band from Springfield. It was a great occasion to be a part of. Pictured, from left, standing: Virginia Starks; seated, Rodney Powell and Chrissy Burse; standing in back: Carolyn Everett and Rick and Dianne Gardner frying the fish. Commander Herbert Everett and President Mary Tarpein participated in the parade riding behind the National Guard with the flags.

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**OUTDOORS:** several large fishing poles(great condition)- Wooden bait box- minnow cages-anchors(large)- fishing nets- fish baskets- metal minnow bucket- some fishing supplies- hand tools-shovels-rakes-pitch forks- splitting maul- wedges- axes-hatchets-commercial hoop net-yard roller-yard sweep-Kubota T1560 lawnmower- Kubota T 1460 lawnmower-350 moto4 yamaha 4 wheeler (parts only)-

**TOYS:** Bush hog Brush hog (in box)-FARMALL 40TH ANNIVERSARY 706 &806 metal tractor still in original box- JOHN DEERE 3140 metal tractor still in the box- JOHN DEERE 4010 metal tractor still in the box

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## From The Mayor's Desk...

So, what is a Master Plan for a city. A Master Plan sets a vision to guide long term-development and improvements. It can be for streets and infrastructure, parks, youth and senior centers, recreational areas, emergency shelters plus sidewalks and more.

To develop a Master Plan, you need community engagement/participation/input, data collection on what the people think and feel they "need," and determine goals and timetables to meet these goals. Combining elected officials with citizen involvement, Master Plans can set a vision into motion. Master Plans are roadways and strategies for building a fresh and prosperous society and civic pride. Without goals and vision, a town can have a knee-jerk reaction to problems and challenges that WILL arise in a city. A Master Plan can motivate leadership and citizens to be pro-active and head off problems before they become problems. (Our city swimming pool, for instance). Yet, there is always the unexpected when running a town, business, economy, or in our private lives. When various aspects of a community come together, collect ideas, exchange thoughts, and set priorities, outstanding development can occur in the city's progress and advancement.

Master Plans are a necessity to support future construction projects and innovative community expansion. "Community Connectivity" is a wording which confronts connecting citizens to parks, doctors, clinics, pharmacies, and grocery stores. Transportation for our handicapped, senior adults, veter-



**JIM ARICO, MAYOR**  
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

ans, and those without vehicles have a major problem in Bowling Green getting around to these places. Improved access, building and improving streets, sidewalks, ADA approved accesses are included in "Community Connectivity." "Complete Streets" is another wording for projects in a Master Plan. Water drainage, curbs, and widening of streets as well as proper paving are examples of the "Complete Streets" planning. Some streets in Bowling Green haven't been improved/addressed in 10 years or more. However, it is not for a lack of trying. Tax revenues only go so far in infrastructure improvement.

As food prices continue to rise and items become more scarce, an emphasis on health and wellness is a focus. Wise eating is healthy eating and discussions on exercise, physical fitness, and accepting your body style are in various conversations in social media and news outlets. Walking, biking, and socialization are the top components of health and wellness, so they say. Slogans like, Drive less Bike More or Life is Better by Bike and commercials with multiple dietary and exercise equipment and programs bombard our commercials. Walking is still the best and most frugal financially, I believe.

Thanks to all who supported the St. Clement Picnic and I hope all are looking forward to the Pike County Fair on July 25-29. PACT is once again having a Gospel Sing at the Fair Grounds on Sunday afternoon, July 23 starting at 3:00. Volunteers are needed to help me place striping of free throw lanes and 3-point lines on the basketball courts at the main park.

## Rotten Tomatoes Star In Garden Horror Show

Your beautiful tomato plant is setting fruit and soon has nice green tomatoes. Then, to your horror, a dark sunken spot shows up at the bottom of the fruit.

You might think an insect or disease has attacked your plant, but such is not the case. Old-timers referred to the problem as "sooty snoot." Today, it is called blossom-end rot. It is a physiological disorder caused by a calcium imbalance.

"Plant cells have rigid cell walls. To build those walls the plant needs calcium," said David Trinklein, horticulture specialist for University of Missouri Extension. "Calcium is to cell walls what the mortar is to a brick wall; it gives it structural strength."

After being taken up by the roots, calcium moves through the

plant in the vascular tissue. "This requires water," Trinklein said. "If there isn't enough water to carry the calcium, or enough calcium to be carried by the water, then the mineral cannot reach the distal (blossom) end of the fruit where cells are dividing actively and large amounts of calcium are needed. The result is a dark, sunken spot, which largely renders the tomato fruit worthless."

A lack of water typically is the cause of blossom-end rot, he said. But too much water can also cause problems.

"Oddly enough, a plant that is overwatered has difficulty taking up water," Trinklein said.

Gardeners can also cause blossom-end rot by damaging the roots while weeding, tilling or hoeing too close to the base of

tomato plants frequently results in excessive root pruning that retards water uptake.

Fertilizing tomatoes incorrectly can cause the disorder too. Trinklein said there are two forms of nitrogen the plant can take up: ammonium form, which has a positive charge, and nitrate form, which has a negative charge. The nitrate form is preferable for tomatoes.

Trinklein warns that urea fertilizer converts to ammonium form and should be avoided, if possible. He says it's important to read the label of products sold as tomato fertilizer because many of them contain urea.

An ideal fertilizer to feed tomatoes is calcium nitrate, Trinklein said. We're giving the plant the nitrate it wants, and as we're doing so, we're adding some calcium to counter blossom-end rot.

One of best ways to control blossom end rot is to test the soil before you plant your tomatoes.

a.m., at the fairgrounds

**On Aug. 20:** Clarksville Boat Club dinner from 6-8 p.m. Serving barbecued pork steaks with sides. Open to the public until sold out.

**On Aug. 19:** Music in the Park at 7 p.m., in Bowling Green.

**On Aug. 15:** Pike County Tourism Commission will meet at 11 a.m., at Spring Hallow Coffee Shop in Bowling Green.

## Community Calendar...

Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or e-mail to: [peopletribune@sbcglobal.net](mailto:peopletribune@sbcglobal.net)

**On July 20 -** River Rendezvous, 3-7 p.m., vendors, food, crafts, produce.

**On July 23:** Gospel concert at 3 p.m., at the Pike County Fairgrounds.

**On July 25-29:** Pike County Fair at the Fair Grounds

**On July 28:** Bethel AME Church Annual Summer Fish Fry, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**On Aug. 12:** Pike Community Care Partnership Back to School Fair, 8-10

## Stay Strong, Stay Healthy

Stay Strong, Stay Healthy is your ticket to better health.

Our bodies are made for activity, but modern conveniences allow us to be increasingly inactive. Physical inactivity can place our health at risk for many chronic diseases.

Here's the good news. We have something fun planned to get you up and moving: the Stay Strong, Stay Healthy program in Vandalia.

This eight-week program can help you get started on the road to better health. The Stay Strong, Stay Healthy program is built on simple, strength-building exercises that will improve balance, health, and state of mind.

No, it's not difficult or complicated weight-lifting. You'll start at a level that's right for you. No one is too inactive to participate. Building strength promotes quality of life and independence, especially for adults over 60. Instruction is provided by Carrie Elsen County Engagement Specialist in Nutrition and Health Education at the

University of Missouri Extension.

The class meets for one hour, two times each week at the Eastern Missouri Family YMCA, 309 South Main Vandalia on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. The program will start on Aug. 8.

