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'I Want Brave Men To Shoot Me'

Confederate Executed After Capture In Pike County

Editor's note: Following is the conclusion of a story series by contributing writer Brent Engel.

The final days of Confederate butcher James Jackson were as enigmatic as many of his exploits during the Civil War.

One certainty is that the ruthless raider didn't receive a military trial, and the question almost 160 years later is whether he deserved one.

Jackson dispassionately murdered men, women and children with acute indifference. He terrorized black people, left scornful notes on victims' corpses and relentlessly taunted authorities.

The beginning of his end came on June 13, 1865 — more than two months after the Confederacy formally surrendered to the Union in Virginia.

Jackson and 15 of his followers rode to the Boone County Fairgrounds at Columbia under a white flag of truce. They had been assured of immunity by Republican Gov. Thomas Fletcher, and each of them signed a required loyalty oath.

Six other notorious rebel leaders also gave up. Author Bruce Nichols said the surrender "ended most of the remaining bushwhacker resistance" in Northeast Missouri.

Fletcher's advice to leave the state "was probably the best advice ever given to these veteran warriors considering the prevalent public opinion against several of them," Nichols added.

Jackson and a buddy, William Farley, decided to head to Illinois, but took their time about it. They "paid for

this bullheadedness with their lives," Nichols wrote.

On June 25, a posse hunting for a Mexico horse thief came across the two men near Spencerburg in northwest Pike County.

"He was armed, well mounted and showed fight," the Macon Times said of Jackson. Other accounts say the two were caught by surprise and gave up without trouble.

The Union men turned their prisoners over to an Audrain County militia unit, which planned to take them back to Mexico.

At Santa Fe, residents recognized the pair and "demanded that they be summarily dispatched," the St. Louis Democrat noted. Jackson declared "I want brave men to shoot me."

The exact date and manner of the executions don't survive. Most accounts say the two were shot on June 26. Others say they were hanged. In any event, there were no tears.

"Few and short were the prayers they said," the St. Louis paper noted. "They died, as many others had by their hands, unshriven of their sins."

Papers around the country carried the news, and questions later arose. Author Matthew C. Hulbert notes Jackson was killed "without a formal trial, military or civilian," but that "Unionists in Pike County and the Audrain militiamen made what probably seemed the only decision that could guarantee the long-term safety of their homes moving forward."

Other former Confederate

guerillas died violently, but Jackson's case was different. His only alleged crime after the official end of the war was a stagecoach heist, and his involvement wasn't certain.

Hulbert writes it was Jackson's "wartime record as a guerilla commander" that sealed his fate. The New York Herald said it was "certain death to a rebel" who was part of Jackson's gang or those of other guerillas.

"There is a distinction in the interior between rebels who were in the Southern army as legitimate soldiers from the beginning of the war and those who joined gangs of bushwhackers and in raids on the property of their neighbors," the newspaper added.

Hulbert says the "fundamental nature of guerilla warfare" caught up with Jackson because he "waged war without regard for the consequences that would accompany a losing effort."

Infamy cut both ways, Hulbert said, writing that Jackson "exploited and enjoyed his notoriety, to be sure," but that the "ill-repute also came with a steep price: post-war anonymity became a complete impossibility."

Jackson was an unrepentant cut-throat whose death at the hands of authorities probably was inevitable. But, as Hulbert points out, the man's evil nature didn't pardon that the execution without trial took place after he had laid down arms and been expunged of wartime crimes.

"Therein, for better or worse, Jim Jackson was essentially the victim of a state-sanctioned murder in June 1865," the author said.

However Briefly, Fort Pike Kept Missouri Safe



The former location of Fort Pike is now a recreation area along the Des Moines River at St. Francisville.

A primitive outpost helped to keep the Black Hawk War from coming to Missouri.

A fort was built in June 1832 near what is now St. Francisville in Clark County. The leader of the Pike County militia unit which undertook the job was Adam Mase, a Kentucky leather dealer who had moved to Frankford in 1819.

The garrison originally was called Camp Weaver's Springs, but Mase renamed it Fort Pike.

