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Vandalia Library New Flag Pole Louisiana Chamber Forges New Chapter By Brent Engel Forty-two-year-old Jeni Leigh Gambino is equally enCONTRIBUTING WRITER Leigh Gambino is equally ena place that treats them well. **Donated In Honor Of Clithero**



McCurdy in front of the newly erected flag pole in memory of Monte Clithero.

Vandalia resident Patsy Clithero wanted to honor her late son, Monte Clithero.

A flag pole inh the yard of the Vandalia Branch Library is what she decided on. Jim Deppe of Vandalia took care of ordering and putting up the flag pole, flag and installing the plaque honoring Monte was installed on Wednesday, April 10.

Monte was born in Vandalia in 1953 to Paul and Patsy Clithero. He graduated from Van-Far High School in 1971 as valedictorian of his class. Following high school attended Culver-

Stockton College on a baseball scholarship and graduated Cum Laude in 1975.

He earned a law degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1978. Monte was a well-respected trial attorney in Springfield for 45 years. His greatest career achievement was induction into the American College of Trial Lawyers in

He was an outstanding father who loved his family fiercely and adored his children more than anything in the world.

Monte was an avid St. Louis Cardinals and Missouri Tigers fan. He particularly loved baseball and shared his passion for the game with his son. He coached his son's baseball teams from tee-ball until high school Legion ball.

Mexico-Audrain County Library District is very grateful for Mrs. Clithero's donation. The flag

pole is a wonderful addition

to the front of the Vandalia Li-

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Vandalia Library, Crystal Mc-

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High School

Graduation

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By Brice Chandler

EDITOR

Office would like to remind

the citizens that we will never

call you and advise you of a

warrant," a press release read.

"If we did, we would NOT

advise you to obtain a Green

Dot card, Apple Pay card, or

to go to an internet website

such as PayPal, Venmo or any

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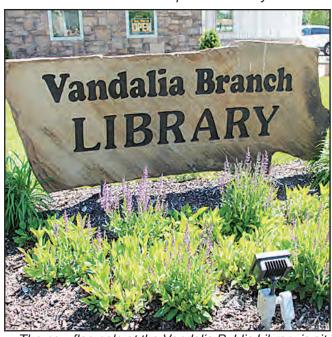
other site to pay your fine."

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Flag Pole Plaque. We are very proud to have it at the library."



Pictured is the memorial marker in front of the new flag pole in memory of Monte Clithero.



The new flag pole at the Vandalia Public Library is sitting beside the library stone on Main Street in Vandalia.



New History Guys
The Louisiana Area Historical Museum recently welcomed new board members Mark Haddock, center, and Jack Klotz, right. Pictured with them is Museum President Brent Engel. In addition to hundreds of displays, the museum offers community programs about local happenings.

May History Nuggets
y Brent Engel son, as he said in a Salt River Journal
ad on May 29, 1841. "NOTICE: This

By Brent Engel CONTRIBUTING WRITER PAY OR STAY AWAY

A Pike County tavern owner got tired of watching how customers were able to pick up a bottle of whiskey, but not use the same hand to open their wallets. So, in the May 30, 1840, edition of The Salt River Journal, he placed an ad addressed to "all true penitents who will now come forward and pay up their old grog bills. Otherwise, they go off thirsty.

TINY CANDIDATES The Louisiana Press hit the political nail on the head on May 17, 1900. "If a man is small who sells his vote, the man who buys it is smaller.'

CASPER WARNS OF A GHOST What could compel a man to let the world know his estranged wife was the devil's sister? Pike County resident Casper Hardy had good reais to forewarn all persons from trading with my wife, Elizabeth Hardy, as she has absconded or left my bed and board without any just cause or provo-

HIT THE ROAD, DUDES

In May 1869, it was pointed out by a Pennsylvania newspaper that Pardee College in Louisiana offered varying degrees for women. But there was a lesson that students had to learn offcampus. "Among the practices prohibited at this institution is "gallanting or association of ladies and gentlemen."

CHICKEN AND EGG THING The Louisiana Press-Journal just couldn't resist a dig at Pike County commissioners on May 26, 1904. 'New steps were built at the courthouse last week. Now, if we only had a new courthouse for the steps.'

Editor's note: Following is

the final part in a story series. Lots of advice can be found on how to keep small communities vibrant.

The best comes not from a high-priced lecturer, stuffy academic or impersonal survey, but from the merchant down the street – the one you see in the grocery aisle, at a high school ballgame, singing in the church choir or walking the

dog.
The Louisiana Chamber of Commerce is taking steps to bolster existing businesses and attract new ones. New initiatives such as InnovateU and Chamber Bucks are under way. The process is admittedly slow, but progress rarely happens overnight.

Just ask Joe Findley. He waited a long time before making his dream a reality. The 44year-old Louisiana native and his wife, Erin, opened Fin's Tattoo Studio at 415 Georgia in May 2022.

It's one of several businesses that have put out a shingle in the last two years. Many see such places as the future for small towns, especially in an era when luring a large employer is difficult.

"It's probably the scariest move I've made in life, but it is something that I wanted to do," said Findley, whose business is one of the chamber's newest members. "I realized I might fall on my face. The only regret I have is not starting it sooner."

> THE BEST PLANS Findley's determination was

coupled with skill and analysis. He was encouraged in childhood to develop and avoid squandering an artistic talent that included everything from drawing pictures to playing guitar.

There also was a lot of hard work. While holding two jobs, Findley spent a couple of years researching requirements, developing a plan and putting to-

gether financing.
It all paid off. Findley says business is "very steady" and estimates he does eight to 12 designs a week. It can take anywhere from three minutes to six hours, depending upon the intricacy involved.