To register, attend the orientation session on Aug. 8 at the Eastern Missouri Family YMCA. Call Carrie Elsen at 573-633-2640 or the Eastern Missouri Family YMCA at 594-2208 for a program flyer with more details. Pre-registration is required. The \$50 fee is for the eight-week series. Thank you, Carrie Elsen Nutrition and Health Education Health and Human Sciences University of Missouri Extension Serving Shelby County and Monroe County 106 East 3rd St. P.O. Box 230 Shelbyville, MO 63469 ph. 573-633-2640; fax 573-633-2640 [celsen@missouri.edu](mailto:celsen@missouri.edu) An equal opportunity/access/affirmative action/pro-disabled and veteran employer



## NECAC Helps With Food Boxes

Thirty Pike County families each received 20 pounds of fresh produce on Tuesday, July 11. The program was a partnership between NECAC, Families and Communities Together, USDA, the Missouri Department of Social Services and the Local Food Purchase Assistance cooperative. Pictured unloading boxes, from left, are NECAC Pike County Service Coordinator Penny Dixon, New Hartford Baptist Church pastor the Rev. Jim Craig and his daughter, Madison.

## Tri-County Saddle Club News

By BETH TRAYNOR GILBERT Members and officers gathered following a horse show at Vandalia fairgrounds on Saturday, July 8.

A short meeting was held after the hard work and fun was completed. All proceeds raised by participation were donated to the Vandalia Ambulance District.

New membership was voted on and previous old business was finalized. President, Neil Gilbert dis-

cussed the upcoming 2023 fundraiser and shared appreciation to Paul and Cindy Evans for their donation of a 30-06 rifle. Raffle tickets for this will be for sale soon and drawn in October. We are also grateful for the Vandalia Fair Board for the opportunity to be a part of their Family Fun Day.

Our next meeting date will be Aug. 19, at the Tri-County Saddle Club arena.

## Cuivre River State Park Hosts Women In Nature

Ladies looking to explore the great outdoors need to look no further than a special program to be offered at Cuivre River State Park. On Sunday, July 23, there will be a Women in Nature program for ladies 10 years old and up.

The event will last from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and consist of outdoor activities taught solely by women.

Registration is \$20 with a maximum of 20 participants. All experience levels are welcome. Children 10-14 must be accompanied by a guardian. Participants will meet at Camp Derricotte inside Cuivre River State Park.

There will be two activity track options when you register at [icampmo.com](http://icampmo.com). Please be sure to select the option you prefer. Track 1 will consist of classes on nature photography, campfire cooking and kayaking. Track 2 will consist of courses on kayaking, archery/atlatl and campfire cooking.

Activities include: Kayaking: Learn the basics of flatwater kayaking, including use of equipment, how to enter and exit a kayak, types of strokes and water and wind safety. By the end of the class, participants will feel more comfortable on the water, better understand the safety risks and will have had fun. There will be time to practice and explore.

Archery/Atlatl: Archery is a time-honored sport that is growing in popularity. It is not only good fun but good exercise. Have you ever heard of throwing with an atlatl? Well, participants are going to get the opportunity to learn and explore the technique behind this ancient hunting weapon. This course will cover archery and atlatl safety, ethics, shooting techniques and equipment selection. Participants will receive personal instruction and adequate time to practice what they learn.

Campfire Cooking: Learn campfire cooking techniques for your next outdoor adventure! Participants will learn how to cook over a campfire and about Dutch oven cooking and foil-packet meals. Food will be provided for participants to prepare and samples will be available.

Nature Photography: Do you love nature? Have you ever wanted to capture photographs of that perfect sunrise or beautiful flower, but you're unsure how to line up a shot or are confounded by the buttons and knobs on your camera? Beginner and amateur photographers, please bring your camera—even if it's a camera phone—along with its manual, to learn how to turn a snapshot into a masterpiece. Once you've learned a few tips and tricks, the course will move outside so you can put your newly gained knowledge to the test. Cameras will be available for those who need to borrow one.

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# OBITUARIES



## Jerry Dale DeCamp

Jerry Dale DeCamp, 67, of Louisiana died at his home on Saturday, July 8, 2023 with his wife at his side and family and friends nearby. He loved big and will be greatly missed.

Dale was born Dec. 28, 1955 in Pittsfield, Ill., to James DeCamp and M. June Rodhouse Hill. He spent a lot of his childhood in Clarksville and was a graduate of Clopton High School with the class of 1975.

On July 15, 1978, Dale married Susan Harrison. From this marriage are three daughters, Jerri Beth DeCamp of Louisiana, Megan DeCamp of Imperial, and Andrea Slater and husband, Jeremie of Louisiana; four grandchildren, Joseph Slater, Kyleigh Slater, and Daymyn Slater of Louisiana, and Maci Wojick of Imperial; and two great-grandchildren, Jordan and Charles Slater of Louisiana.

Dale enjoyed the outdoors spending time hunting, fishing, camping, and around the river in general. He excelled at many professions, but his pride and joy was being a paramedic at the Pike County Memorial Hospital Emergency Medical Services. He also was a volunteer firefighter with the Louisiana Fire Department and his most recent position was as deputy coroner with the Coroner Chris Stark.

Along with his wife, daughters, and grandchildren, Dale is survived by his mother, June; and his siblings, Rhonda Branham of Louisiana, Bob DeCamp and wife, Sandy of Clarksville, Daryl DeCamp and wife, Audra of Pittsfield, Ill., Roger Cale and Randy of Fort Madison, Iowa, Jamie DeCamp of Effingham, Ill., and Lindell DeCamp and wife, Carol of Prineville, Ore.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, James, step-mother, Helen DeCamp, step-father, Wayne Hill, his parents-in-law, Red and Carole Harrison, a brother, Ron DeCamp, and a brother-in-law, Don Branham.

Collier Funeral Home, Louisiana is in charge of cremation arrangements and a Celebration of Life service will be held by the family at a later date.

On-line condolences may be sent at collierfuneral.com.

## Janet Louise Cottrell

Janet Louise Cottrell, 82, of Louisiana died Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at the Westview Nursing Home in Center.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m., Friday at Greenlawn Cemetery in Bowling Green. The Rev. Bobby Jones officiated.

Janet was born June 25, 1941 in Louisiana to George and Lora Lindsey Garner. She was married to Robert E. Cottrell on Jan. 15, 1983 in Huntsville. He preceded her in death on Oct. 20, 2000.

She is survived by a daughter, Kathy Snow of Center; a sister, Mary Ellen Cleeton of Louisiana; three grandchildren, Candice Lehenbauer and husband, Stephen Jr., of Center, Shelby Snow and Savon Williams of Hannibal, and Amanda Snow and Blake Stevenson of Hannibal; five great-grandchildren, Isabella Lehenbauer, Colleen Lehenbauer, Dallas Lehenbauer, Nevaeh Rudd, and Selah Williams; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, a son, Christopher Allen Morris in 1982, and two brothers, Bob Garner and George Garner; and a sister, Shirley Quattrocchi.

Janet was a librarian at the Louisiana Public Library for many years. She enjoyed reading for children's hour at the library and she was a published author of a book, "Train Ride to Grandma's" that was inspired by her own childhood. She loved gardening and cooking. She loved her children and grandchildren. Spending time with them was most important to her.

Honorary pallbearers will be Mike Quattrocchi, Bobby Lawrence Garner, Jeff Garner,

and Phillip Quattrocchi.

Memorials can be made to donor's choice, c/o the funeral home.