Rumors persisted that the Sauk tribe leader known as Black Hawk planned to expand his battle against U.S. troops to Missouri, but the fort saw no action. Still, the military saw it as a deterrent against invasion.

Mase and his men returned home on July 18 and Black Hawk surrendered the next month. By September, Fort Pike had been abandoned.

The site later was used as a ferry landing. Today, it is a recreational area maintained by the Missouri Department of Conservation near the old St. Francisville bridge.

Bowling Green Actor Makes Final Film

Pike County native Jack Daugherty never got to see his final film.

The actor and stuntman committed suicide a month before "The Main Event" was released on June 22, 1938.

He was born Virgil Ashley Dougherty in Bowling Green on Nov. 16, 1895. He later changed the second letter in his last name to "a" and used the more regal-sounding first

name "Jack."

The family moved to California when Daugherty was young. He appeared in Broadway musicals before making his first film in 1915. Upon returning from service with the Marines during World War I, the actor picked up where he'd left off.

Daugherty had known actress Barbara La Marr since she was a dancer in Chicago,

but did not fall head-over-heels until they met again in Hollywood in 1921.

The six-foot-one-inch, freckle-faced, red-headed Missouri boy had a rough-edged talent, and was courageous to the point that some might call crazy.

To Be Continued Next Week



Clarksville VFW Receives All State Award

The Clarksville Memorial VFW Post 4610 Commander Herbert Everett and Quartermaster Robert LaForte received the All State Award on behalf of the post on the evening of Friday, June 7 at the Missouri Veterans of Foreign Wars Convention in Springfield. The award was presented by Department of Missouri Commander Charles Williams and National VFW Counsel John Mucklebauer. The award included a plaque for display and certificate. The award is a testament to the dedication and effort of Post 4610 Membership throughout the year, and is based on the post's work in several areas: Community Involvement, Veteran's Assistance, POW-MIA, Americanism and other areas. They are designated as the Commander-All State Captain and Quartermaster-All State Co-Captain, respectively by the Missouri Department of Missouri. The commander always states that without the support of the auxiliary this could not be accomplished, working together is what it is all about.

Summer Food Lunch Program At Eastern Missouri Family YMCA

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, around 22 million kids receive free or reduced-cost meals thanks to the National School Lunch Program.

However, once the school year ends, only 17 percent of those same kids are able to access free meals over the summer break, leaving many children without during the summer months.

The Eastern Missouri Family YMCA, Vandalia, is not just about providing meals, but also about creating a fun and engaging environment for our young participants. In addition to a nutritious lunch, kids will have the opportunity to play basketball and pickleball in the YMCA gym with their friends.

They are also offering two free craft programs during the five-week lunch program. The program runs weekdays from June 24 - July 26 and is closed on July 4.

The volunteer-operated

program is part of the Y's year-round effort to address child hunger while providing a combination of learning activities and programs throughout the year.

During the 2023 program, the Eastern Missouri Family YMCA served over 1000 meals. Volunteers have prepared and served the meals each summer since the YMCA program began in 2019.

The 2024 Summer Food Program begins June 24 in the Y Café, with weekday service from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Children may eat lunch at the YMCA or take their meals home. A parent must be present with the child to take meals home. NEW this year, in addition to the regular lunch service from Monday through Friday, lunches will be distributed on Fridays from 12:45 p.m.-1:15 p.m., for Saturday and Sunday meals.

The Summer Food Lunch Program is open to all fami-

lies with children 18 years and younger, regardless of income. They believe that every child should have access to a nutritious meal, and we invite you to join us at the Y during serving hours, provide your name, and enjoy a healthy lunch.

"Hunger has a lasting impact on the development of children," says Debbie Hopke, branch director. "Giving kids access to nutrition-filled meals allows kids to focus, learn, and become empowered to reach their full potential. The Y's Summer Food Program helps ensure kids enjoy healthy and delicious meals and snacks all summer."