The studio has become so popular that tattoo artist Kirstie Lanning was added. On weekdays, Fin's does work by appointment-only and is booked two months in advance. Walkin clients are welcomed on weekends.

"With the support of family and friends, I took the leap," Findley said. "I'm glad I did

Pike Sheriff's Office Warns Of Scammers

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stated that the sheriff's office

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COVID19 and advised the

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PayPal and to pay the fine of

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not have a Detective Simms

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FBI or any other agency, they

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mains open 24/7.

thused. She and her husband, Michael, 37, opened Gambino's Eatery in July 2023 at the corner of Third and Geor-

With two decades of experience in the restaurant industry, Michael Gambino already had the necessary knowledge. But that was in Las Vegas. And while some things are immutable, adapting to the culinary needs of smaller communities can still be a challenge

"It's taken a lot of planning," Jeni Leigh Gambino admitted. "It's been a learning process, and I imagine it will continue to be.'

It's no secret that starting or expanding a business is difficult, especially in turbulent economic times. Gambino advises reaching out when help is needed.

"Try not to get overwhelmed," she said. "Listen to other people's opinions. It's always good to get a different perspective."

InnovateU was started as a way to help businesses identify problems and come up with solutions. The monthly get-togethers are informative and practical. Chamber President Tabitha Rardon says it's part of a commitment to "addressing challenges Louisiana.

"Small businesses are the backbone of our community, and we provide various resources and support services to help them survive," said Rardon, who owns TNT Craft Studio at 417 Georgia with her husband, Tom.

BIG ADVANTAGE

Louisiana has at least one edge over larger communities. Call it the "friendliness factor." Chances are big-city mer-

chants and box stores see little but dollar signs when people walk in the door. They can lack the personal attention found at mom and pop shops.

"It is such a blessing to get to know our customers...what is going on with them, how are they doing?" said Chamber Secretary Viki Cadwallader, a 54-uear-old Louisiana native who owns a real estate brokerage and mobile coffee business.

'Community is the heartbeat of our small town, and we've been incredibly grateful for what local support we've received so far," added Gambino, whose restaurant is a chamber member. "Every visit and kind word fuels our passion to contribute to the fabric of our special riverbank town.'

While competitive prices are important, customers often say

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present to you.

Findley has seen what cordiality can do for shoppers and store owners alike.

"There's a huge mutual respect there," he said. "The camaraderie is really, really

There will be setbacks, of course. The Yum Factory, a bakery and candy store at Third and South Carolina, recently shut its doors. Stakeholders are determined that the closing is a hiccup.

One of them is Sydney Spiller, another chamber board member and business owner who believes Louisiana has limitless promise. She encourages offering residents and visitors a commercial identity that would set the community apart, and cites an art district as an ex-

Essentially, I feel the historic downtown could be built up beautifully to draw traffic from the surrounding towns with our help," said Spiller, 28, who owns Dean's Outdoors LLC at 414 Georgia with her husband, Cody.

Another positive is age. Small towns wither if they don't have enough engaged young people. Those opening businesses in Louisiana are mostly between 25 and 45, a trend that bodes well.

"I would love to see other young entrepreneurs – whether they have a brick and mortar or not – join the chamber and utilize the tools and connections that this chamber has to offer,' Spiller said.

ONE LAST THING Findley and Cadwallader

don't mince words.

So, it's no surprise when they remind neighbors, friends and others that it will take involvement by more than the chamber to achieve greater suc-"The more you support your

local businesses, the more the community will thrive," Find-

ley said.
"We have so many people in this community who speak positively, and I encourage even more to begin doing so," Cadwallader added. "Look for something good to point out when speaking to others and when on social media. Let's squelch negative talk."

Editor's disclosure: Brent Engel is a Louisiana Chamber of Commerce board member.

Joe Findley of Fin's Tattoo Studio in downtown Louisiana



adds a beach nautical design to the left arm of Jennifer Calvin. May 2024 marks two vears in business for Fin's. and Findley says his only regret is not opening sooner.

Jeni Leigh Gambino puts



bottles of wine on display at Gambino's Eatery, the down-town Louisiana restaurant that she and her husband, Michael, opened in July 2023.

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Community News

From The Mayor's Desk...

JIM ARICO, MAYOR

CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

across the seven states hit by the tornadoes and wonder how cities can recover and rebuild.

Then I am reminded that towns are made up of people and people who have a mindset that anything is possible. It's like a church. God doesn't live in a building, but inside

the peoples' hearts who attend a church.

The same is true for Bowling Green. Bowling Green it is not about the buildings, houses, service stations, etc... Bowling Green is the people who live, work, play, and raise their families here. I am so grateful to be a part of this amazing town and you, citizens.

Relationships are important to life, and we need to be intentional about making relationships. People are starving for friendships. It makes an indelible impact on people when we reach out and invite them to be a part of our lives. Covid 19 exacerbated this "Isolationism," and it seems we've only drifted farther apart as the world has become so divided. Bowling Green is the very place where people come together and experience life together as we work, sweat, enjoy, and live life to its fullest.

As the new hanger is being built at the Bowling Green Municipal Airport some challenges have appeared and yet we have a waiting list of pilots who want to house their airplanes here. We are in a strategic location for this aspect of Bowling Green to develop and ex-

New housing continues to pop up throughout our fine city and contractors have full schedules both in and around the area for

I look at all the destruction construction. We did an outstanding work of "Beautifying Bowling Green" last year and hope that we continue to improve our housing, yards, streets, flower beds, etc. Our Parks are full of activities and will be more so as

> May brings graduations, more kids on the playgrounds, basket-

> > ball courts, ball fields, walkers on the trails, Tee-Time Golf swingers, and Music in the Park. We are already seeing children/youth playing in the streets, riding bicycles, skateboards, and scooters.