On-line condolences can be made at collierfuneral.com.



## Terri Sue Eoff

Terri Sue Eoff, 67, of Vandalia died Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at Hannibal Regional Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday, July 20 at Waters Funeral Home. Pastor Brian Lehenbauer will officiate.

Visitation celebrating Terri Sue Eoff will be held from 9-10 a.m., Thursday at the Waters Funeral Home.

Terri was born Sept. 18, 1955 in Vandalia, the daughter of William and Wilma Eskew Parrish.

Survivors include a daughters, Mari Hull and husband, Tyson of Vandalia, and Tori Allen and husband, Stan of Slater; step-mother, Elizabeth Parrish; a son, Brian Jarvis of Springfield; two sisters, Toni Bryant and husband, Henry of Curryville and Joely Lark and husband, Eric of Concordia; grandchildren, Kaly, Kennedy, Devin, Aysa, Alexa, Jerzie, Journey, Shyla-Jo, Parker, Trinity, JaLynn and James; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and stepfather, Joseph Harvey Smith.

Terri graduated from Silex High School in 1973.

Professionally Terri worked as a waitress for several restaurants that she owned in the area and was also a homemaker. She was known for her quirky sense of humor and known to dress up in costumes to embarrass people, especially her sisters and daughters.

She loved spending the majority of her time with her grandchildren. She enjoyed cooking and baking and was proud of her cheesecakes. She loved having family get together's and dinners, fishing, and being on the water.

Honorary pallbearers will be Gary Eskew, Stephen Ray Kemp, Tyson Eugene Hull, Daniel Wayne Kemp, Elmer Lee Kemp, and James Tyson Hull.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family, Mari Hull to assist with expenses, in care of Waters Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be made to the family and video tribute viewed on Terri memorial page at www.watersfuneral.com.

## David T. Rubright

David T. Rubright, 77, of Orlando, Fla., winged his way to heaven on Sunday, June 27, 2023 at the Bruce W. Carter VA Hospital in Miami, Fla.

He was born Dec. 25m 1945 at Nazareth Hospital in Philadelphia, Penn.

He was the son of David and Marie Rhein Rubright. David attended Bishop Egan High School in Levittown, Penn. He served his country honorably in the United States Navy from 1964-66 aboard the USS America. He married Gary Hull on Nov. 21, 2015 in Orlando, Fla. Gary survives him and other survivors include a son, David Rubright, and wife, Maria of Brooksville, Fla.; a daughter, Jeannie SeEVERS and husband, Larry of South Hero, Ver.; a granddaughter, Amanda Rubright of Venice, Fla.; two great-grandsons, Jackson and Christian; one sister, Joanne Augustine of Lancaster, Pennrh; father-in-law, Wayne Laird of Vandalia; Eddie Hull and wife, Tess, Richie Hull and wife, Leannah, Mary Lou Lynn and husband, Roy, Bill Laird, all of Vandalia; Mike Hull of Curryville; Earl Hull and wife, Cindy of Holts Summit, Toni Laird of Laddonia, Boyd Laird and wife, Kim of Farber, Debbie Pyle and husband, Bill of Pittsburg, Kan.; a nephew; three nieces and great-nieces and nephews; and David's ex-spouse, Carol Rubright of Hudson, Fla.

Mr. Rubright was preceded in death by his parents, David and Marie Rubright, sister, Judy, daughter-in-law, Christine Rubright, niece, Mandy Caruthers, mother-in-law and father-in-law, Barbara Laird and Earl Hull, Betty Evan Gerhart, and brother-in-law, David Augustine.

David enjoyed interior design, spending time with his beloved pet, Benji and spending time with his family and friends.

Mr. Rubright was cremated by his wishes. No services are planned. The family is being served at the Lakeside Memorial Park Funeral Home in Miami, Fla.



## Howard "H.W." Hardesty

On Friday, July 7, 2023, 87-year-old Howard Wayne Hardesty of Eolia took his final breath at the Elsberry Health Care Center surrounded by his daughters.

Howard donated his body to Washington University.

There will be a Celebration of Life Saturday, Aug. 19 at 2 p.m., at the Eolia Community Building. A meal will be served.

Howard was born Oct. 8, 1935, to Murray and Frances Jarboe Hardesty in Louisiana. Howard graduated from Wellsville High School in 1953. He married Joyce Rosetta Gotsch on May 2, 1954.

Howard enjoyed time with his family, especially attending his grandchildren and great-grandchildren's sporting events,

playing poker and cards at the casino, shooting pool and telling stories.

He is survived by his daughters, Shelly Myers and husband, Larry of Protem, Marian Kuntz and husband, Eddie of Eolia; a brother, Murray Lee Hardesty and wife, Sue of Boonville; one sister, Donna Kombrink of St. Peters; six grandchildren, Aaron Kuntz and wife, Christy, Eolia; Jamie Gollaher and husband, Grant, Frankford, Tabitha Myers, Owensville, Tracy Niccum and husband, Jason, Washington, Candace Kluba and husband, Luke, Washington, and Nicole Brack and husband, Adam, Olathe, Kan.

Also eight great-grandchildren, Scott Kuntz, Kaitlyn Kuntz, Tyler Kuntz, Rileigh Kuntz, Allison Niccum, Addison Niccum, Liam Kluba, and Carly Gollaher; and special friend, Mary Hardin of Eolia as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Howard was preceded in death by his son, Scott Hardesty, former wife, Joyce Hardesty, his parents Murray and Frances Hardesty, one great-granddaughter, Lee Kluba, and brother-in-law, Leroy Kombrink.

Howard was a union truck driver for 29 1/2 years finally retiring from Yellow Freight Trucking in 2000. He also enjoyed farming part-time for several years, 1966-1977. After retiring he traveled in his motor home for several years visiting relatives, friends and many US sites, spending several winters in Florida.

Howard never knew a stranger, finding someone to strike up a conversation with wherever he went. He will be deeply missed by his loved ones and many friends.

Memorials may be sent to the Middletown Cemetery Association, 116 Hwy. BB, Middletown, MO 63359 or to the Clopton Alumni Association, 24855 Pike 243, Clarksille, MO 63336.



## Deanna E. McDaniel

Deanna E. McDaniel, 55, of Silex died Thursday, July 13, 2023 at her home, surrounded by her loving family.

Visitation will be held Saturday, July 29 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at McCoy-Blossom Funeral Homes & Crematory 1304 Boone Street in Troy.

Memorial service will also be held on Saturday, July 29 at 1 p.m., at the funeral home. Pastor Steve Jones to officiate.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society

or therapeutic horsemanship c/o the funeral home

A full obituary will be published in next week's People's Tribune.

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

## Margaret E. Wilhoit

Margaret E. Wilhoit, age 80, of Simi Valley, Calif., died Thursday, July 6, 2023.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, July 29 at Waters Funeral Home in Vandalia. Burial will follow at the Vandalia Cemetery.

A visitation celebrating Margaret's life will be held at noon until the time service.

A full obituary will be published at a later date.

## Delbert Harold Hobbs

Delbert Harold Hobbs, 84, of Curryville died Saturday, July 8, 2023 at University Hospital-Columbia with wife, Carolyn, and son, Jimmy by his side.

Per his wishes there will be no visitation or services. His wish was to be cremated. Burial of ashes will take place at a later date.

Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory is handling the cremation rites.