Call or stop by to learn more about your local YMCA's Summer Food Program. Like our Facebook page, Eastern Missouri Family YMCA, and our Instagram page, vandaliaymca, to stay updated with programs, activities, and fitness classes.



Flag History Flag History At Honey Shuck

Rebecca Glenn offered a lesson on the history of the Missouri flag during the Saturday, June 1 season opening at Champ Clark's Bowling Green home, Honey Shuck. Pictured listening are, from left, Champ Clark Honey Shuck Restoration Inc. Board Members Joy Davis, Charlene McCune and Harriet Meissen. The Missouri and American flags on display were donated recently by State Rep. Chad Perkins, R-40, of Bowling Green. Honey Shuck will be open for tours from 1-4 p.m., Fridays in June and July.

Community News

From The Mayor's Desk...

In a study by AARP, American Association of Retired People, conducted a "Who has the cheapest groceries," Aldi was rated #1 between Target, Wal Mart, and them. Second place was Wal Mart.

However, the trick to finding the cheapest prices is to check the unit price versus the shelf sticker price. Food prices since the current administration are up 25 percent AARP states, "more than 9 million older adults face food struggles in affordability and adequate food."

This applies to low, moderate and middle-class incomes. As a result, more people have had to resort to government vouchers, food banks, (like our Hope Center), and/or dependence on churches, non-profits, family members or neighbors sharing.

Another interesting stat from the Department of Labor Statistics states, "jobs will see the most demand for workers from now through 2052. This means businesses must complete harder to hire and keep good workers which translates into higher salaries, more flexibility in hours, and better benefits and amenities." (DLS).

The following are sentences that might change your mindset after this first paragraph.

1. Choose your friends wisely. You become better when you surround yourself with better people.
2. Be grateful for the little things in your life that bring you peace and purpose.
3. The harder you work the luckier you will get. Have a purpose where life has meaning and significance.
4. Control yourself and not others. Significance comes from

being a part of a family-your relatives, church family, volunteer organizations, and/or your Bowling Green family.

5. Control your reactions. Don't overreact. Controlling yourself as you grow and roles that define you, change, don't let circumstances out of your control define who you are.

6. Get plugged into the vibrancy of life in Bowling Green. Bowling Green needs you to invest in our city, not financially but with your physical presence and what you have to offer to others, your neighborhood and community.

Everyone has a story to tell. Find purpose, significance, joy, and fulfillment in our wonderful community. Be fearless in using your strengths and talents to pursue new paradigms and directions.



JIM ARICO, MAYOR
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

Come to Music in the Park Saturday, June 22 at 7 p.m., Bring your lawn chair and enjoy good music and fellowship. Our Bowling Green Public Library starts its Summer Reading Program in July. The theme is Adventures Begin at Your Library. Pre-K through second grade is 9:30-10:30 a.m., and 3rd through 6th grade is 11 a.m.-noon. The dates are every Wednesday, July 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31.

Love Thy Neighbor projects start on June 23 with an organizational meeting and the selected projects will be worked on June 24-27.

The Kaleo Dade Memorial Scholarship Softball Tournament is Saturday and Sunday June 28-29 at the Bowling Green ball diamonds. Contact Tiffany Coleman-Dade on the tournament Facebook page for more information.

Clopton Junior High, High School Awards

Clopton Junior High and High School students received the following awards at assemblies held on May 24, 2024.

Art Excellence Awards: 6th grade - Kynneddy Hallows, Hailey Traw.

7th grade - LeeAnna Rogers, Libby Wilson.

8th grade Art - Jason Hoffman, Shelby Wright

High School - Brookelynn Holt, Siena Carnahan

Outstanding Freshman - Wyatt Myers.

Student Making the Most Progress - Marijayne Goad.