Please drive safely and anticipate children running out into the streets

chasing balls. It's almost time for two scoops of ice cream, fire baked pizzas, Wings and Wheels at the Airport, and Cardinal baseball games, (don't give up on them vet!), and apple pie.

Love Thy Neighbor is still open for applications for those who own their own home and can't afford replacements or are unable to make necessary repairs. If you would like to be a part of this work, volunteers are needed to make lunches, serve food and water, babysit, use a hammer and nail, cut grass and clean a yard, or simply be a part of this excellent endeavor to Beautify Bowing Green.

This project is to show love and support to help those who can't help themselves. This helps increase property value for homeowners. Simply be a good samaritan and enjoy working and connecting with people. The more volunteers the more projects we can complete.

Come help us grow as we preserve history yet foster growth!

State Representative Chad Perkins Report



Rep. Chad Perkins

PROTECTING PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS

Thursday, May 2, the Missouri House of Representatives third read and passed House Bill 1750. HB 1750 aimed at safeguarding property rights in the context of renewable energy development. The bill prohibits any corporations from using eminent domain for constructing wind or solar energy facilities on private land. Upon passage of this bill, Rep. Perkins commented, "This is a great day for the preservation of private property rights. Those rights are essential to free citizens and must be protected from government overreach."

The passage of HB 1750 reflects a broader dialogue surrounding the regulation of renewable energy development and property rights in Missouri, and establishes necessary checks and balances to prevent abuse of eminent domain while supporting responsible energy initiatives

The bill will now proceed to the Missouri Senate for further

consideration. MISSOURI HOUSE PASSES HB 1991 TO ENHANCE

> CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE IN

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Missouri House of Representatives has passed House Bill 1991, legislation aimed at increasing cardiac emergency response preparedness in public schools across the state. HB 1991 mandates that every public school in Missouri develop and implement a comprehensive cardiac emergency response plan, addressing the appropriate use of school personnel to respond to incidents

Community Calendar...

Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or e-mail to: peoplestribune@ sbcglobal.net

On May 16: There will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Pike County Health Department, Home Health and Hospice Agencyat 8:30 a.m., in the conference room at 1 Healthcare Place, Bowling Green.

On May 18: The annual meeting of Oak Grove Cemetery Association at 9 a.m.

involving sudden cardiac arrest hancing access to dental care or similar life-threatening emergencies on campus. Additionally, schools with athletic programs are required to develop specific plans tailored to address emergencies that may occur during extracurricular or school-sponsored events.

HB 1991 emphasizes the integration of evidence-based core elements into school emergency plans, including the establishment cardiac of emergency response teams and strategic placement of AEDs throughout school campuses. The bill also underscores the importance of training school personnel in first aid, ČPR, and AED use, following guidelines set forth by reputable organizations such as the American Heart Association and Project ADAM.

MISSOURI HOUSE PASSES HIS-TORIC DENTIST AND DENTAL HYGIENIST COMPACT

The Missouri House of Representatives has approved House Bill 2075, establishing the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact in a move aimed at and streamlining licensing procedures for professionals across state lines.

HB 2075 gained bipartisan support and signifies a significant step towards improving healthcare services in Missouri. This legislation enables licensed dentists and dental hygienists from participating states to practice in Missouri and vice versa without additional requirements, ensuring robust regulation and maintaining high standards of care.

HB 2075 also has the potential to address shortages in dental care and assist military families who frequently relocate. By harmonizing licensing requirements and fostering interstate cooperation, the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact aims to bolster healthcare services and improve patient outcomes statewide.

House Bill 2075 will now proceed to the Missouri Senate for further consideration, signaling a promising future for enhanced dental care accessibility in the state.



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My mom tells me when I was little I was what was known as a smart cookie probably because I was reading before I was four years old I can remember sitting at the kitchen table, reading the comics to her while she prepared supper we were a large poor family six children stay at home mom farm worker dad, etc. unfortunately there were not many books, magazines, newspapers, etc. Available for me to read. We didn't live close enough to a town, nor were any of the towns big enough to have a li-

When we finally moved close to Kirksville, I was seven and my mom signed me up for a library card. I checked out seven books for one week and I was the happiest person in the world.

Clarksville had a library that was started in 1880 by Alpha Literacy Society. What a lucky little town in 1896 the newly organized GFWC Fortnightly Reading Club campaign for a better library more books and beginner building, \$300 was raised.

More books and land were bought to build a library which still stands and is used today. It doesn't have a bathroom or running water, nor is it a public library although that is the name of that Clarksville Public Library it is still open.

Unfortunately because of caused by appointment only approximately two years ago. The furnace had to be replaced and most of the funds were used for that purchase.

Today two members of the board for the library have paid personally the utility bills and the insurance. NowI don't think that if a person agrees to sit on the board of directors for the Clarksville Public Library, it should be his/her responsibility to personally pay the bills since the library is a private library that means no tax base is used to support it.

All of us in the community

which is \$5.00 per membership and either make it a personal contribution, donation, or develop/support a fund-raiser. We can do this if we are all willing

teer to be on the board, please please help a smart cookie to have an opportunity.

Sincerely, Mary D Dockery



John Stoeckley

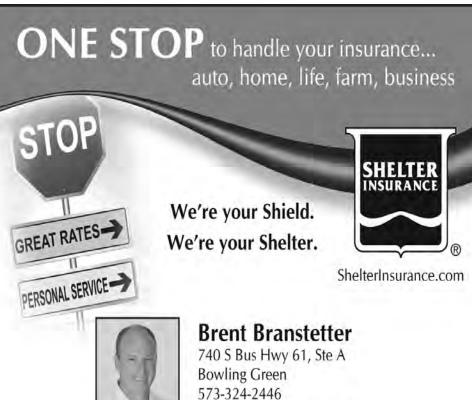
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Obituaries



Patsy Jo Pettey Patsy Jo Pettey, 84, of Van-

dalia, died Monday, April 29, 2024, at her home.