Harold was born May 21, 1939 to Gilbert and Opal Hobbs in Bowling Green. Harold mar-

ried the love of his life, Carolyn Morey on March 14, 1966 in Louisiana. They were married 57 years. Carolyn survives of the home.

Harold is also survived by two sons, Jimmy Hobbs and Scott Hobbs and wife, Tammy, both of Curryville; two grandchildren, Kyle Hobbs of Frankford and Amber Hobbs of Columbia; three great-grandchildren, Hunter and Kyliee Fugot of New London and Marylou Hobbs of Frankford; a brother, Glen Hobbs and wife, Trish of Choctow, Okla.; and a sister, Sue Hicks and husband, George of Topeka, Kan.

He was preceded in death by parents, Gilbert and Opal Hobbs; a brother, Wayne Hobbs and wife, Carol Jean; and grandson, Robert "Bobby" Goin on Nov. 30, 2020.

Harold served in the United State Air Force. He retired from the Housing Authority of Bowling Green.

He loved spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, fishing, and riding his golf cart around town. Harold will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

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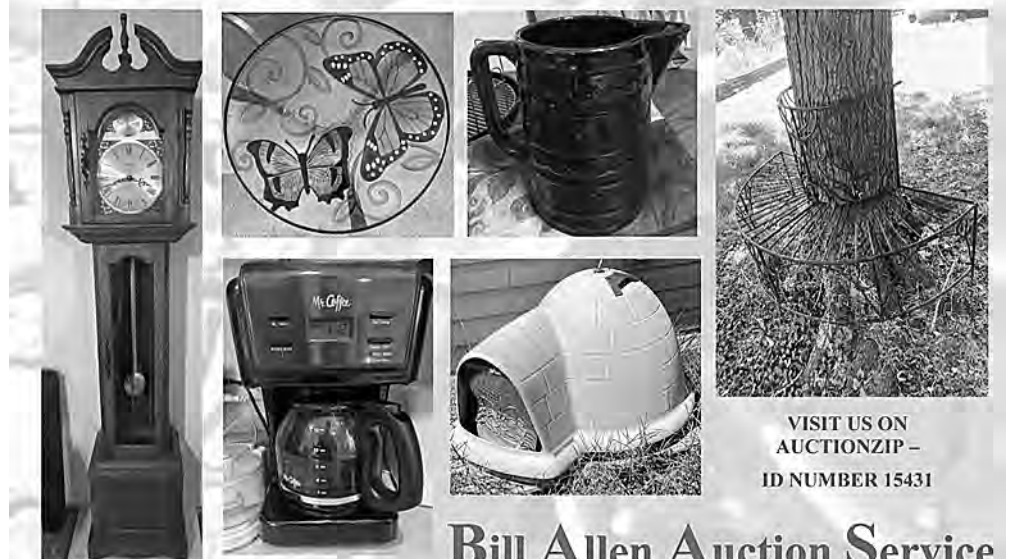
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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## University Of MO Experts Provide Simple Energy-Saving Tips For Summer Months

From energy-saving strategies to water-saving techniques, there are simple ways people can embrace the essence of the summer while also lowering their energy consumption. Here, Katherine Stockton and Michael Goldschmidt from the University of Missouri share simple energy-saving tips people can do around the home during the summer months.

### USE FANS TO KEEP THE HOUSE COOL

Stockton: Use fans instead of air conditioning. Sometimes when we're "hungry" we're just thirsty for water. This also applies to thermal comfort. Often when we want to cool ourselves down, our first instinct is to crank down the temperature on the thermostat, but typically a light breeze will do the trick. Also, if it's cool enough outside, open windows and create a cross-breeze through the home.

Goldschmidt: Every year people should have a professional technician check their home's air conditioning system to make sure it's running properly. Besides the fact that it could break down, it runs more energy efficient when inspected on a regular basis.

### LIMIT USE AROUND THE KITCHEN

Avoid using the oven when it's hot outside. Instead, use small appliances like your microwave, toaster oven, slow cooker or air fryer for cooking food. They use half the energy of a regular oven and keep your kitchen cooler. Here's some information from the Department of Energy on which appliances use the least amount of energy: <https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/kitchen-appliances>

Defrost food in the refrigerator because that will cool it down as the food defrosts.

Cover pans when cooking on the stove and use the exhaust fans to avoid adding heat and humidity to your home.

Let your dishes air-dry instead of making the dishwasher dry them. If a dish isn't too dirty, give it a quick rinse instead of running it through a full cycle in the dishwasher.

### IDEAL ROOM FURNISHINGS

Be smart about your flooring — ideally tile or a hard surface that slowly absorbs heat and can stay cool throughout the daytime.

Paint your ceiling a light color. Many people don't realize ceilings are often painted white to reflect the light and conserve energy by reducing the need for artificial lighting. On that same note, you should always use LED lightbulbs to make rooms brighter, so you don't have to compensate for light with more energy use. As a bonus, install smart lights, motion detector lights and dimming lights in your home. These devices are easily installed and more

readily available than ever before.

Goldschmidt: Make sure your ceiling fans are switched to summer mode — fan blades should be moving counterclockwise when you look up at your ceiling fan — to make the area that you're standing or sitting in cooler. All fans have this setting via a switch either on the ceiling fan device or via a remote control. Basically, in the summer you want cooling through air circulation, which is created via this counterclockwise downdraft. Otherwise, your fan is in winter mode — clockwise — and it's like a mini tornado pulling the hot air to the ceiling. This creates an updraft and shares the hot air on the ceiling with occupants on the lower portion of the room. Here is some helpful information from the Department of Energy: <https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/fans-cooling>

Shut the doors of unused rooms

Stockton: Shut the doors to any unused rooms in your home or consider installing mini-split units to rooms that are continuously unused such as guest bedrooms.

Goldschmidt: To that point, you should close off the room for no more than 12 hours because the room still needs to be ventilated. Otherwise, humidity rises, and mold can develop. Therefore, during the day, shut off the rooms; at night, reopen them.

### COVER WINDOWS

Stockton: Window coverings are important to minimize the amount of solar heat entering the home. There's a balance between the amount of natural light allowed into a space and the size of openings that inevitably leak solar heat into your home. Keep in mind that the east side of the home receives sun in the morning — typically a cooler time of day — while the south side receives the most sun during the middle of the day. The west side receives the most sun during the late afternoon and early evening which is often during the hottest time of the day. These are the sides of your home to focus the most attention on energy conservation.

Goldschmidt: Try using temporary reflective material or privacy film. I have reflective material on my house's southwest window, and it has probably cut 10% from our air conditioning bill.

### CHANGE YOUR AIR FILTER ON A REGULAR BASIS

Stockton: Change your home's air conditioning filter on a regular basis, especially if it frequently becomes clogged with lint, hair and dust. This will allow air to flow and your appliances to work more efficiently.

Goldschmidt: Also check the way the arrow points on the air filter — it generally

points in the direction the air is flowing. If it's pointing in the opposite direction, it will substantially cut down on the efficiency of the air conditioning system.

### WASH CLOTHES USING COLD WATER

Stockton: Wash your clothes using cold water. Be sure to only wash "full loads" — it uses the same amount of energy no matter the size of the load in the machine. Also, give the dryer a break and try air-drying with clotheslines or indoor drying racks.

### OTHER QUICK FIXES

Stockton: Smart thermostats are more readily available than ever before. Most of these come with energy-saving-modes.

Install a "smart meter" that can track your energy use and help you moderate and calibrate your home for an optimal balance.