Best All Around Girl (Grades 9-11) - Campbell Lindsay

Best All Around Boy (Grades 9-11) - Kain Eivins

NFHS (National Federation of High Schools)

Award of Excellence - Bailey Baker

Scholar Bowl MVP - Finn O'Brien; Honorable Mention MVP - Chris Ferguson

History Awards: American History - 3rd hr. - Wyatt Myers 6th hr. - Siena Carnahan

Modern World - Gracey MacLaughlin

American Government - 1st hr. - Jaden Williamson

5th hr. - Lauren Blackwell

Ancient Civilizations - Finn O'Brien, Avenley Mitchell

6th Grade Initiative Award for History - Vivienne Woods

6th Grade Departmental Award - Ava Adams

7th Grade Initiative Award for Geography - Briley VanBebber

7th Grade Departmental Award - Beau Beauchamp

8th Grade Initiative Award for History - Luke Lindsay

8th Grade Departmental Award - Jason Hoffman

Science Awards: Chemistry & Anatomy - Lauren Blackwell

Zoology Top Students - Bailey Baker, Hayden Howland, Jordan Jennewein, Abby Tadlock

Zoology Academic Excellence - Ashton Oakes

Physical Science Top Students - Jackson Hayden, Bobbi Jo Kaimann, Wyatt Myers, Storie Talbert, Corey Umfleet

Physical Science Most Thorough - Macy Enloe

Biology I - Academic Achievement - Malachi Barton, Mick Evans, Katherine Truetken

Biology Maintained an A all 4 Quarters: Campbell Lindsay, Gracey MacLaughlin, Kyle West

Biology Character Award - Campbell Lindsay

Biology Top Student: Finn O'Brien

Forensics Top Student - Gabe Pruitt

6th Grade Science - Academic Excellence - Ava Adams

7th Grade Life Science - Top Student - Colin Lindsay

Character Award

7th grade Science - Carter Spangler

Perseverance Award 7th grade Science - Beau Beauchamp

Most Improved 7th grade Science - Karli Barkley

8th Grade Science Top Students - Lainie Tate, Luke Lindsay, Trey Spoonster

Strong Science Concepts 8th grade - Vincent Duering, Richard Lanvermeier, Aries Tobias, Shelby Wright

Vocabulary - Taydem Roberts

Language Arts Awards: American Literature Top Students - Ashton Oakes, Skylar Parker, Marine Persyn, Abby Tadlock, Jaden Williamson

Most Improved - Lauren Blackwell, Ray Reading

College Prep English Top Students - Peter Daskalakis, Kain Eivins, Rileigh Kuntz, Adam Lindsay

College Prep English Most Improved - Josh Harvey

English II Top Students: Campbell Lindsay, Carlyn Lockard, Gracey MacLaughlin, Avenley Mitchell, Finn O'Brien, Sophie Simmons, Kyle West

English I Highest Honors - Braxton Jelinek, Bobbi Jo Kaimann, Storie Talbert, Wyatt Myers, Chris Grillo

English I Most Improved - Bradyn Clark, Isabella Craig, Olivia Meyer

Fantasy Literature Top Student - Marine Persyn

Fantasy Literature Most Improved - Trinity Tadlock

6th Grade Academic Excellence - Ava Adams, Vivienne Woods, Ian West

7th Grade Academic Excellence - Beau Beauchamp, Colin Lindsay

8th Grade Academic Excellence - Madelynn Williams, Luke Lindsay

Math Awards (High Achievement): 6th gr. Math - Ian West, Ava Adams, Paisleigh Spoonster, Bryson VanBebber, Tessa Evans

7th gr. Math - Donald Barber, Austin Dillon

7th gr. Pre-Algebra - Beau Beauchamp, Bailey Land, Colin Lindsay

Innitiative Award - Ridge Mitchell

8th gr. Algebra I - Trey Spoonster

8th gr. Pre-Algebra - Jason Hoffman, Tyler West

Pre-Algebra - Coleman Palmer

Applied Algebra I - Richard Jones

Applied Algebra II - Makinley Carr, Teagan Craig

Algebra I - Camden Lilley

Algebra II - Carlyn Lockard, Marine Persyn

Geometry (Top Students) - Siena Carnahan, Mick Evans, Campbell Lindsay, Gracey MacLaughlin, Adam Matheny, Avenley Mitchell, Ashton Oakes, Finn O'Brien,

Community Calendar...

