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## Basye Portrait Donation

Don Hamilton of the Bicentennial committee, Margie Vogel of the Bowling Green Convention and Visitors Bureau and Bowling Green Mayor/Bicentennial committee member Jim Arico are pictured at the Thursday, Feb. 8 meeting of the bureau, presenting a John W. Basye founder's portrait for placement in the Convention and Visitors building.

## VFW Post 5553 Awards Given To Winners

On Monday, Feb. 5, the Champ Clark Memorial VFW Post No. 5553 and Auxiliary in Bowling Green honored the local and district winners of the Patriot's Pen essay contest and the Voice of Democracy Certificate of Merit.

The awards were given to students from within the Bowling Green School District, who were selected by a group of judges at both the local and district levels. Participants wrote essays on the 2023/2024 theme, "How are you inspired by America?"

The Patriot's Pen essay contest, a nationwide initiative sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), aims to foster patriotism among young students by encouraging them to reflect on America's history and its current societal values. The contest challenges students in the sixth, seventh, and eighth

grades to pen their views on the patriotic theme through essay writing. It also offers them a chance to compete for awards and prizes totaling \$1.2 million each year.

According to the VFW's website, last year, the contest attracted over 120,000 entries from students nationwide. The National Association of Secondary School Principals has endorsed the Patriot's Pen program, including it on their National Advisory List of Contests and Activities for student participation.

Post 5553's winners included the following: Sixth grade: first place, Brylee Coleman; second place, Sarah Thomure; and Strong Adams. Seventh grade: first place, Wyatt Delgman; second place, Josias Ambrocio; and third place, Andrew Jones. For eighth grade: first place and district winner, Robert

Biggs; second place, Stevie Korte; and third place, Isabella Martinek.

High school students are also able to compete in an essay program called "The Voice of Democracy."

According to the VFW, the contest was established in 1947, providing high school students with the unique opportunity to express themselves in regards to a democratic and patriotic-themed recorded essay. Each year, nearly 25,000 ninth through 12th grade students from across the country enter to win their share of more than \$1 million in educational scholarships and incentives awarded through the program.

The Post's first place winner this year was Bowling Green freshman, Elijah Bryant.

## MoDOT Hosts Public Informational Meeting On U.S. 61 Expressway

The Missouri Department of Transportation is hosting a public information meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 21 from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Hannibal High School cafeteria, located at 4500 McMasters Ave., in Hannibal, to share information about the U.S. 61 EIS Re-Evaluation Study.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide an overview for the two phases of the study, share initial findings and allow the community to provide input. There is currently no funding for construction.

This will be an open house style meeting with no formal presentation. Stop by anytime to speak with the project team and provide input. For those unable to attend the in-person event, an online component

with the same information and exhibits from the in-person meeting will be available online on the project webpage. Participants can view on any device at their convenience and provide comments via an electronic comment form. The public comment period will be available from Feb. 21-March 8.

The existing U.S. Route 61 Expressway through Hannibal, Missouri serves as a key link along the Avenue of the Saints corridor between St. Louis, Missouri and Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota.

The project team has conducted the U.S. Route 61 Expressway Re-Evaluation Study as well as reviewed potential improvements to the existing corridor. The purpose of any proposed improve-

ments is to accommodate increased travel demand and improve safety on U.S. Route 61 within Hannibal.

Please visit the project webpage at [www.modot.org/us-route-61-expressway-eis-re-evaluation-study](http://www.modot.org/us-route-61-expressway-eis-re-evaluation-study) to learn more, leave a comment or sign up for project updates. The virtual component of the public information open house will be posted on Thursday, Feb. 22.

If you need special assistance or accommodations for the meetings, request a hard copy version, or if you would like to discuss with a project team member, please contact Kelsey Heavin at 816-527-2468 or [kheavin@hntb.com](mailto:kheavin@hntb.com).



Cast members of "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" rehearse the tune "Think Positive." The musical will be staged at 7 p.m. Feb. 17 and 24 and 2 p.m. Feb. 18 and 25 at The Apple Shed in Clarksville. Tickets are available by calling 817-300-9796. Pictured, from left, are Codi Hobson, Jeanie Eisenhower, Ricky Fournier, Kasey Leake and Angela Maier.

## 'Willy Wonka' Promises A Sweet Time

By Brent Engel  
Contributing Writer

Oompa, loompa, doom-padee-doo...

OK, if you're not already singing along, the Changelings Theatre Company is offering a chance.

The Raintree Arts Council group is presenting the family musical classic "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory." Performances are at 7 p.m. Feb. 17 and 24 and 2 p.m. Feb. 18 and 25 at The Apple Shed on Highway 79 at the south edge of Clarksville.

Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$15 for students and seniors 65 and older, and are available by calling 817-300-9796.

Changelings Director Mary Lang Fournier says the production will be similar to the 1971 movie, which was drawn from a 1964 novel by Roald Dahl.

"It's fun and it's truly for all ages," she said. "The kids love the fantasy and the grownup stuff goes right by them. And finally, who doesn't love chocolate?"

Unlike in the movie, the lead character, Charlie Bucket, will be played by a female. Also, there is no Mike Teevee character.

For those unaware, the plot focuses upon the evils of greed and selfishness. Wonka

offers a tour of his chocolate factory and a lifetime supply of goodies to one of four people who find golden tickets hidden in his candy bars.