Replace shower heads with low-flow models that will cut your water usage up to one-third while seemingly using the same amount of water.

Avoid doing high-energy tasks during "peak times." In other words, everyone showers in the morning and cooks in the evening. Anything you can do to offset these peak demand hours is helping the overall demand on the energy grid. Plus, if you use energy during the cooler, evening hours in the summer, you're less likely to heat up your home.

### Goldschmidt:

Install weatherstripping around doors, windows and other areas of the house where small cracks transfer air from the outside. For instance, most hardware stores sell rope caulk which can be squeezed around doors and windows. There also are seals that can be installed around doors and windows.

Make sure to set the temperature of your water heater to 120 degrees, which is the threshold to save energy but still hot enough to destroy harmful bacteria.

### AROUND THE GARDEN

Stockton: Native plants require less water because they've adapted to the area's typical amount of rainfall for millennia. They also have deeper root systems which help replenish fresh water to our aquifers. But if you are watering plants, do it during the cooler part of the day. For instance, I like to water in the evening, which allows the moisture to seep in overnight rather than evaporating rapidly in hot daytime temperatures.

Take advantage of incentive programs offered by municipalities.

Goldschmidt: Some cities have incentive programs that reward citizens who participate in energy-saving practices with rebates or lower utility costs.



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**JULY 2023 LIBRARY STAFF YOUNG ADULT BOOK REVIEW FIRSTLIFE BY GENA SHOWALTER REVIEWED BY KASSI WELBORN, CIRCULATION ASSISTANT, MEXICO PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Ten Lockwood lives in a world where you have to choose where you will go after you die-while you are still alive. You have to pledge your allegiance to either Troika, a kingdom of pure light, or Myriad, the kingdom of shadows and parties.

At the beginning, Ten is imprisoned in an asylum, a place parents send their teens when they either refuse to choose somewhere to go or they want to choose the opposite of what their parents have chosen. Ten meets a couple of new friends there that, unbeknownst to her, were sent by both factions to convince her to join a side.

Gena Showalter has always had a way with storytelling that sucks in the reader and does not let them go until the story gasps its last breath. This book is no different. Ten's adventures and strife will bring you right into her world and try to keep you there, all while making you ask yourself the hard questions about what is right, what is wrong, and what is in between.



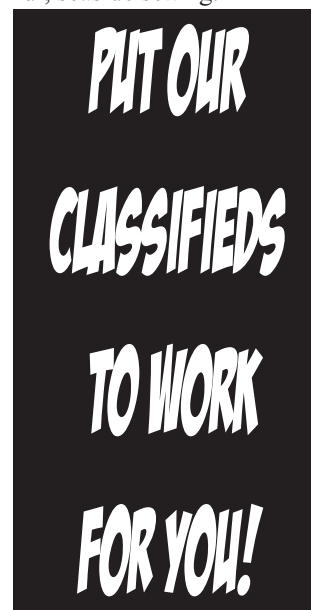
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Love the feeling of your toes in the soft, warm sand? So does Allison Marshall.

Allie has always dreamed of owning a house on the beach. After a tough childhood and years of bouncing around from town to town, she is thinking it might be time to settle down. Through a lot of hard work and living frugally, she has saved up some money, and she finds a cute little beach house that she can afford.

Palmetto Island is a laid back and peaceful community. However, the more time Allie spends on the island, the more she learns that some people are not who they seem to be. And a disturbing discovery on her new property has her questioning her decision to live there. Who can Allie trust? Find out by reading this thriller that takes place in a beautiful, seaside setting.



## Noble Patriots

The Noble family stopped by the Louisiana Area Historical Museum on Tuesday, July 4 with their patriotic outfits. Pictured, from left, are Bob, Jordanna, Josiah and Misty Noble standing beside the museum's replica of Mo Mo the Missouri Monster, who reportedly traipsed the hills and woods around Louisiana in July 1972. The sign reads "Mo Mo wants you in here." About 20 people stopped by the museum for the special July 4 hours. Regular summer hours are 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays and 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays.

## MDC Offers New Online Application For Special Use Permits

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) offers more than 1,000 conservation and natural areas around the state for people to get outdoors and discover nature through a variety of activities such as hiking, biking, birding and wildlife watching, horseback riding, photography and videography, hunting, fishing, and more.

Some activities on MDC areas require a Special Use Permit and MDC has made it easier to get one through its new online application at [mdc.mo.gov/SpecialUsePermit](https://mdc.mo.gov/SpecialUsePermit).

A Special Use Permit is required for certain activities on conservation areas, including:

Groups of more than 10 people camping, horseback riding, bicycling, and using shooting ranges;

Furbearer trapping; ADA vehicle use for people with mobility disabilities to use motorized vehicles where public vehicles are not allowed on conservation areas;

Athletic competitions of human strength or skill such as races and other competitive events;

Geocache and letterbox placement;

Photography and videography only if it involves access during closed hours or to portions of areas closed to public use, use of drone, use of a prop, set, or equipment larger than a single person can carry, or the total daily number of people participating with a photographer or videographer

for the primary purpose of photography and videography is more than 10;

Drone use; Commercial uses; Ceremonies such as weddings, baptisms, ceremonies of life, etc.; and

Other group or special activities at the discretion of the area manager.

Once the no-cost online permit application is completed through the simple, user-friendly webpage, it will be sent to the appropriate MDC staff for the listed conservation area. With MDC's new Special Use Permit application process, both staff and permit applicants will have complete permit information through a digital permit file to keep, print or have on mobile devices. It also allows the applicant to follow-up on the approval process.

Applications for Special Use Permit should be submitted at least 30 days prior to the event or activity. Applications submitted later will be considered on a case-by-case basis and are not guaranteed to be processed by the requested date. Not all requests for Special Use Permits will be granted. Permits may be denied to avoid user conflicts, resource damages, safety concerns, or other reasonable justification at MDC's discretion.

Learn more about MDC Places to Go at [mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places](https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places) and Things to Do at [mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/activities](https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/activities).

## New Online Master Gardener Training

Gardening has many rewards, says David Trinklein, state horticulture specialist for University of Missouri Extension. "One of them is the satisfaction of sharing your plant knowledge with others."

The MU Extension Master Gardener program is designed to do just that, Trinklein said. "Its motto, 'helping others learn to grow,' emphasizes service to others as the program's main objective."

A new session of online Master Gardener training begins Aug. 14.

Trinklein and MU Extension horticulture specialist Sarah Denkler teach the 14 online sessions. "These classes represent a viable option for people who can't take the weekly classes in person," Trinklein said.

Classes are delivered through the Canvas learning management system as a se-

ries of scripted and narrated video presentations. Students work at their own pace. A composite score of 70% on chapter quizzes is needed to pass the course.

Topics include basic botany, soils and plant nutrition, vegetable gardening, fruit production, landscape design, woody ornamental plants, turf management, insect and disease management and pesticide safety.

Core training is the first step toward certification as an MU Extension Master Gardener. Trainees must also complete at least 30 hours of volunteer service, Trinklein said. Local Master Gardener coordinators can help online trainees find volunteer opportunities to meet the service hour requirements.

The deadline to register for the fall session is Aug. 13. For more information, visit [mg.missouri.edu](https://mg.missouri.edu).

## Vacation Planning Includes Plant Care

### Tips To Help Your Plant Sitter

Don't forget plant care when planning your summer getaway. "After a wonderful vacation, it's never fun to come home to dead plants," says University of Missouri Extension horticulturist Michele Warmund.