The family will host a Celebration of Life on Sunday, May 12 from 1-3 p.m., at her home, 613 E. Park St., Vandalia. Cremation rites are under the direction of Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory of Bowling Green.

Patsy was born Feb.11, 1940, in Center to Leo and Phyllis Grace Hammon Clark. She was united in marriage to Elbert Jennings in 1954. She later married Kenneth Wayne Pettey on Dec. 17, 2005. He survives.

Also surviving are children, Patricia Caldwell and husband, Tom of Frankford, LaRita Jennings of Farber, Sarah Pettey of the state of Washington, and Lora Parks and husband, Harrel of Bonne Terre; step-children, Keith Pettey of Holt Summitt, Kevin Pettey and wife, Peggy of Curryville, and Barbara Gregory and husband, Glenn of Mexico; 11 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Nancy Collette of Vandalia; and many nieces, nephews, and extended fam-

She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, David Jennings and Della Newsom; and a step-daughter, Sheryl Taylor.

Patsy grew up in Center and attended Center High School. At age 14, Patsy married. Six children were born to this union. When her youngest child started 1st grade, Patsy obtained her GED. She went on to obtain her LPN certification at Hannibal LaGrange College, graduating at the top of her class. Patsy worked for Tri-County Care for over 30 years as an LPN, retiring in 2014.

Patsy enjoyed gardening both flowers and vegetables, sewing, knitting and crocheting, cooking, and making candy. She loved watching the also enjoyed going to the springs in Eminence.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.



Helen L. Gunn

Funeral services for Helen Louise Gunn of Elsberry were at 1 p.m., Wednesday at Carter-Ricks Funeral Home in Elsberry. The Rev. Laura Taylor, pastor of the Elsberry United Methodist Church officiated with burial in Greenwood Cemetery Clarksville.

Visitation was from 10 a.m., until the time of funeral services at 1 p.m., Wednesday at Carter-Ricks Funeral

Helen, 65, died Saturday, April 27, 2024 at SSM St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis.

Born Oct. 23, 1958 in Clarksville, she was the daughter of Roy Lee and Helen Blanche Day Colbert. Helen was united in marriage on June 10, 1975 in Clarksville to William Leon Gunn. This union was blessed with four children, Regina Louise, Melissa Ann, Lisa

Marie and Roy William. Helen worked for many years serving customers in restaurants and in auto parts stores. Her most cherished "job" was caring for her family, including following her grandson, Roy, Jr. to his

events. Helen enjoyed bingo. She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Helen

Colbert; five siblings, William Colbert, Raymond Colbert, Linda Hudson, Rosemary Howard and Johnny Colbert; two in-laws, Karen Colbert and John Buchanan; two daughters, Melissa Ann Gunn as an infant and Lisa Marie Gunn; and her husband, Bill Gunn, who died on April 9,

Survivors include two children, Regina Gunn and Roy Gunn, both of Elsberry; one grandson, Roy Gunn, Jr.; and step-grandchildren: Lexus and Jacob Phipps and Ziek and Grace Riportella. Helen also leaves three siblings, Bobby Colbert of Hawthorne, Nev., Sandi Buchanan of Frankford, and Michael Colbert and wife, Judy of Clarksville; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Serving as pallbearers were Corey Grimmett, Kenneth "KJ" Grimmett, Jr., LJ Riportella, Bryan Colbert, Roy Gunn, Jr., Charles Hunter, Allen Hunter, Billy Jo Hunter, LeRoy Hunter, Bill Niffen and Kevin Lipp.

Memorials may be made to the American Liver Foundation, National Kidney Foundation or American Cancer Society, c/o Carter-Ricks Funeral Home, 107 South 5th Street; Elsberry, MO 63343.

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



Alexandra Elizabeth Harrelson

Alexandra Elizabeth Harrelson, 33, died Friday, April 24, 2024, in Kansas City.

Services for Alex were at McCoy Blossom Funeral Homes & Crematory in Bowling Green Thursday.

Visitation was from 2- 6:30 p.m., with services at 6:30

She was born June 12, 1990, in St. Peters to Brett and Liz Harrelson. She was the proud mother of Chance Eugene Harrelson, who will forever be her handsome boy. Despite Alex's struggles, her love for him prevailed. Alex had a passion for taking care of others and was always willing to lend a helping hand. She loved to sing loudly to the radio, draw, and play games with Chance.

Alex is survived by her parents, Brett and Liz Harrelson of Bowling Green; a son, Chance of Bowling Green; one brother, Dustin Harrelson and wife, Stephanie of Kansas City; a sister, Emilee Redd and husband, Matthew; and nephews, Colten and Rylan of Clarksville. She is also survived by aunts and uncles: Joyce Megown, William Mann Harrelson and wife, Jane, Bev Menne and husband, Dale, Nancy Pieper and husband, Bill, Tom Havlik, and Mike Havlik.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Floyd and Helen Harrelson and Hank and Betty Havlik; aunt, Carol Shade; and uncle, Jim Harrelson.

Memorial contributions may be made to an educational fund for her son, Chance through the funeral home or directly to his 529 college account.

Don Weaver

Don Weaver, 72, of Center, formerly of Frankford, died Friday, April 26, 2024, at his

Cremation rites were under the direction of Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory of Bowling Green.

Don was born Oct. 6, 1951, in Hannibal to Lloyd Raymond and Mildred Caldwell Weaver. He was united in marriage to Brenda Stewart in 1974. She survives.