Three of the contestants are privileged, self-indulgent jackasses. Charlie is a benevolent kid who just hopes to make life better for his poor family.

Augustus Gloop, Veruca Salt and Violet Beauregarde each bring a compliant parent on the tour. Charlie chooses his Grandpa Joe, who was employed at the factory until he and others were replaced by the mysterious Oompa Loompas.

"There are plenty of surprises," Fournier promised. "You never know who shows up where. And, for this production, we've been able to team up with some new technicians, bringing some new thrills. There are a few more moving parts, but it's so fun to have more creative minds involved."

Veteran Changelings actress Donna Grote takes delight in portraying the exhaustingly fussy Veruca Salt.

"I never knew how much fun it would be to get in touch with my inner brat," Grote said. "Yes, I definitely get a little salty. You'll hear all

about it when I let loose on 'I Want It Now.'"

Other numbers include "Think Positive," "I've Got a Golden Ticket," "Candy Man" and "Pure Imagination."

The musical will feature three Oompas, and Fournier is taking what she calls "a different approach" to their presentation.

"They are each unique types," she said. "We have a sweetie, a hippie chick and a grumpy old fart. Costumes will help set the tone."

The Oompas are important because they serve as the "Greek chorus in emphasizing the moral dilemmas for the audience," Fournier said.

With 22 people in the cast and crew, the musical is the largest production Changelings has attempted since its inception in 2018. Run time is about two hours with an intermission.

The director remembers attending musicals with her father. He considered shows successful if the two were still singing the music afterward. So, Fournier has a challenge for those who attend "Willy Wonka."

"I dare you to leave the theater not singing 'The Oompa Loompa Song'" she said.



Pictured is Glen Jacobs - aka Kane of the wrestling world interacting with the students at Bowling Green R-II Schools on Friday, Feb. 2.

Trib photo by Kimberly Chandler

## Glen Jacobs Visits Bowling Green Students

By BRICE J. CHANDLER  
EDITOR

While not an audience of 20,000 at Madison Square Garden, filling the seats of the Bowling Green High School gym might have been every bit as important for WWE Hall of Famer, Knox County Mayor, and Bowling Green Bobcat alum, Glen Jacobs.

On Friday, Feb. 9, students at Bowling Green R-I School District received a special visit from Jacobs who spoke about growing up in Pike County and his struggles prior to becoming one of the WWE's most iconic wrestlers, Kane.

Jacobs talked about his life growing up in Frankford in the 70s while his family worked to provide. He emphasized had an important message for the students about battling through setbacks and never giving up.

"I'm going to talk about our journey through life," Jacobs started. "We often think that we're alone on that journey, but we're not. As a former professional wrestler, I always had people asking me, you know, what's the Undertaker like? How about Stone Cold or the Rock? But the people that were really influential on me are folks that you might have heard of, but most people out there never will."

He went on to list three educators who helped set him on the path to not only success but finding his calling and bringing value to other

people's lives.

"About halfway through my senior year, I was going up for a rebound," he explained. "I came down on another player's foot, twisted my ankle and tore ligaments in my ankle, and my scholarship opportunities to division one schools dried up."

Despite the setback, Jacobs attended college and eventual landed at Truman State where he played basketball and began lifting weights. He put on around 65 pounds of muscle as his basketball career came to a close.

"So, the college football coach came to me and said, 'you know, son, you're not gonna play the NBA'. I was like, 'yeah, thanks coach. I realize that'."

Jacobs had another year of eligibility left to play college sports, and the coach convinced him to try out college football.

"He was right," Jacobs said. "I was just a naturally gifted football player. That's what my body was built to do. So, lo and behold, we have NFL Scouts, professional Football Scouts coming to our practices. I'm talking with NFL executives. Working out with position coaches. It looks like that was the trajectory that my life is going to take."

Then another setback. "One day at practice, we were just walking through a reverse where I was playing. I went to pivot and my cleat

got stuck in a hole. And next thing I know, I was laying on the field."

He had torn his anterior ligament as well as damaging meniscus and cartilage. Jacobs returned to the field six weeks later and finished the season while hoping to be drafted into the NFL.

"Draft day came, and I wasn't ready, which was a pretty big disappointment," he explained. "But I did sign with the Chicago Bears as a free agent. When that happened, I'll never forget this, I mean, all of a sudden, I was a big deal because I was going to go travel with the bears. I was on TV at the time. I was a substitute teacher and all the kids were coming asking for autographs. I was a celebrity."

The first day of the Bears training camp passed by with a barrage of physical evaluations. Although it seemed to go well, his knee injury came back to haunt him.

"As I was getting off the bus and there was someone waiting for me and another player. The director of player personnel told me that my knee injury precluded me from playing for the Bears and probably the NFL. Up until that point in my life, that was the most devastating thing that had happened to me."

His lifelong dream of being a professional athlete had come to an end.

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Next Week

## Area Student Welders Win Big At Recent Competitions

It's been a successful 2024 competition season for welding and trade students around the area. The action kicked off with the Missouri Welding Institute (MWI) competition, followed by the American Welding Academy's (AMA), and the district competitions during SkillsUSA Week which showcased the talents of students across the various trades.