Before the trip, arrange for a reliable neighbor or plant sitter to water indoor and outdoor plants, says Warmund. To help reduce the workload, group plants together with easy access to water, if possible.

"It's always a good idea to ask your plant sitter to take a tour of the plants that need to be watered and review the watering needs of indoor and outdoor plants," says Warmund. "Also, before you lock the door, give your plants a deep, thorough watering as a kindness to your plant sitter."

Place indoor plants out of direct sunlight. Put saucers under the plant containers and provide a watering can. For containers with a fast-draining potting medium, consider placing them in a sink or bathtub to avoid damaging surfaces below the containers.

For large potted plants that are not easily moved, you can add mulch to the potting medium surface to help water

retention. Avoid turning up the indoor thermostat to delay more moisture loss in container-grown plants.

In the absence of a good neighbor, you can use plastic water bottles to irrigate indoor plants for a short time. Use a thin nail or other sharp implement to poke a few small holes in the lid. Also, puncture a small hole in the base of the bottle to avoid forming a vacuum. Next, fill the bottle with water and insert the lid in the potting medium to keep the plastic container upright, or use a small stake to hold the upside-down bottle in a vertical position. Alternatively, you can purchase watering spikes and decorative vessels that are inserted into the potting medium.

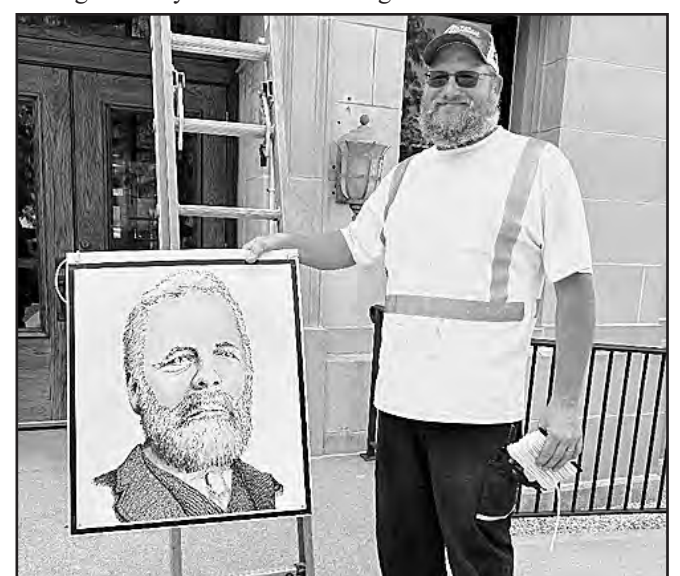
Water-retaining crystals or hydrogel products are marketed for use in container-grown plants. Over time, the crystals degrade, slowly releasing water. However, these products are not always reliable and do not conserve water, says Warmund.

For outdoor plants, move containers to a shady location. Providing a hose or watering can with easy access to an outdoor spigot will ease the burden of watering. Mulch will help retain soil moisture and

moderate the root zone temperature in vegetable gardens or landscape beds. A soaker hose or a simple drip irrigation system with a timer can be effective.

For small, young trees, you can use tree-watering bags, which are filled with water and placed around the trunk at the soil surface to slowly irrigate the soil. However, these watering bags only wet the soil in a 1- to 2-foot radius around the base of the tree and must be refilled periodically. Large trees are best irrigated when the water is applied at the drip line, directly below the branch tips.

Automated sprinklers are ideal for irrigating lawns. However, lawn sprinklers that attached to a hose and strategically placed with good coverage can also work. When hot, dry conditions are forecast, ask your neighbor to turn on sprinklers to apply 1 to 1-1/2 inches of water per week if a green lawn is desired. Otherwise, cool-season grasses, such as turf-type fescues, Kentucky bluegrass and perennial ryegrass, will go dormant when moisture is limited. However, most lawns will re-green when adequate rainfall occurs or water is applied.



## Atkinson Helped Decorate

Jared Atkinson, part of the Pike County Highway Department, helped decorate over the doors of the courthouse with the decorations we made for the Bicentennial. Little did any of us know that he is a sixth generation direct descendent of founder John W Basye. He put grandpa up and straightened the decorations. (A little tidbit for some future edition if you could use it). If you would take off the bill cap and the sun glasses and put him in a dark suit he does amazingly look like John Basye. Amazing after six generations

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## NECAC

**Continued from front page** Jeanna Caldwell; NECAC Weatherization Director Britany Wasson; NECAC Deputy Director for Housing Development Programs Carla Potts; NECAC President and Chief Executive Officer Dan Page; and Missouri Department of Natural Resources State Technical Weatherization Supervisor Dan McDowell. Pictured standing with certificates, from left, are NECAC's Brandon Warren, Zaqy Uplinger, Brenden Henderson, Jacob Niffen, Andy Mackey, Jacob Schler, James Patrick, Clintan Caldwell and Tom Branham. Pictured in back at right are NECAC Board Members Tommy Wallace and Curt Mitchell, and Bowling Green Mayor Jim Arico.

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## Bethel AME Paynesville Fish Fry

The Bethel AME Church, Paynesville to hold their Annual Summer Fish Fry on Friday July 28. Serving will begin at 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. They will be serving plates consisting of catfish fillets (choice of two) baked beans, cole slaw, or potato salad, drinks and desserts \$12, sandwiches \$8. The men of the church will be frying the fish as usual. Everyone is welcome to attend. For information are to place an order you may contact: Virginia Starks - 573-253-3109, Becky or Scott Yates - 573-754-0714, Lamont Davis - 573- 847-2322, Frank Raspberry - 573- 470-0441, or Joanne Hammuck - 847-2266.

## Tips To Keep Pets Safe During Storms

While no one is immune from the devastation of a natural disaster, preparing before a storm hits is key to keeping everyone in your family—including your pets—safe. Here are some ideas from the TurfMutt Foundation to help you include pet safety when mapping out a disaster preparedness plan. Have pets microchipped. In the event of an emergency—natural or otherwise—you want to ensure your pet can get back to you if you're separated. Collars and ID tags, though important, can break or detach. Microchips—computerized and scannable implants about the size of a grain of rice—are more fool-proof since they're inserted under your pet's skin. Bring pets inside at the first sign of danger. Disasters can be disorienting for pets, and they could run away or hurt themselves reacting to loud noises and strange changes to their landscape. Also, rain, flying debris and high winds pose a danger. If you have to leave, keep pets with you. Leaving your pets behind during a natural disaster is never a good idea because they could escape or become exposed to a number of life-threatening hazards. Keep them on a leash or in a pet carrier so they don't escape, even if you are in a "familiar" neighborhood.

Determine where you'll go. You need a Plan B if you are advised by government officials to leave your home. Not all emergency shelters will accept pets and physical distancing guidelines may reduce capacity in public shelters. Make a plan and develop a list of pet-friendly hotels open for business and outside your immediate area that you might evacuate to.