Also surviving are grandchildren, Maci Jo Weaver, Donathan Lloyd Raymond Weaver, Alexander Weaver, and Leon Weaver; brother, Terry Lee Weaver; and sisters, Beverly Hester and Janis Kreibehl.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; and son, Don

Weaver Jr. Don was a Vietnam vet-

eran, serving as an MP. While stationed in Vietnam, Don met several celebrities. He lived in the Frankford

area his whole life until he retired and moved to the Mark Twain Lake area. He was a farmer all his life. He was also employed by Pike County Grain for over 30 years. Aside from farming, Don enjoyed spending his time fishing.

Memorials may be made to Red Clay Ranch Equine Rescue, 364 Parker Rd., Lyerly, GA. 30730-1012.



P. Annette Pratt

Funeral services for Peggy Annette Pratt of Elsberry will be at 11 a.m., Saturday at Elsberry First Christian Church. The Rev. Kris Hagemeier, church pastor, will officiate with burial in the Elsberry City Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the time of funeral services at 11 a.m., Saturday at Elsberry First Christian Church.

Annette, 62, died Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at SSM De-Paul Hospital in Bridgeton.

Born Sept. 13, 1961 in Louisiana, she was the daughter of Walter Herbert and Hazel Frances Pritchett Pratt. Annette received her bachelor's degree in creative writ-

ing with a minor in math. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Missouri-St. Louis in 1988. Annette worked as a proof reader for Valpak.

She enjoyed playing the guitar and classical piano. Annette was a longtime member of the Elsberry First Christian Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Hazel Pratt; uncles, Robert Pratt, Charles Pratt, and Robert Pritchett, an aunt, Dorothy Brown, and cousins, Robert A. Pratt, Charles F. Pratt, Tony Pratt, and Tina

Annette is survived by an uncle, Gene Pratt; one aunt, Martha Lou Hills; and her cousins, Malaine Hagemeier, Leon Pritchett, Linda Koch, Tim Brown, Deborah Brooks, Jami Kelly, Bill Pratt, Nancy McElfish, Paula Riefle, Marcia Lambert, Mona Seaman, Amanda Wilken, and Brittney Arendt. She also leaves a special friend, Paula Estes of Marshall, Texas.

Serving as pallbearers will be Tim Brown, Bill Pratt, Leon Pritchett, Slade Pritchett, Dustin Hagemeier, and Sam Steward.

Memorials may be made to Elsberry First Christian Church or Born This Way Foundation, c/o Carter-Ricks Funeral Home, 107 South 5th Street; Elsberry, MO 63343.

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



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Top harvest counties for the regular season were Franklin with 940 birds harvested, Callaway with 822, and Texas with

Young turkey hunters also harvested 3,739 turkeys over the youth weekend, April 6 and 7, bringing the overall 2024 spring turkey harvest to 47,119. According to MDC, that is a 6-percent increase in total harvest from 2023 and a 20-percent increase in total harvest compared to the previous five-year average.

Last year, young turkey hunters harvested turkeys over the spring youth season and hunters harvested 41,977 during the regular spring season for a 2023 spring season total harvest of 44,543.

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Alec Donald Polston

Alec Polston is the son of Woodrow Polston of Louisiana and the late Miryah Polston and stepson of Kasi Polston of Louisiana. He plans to earn a degree at William Wood University.



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Ivy Ann Nulsen

Ivy Ann Nulsen is the daughter of Gregory and Sabrina Nulsen of Louisiana. She plans to attend State Tech for auto mechanics and open her own shop.





Harley Anne Norvell

Harley Anne Norvell is the daughter of Heather Horton and Jud Norvell Louisiana. She plans to attend MACC for two years using her A+ money then transfer to the University of Missouri-Columbia for a nursing program



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Thomas Black Jr.

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Cooper Eugene Lumley

Cooper Lumley is the son of Rob and Kim Lumley of Louisiana. He plans to attend MACC to study health sciences and then attend the University of Missouri-Columbia to study predental and become an orthodontist.





Ethen Richard Harrison

Ethen Harrison is the son of Molly Helms and Shane Harrison of Louisiana. He plans to attend William Woods University to play football and major in physical edu-



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Anna Elizabeth Ince

Anna Ince is the daughter of Joe D. and Laura Ince of Louisiana. She plans to attend Lindenwood University to obtain a degree in communications with an emphasis in broadcast journalism. She plans to work as a radio broadcaster at a Christian radio station.



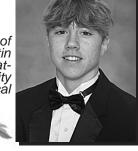
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William Murry of Louisiana plans to attend Northwest Missouri University.



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Alexander Joseph Dzierwa

Alex Dzierwa is the son of Jeremy and Paula Dzierwa of Louisiana. He plans to attend William Wood University to run track and to continue his family bread route.





De'Prisha Marie Chatman

DePrisha Chatman is the daughter of Kenzie Duban and Chatman Louisiana. She plans to attend William Wood University and participate in track and field.

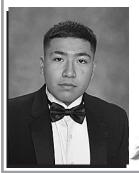


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Tyler Hale **Martin**

Tyler Martin is the son of Brrenda Hughes and Rufus Martin of Louisiana. He plans to attend a tech school to study auto mechanics or to seek employment.





Johan **Martinez**

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Jillian Eileen Booth

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Avery Kay

Elliott Avery Elliott is the daughter of Ginny Elliott and John Elliott of Louisiana. She plans to attend college to study dental hygiene.



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Tannor Brian Rue

Tanner Rue is the son of Ronnie Rue and Kimberly Rue of Louisiana. He plans to attend a tech school for auto



Danny Alan

Schenkel

Danny Schinkel is the son of Josh Járrard and Ashlev Jarrard of Louisiana. He plans to seek employment as a mechanic.





Kyleigh Deane Slater

Kyleigh Slater is the daughter of Jeramie and Ashley Jarrard of Louisiana. She plans to attend college to receive a bachelor of arts in social work.