For a second consecutive year, students at Pike Lincoln Technical Center (PLTC) have walked away with some big prizes. On Jan. 25 and 26,

PLTC claimed seven of the top ten spots at the Missouri Welding Institute's 14th Annual competition. Each student who participated walked away with a \$1,000 scholarship to the institute, with the top winning students netting significant prizes. Kyle Bruns of Troy took the top spot with Bowling Green's Lucas Jennings taking second.

According to the MWI website, Bruns received a full scholarship for the institute's Master Pipe Welding and Fitting Course along with a Lincoln Ranger 225 welder and

trophy valued at \$22,900. Jennings won a half tuition scholarship for the same program along with a Victor Cutting Torch and trophy all valued at \$11,450.

They were joined in the top ten by Clopton's Chaz Lindsay and Silex's Trenton Roth and Tyler Twellman.

According to Jerad Hemmree of MWI, the competition in Nevada hosted 197 competitors who compete in either the Vo-Tech or High School categories.

"It was a great competition See WELDERS on page 5

# Community News

## An Innovative Approach To Shield Against Foodborne Illness

Like a silent saboteur, foodborne pathogens can sneak up and ruin your next meal. One of the biggest culprits is salmonella, a type of bacteria found in many foods that causes more than 1.3 million cases of foodborne illnesses annually according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Despite nationwide efforts, salmonella's infection rates have remained nearly unchanged for the past 30 years. Now, MU is part of an interdisciplinary effort determined to change that after recently receiving a three-year, \$5 million grant from the National Science Foundation's Convergence Accelerator program.

The 19-member team of investigators — with expertise in engineering, poultry and food science, public health and supply chain management — is developing new technology to rapidly detect and mitigate salmonella and other foodborne pathogens throughout the entire poultry supply chain.

### Rapid Results

One in every 25 packages of chicken found on store shelves is contaminated with salmonella, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Because chicken is a major source of illnesses from salmonella, the researchers decided to begin their efforts by focusing on helping the poultry industry.

The team's goal is to significantly reduce the risk of foodborne illness in people, said Mahmoud Almasri, lead principal investigator (PI) and an associate professor of electrical engineering and computer science in the MU College of Engineering.

"Real-time data collected from multiple portable sen-

sors will be added to a transformative sensor-enabled decision support system (SENS-D), allowing us to produce results in one hour or less," Almasri said. "Our rapid results will enable both the supply chain and health partners to make data-driven decisions to enhance food safety, equity and security by providing evidence-based solutions."

While the current gold standard of testing for foodborne pathogens takes at least 24 hours to produce results, the researchers' forward-thinking approach could one day revolutionize the poultry industry and influence policy, said Kate Trout, co-PI and an assistant professor of health sciences in the MU College of Health Sciences.

"These pathogens grow very quickly, so a lot can happen to a food product in just 24 hours," Trout said. "We think our sensors, combined with our decision support system, could change the way that the entire poultry industry and health stakeholders make decisions to ensure a safer food supply for everyone."

For instance, this research is vital for helping ensure food safety between the packing plant and a store shelf.

"Our project could help increase the understanding of the impact of time and temperature during distribution and transit," said Tim Safraniski, co-PI and a professor of animal sciences in the MU College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources and a state swine extension specialist with MU Extension.

The team will also use advanced statistical and machine learning techniques to improve risk mitigation.

"One strength of our proj-

ect is using advanced analytics and artificial intelligence (AI) to develop innovative descriptive, predictive and prescriptive capabilities for a safe, efficient, equitable and resilient food supply chain," said Haitao Li, co-PI and a professor and chair of supply chain and analytics department at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

While the sensors are currently in prototype development, the team is already exploring how the new technology might work for detecting other foodborne pathogens besides salmonella.

"We hope our technology can go beyond poultry and be adapted to detect and reduce the risk of other foodborne pathogens to benefit society as a whole," said Amit Morey, co-PI and an associate professor of poultry science at Auburn University.

When the technology is ready for real-world use, the team will work with MU Extension to help industry partners in Missouri and beyond understand how to use the new tools through various workforce education and training initiatives.

"We know that just developing a new technology and putting it out in the world doesn't make a large impact unless we teach people in the industry how to use these new AI and detection technologies," Trout said. "We're fortunate to have such a strong state extension program to be able to implement that component of the program."

The team also includes researchers at University of Notre Dame and Lincoln University.

Read more from the National Science Foundation.



Pictured, from left: the Rev. Charlie Wright Sr., president, Bro. Eugene Pebbles, the Rev. Faye Vaughn, treasurer, the Rev. Bobbie Blunt, pastor Bethel AME Church, Louisiana, Rev. Phyllis Dowden-White- Pastor-Bethel AME Church, Paynesville, the Rev. Brenda Cockrell, pastor of Centennial UMC Church, Elsberry, the Rev. Sam Bogan, sr. asst. pastor, Maryland St. Baptist, Louisiana, the Rev. James Williams, the Rev. Robin Terrell, pastor, Second Christian Church, New London and the Rev. Brian Williams, Community Caring Partnership director.

## N.E. MO Clergy Coalition Holds Annual Taste Of Blackness Program

The Northeast Missouri Clergy Coalition held Their Annual "Taste Of Blackness" Service at the Keely Event Center in Louisiana on Saturday, Feb. 3.