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## Iris - Goddess Of Rainbows, Splashes Of Color Over Gardens

According to Greek mythology, a golden-winged goddess named Iris traveled on a rainbow to bring messages from gods to mortals. Legend has it that colorful flowers sprung up at the end of the rainbow wherever she stepped. "Today, the flower named in honor of Iris comes in every color of the rainbow and adorns yards and gardens everywhere with its showy flowers born in spring," said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein. "A flower of contrasts, iris is very durable while maintaining its intricate and delicate beauty." More than 3,000 years ago, King Thutmose III of Egypt found irises growing abundantly in Syria and brought some back to his own gardens. For the ancient Egyptians, iris' three petals symbolized faith, wisdom and valor. Today, its petals are known as standards and stand upright. In contrast, its three sepals, known as falls, droop downward, said Trinklein. The shape of the iris inspired the fleur-de-lis, a design often found on European flags and coats of arms. The most popular garden iris today is the German or bearded iris. The latter name comes from the thick, bushy "beards" that appear on the

falls and attract pollinators. "By careful selection of bearded iris varieties, a gardener can enjoy a remarkable range of colors and a bloom season that extends for weeks," said Trinklein. Some bearded irises bloom again in the summer or fall and are classified as "rebloomers." Irises grow easily. They need at least eight hours of direct sun and a well-drained garden loam. Transplant them at any time, although August to mid-October is preferred. Divide clumps when blooming declines. Under normal conditions, divide them every three to four years. Reduce the size of the clump by removing several small divisions, leaving part of the clump in the ground, or by digging the entire clump, improving the soil and replanting a few large rhizomes. "Because of their hardiness and beauty, irises are among the most shared plants of gardeners," Trinklein said. "Relatively few irises are sold in commerce, since most gardeners get them free from their friends and neighbors." Irises are propagated through division of their fleshy rhizomes. A propagule must have at least one growing point (fan) attached to survive. When planting, expose at least the top third of the rhizome to the sun. Shal-

low planting is best. Space 12-24 inches apart. Plant closer for more color impact, but in that case you will need to divide them in two to three years. Water rhizomes immediately after planting. Avoid overwatering. Deep, occasional watering is preferred over frequent watering. Irises are heavy feeders and require proper fertilization. Use a 6-10-10 fertilizer when needed. Avoid fertilizers high in nitrogen, which encourages soft, vegetative growth susceptible to diseases. A light application of fertilizer in early spring when new growth emerges and again a month after blooming is best, Trinklein said. Avoid applying fertilizer directly to exposed rhizomes. Irises are susceptible to several insect pests. The most troublesome is the iris borer, which is a moth whose larvae feed on the fleshy rhizome, allowing bacterial soft rot to enter. Inspect irises often and discard infected plants. Other common pests include bud moth, iris weevil, thrips, slugs and snails. In addition to bacterial soft rot, common diseases include bacterial leaf blight and fungal crown rot. Keep the garden free of debris and encourage good air circulation to avoid disease.

## New MDC Hunting Booklets Available

Missouri deer, turkey, waterfowl, and dove hunters can get the most current information on upcoming fall hunting from the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) new 2023 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet and the Migratory Bird and Waterfowl Hunting Digest 2023-2024.

The 2023 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet has detailed information on fall deer and turkey hunting seasons, limits, permits, man-

aged hunts, regulations, conservation areas to hunt, post-harvest instructions, chronic wasting disease (CWD) updates, and more. The booklet is available where permits are sold and online at [mdc.mo.gov/about-us/about-regulations/migratory-bird-waterfowl-hunting-digest](http://mdc.mo.gov/about-us/about-regulations/migratory-bird-waterfowl-hunting-digest).

The Migratory Bird and Waterfowl Hunting Digest 2023-2024 has detailed information on waterfowl hunting along with hunting doves and other migratory game birds such as rail, snipe, and woodcock. It also has information

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Buy Missouri hunting and fishing permits from numerous vendors around the state, online at [mdc.mo.gov/permits](http://mdc.mo.gov/permits), or through MDC's free mobile app, MO Hunting, available for download through Google Play or the App Store.

## AMBULANCE

**Continued from front page** Karaoke/DJ at the Bar Code Bar and Grill • Aug 26 - Poker Run Bar Code bar and grill. We are also thankful to have our regional mutual aid partners step up and help provide coverage during the month of July to help us maintain coverage in our service area. A special thank you to the following agencies for providing a crew for 24-hours at our base this month:

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  - Boone Health Ambulance
  - Callaway County Ambulance District
  - Cole County Ambulance District
  - Marion/Ralls County Ambulance District
  - Montgomery County Ambulance District
  - Osage Ambulance District
- The district is still exploring options for a replacement ambulance, but no purchase has been made yet. We are also hiring EMT's and Paramedics to help fill the schedule while Leslie and Jason are recovering.

## Lauren Ince Is College Graduate

Missouri State University awarded 2,953 degrees to students in spring 2023. The commencement ceremonies took place May 19 at Great Southern Bank Arena. Lauren Ince of Bowling Green graduated with a master of science in education, elementary education. Students who graduated with honors completed at least 30 credit hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5.

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## July 25 - 29, 2023



### Tuesday, July 25

Adults: \$15;  
 Children 12 & Under Free  
 9 am - Sheep & Goat Show  
 2 pm - Rabbit & Poultry Show  
 6 pm - Carnival Rides Open  
 6 pm - Little Mr. & Miss Contest  
 7 pm - Motocross Dirt Bike Races  
 8 pm - Rodeo by Outlaw/5J

**Kids Night**

### Wednesday, July 26

Adults: \$15; Children 4-12: \$10  
 4 pm - Swine Show  
 6 pm - Carnival Rides Open  
 6 pm - Western Fun Horse Show  
 6 pm - Talent Contest  
 7 pm - Motocross Quad Races  
 7 pm - Truck Pull - Eastern Mo. Truck Pullers

### Thursday, July 27

Adults: \$15; Children 4-12: \$10  
 6 pm - Carnival Rides Open  
 6 pm - Western Speed Horse Show  
 6:30 pm - Baby Show followed by Diaper Derby  
 7 pm - 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale  
 7 pm - Truck & Tractor Pull Pro Pulling League & Xcaliber Pulling

### Friday, July 28

Adults: \$20; Children 4-12: \$15  
 5:30 pm - Look-A-Like Contest  
 6 pm - Carnival Rides Open  
 7:30 pm - Dylan Gerard Concert  
 8:15 pm - Chad Brock Concert  
 9 pm - Mark Wills Concert  
 8 pm - Beer Garden Music by Country Soul

### Saturday, July 29

Adults: \$20; Children 4-12: \$15  
 11 am - Horseshoe Tournament  
 1 pm - Cornhole Tournament  
 3 pm - Carnival Rides Open  
 4 pm - Pedal Tractor Pull followed by Watermelon Eating Contest  
 6:30 pm - Power Wheels  
 7 pm - Demolition Derby  
 8 pm - Beer Garden Music by Riverside

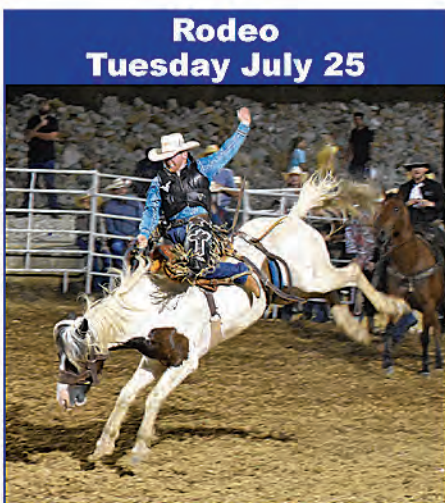
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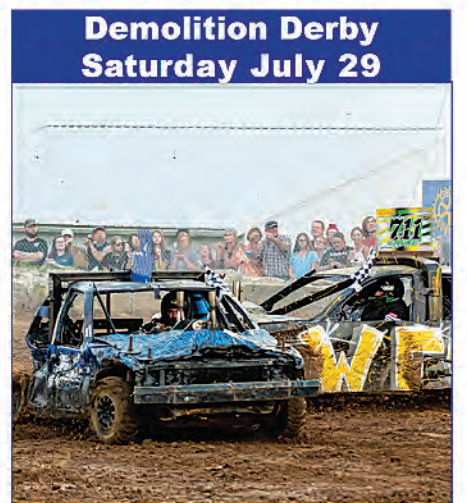
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**Truck & Tractor Pulls**  
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**Concert**  
Friday, July 28



**Demolition Derby**  
Saturday July 29



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# PIKE COUNTY FAIR PREVIEW



**Tractor Pull  
Thursday  
7 p.m.**

The farm tractor pull took place Wednesday, July 27 despite the muddy track conditions.