Misha Renee **Talton**

Misha Talton is the daughter Colleen Boswell Louisiana. She plans to take classes to become a CNA.





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Tristian Lee Chatman

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Andrea Clayton

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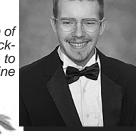
Andrea Clayton is the daughter of Ashley Clayton and Tim Clayton of Louisiana. She plans to become an RN.



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Kayden Weimer is the son of Wendy Lindsay, Roger Lindsay, and Kurt Weimer of Louisiana. He plans to attend State Tech to earn a degree in applied sci-





Kolten Lee Chandler

Kolten Chandler is the son of Matthew Chandler and Amber Hawthorne of Louisiana. He plans to attend MACC-Columbia to receive an associate degree in social/behavioral science.

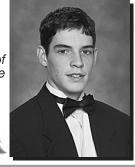


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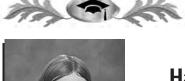
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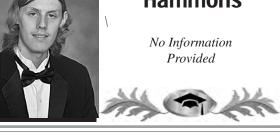
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Ally Joy Ince is the daughter of Stephen and Bryca Ince of Louisiana. Her future plans are undecided.



Lizzy Grace Ince

Lizzy Grace Ince is the daughter of Stephen and Bryca Ince of Louisiana. Her future plans are undecided.









Community News

May Library Book Review



Kasi Welborn

May 2024 Library Staff **BOOK REVIEW** THE FROZEN CROWN BY GRETA KELLY REVIEWED BY KASI WELBORN, LIBRARY CIRCULATION ASSISTANT, MEXICO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Princess Askia Poritskaya e-Nimri, heir to the throne of Sevaresh, just wants to save her people.

After the murder of her grandfather by the Roven Empire, she flees south to seek aid from her allies, only to be embroiled in foreign politics.

She has to fight her instincts-honed in battle-and find a way to get the help she desperately needs, while hiding the fact that she is a witch.Full of intrigue as well as twists and turns that leave you wanting more, The Frozen Crown places the reader directly into the action.

Askia does everything in her power to help her people, including fighting to be seen as an equal in her ally's court because she is a woman. However, she is not just any woman, she is a woman determined to meet her goals, no matter what it takes.

May 2024 Library Staff YOUNG ADULT **BOOK REVIEW** WHERE HE CAN'T FIND YOU BY DARCY COATES REVIEWED BY DEBBIE MARSHALL, LIBRARY ASSISTANT, VANDALIA



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Abby Ward is trying to save up money so she and her sister, Hope, can move out of Doubtful. Their Dad disappeared after a night at the local tavern with friends, and their Mom just has not been

After growing up to fear the Stitcher, and being so careful to follow the rules, Hope is kidnapped out of her room.Now Abby and her friends are on a journey to find her; Abby knows the Stitcher took her, and she is determined to find Hope.

Going straight to the Stitcher's house, she pounds on the door until it opens, then pushes her way into the house and starts searching for Hope. While in there, the Stitcher calls the police to remove her from the house.

Abby's journey takes her to abandoned mines under the town. Abby discovers one victim survived her attack and escaped through the mine tunnels; she was always told there was no way in. This is a thriller with an unexpected ending! Darcy Coates has never led me astray. I always know when I pick up one of her books that I am going to

Entries Now Being Accepted For Livestock, Competitive Exhibits

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4-H Building - online auction of

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Horse Show Pitching - location changed to Lowell Mohler Assembly Hall and new dates, Aug. 8-9

Carcass Awards, Inaugural Best of Missouri Award and Sale and Youth in Agriculture/Sale of Champions - Lowell Mohler As-

sembly Hall, Aug. 17 New show/contest rules and updates include:

collected for market livestock -Steers/Market Heifers, Barrows, Meat Goats and Lambs.

Entry Deadline - Livestock entry deadline is July 8 at 5 p.m. No late entries will be accepted.

Animal Health - Updated rules and regulations provided by the Missouri Department of Agriculture Animal Health Department.

Beef Cattle - Bedding fees (\$10) per head will now be included in the entry fees. There will be no separate charge for bedding

will again be admitted free to the 11-day Fair, while exhibitors age 13 and older will be able to purchase up to 40 single-day exhibitor admission tickets at a special price of \$8. The discounted exhibitor tickets are available at time of entry and from the Fair's business office through Aug. 7. These tickets will not be available at the gate, and they do not include exhibitor parking.

The 2024 Missouri State Fair, themed "Summer's Best Story" is Aug. 8-18, in Sedalia.



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AUCTION LOCATION: MODERN MATURITY BUILDING 104 EAST JOE STREET, VANDALIA, MO 63382

PROPERTY LOCATION: 19840 Pike County Road 461, Curryville, MO 63339

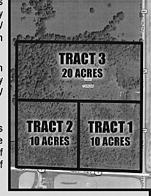
Directions: From the 4-way stop on Highway 54 in Vandalia, MO, go south on Main Street (Highway W) for 4/10 mile to Highway V, turn left, go east 3.6 miles to the property on the left. The property lies in the northwest corner of the intersection of Highway V and Pike County Road 461.

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KK. Plum B-N-More veral White MTN. Ice Cream Freezer (NEW) Several All American

Pressure Cookers Several Enterprize Sausage Stuffers

Chum (NEAT PC) 45 Gal. Cast Iron Kettle 20 Gal. Cast Iron Kettle

35 Gal. Copper Kettle Several Anvils 75 LB To 150 LB

Shackles With Ball-N-Chain Trailer Load Yard-N-Garden Decor Including Spinners, Chickens,

Oil Bottles With Carrier

COWHIDES Set Longhoms Chrome Steer Head

8' Alum, Sinclair Dino (Green)

QUILTS Several Quilts Consigned **But No Description**

Various Sizes-N-Makes

TOYS

Gold Settings 1912 Waltham 17 Jewel With Gold Settings

GRANDFATHER CLOCKS 56 Howard Miller Anniversary (Oak) 3 Chimes With

Second Hand With Crank Hand, 3 Chimes, Bevel Glass On 3 Sides Only Plays Westminster

Chimes Ridgeway Red Oak Cranker

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(10) Walking Liberty Halves

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1 oz. Silver Bar

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HOW DID JESUS TREAT WOMEN?