The service began with President the Rev. Charlie Wright Sr., presiding, prayer, scripture, and welcome was given by the pastors of the Coalition. Music was pro-

vided by Bro. Eugene Pebbles "The Talking Sax". Hymn was sung by everyone in attendance, "Lift Every Voice and Sing" accompanied by Bro. Pebbles.

Speaker for the service was the Rev. Phyllis Dowden-White, PhD associate professor of history at the University of Missouri-St. Louis and pastor of Bethel AME Church, Paynesville.

A meal was prepared and served by the ladies of the Coalition churches.

The Coalition would like to recognize everyone that came and enjoyed the service it was great to have this fellowship together. Looking forward to continuing to doing things to help the community, God bless all of you all.

## Give Valentine's Day Flowers Some TLC For Extended Joy

Valentine's Day flowers will last longer if kept watered and fed, said University of Missouri horticulturist David Trinklein.

Trinklein's tips and homemade preservative recipe provide an extended warranty of sorts to make certain flowers last up to twice their normal lifespan.

Cut flowers age when they lose more water than they take up, Trinklein said. This most often happens when bacteria multiply and plug the water-conducting tissue of the flower known as xylem.

Too much sunlight, drafty areas and heat also can cause excessive water loss. The result is a flower that loses its attractiveness prematurely.

Improper care of flowers can be the kiss of death, so it is important to show them some love to avoid heart-break.

First, if you receive boxed flowers such as roses, prepare them for arranging by cutting about 1 inch off the bottom of the stems. Otherwise, a bubble of air formed at the base of the xylem can slow the uptake of water. Make a slanted cut, which provides more surface area to take up water.

After cutting, immediately immerse the cut stems in a clean vase filled with water treated with a floral preservative. Cut the stems again about every third day and place flowers in fresh solution. This works equally well for flowers from a florist or

from your home garden, Trinklein said.

When flowers arrive in a vase or if you buy a floral arrangement, ask the florist if preservatives were added. Boxed flowers such as roses may arrive with a small packet of preservative to add when the flowers are arranged.

Floral preservatives usually contain food, mostly in the form of sugar, along with a material to reduce the pH of the water, such as citric acid. The latter is helpful since bacteria tend to multiply more slowly in slightly acidic solutions. Additionally, preservatives contain a bactericide to further slow the growth of bacteria. Finally, a wetting agent is added to reduce the surface tension of the water. This allows the water to travel through the xylem more easily.

Commercial preservatives are convenient, but homemade solutions work equally well. Trinklein's recipe uses lemon-lime soda to provide sugar and acid. Mouthwash provides bactericide and dishwashing liquid serves as a wetting agent.

### David Trinklein's 'Elixir Of Youth' For Cut Flowers

- 1 pint lemon-lime soda (not diet)
- 1 pint water
- 1 teaspoon antiseptic mouthwash such as Listerine or Scope
- 1-2 drops dishwashing liq-

uid

Preservatives help flowers last longer, but they will not last forever.

"The beauty and ephemeral nature of a rose or other Valentine's Day flower is part of what makes it special," Trinklein said. "Perhaps they would not be as appreciated if they lasted forever."

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**NOTICE**

The Pike County Republican Central Committee invites you to reach out to them if you are planning to file for any Pike County elected office as a Republican candidate. Filing opens Feb. 27, 2024. Contact: Gale Frolos 573-406-4156.

Paid for by the Pike County Republican Central Committee,  
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# Community News

## From The Mayor's Desk...

February is the month for "Love" with Valentines Day. It is also Black History Month, and we would do well to learn about so many of the outstanding contributions our Black citizens have made not simply in America but around the world for generations. Check out "Forgotten African Americans of WW1." We also need to share love for one another in our families, friends, and the Bowling Green community. Holding on to grudges and hurts only tears us down and weakens ourselves. Forgive. Forget, and move on!

National Future Business Leaders of America-FBLA Week is February 11-17. Each day of the week has a special learning project which grows its members which in turn, gives back to our community. This week is also National Entrepreneurs Week. Encourage our young entrepreneurs as they learn to fly and become our future leaders and businesspeople!

Thanks so much to all that sent emails, cards, and expressed their congratulations for Bowling Green Times Citizen of the Year-2023! I am humbled but every appreciative for this honor. It takes a village to make a city work and you can't lead if nobody follows. Thanks to all who supported me and continue to do so! I am proud to be your servant and your mayor!

Inflation is a bit down from last year, but mortgage rates, rent, groceries, clothing, utilities, and fuel prices are still much higher than pre-pandemic dates. In an election year, interest rates have been known to drop along with fuel prices, but we have yet to

see this happen. Please keep your eyes on the issues that affect you most and vote accordingly. Salaries have risen slightly but not enough to keep up with inflation, especially on necessary living commodities. The American crime rate increase is staggering and many thanks to our Bowling Green Police Department. There has been



JIM ARICO, MAYOR  
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

some concern about the Police Department and County Sheriff's police cars zooming through our city. You must understand the urgency of their jobs and the protection they provide to our City and County. Whether it is chasing down a violent escapee or saving the life of a child recently by their quick actions, they are acting in our best interest to "serve and protect." Listen carefully and watch attentively for lights and sirens throughout our town and especially on our highway systems.

I have done many fundraisers over the years and the biggest fear fundraisers have been, "Asking for donations, buying/selling raffle tickets of various kinds, and simply asking people for money!" We have not if we ask not. So, I am asking for donations for our "Welcome to Bowling Green" signs.