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

On June 30: At the Antioch Cemetery flowers that are in the path of mowing and wished to be kept will need to be removed by June 30.

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Community News

Mizzou Releases Spring Dean's List

The University of Missouri maintains a reputation for excellence and setting high standards for academics. And Tigers rise to the occasion. This spring, 10,491 undergraduate students earned a spot on the dean's list, exemplifying determination, drive and success.

Area students named to the list include: Farber - Devyn Rae Keller, junior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources.

Laddonia - Elizabeth Caroline Northcutt, junior, Health Sciences

Lauryn Grace Robnett senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Tucker C Robnett, sophomore, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Colin Ross Wilburn, senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Vandalia: Ennis Edward Childs, junior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Panna Marie Connaway, senior, Education & Human Development

Cameron Blake Jones, junior, Arts & Science

Bowling Green - Paiyton Michelle Burnett, senior, Health Sciences

Shay S. Butler, senior, Health Sciences

Joshua Alan Carroll, junior, Engineering

Hannah Dallas Drew, senior, Arts & Science

Brandon L Gamm, sophomore, Engineering

Anthony Thomas Grote Senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Brenan Quinn Grote, senior

Andrea Suzanne Korte, junior, Health Sciences

Evan Scott Meyer, senior, Business

Madeline Sabina Norton, senior

Cale David Shotton, senior, Arts & Science

Elizabeth Haley Truelove, senior, Arts & Science

Adam Richard Twellman, senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Clarksville - Mary Margaret Ann Garrett, senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Laura Michelle Huckstep, senior, Journalism

Curryville - Auroara Nicole Efnor, junior, Health Sciences

Kelley LeeAnn Lewis, junior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Eolia - Taylor Marie Akers, senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Madelyn Elsie Brune, sophomore, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Zakk Christian Eivins, senior, Business

Kari Jo Leake, senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Kendall Adele Smith, junior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Frankford - Makenzie Lynae Burroughs, senior, Education & Human Development

Dylan Omer Dalton, junior, Business

Caleigh Elisabeth Grote, senior

Jonah N Jones, senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Louisiana - Olivia Grace Blackmore, senior

Tegan Elin Carrington, senior, Business

Jordan Allen Luck, junior, Health Sciences

Fengxiang Tan, junior, Business

Paynesville - Avery Magee Hall, senior, Agr-Food & Nat Resources

Area Students Receive MO State Scholarships

Missouri State University recently awarded scholarships to incoming students for the 2024-25 academic year.

These students were selected from those who applied based on their ACT scores, GPA, standing in graduating class, and leadership shown in community and school activities.

Area students include: Laddonia - Jordyn Oligschlaeger, Board of Governors Scholarship.

Carmen Wilburn, Academic Achievement Scholarship.

Vandalia - Kirsten Scott, Transfer Academic Scholarship.

Lingering Effects Of Recent Cicada Emergence

Cicadas Cause Tree, Shrub Damage

The cicada symphony may be coming to an end, but the effects of the performers are becoming apparent. Calls and emails are beginning to come into University of Missouri Extension offices from homeowners reporting the ends of many tree branches are turning brown and dropping off.

"In the past few days I have answered more than a dozen inquiries related to cicada damage," said Hank Stelzer, MU Extension's forestry state specialist.

Unlike their annual cicada cousins that emerge each year in July and August, adult periodical cicadas from Brood XIX have surfaced after living 13 years underground and are mating. The females then make narrow slits in the new twig growth.

"Females lay eggs in a series of slits in pencil-sized twigs in trees," said Tamra Reall, MU Extension horticulture specialist. Each female can lay 400-600 eggs in total.

After 6-10 weeks, the eggs hatch and the new nymphs drop from the trees, burrow underground, locate a suitable tree root for feeding and begin their 13-year development.

"Cicadas use a wide variety of woody plants as a host," Stelzer said. "They pre-

fer apple, hickory, maple and oak trees. They also target birch, willow, linden and elm trees."