**Motocross  
Events  
Tuesday &  
Wednesday  
7 p.m.**

The motocross track kick off on Tuesday at 7 p.m., with dirt bike races. A second night of motocross track action will begin at 7 p.m., for the quad races.



**PEDAL  
TRACTOR  
PULL**

Kort Schlueter of Curryville is pictured in the 2022 Pedal Tractor Pull. This year's pedal tractor pull will be held at 4 p.m., Saturday. The pull will be held at the small stage with registration beginning at 3:30 p.m.



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Many hams were on display in the 4-H, FFA Exhibit at the 2022 Pike County Fair. This year's exhibits will be available to view during the fair July 25-29.



# Horseshoe Tournament



Dennis Morrison tosses a horseshoe during one of the competitions in the past at the beer garden on Saturday.



Pictured are some of the horseshoe pitchers at the Pike County Fair. The pitching contest will be Saturday, July 29 at 11 a.m., for the 2023 Pike County Fair being held July 25-29.

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## Mark Wills Is Headline Entertainment At The 2023 Fair



Mark Wills

Mark Wills (born Daryl Mark Williams; Aug. 8, 1973) is an American country music artist. Signed to Mercury Records between 1996 and 2003, he released five studio albums for the label – Mark Wills, Wish You Were Here, Permanently, Loving Every Minute, and And the Crowd Goes Wild – as well as a greatest hits package. In that same timespan, he charted sixteen singles on the Billboard country charts, all of which made the top 40. After leaving Mercury in 2003, he signed to Equity Music Group and charted three more singles. Two of these were later included on his sixth studio album, Familiar Stranger, which was released on the Tenacity label in 2008.

Of his albums, Wish You Were Here is the best-selling, with a platinum certification from the Recording Industry Association of America. This album's title track and the late 2002-early 2003 release "19 Somethin'" both reached No. 1; on the Hot Country Songs charts. Besides these, six more of his singles have reached top 10 on the chart: his debut single "Jacob's Ladder", "Places I've Never Been", "I Do (Cherish You)", "Don't Laugh at Me", "She's in Love", and a cover version of Brian McKnight's "Back at One". Two songs originally recorded by Wills, "Somebody" and "What Hurts the Most", were later hit singles for Reba McEntire, Jo O'Meara, Rascal Flatts, and Cascada respectively.

On Dec. 21, 2018, Wills was invited to become the 218th member of the Grand Ole Opry. He was inducted on Jan. 11, 2019.

In his teenaged years, Wills played in garage bands, taking inspiration from rock groups such as Bon Jovi. During his young adulthood, however, he began to take an interest in country music. He entered a local talent contest in Marietta, Ga., at age 17, and after winning the contest, he began to perform locally.[2] From there, he went to work as a demo

singer in Atlanta, Ga., before doing the same in Nashville, Tenn. While in Nashville, he was discovered by record producers Carson Chamberlain and Keith Stegall, who helped him sign to a recording contract with Mercury Records Nashville.

Wills's self-titled debut album was released in 1996 under the production of Chamberlain and Stegall. Its lead-off single, "Jacob's Ladder", went to number six on the country charts. "High Low and in Between", the B-side to "Jacob's Ladder", was the next single, reaching number 33. Finishing off the single releases was the number-five "Places I've Never Been". Despite the success of its first and third singles, the album did not sell well, and it peaked at number 38 on the country albums charts.

Wish You Were Here, Wills's second album, was his most commercially successful, earning a platinum certification from the Recording Industry Association of America. The lead-off single "I Do (Cherish You)" and its follow-up, "Don't Laugh at Me", both reached number two on the country charts, with the former bringing him to the Billboard Hot 100 for the first time. Following the pair of number two-peaking songs was the

album's title track. Co-written by Bill Anderson, Skip Ewing, and Debbie Moore, it became Wills's first number-one country hit in 1999. Later that year, the boy band 98 Degrees covered "I Do (Cherish You)" on their album 98 Degrees and Rising. Following "Wish You Were Here" was "She's in Love", the final single from Wish You Were Here, which peaked at number seven. In 1998, Wills received an Academy of Country Music award for top new male vocalist.

Due to the poor performance of And the Crowd Goes Wild, Wills left Mercury in 2004. In 2004, Wills also recorded a cover of Elvin Bishop's "Fooled Around and Fell in Love" for the southern rock tribute album Southern Rock Country Style. He did not record again until country singer Clint Black signed him to his Equity Music Group label in 2006. Wills's first release for the label was "Hank", which peaked at number 49 and was never included on an album. His first album for the label, titled Familiar Stranger, was originally slated for release in September 2007, and was repeatedly pushed back due to the poor chart performance of "Take It All Out on Me" and "Days of Thunder."

Tenacity Records then acquired the album and released it in 2008, issuing "The Things We Forget" as its third single. After this song came "Entertaining Angels", co-written by Willie Mack. In late 2009, he released then a fifth single, "Crazy White Boy", written by Brett James and Blair Daly. Wills released the compilation album 2nd Time Around in July 2009, which comprises re-recordings of several Mercury singles.

Wills released a new single in January 2011 called "Looking for America", written by Bernie Nelson, Phillip Douglas, and Jeremy Bussey. It served as the title track to his 2011

album of the same name, released June 21, 2011, from Big Red Records and Tenacity Records.

He was invited by Vince Gill to become the 218th member of the Grand Ole Opry on Dec. 21, 2018, and was inducted on Jan. 11, 2019.

In 1996, Wills married his wife, Kelly, whom he met at Atlanta's music club, Buckboard. They have two daughters.

In November 2010, Wills was hospitalized for surgery after his large intestine ruptured. He was told that had he waited any longer to seek medical help, he would have died.



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Sunday, July 23  
1 p.m.  
• Small Stage •

Reese Tumer, 14, was crowned the 2022 Pike County Fair Junior Miss. Pictured, from left: Khloe Spires, Tumer, and Brylie Mills. This year's competition will be held Sunday, July 23. Jr. Miss 1 p.m.; Fair Queen, to follow.

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6:30 p.m. - Small Stage

Registration 6 p.m.

No entries will be accepted after 6:30 p.m.

**NO EXCEPTIONS**

Entry Fee: \$5

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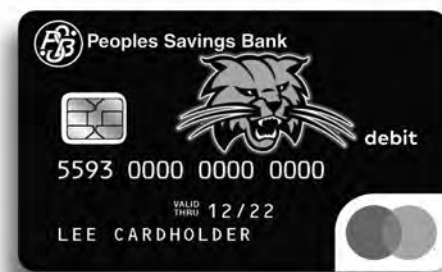
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