Money allowing, we would put a nice stone break-away Welcome sign at the south on ramp. Then at the north on ramp. Other welcome signs would be placed at the Highway 54 East and West accesses but not stone built. The goal is \$7,500. Each of the North/South welcome signs would cost approximately \$3,500. The 54 Highway East and West signs would cost around \$250 each.

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### Feb. 17 Multi-Family Auction

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## Missouri Democratic Party Announces 2024 Democratic Presidential Candidates To Appear On March Primary Ballot, Overview of Primary Election Process

The Pike County MO Democratic Party is pleased to announce the following candidates will appear on the ballot for the Missouri Democratic presidential preference primary election, scheduled on Saturday, March 23, 2024: Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Dean Phillips, Stephen P. Lyons, Armando Perez-Serrato, Marianne Williamson, Jason Michael Palmer, Uncommitted. Additionally, the Missouri Democratic Party announced the Democratic National Committee approved the MDP Presidential Primary plan. The following details are confirmed with more information available soon: Details for Pike County Democrats, Independents and other "undeclared", registered voters.

The Democratic presidential primary will be a hybrid election, offering Missouri Democrats, Independents and other undeclared voters an opportunity to cast their vote by mail or at an in-person election on March 23 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Polling will be at the Bowling Green Community Center, 201 West Locust Street, Bowling Green, MO 63334.

Voters registered by Feb. 21, 2024, with the Missouri Secretary of State's Office will be eligible to vote in the Missouri Democratic presidential preference primary election, so long as the voter is not "registered" as a Republican.

Mail-in ballots will be available for request beginning Feb. 1 via the Missouri Democratic Party's Website, [www.missouridemocrats.org](http://www.missouridemocrats.org) with distribution of requested ballots to beginning Feb 17. This request period will close on March 12.

Ballots must be returned to the MDP by 10 a.m., on March 23, 2024.

Votes will be counted by March 25, with the announcement to be made by March 28, 2024.

Background: In 2022, the Republican-controlled legislature passed HB 1878, which eliminated Missouri's state-run presidential preference primary election and designated a party-run system for choosing presidential nominees. This is another attack on free and fair Democratic elections that makes it harder for people to exercise their voting rights. The Missouri Democratic Party adamantly opposed this change, and none of the Democrats serving in the Missouri State House or Senate at the time voted for this bill. Nearly every Republican member supported the measure. This attack on voter participation by Missouri Republicans is nearly an exact copy of the playbook used by Republicans across the country in their bid to take more and more power from voters and hand it to power-hungry politicians. Any roadblock put in place to make voting harder is not healthy for our Democracy and is another hallmark of this fanatical Missouri Republican Party that only seeks to strip freedoms and rights away from Missouri voters.

Missouri Democrats sought to design a process that would encourage wide voter participation by offering both mail-in and in-person voting options to Democratic presidential primary voters. Missouri Democrats will continue to advocate for policies that expand access to voting and fight against these attacks on our Democratic process.

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## Community Calendar...

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

**On Feb. 27:** Red Cross Blood Drive from 12:30-6 p.m., at the Bowling Green First United Methodist Church, 8 N. Broadway, in Bowling Green. Appointments may be made by calling 800-733-2767 or visit [redcross-blood.org](http://redcross-blood.org) and enter the sponsor code of FUMCBowlinggreen.

**On Feb. 20:** Pike County Democrats meeting at Bowling Green Community Center, 6 p.m.

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## 'Charlie's Jail House Chili' The Story Of Or Legend

By Harold Williams

Forty years ago or so on Halloween a tradition was born in the Farber Fire Department.

The one thing firemen enjoy more than saving damsels in distress and putting out fires is eating good food.

Fireman Charlie always made the chili, and it was always unbelievably delicious. When asked what was in it, Charlie just smiled and said it was a secret recipe that only him, his uncle Buck, and a Mexican named Jose had knowledge of. As time went on, Charlie knew he wouldn't live much longer, and he wanted to leave the secret recipe to his fire department as a legacy.

The legend begins like this - Charlie's uncle Buck was unjustly incarcerated in a jail in Tijuana, Mexico for being friendly with a local lady (turns out to be the town mayor's wife". Oh well it was completely innocent, or so

Charlie said.

Buck was an accomplished chef so they put him in the kitchen with a fellow offender by the name of Jose. Jose was a genius by taking simply things and making a dish that was "slap your mama" good. The chili that he created was so good, that when offenders were released, they committed crimes to get back in for another bowl of Jose's chili.

Buck was released and he returned to his home. "Jailhouse Chili" was always requested for family functions and was the favorite dish served. Charlie was Buck's favorite nephew so the recipe was gifted to him to maintain the tradition.

Charlie's "Jailhouse Chili" will be served Sunday, Feb. 18 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Farber Fire Station. Charlie always put a live scorpion in his bowl for an extra bite. You'll have to bring your own scorpion if you want that experience.

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## WELDERS

Continued from front page and the students from Pike-Lincoln did very well as usual." Hembree said.

PLTC's welding students didn't have long to rest before heading to Union for the American Welding Academy's Fifth Annual Senior Welding Competition on Feb. 3.

Once again, PLTC students took some of the top prizes. Lucas Jennings took second and over \$9,000 in scholarships and prizes. As with MWI, every competitor at the AWA competition was given a \$1,000 scholarship and the chance to win substantial prizes, giveaways, and raffles.