Shrubs, including blueberry, rose, lilac and forsythia, may also be affected.

Conifers are rarely chosen since their needles impede egg laying and conifer sap can trap and kill eggs.

TREE IMPACTS

Damage to trees occurs when female cicadas lay their eggs in small slits on twigs.

Heavily damaged twigs may droop and block water and nutrients from reaching the leaves beyond the point where the twig droops, resulting in yellowing or browning leaves, a phenomenon called "flagging."

Some injured branches may not break off right away, but wounded areas will be weak sites that may eventually snap off in a summer storm or winter snow. "We will likely get reports over this year and into 2025," Stelzer said.

In some cases, the wounds created by female cicadas may not heal and could serve as entryways for canker diseases or other problems that might affect tree health and lead to further twig death. But healthy, mature trees can better tolerate cicada twig dam-

age and experience some harmless natural pruning.

It is not necessary to prune out any visible cicada damage on these larger trees, as dead twigs will fall off and larger branches are unaffected. For smaller, recently planted trees showing signs of cicada damage, it is best to consult a certified arborist to determine best course of action, Stelzer said.

ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

Despite the "yuck" factor, decomposing periodical cicadas bring some benefits for trees and plants. Dead cicadas will decompose quickly; most of the cicada bodies will be gone within a couple of weeks. Wings and exoskeletons may stick around a little longer. Benefits of the periodical cicadas include:

The nymph exoskeletons and adult carcasses can serve as natural fertilizer as they decay.

Increased food supply for wildlife, especially birds that are currently raising their young.

Soil aeration as the nymphs emerged from underground.

Natural pruning of outer branches, which could lead to more lateral branches and possibly more flowers and fruit in the coming years.



NECAC Food Boxes

The NECAC Pike County Service Center teamed with Families and Communities Together (FACT), the Missouri Department of Social Services and USDA to provide 30 boxes of fresh produce to local residents. Pictured is NECAC Pike County Service Coordinator Penny Dixon, left, looking over items with Stacey Lindley of Louisiana. The produce was grown by farmers in the region. In addition to the food, recipients were provided with recipes. Dixon hopes to continue the distribution through the summer. For more information, call NECAC at 573-324-2207.

Spring 2024 Central Methodist Dean's List

The office of Central Methodist University Provost Rita Gulstad announced recently the students included on the spring 2024 dean's list.

A total of 900 students across all campuses and online learning met the requirements for placement, including a grade point average of 3.50 or higher for the semester. The following local students

were among those earning the recognition:

- Morgen Celeste Billings - Bowling Green
- Alyse Kay Jensen - Vandalia
- Samantha Paige Massa - Louisiana
- Titania Madelynne Niedner - Louisiana
- Riley Layne Walker - Eolia

Jensen Earns Degree From Central Methodist

Central Methodist University celebrated its Spring 2024 commencement on May 11 in Puckett Fieldhouse on the Fayette campus. CMU alumnus Dr. David Kerr '67 gave the commencement address as a packed house of family, friends, faculty, staff, and other guests celebrated the graduates.

Students were recognized for earning degrees at the master's, bachelor's, and associate's levels.

Alyse Kay Jensen, of Vandalia was among those on the program for the event. Jensen graduated Magna Cum Laude with the following degree: bachelor of science in nursing.



Louisiana Chamber Ribbon Cutting

The Louisiana Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting June 11 at the new location of White Insurance Agency. The office is on the southeast corner at the intersection of U.S. 54 and MO 79. The former convenience store was extensively remodeled and replaces the former office at 310 Georgia. Brian, Heather and Beth White are pictured at center cutting the ribbon. They are joined by chamber members and friends.

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Housing Summit Hopes To Spark New Efforts

People attending the Tri-State Housing Summit June 13 in Hannibal were challenged to join a new effort aimed at creating more housing opportunities regionally.

Summit organizer Carla Potts of the North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) asked the audience to solve the housing crisis by being part of what she called the "Coalition of the Willing" - public and private partners who will dedicate themselves to new development and renovation of existing housing.