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esus modeled brotherly love to men and women alike. But sadly, the cultural norm into which Jesus was born was for men to treat women as second-class citizens, or even worse, more like property. Jesus radically revealed the character of His Father's impartial love for all His children by privately and publicly demonstrating respect for His daughters. Jesus loved them, He cherished them, He honored them and valued them. He treated women radically different than the culture of His day demanded. Jesus's example teaches all of us God's warning against making up man-made rules and norms that violate Biblical teachings (Mark 7:7-8).

A well-known example of Jesus's surprisingly tender treatment to women is when He spoke with the Samaritan woman at the public well (John 4). He discussed theology with her. He revealed Himself as the Messiah to her. He gave the first of His famous "I AM" statements to her, which together framed the theological backbone of the Gospel of John. This Samaritan woman became an evangelist to her village. The Jewish culture prohibited Jesus from speaking to women in public, but Jesus was committed to the Glory of God, not to the traditions of men. In His pursuit of exemplifying God's love, Jesus crossed many man-made barriers. He crossed the ethnic barrier; she was a Samaritan. He crossed the gender barrier; she was a woman. He crossed the holiness barrier; she was, by her own confession, a sinful woman. And He crossed the traditional theological barrier, in that He discussed the Holy Scriptures with her, as He did with many women, elevating the worth of an eternal soul above a cultural stereotype.

In Luke 10:38-42 Jesus invested in Mary's soul, as she sat at His feet, clinging to His every word. To our modern way of thinking that does not seem very radical. But the Jewish patriarchal mindset declared that it would be better to burn the Torah in the fire than to teach the Hebrew Scriptures to a woman. The Jewish culture did not want women learning from the Holy Scriptures. It is also important to note that Mary, while sitting at the feet of Jesus, was taking the position of a disciple, as disciples would humble themselves to learn at the feet of their Rabbi. Martha was not just complaining to Jesus that Mary was leaving her to do the housework by herself, but she was possibly making a veiled statement that she disapproved of her sister sitting and learning at Jesus's feet, scandalous for women in their culture. Tender with both of Lazarus's sisters, Jesus told Martha that Mary's opportunity to learn God's Word would not be denied her (Luke 10:42). In stating that her priorities were in order, Jesus was encouraging both sisters to not just learn the Scriptures, but as His Rabbinical students they would be expected to teach what they learned to other women as well. Jesus was teaching Mary—and all His disciples—to become soul winners, the very effect He had on the woman at the well, who joyfully led her entire village to the long-awaited Messiah (John 4:28-30).

In Luke 11:27-28 Jesus is teaching, and suddenly a woman cries out, "Blessed is the woman who gave You birth, and nursed You." In the Jewish culture a woman's value came primarily through giving birth to a male child. The woman was simply stating the traditional Rabbinic blessing. Women were considered blessed (indirectly) through their son or husband who could learn the Torah and participate at the synagogue. Jesus corrected this belief by saying that a person's greater, eternal value comes through obedience to hearing God's Word and doing it. As noble as giving birth is, Jesus redefined the woman's value in society as more than her biological and nurturing function of procreating. Without question, the Bible clearly teaches the blessedness of being a mother. But Jesus was calling all women, single and married, those who had given birth, and those who hadn't, to the highest calling of being "spiritual mothers". In emphasizing that marriage and having children is not what completes a woman, Jesus offered a new standard. It is hearing God's Word, obeying it, and aiding the Holy Spirit. Sisters in Christ, if you are not married, Jesus says you are blessed if you hear God's Word and obey it (Luke 11:28)! Having a husband and children are both wonderful blessings from God. But from God's eternal perspective, turning your own (or someone else's) biological child into a child of the King and becoming their spiritual parent (1 Corinthians 4:15) is an even greater blessing that lasts forever!

A CALL TO ALL WOMEN TO BE A SPIRITUAL MOTHER

The Bible calls for women to *model* godly character and to *teach* other women in the meaningful context of their lives. He wanted the older women to show and tell what godly womanhood looked like in everyday life. Spiritual motherhood is, in one word, discipleship. It covers the spectrum from evangelism to nurturing others to spiritual maturity. It is in part a woman's response to the Great Commission, teaching younger women to observe everything Christ commanded (Matthew 28:20). Spiritual motherhood is not a second-rate role given to women who are unable to have biological children, but the high calling God puts on every woman's life (Matthew 28:18-20), because God's way has always been to pass truth from life to life (2 Timothy 2:2) and from generation to generation (Psalm 145:4). Ideally, in almost any season of life, the same woman may be both an older and younger woman, teaching those younger than her, and learning from those older than her.

When Paul refers to these exemplary older women in the church, he does not mention their giftings, but he highlights their character. He does not mention a specific age or threshold; he emphasizes their spiritual maturity. His primary concern is whether they can model godly womanhood to the younger women through their reverent behavior, wholesome speech, and self-control (Titus 2:3; 2:7). Because unlike those who profess to know God but deny Him by their works (Titus 1:16), a spiritual mother affirms God's Word with her life. Her example is clear, and she can say with Paul, "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ" (1 Corinthians 11:1).