According to their website, American Welding Academy provides students with a world-class, unique and rigorous welding training and education program that ensures academic success, develops a diverse skill set, prepares students for the demands of the welding industry and enables students to gain meaningful employment upon graduation.

"I would just like to say that I am very blessed to have the opportunity to train up these young men and women for a trade that I am so passionate about," PLTC's Welding II instructor, Aaron Ervin told the Tribune. "I live in a community where hard work isn't taught in a classroom; it's lived at home. I try to

teach like the world depends on it and for some of my students, it does. I have seen this school and trade change lives."

The districts competition ran between Feb. 5-9. SkillsUSA Week is celebrated in February each year by SkillsUSA chapters nationwide. The event offers state associations, advisors and student members the opportunity to promote SkillsUSA programs and activities at the local and state levels while highlighting the importance of the skilled trades.

Not only are PLTC students going to state, but Van-Far welders also qualified for the April 5 competition at State Tech. Van-Far's welding team Andrew Myers, Jackson Green, and Carter Jennings placed second in the Skills USA District Welding Fabrication Team competition. They will compete in State on April 5, 2024 at State Technical College of Missouri.

PLTC welding students Tyler Twellman took first and Nathan Braungardt claimed second place in the District individual welding competition. Along with a trip to the state competition, the Missouri Welding Institute donated scholarships to the top three individuals.

The fabrication team of Trenton Roth, Kyle Bruns, and Jake Henry also placed first in the fabrication team competition.

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# Community News

## OBITUARIES

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Beth Baskett; step-grandparents, Johnny Bill and Pat Collins; and two aunts, Jackie and Jamie Wintjen.

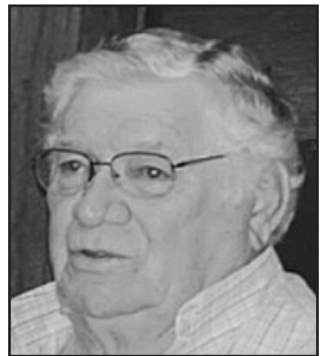
Funeral service was held Saturday at 11 a.m., at Niebur Funeral Home in Pittsfield. Interment followed at the Crescent Heights Cemetery in Pleasant Hill, Ill.

Visitation was Friday from 4-7 p.m., at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to be made to the Pleasant Hill High School Wood Shop.

Online condolences may be left to the family at [www.nieburfh.com](http://www.nieburfh.com).

Niebur Funeral Home in Pittsfield is handling the arrangements.



### Charles Lee Cox

Charles Lee Cox, 92, of Bowling Green died Saturday, Feb. 3, 2024 at Lynn's Heritage House in Louisiana.

A graveside service will be Saturday at 10 a.m., at the Syrma Cemetery in New Hartford.

He was born Feb. 15, 1931 in Lincoln County to Oscar and Nora Colbert Cox. He was raised by Gene and Nora Gaw. On Oct. 3, 1954, he was united in marriage with JoAnn Motley. Charlie and JoAnn had two daughters, Connie and Rhonda.

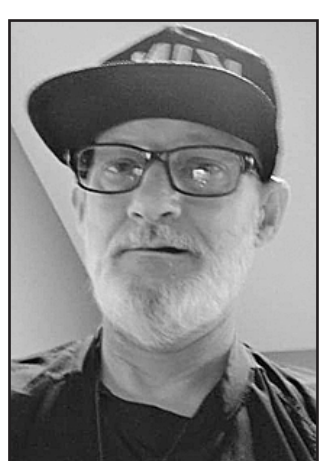
He was a heavy equipment operator at Dundee Cement for over 30 years. After Charlie and JoAnn retired, they would go south for the winters in their travel trailer. They would repair and cane chairs in the summer in the shop behind their house. He was a dedicated member of the coffee table at McMe's and enjoyed the companionship of his friends. Charlie will be sadly missed and long remembered by all those who knew and loved him.

He is survived by two daughters, Connie Fisher and husband Mark of Papillion, Neb., and Rhonda Pugh and husband Mike of Bowling Green; three grandsons, Brian Moss and wife, Ashley of Riverview, Fla., Tom Pugh and wife, Jessica of Kansas City and Danny Pugh and fiancée, Christyna Zheng of Manchester; one great-grandson, Bowen Moss; one sister, Betty Reeds and husband, Bill of Troy; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, JoAnn Cox; and brothers, Alfred Colbert, Billy Gene Gaw and Wayne Gaw.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Syrma Cemetery Association.

Family and friends may sign the online guest book @[www.mccoyblossomfh.com](http://www.mccoyblossomfh.com).



### Michael 'Mike' Steven Gullett

Michael "Mike" Steven Gullett unexpectedly died Friday, Feb. 2, 2024 in Troy at the age of 53.

There will be a gathering at the graveside at a later date at Olney Cemetery in Olney.

Mike, the son of Diana (Patton) and Ralph Gullett, was born Oct. 14, 1970.

Mike attended Silex Schools growing up and graduated from Silex High School in 1989. He later attended ITT Technical College and received his electrical engineer degree. He worked for MEMC until his health declined due to numerous back surgeries.

Mike was married on Oct. 14, 2017 to Susan Neagles in Winfield. She preceded him in death on Feb. 10, 2022.