"We're not going to solve the problem overnight, but we can solve it one step at a time," Potts said. "What we do today matters now and matters in the future. This is not unsolvable, but it's going to take everyone of us to do it."

The summit was attended by about 100 people and featured a variety of speakers. Included were NECAC President and Chief Executive Officer Dan Page; Deke Clayborn of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; Wayne Crawford of Missouri Inclusive Housing; Jane Kelly and Hope Fick of Anchor House of Warren County; Katia Tumenko of AmeriCorps; U.S. Rep. Louis Riggs, R-5, of Hannibal; Mike Stevens of the Drew Lewis Foundation; and Community Development Block Grant representatives Justin Jackson and Brandon Jenson. Carrie Amir-dash and Alison Ross spoke about how NECAC housing programs had benefited them.

The annual event is hosted



NECAC President and Chief Executive Officer Dan Page addresses the crowd at the Tri-State Housing Summit June 13 in Hannibal. Page encouraged the audience to continue efforts aimed at new development and renovation of existing housing.

by NECAC, Two Rivers Regional Council of Quincy, Ill., and the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission of Burlington. NECAC organized the first summit in 2005. Potts said several at the summit expressed interest in being part of the newly-formed coalition. The next step is to gather for a meeting in the next month. More information is available by calling Potts at 573-324-6622.



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Pike County Fair Little Mr. & Miss Contest
Tuesday, July 23
6 p.m. - Small Stage
"Enchanted Tea Party" July 20 - 1-3 p.m.
Boy's Adventure July 18
Frog Jumping Contest
Sack Races
5:30-7 p.m.
All contestants must reside in Pike County
Registration & entry fee must be postmarked by July 12, 2024
All judges decisions are final
Winners receive sash, crown/tiara & season passers (2 - one for winner; one for parent/guardian
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Community News

OBITUARIES

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lived all but the first four years of her life on the family farm in the Clarksville area. She was a member of the Calumet Presbyterian Church, a 50+ year member of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 370, and a member of the Elkettes Lodge #791. During her life she belonged and volunteered with many organizations. She liked people and going places. She enjoyed old friends and making new ones. In her younger days she was an avid horse lover and raised all her children around horses, as well as many other farm animals. She was always trying to help someone she thought was in need.

In 1951, she married Robert A. Kleisner. To this union 2 girls were born. In 1961 she married Emmerson L. Betts. They were blessed with one son.

She is survived by her children, Brenda Kleisner, Roberta Pointer and husband, Clark, and Allan Betts and wife, Barbara; two grandchildren, Brenton Stark and wife, Jessie and Dayton Betts and wife, Miranda; five great-grandchildren; a step-daughter, Doris Dragon; and a special friend, J. B. Grothaus.

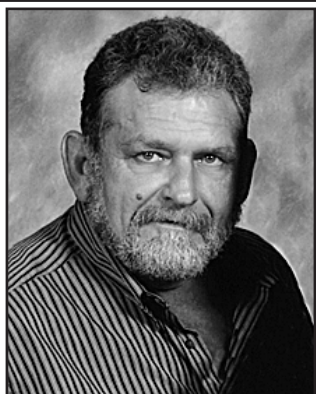
She was preceded in death by her parents, and her husband, Emmerson Betts.

Burial will be at the Greenwood Cemetery in Clarksville.

Pallbearers will be Wayne Baker, Joe Cloninger, Mike Love, David Meyers, Willard Wamsley, and Chris Wheeler.

Memorials may be made to the Calumet Presbyterian Church, c/o the funeral home.

Online condolences may be sent at collierfuneral.com.



Michael Wayne Dameron

Michael Wayne Dameron, 67, of New Hartford died at his residence on Thursday, June 13, 2024.

A Mass of Christian Burial was at 10 a.m., Monday at St. Clement Catholic Church with Fr. Lou Dorn officiating, along with Fr. Henry Ussher. Burial was in St. Clement Cemetery.