She has learned to rule her tongue, and she has learned to anchor her emotions to truth rather than the other way around. She has learned how to yield in love to those placed in authority over her. She has learned to apply her joy in the Gospel to her practice of forgiveness. She has stayed faithful to God, exemplifying hope, through seasons of discouragement and trials. She has not lived perfectly, but by God's grace, she has lived faithfully. What makes her uniquely qualified to be a spiritual mother is her tested character. And she adds to her godly qualities a sincere desire to use these virtues to raise up more and more "spiritual children", because she's also called to teach what is good, and so train the young women (Titus 2:3-5).

In Titus's time, as well as ours, many false teachers must be silenced since they are upsetting whole families (Titus 1:10-11). In any generation, Satan and this world love to tear apart and redefine womanhood, whether by abuse and oppression or any number of other ungodly distortions. So, older women not only model, but also teach sound doctrine so that the younger women are not deceived by their culture's lies regarding who God is, who they are, and what is biblical. In instructing older women to teach what is good, Paul does not ask them to teach anything new. They are to call good what God calls good (Isaiah 5:20), to teach what God says (Titus 2:1), to teach that God's design and role for women is to teach their spiritual children to renounce "ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world" (Titus 2:12). Instruct, rebuke, train, declare, exhort, remind, insist; these are some of the words God uses to describe every Christian's calling to faithfully teach His Word: "If you love Me, then feed My lambs" (John 21:15). Spiritual mothers know the truth, the times, and they teach their spiritual children diligently. They read and study Scripture together. They give them counsel, spend time with them, speaking and applying God's Word at every opportunity (Deuteronomy 6:7). The radiant glow of a spiritual mother's life isn't from herself, but from Christ alive in her (Colossians 1:27)! So, when she combines faithful teaching with faithful living, her influence is farreaching. She equips the next generation of women to defend God's Word (Titus 2:5), and to, one day, show them how to adorn the Gospel, too (Titus 2:10). Paul knew what it meant to be a spiritual parent, and he painfully labored to see Christ formed in his children (Galatians 4:19). He gently nurtured them (1 Thessalonians 2:7). He shared with them not only the Gospel, but his very self (1 Thessalonians 2:8). He loved them with the affections of Christ (Philippians 1:8). Concern for them weighed on his mind (2 Corinthians 11:28). Paul spent himself for the sake of his spiritual children (2 Corinthians 12:15), and he prayed for them on his knees (Ephesians 3:14).

Women and girls, ever maturing in their faith, nurture other women and girls like this (1 Timothy 4:12). I pray that God would raise up more spiritual mothers among us who pour their lives—their hearts, their time, their resources, even their sweat and tears—into other women and girls. Spiritual motherhood is costly. It demands much of you, much like raising a child into mature adulthood. But the hardest work of spiritual motherhood has already been accomplished by Christ (Ephesians 2:4-5), in giving life to sinners and securing (Galatians 4:4-7) their place in His family. Missionary Amy Carmichael, who never married or experienced physical childbearing, became the spiritual mother to hundreds of eternal offspring before God called her Home at age 83 in 1951. Her legacy lives on through her countless spiritual grandchildren and her words—to Christian women and Christian men alike— should ignite a fire within all of us:

"Count the cost, for Jesus tells us to take your accounting of the number of your spiritual children to the foot of the cross and add up the figures there." And then count the reward: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit" (John 12:24).

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Silex March Students Of The Month

Silex Junior and Senior High Students of the Month are, from left: High School/Middle School Principal, Robert James; 12th grade - Abagail Mooney; 11th grade - JW Noxon; 10th grade - Audrey Lindsey; 9th grade - Emery Heffner; 8th grade - Jack Johnson; and 7th grade - Hank Mooney. Not pictured is Brooklyn Rose - 6th grade.

WE WELCOME YOUR LOCAL NEWS

DHSS Issues Health Advisory Regarding Risks Associated With Consumption of Hemp-Derived Intoxcating Cannabinoids

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) has issued a vital health advisory concerning the potential risks associated with the consumption of hemp-derived intoxicating cannabinoids. This advisory comes as a response to a recent increase in availability of products containing hemp-derived intoxicating cannabinoids and the emerging concerns regarding the health effects of these substances, especially among youth.

These intoxicating compounds are currently untested in humans, unregulated and sold to the public without restriction. Until safety data is available for human consumption, Missourians are advised to avoid these products.

According to the advisory released by DHSS, hemp-derived intoxicating cannabinoids, including but not limited to delta-8 THC, delta-10 THC, and THC-P, have been found in various products available in the market. These cannabinoids, while de-

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Currently, a wide variety of foods, beverages, purported dietary supplements, and other commodities containing hemp-derived compounds, both intoxicating and non-intoxicating, are available online and in traditional brick-and-mortar establishments in Missouri. These products are marketed progressively and assertively in eye-catching ways to attract public consumption, particularly that of young consumers.

Consumption of hemp-derived intoxicating cannabinoids puts individuals at risk for poisoning, unintended intoxication, contaminants and byproduct effects on the body, impaired driving and more.

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"It is highly concerning how accessible these products are to the public, especially our youth," said Paula F. Nickelson, director

of DHSS. "There is no way for consumers to know exactly what is in the product they are consuming and just how intoxicating it may be."

Missouri consumers are urged to only purchase cannabis-in-fused products from state-licensed dispensaries. These regulated facilities adhere to strict quality control measures and provide transparent information about the contents and potential risks associated with their products.

If a product is sold outside of a Missouri-regulated cannabis dispensary, product labels should be checked when possible to identify and avoid the following product ingredients, which are hemp-derived intoxicating cannabinoids: Delta-8 THC, Delta-6 THC, Delta-10 THC, Delta-11 THC, THC-A, THC-O, THC-P, THC-V, THC-JD, PHC, HHC, HHC-P and HXC. However, it is important to note there is no regulatory authority verifying these product labels are accurate





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