Mike was quick to make friends with everyone he met. He always had an adventurous soul. Always enjoyed the many boating, camping and the memorable float trips with family and friends.

He is survived by two children, Jaime Leigh Gullett of Ballwin, and Kevin Christopher Stock of Denver, Colo.; two sisters, Marlene Weinand and husband, Stephen of Troy, and Rhonda Bybee and husband, Ronnie of Bowling Green; three nieces, Crystal Mudd, Ashley Coombs, and Sarah Bybee and three nephews, Justin Stowers, Ryan Bybee, and Scott Bybee; and great-nephew, Mason Mudd.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife and many other beloved family members and dear friends.

Memorials may be sent to McCoy-Blossom Funeral Homes & Crematory, 1304 Boone St., Troy, MO 63379

Cremation rites were under the direction of McCoy-Blossom Funeral Homes and Crematory in Troy.



### Dustin Allen Hawkins

Dustin Allen Hawkins, 43, of Louisiana died Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Tuesday (today) at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. The Rev. Mike Dallas officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery near Louisiana.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m., until time of service Tuesday (today) at the funeral home.

Dustin was born Aug. 7, 1980 to Frank Hawkins and Robin Heffner. He was married to Loretta L. Morey on May 1, 2021 at Buzzard Roost in Florida.

He is survived by his wife, Loretta Hawkins; his father, Frank Hawkins of Louisiana; his mother, Robin Heffner of Louisiana; a son, Layne Hawkins of Craig; two daughters, Alecia Hawkins of Craig, and Kinzlee Hawkins of Louisiana; step-sons, Colton Haynes and Joseph Jennings, both of Mexico; three step-daughters, Jayden Jennings and Natalie Charlton, both of Mexico; and Nova Velasco of Craig; and two brothers, Danel Hawkins of Louisiana, and Duane Hawkins of Barry, Ill.

He was preceded in death by maternal grandparents, William "Bill" Heffner in 2022 and Maggie Heffner in 2019.

Dustin had worked as a truck driver. He loved fishing and hunting, going to resale shops with his wife. He was a family man, loved music and enjoyed being a DJ. He always loved boating on the river enjoying the warm air and taking the kids swimming on the sandbar.

Honorary pallbearers will be Jason Luck, Gemeil Burse, Ryan Chatman, Brian McCormick, David Shireman, Jason Chatman, and Missy Pitzer. Pallbearers will be Travis Dixon, Lane Hawkins, Amos Pitzer, Joseph Jennings, Danel Hawkins, and Duane Hawkins.

Memorials may be made to the family, c/o Collier Funeral Homes, Inc., 117 Barnard Drive, Louisiana, MO 63353.

Online condolences may be sent at [collierfuneral.com](http://collierfuneral.com).



### Margaret Mary 'Peggy' Suddarth

Margaret Mary "Peggy" Suddarth, 80, died peacefully, surrounded by her family on Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Tuesday (today) at 10 a.m., at St. Clement Catholic Church with Fr. Henry Ussher officiating. Burial will be at Star Hope Cemetery in Elsberry.

Visitation was from 4-7 p.m., Monday at Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory in Bowling Green.

She was born May 13, 1943, in Lawrence, Mass., the daughter of David and Celia Kelly Gorman. On Nov. 9, 1963, she was united in marriage to Curtis Paul Suddarth and to this union two children were born.

Surviving are her children, Curtis Joseph Suddarth and wife, Lori of Bowling Green, and Louise Ann Smith and husband, Bradley of Gibbs. She is also survived by her sister, Kathleen Lydon of Quincy, Mass.; brothers-in-law, Danny Suddarth and wife, Cindy, Gene Suddarth, and Chris Suddarth; sisters-in-law, Judy Myers and husband, Larry, and Sherry Ansley and husband, Jim; grandchildren, Curtis James Suddarth, Austin Suddarth and wife, Sarah, Daniel Smith, Kathleen Smith, and Samuel Smith; as well as numerous nieces and nephews, and close friend, Ginny Andrews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Curtis P. Suddarth; brothers-in-law, David Suddarth and Coleman Lydon; sister-in-law, Joyce Graham; niece, Michelle Suddarth; and nephews, Chuck Graham and Drew Graham.

Margaret spent her early childhood in Boston, Mass., graduating from South Boston High School. She continued her education at the Long Island School of Nursing in Boston, Mass., before marrying and raising her family. In 1982 she earned her real estate license and worked for Dolan Real Estate and John Hays-Century 21 before opening Suddarth Real Estate together with her husband in Bowling Green.

Pallbearers will be Curtis James Suddarth, Austin Suddarth, Daniel Smith, Samuel Smith, Jim Ansley, and Jake Finley.

Specific wishes: In lieu of flowers please make donations to Pike County Hospice or St. Jude's Children Hospital.

### George Norvell

George Norvell, 69, of Bowling Green, formerly of Louisiana died Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024.

A memorial visitation was from 2-5 p.m., Saturday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana.

George was born April 30, 1954 in Louisiana to Spencer and Fern Gilbert Norvell.

He is survived by two daughters, Leah Norvell Wilbanks and husband, Colt of St. Charles, and Laci Jakab and husband, Mitchell of Warrensburg; his ex-wife, Vicki Norvell of Louisiana; and two grandchildren, Madelyn Jakab and Remington Jakab of Warrensburg.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Spencer and Fern Norvell.