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

Mike was born Oct. 28, 1956 in Troy, the son of Robert Wayne and Florence Mae Hopke Dameron. Mike grew up in Olney and attended Silex Schools, where he graduated in 1975. A few years following graduation, Mike moved to Bowling Green. It was while working at her neighbor's farm, that Mike met and fell in love with Cathy Jean Luebrecht when he saw her driving by on a tractor.

On April 19, 1986 he married Cathy at St. Clement Catholic Church and that following year they moved to

New Hartford, where they reside today. Mike was a partner with his father in the trucking business until he became sole owner in 1992. In 2010, Mike retired from trucking and began working for Crop Production Services in Bowling Green until his health forced him into retirement in 2014.

Mike enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle. One of his highlights of time on his bike was riding to Minnesota to see the start of the Mississippi River. He also spent many years pulling antique John Deere tractors. He was a member of St. Clement Catholic Church and regularly attended Sacred Heart Parish in Vandalia. Mike loved being active and working, but above all, Mike loved his family.

He leaves behind his wife, Cathy of 38 years; a sister, Emily Marie Orf and husband, Charles "Buzz" of Bowling Green; an uncle, Jack Dameron; nieces, Tina Dube and husband, Gerry, and Dena Conners and husband, Matt; and adopted grandchildren, Wyatt Brown and Kalli Jo Brown.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Roberta Schulze.

Serving as pallbearers were Kyle Burris, Jim Craig, Mike Hagenhoff, Kris Burris, Joe Klott, and Alan Feldman. Serving as honorary pallbearers were Wyatt Brown, Kalli Jo Brown, Tina Dube, and Dena Conners.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital and Pike County Home Health and Hospice.

Dreisewerd Earns Dean's List

The office of Central Methodist University Provost Rita Gulstad announced recently the students included on the Spring 2024 dean's list.

A total of 900 students across all campuses and on-line learning met the requirements for placement, including a grade point average of 3.50 or higher for the semester.

Dagny Dreisewerd, of Elsberry, was among those who earned recognition by the University.



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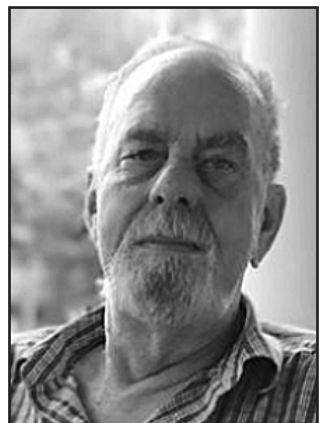
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William 'Bill' Kerns

William "Bill" Kerns, 78 of Hannibal died Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at his home in Hannibal.

There are no services planned at this time.

Arrangements for cremation are under the direction of the James O'Donnell Funeral Home in Hannibal.

Bill was born July 26, 1945 near Cyrene, on the family farm to Leslie and Garnett Lovell Kerns. He was married on Oct. 11, 1969 to Pat Leake in St. Clement. She survives.

Also surviving are one granddaughter, Tallin Sims; and one bonus daughter, Liza Martin.

Bill was preceded in death by his son, Thadd Christopher Kerns; his parents and his mother-in-law, Helen Leake.

Bill was veteran of the United States Air Force, serving during the Vietnam War era.

Over his career Bill farmed and later operated the Kerns Sales and Service Company in St. Clement that was a lawn and garden business.

In later years he taught at the Hannibal Vocational and Technical Center and worked in sales at both Lowe's and Home Depot. He was also a co-owner of Kerns Carpet Cleaning.

Away from work Bill enjoyed life's simple pleasures, sitting on his front porch visiting with friends and neighbors. He also liked to play cards with friends, with Double Deck GI pinochle being one of his favorite games. Woodworking, traveling with his wife and simply spending time at home were a few of Bill's favorites. He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice in Bill's name.

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Thank you to everyone that shared his special memories.

Your support has been a great source of comfort to our families at this difficult time.

A special thank you to the Pike County Sheriff's Dept., Pike County EMS, Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes, Eastern MO Commission Co. - Sale Barn, Bowling Green School District, Bowling Green Football Program, and the Pike County Fair Board.

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