George had been employed with the Pike County Highway Department and then worked as a corrections officer with Missouri Dept. of Corrections - Northeast Correctional Center in Bowling Green. He was a junk connoisseur and an auction lover. He was an avid farmer, and never knew a stranger.

Cremation rites are under the direction of Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana.

### Nancy Jo Baxter

Nancy Jo Baxter, 60, of Bowling Green died peacefully Monday, Feb. 8, 2024 at home surrounded by her loving family.

She is survived by her husband, Randall; children, Christine Gill and husband, Eli of Muster, Ind., Bobby Bunton and wife, Tara of York Town, Vir., Cory Bunton and wife, Shenna of North Pole, Alaska, and William Baxter and wife, Kayla of Ft. Washington, Mass.; and seven grandchildren

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

The family was cared for by Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes in Bowling Green.

Online condolences may be left at [www.bibbveach.com](http://www.bibbveach.com).

**WE WELCOME YOUR LOCAL NEWS**

## State Representative Chad Perkins Report



Rep. Chad Perkins

### Rep. Perkins Stands With Our Ally Israel

On Wednesday, the House welcomed Israeli Consul General Maor Elbaz-Starinsky to the Missouri Capitol, where he addressed a joint session of the General Assembly. Rep. Perkins, a member of the escort committee, said he was proud to stand with Israel, a key U.S. ally. "After the horrific terrorist attacks perpetrated by Hamas last October, it's more vital than ever that we show support for Israel," Perkins said. He criticized Rep. Cori Bush from St. Louis who has seemingly voiced support for Hamas, calling it "a disgrace." Perkins noted her recent vote against banning Hamas terrorists involved in last October's attack on Israel from entering the U.S., calling it "appalling." Perkins said Missouri leaders must continue opposing the "anti-Israel narrative that pro-

gressive politicians seem intent on pursuing."

### House Looks to Protect Children's Identities

The House voted to pass out HB 1720 this week, which deals with the closure of certain records under Missouri's Sunshine Law. The bill permits the closure of records containing individually identifiable information of minors aged 17 and under, held by a public governmental body like a city, town, village, or park board, except when such records are requested by the Division of Labor Standards within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

The bill sponsor explained to the House members that this bill would serve as a significant step toward public safety, noting that it was crucial for protecting minors, as it closes certain documents containing individually identifiable information regarding minors, and protects the identities of children. The legislative measure passed with a bipartisan vote of 141-5.

### Preventing Foreign Ownership of Land in Missouri

A bill seeking to prohibit any further foreign ownership of Missouri land is once again working its way through the Missouri legislature. This issue has gained prominence not only in Missouri but also at the national level and in other states. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, foreign individuals already hold an interest in over

43.4 million acres of U.S. agricultural land, constituting approximately 3.4 percent of the country's agricultural land as of Dec. 31, 2022, with a notable increase in foreign ownership observed over the past decade.

HB 1957 proposes further limiting foreign ownership to 0.5 percent. It necessitates reporting to the Department of Agriculture and the Attorney General 30 days before finalizing any sale or transfer of agricultural land by an alien or foreign business. Approval from the Attorney General is mandatory, and violations could result in court action and divestiture. The bill also mandates reporting changes in land usage, with exemptions for specific research or experimental land. Moreover, it prevents foreign businesses from identified foreign adversaries by the federal government from purchasing any land in the state, requiring adherence to the USA Patriot Act of 2001. The bill broadens enforcement responsibilities to include the Attorney General alongside the Department for requirements related to agricultural land owned by foreign entities.

Addressing the House Committee on Local Government, the bill sponsor emphasized the matter as a security concern, stating that the legislation aims to protect Missouri from potential adversarial or foreign threats while safeguarding one of the state's crucial assets.



## Big-Time-Biscuits

NECAC Pike County Service Coordinator Penny Dixon accepts a donation from her in-laws, Ron and Wilma Dixon, during the Feb. 9 Hardee's Rise & Shine fund-raiser to provide utility assistance for those in need. NECAC, Hardee's and Heat Up St. Louis teamed for the 24th annual event, which generated more than \$955,000 from \$1 biscuit sales and corporate donations throughout 34 Missouri and Illinois counties. The Bowling Green Hardee's sold 1,144 biscuits and reported more than \$2,500 in additional contributions. The money will stay in Pike county to help income-qualifying residents with their heating bills.

### William Michael 'Mike' Meyer

William Michael "Mike" Meyer, 75, of Bowling Green died Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024.

Memorial services will be held Sunday at 3 p.m., at Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory in Bowling Green.

A Time of Gathering will be held from 1-3 p.m., Sunday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a local charity of choice.

A full obituary will appear in next week's Tribune.

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## MO Chip Event

Saturday, Feb. 17

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## VANDALIA CEMETERY NOTICE

The Vandalia Cemetery Association requests all graves be cleared by **Friday, March 1, 2024**. Cemetery personnel will begin in March to prepare the grounds for mowing to begin. Any winter flowers, grave blankets and arrangements left on graves after March 1 will be removed by cemetery staff

## "Souper Bowl Sunday"

Farber Fire Department's First Annual Chili Dinner **Sunday, Feb. 18 - 11 a.m.-2 p.m.**

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