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## Delicious Treats At Clarksville Chili Cookoff

Paige Hazlett of Clarksville takes a sample from the Mary's Chili stand at the 26th annual Missouri State Chili Cook-Off June 9 in Clarksville. Cookers from around the Midwest offered crowds a taste of their recipes. An early afternoon windstorm damaged some tents, but the event went on. Proceeds benefit the Raintree Arts Council, which covers Pike and Lincoln counties.

## New Harmony Church Anniversary Celebration To Begin Friday, June 15 With Lots Of Activities

The New Harmony Christian Church will be celebrating their 175th anniversary on Friday, June 15, with activities throughout the day.

The church will be open for anyone wanting to come by during the day. There will be memorabilia and pictures on display.

A light supper will be served at 6 p.m. A "celebration photo" will be taken in front of the church at 6:45 p.m. This "tradition" began when

the church celebrated its 60th anniversary in 1903.

Champ Clark was the speaker and an estimated 2000 attended. They want to include as many in the photo as can attend this year! A history of the church will be presented at 7 p.m., along with some special recognitions being included at that time. The evening will conclude with an anniversary cake being shared. Everyone is invited to attend this historic celebration.

## Vandalia Pool Crew Has Training Following Incident With Breastfeeding Mother

Workers at the Vandalia city pool had training this week after an incident with a breastfeeding mother that occurred last week.

Alix Guthrie had her two young children at the pool, along with her mother and best friend. Guthrie said they were having a great time and that her two-year-old daughter was having a blast. At one point in the afternoon, Guthrie's four-month-old son began to cry because he was hungry. Guthrie said she took her son to a quiet area to nurse him as her mother and friend stayed in the pool with her daughter.

"The manager came over and said she needed to talk to me," Guthrie said. "She told me that some kids reported they were em-

barrassed by me nursing my son."

Esther Robinson manages the pool and requested Guthrie to cover her son as she fed him or go to the bathroom or somewhere else.

"It was more than 90 degrees out that day. I asked if she wanted to eat under a blanket or in a bathroom," Guthrie said. "I offered to speak to the kids and parents who were confused by what I was doing but she said that wouldn't be necessary. She told me it was illegal for me to breastfeed in public like that."

Guthrie said she was discreet and that no one could see anything from where she was sitting.

"I'm going to feed my son when he's hungry."

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## Champ Clark Bridge Project Discussed In Louisiana Museum Summer Program

The Louisiana Area Historical Museum, located at 304 Georgia Street in Louisiana, presented another program for "kids of all ages" at the Museum on June 6.

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who is Deputy Project Manager for the construction of the new bridge being built across the Mississippi at Louisiana, shared details about the construction process.

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Brandi Baldwin, a civil engineer who is Deputy Project Manager for the construction of the new bridge being built across the Mississippi at Louisiana, shared details about the construction process during a program at the Louisiana Museum recently.

## Pike County Fair Board Announces Schedule, Changes For 2018 Event

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The annual Pike County Fair is coming soon and will feature many of the favorites fair-goers have come to expect and there will also be changes to the schedule this year.

The biggest change will be no concerts on Saturday night. Previously the fair had ended with a big name in country music along with some local talent. Tim Gamm, of the Fair Board, noted that board members have wanted to try something different for a while now. He added that securing the talent has become such an extraordinary expense.

"It's hard to keep up."

Instead of the concert on Saturday night, the day will feature local tractor pulling and the evening will

end with the Lucas Oil Pro-Pulling League will hold a sanctioned event on Saturday night. He noted the board opted to try something new this year and that the series has a large following.

The league features super-modified tractors as well as pro-modified four-wheel drive trucks and super-modified two-wheel drive trucks in addition to pro-stock tractors, hot rod semi-tractors and more. They have events featured throughout the county.

The fair board also decided to do away with the rodeo for the 2018 event as well. Gamm said attendance and the cost of it could not be justified.

"We're excited about this year and the changes we've made,"

Gamm remarked.

Another new feature at the fairgrounds this year will be eating area next to the food stand. The board constructed a permanent roof structure that is 400' rather than using tents as they've done in the past.

Gamm said there should actually be even more room than before by getting the stakes and ropes out of the way, which were dangerous. He explained the decision to build a structure was to eliminate the expense of renting the tents every year.

The small stage will be moving this year in addition to the beer garden. The small stage will be in the area where the beer garden used to be. The beer garden will move to the commercial building this year.

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## Homes To Be Built Inside Bowling Green Prison

A new initiative calls for houses to be built inside the Northeast Correctional Center at Bowling Green and sold throughout the area.

The Aspire Partnership Prison Homes Program, which has been in the works for several years, is an effort of the not-for-profit North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) and the District Council of Greater St. Louis Joint Apprenticeship Program.

Plans were announced during the Tri-State Housing Summit hosted by NECAC and its regional partners June 8 in Quincy, Ill. More than 100 business people, government repre-

sentatives, residents and other stakeholders heard about housing initiatives taking place in the three states.

Ron Tierney, coordinator of the Carpenters' Joint Apprenticeship Program, said the union and NECAC are working with the Missouri Department of Corrections to begin Aspire.

"We're in the infancy stage, but hopefully very soon we'll start rolling these (homes) out of the correctional facility," Tierney said.

The completed houses would be a little over 500 square feet and would be available for purchase for around \$45,000. A foundation, util-

ity hookups and transportation would be an additional cost.

The Carpenters Union and its apprentices would oversee construction, expected to take a little more than a month each. NECAC would offer homeownership classes to buyers and oversee sales. The finished homes would be tracked to the purchaser's site. NECAC developed Aspire based upon a similar program in South Dakota. Details are still being worked out and a timeline for the start of construction has not been set.

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## Building Razed At Fourth & Georgia In Louisiana

The two-story brick building at 401 Georgia Street in Louisiana was torn down last week. There is still cleanup work to do, but the majority of demolition is complete. The building has housed many businesses over the past 100 years, but has been vacant for the past 14 years and became a dangerous building with areas falling apart.

### ... Pike County Past & Present ...

## Genevieve Clark Considers Career Before Marriage

Editor's note: Pike County celebrates its bicentennial in 2018. Following is the sixth in a series of monthly articles by Louisiana historian Brent Engel that will examine 200 years of local history. It is the second of four parts.

Just after Woodrow Wilson was elected President in November 1912, Genevieve Clark was eyeing her options.

With her father and former presidential candidate Champ Clark of Bowling Green back in his chair as Speaker of the House of Representatives, she had a lot to consider.

At the time, societal traditions limited women, with only about one in five having jobs. Today, almost 60 percent of women are in the workforce.

Genevieve had a potential beau in New Orleans newspaper publisher James Thomson, but refused to put restraints on herself.

While Thomson had caught her eye, Daddy still held her admiration. When asked in May 1913 whether her future included work or marriage, she became a politician.

"Maybe both, who knows?" Genevieve replied. "But one thing is

sure: I have yet to meet a man like my papa — my ideal. I suppose, as a girl of nineteen, I should be thinking of marriage, but I do not."

Genevieve was a fashion maven who traveled, taught Sunday school and caused older ladies to shudder in disbelief because she refused to wear long, white gloves to formal occasions.

When a lock of hair near her right ear formed a baby ringlet, the papers called it the "Genevieve curl." After pictures of it were published, girls across the country were wearing the same.

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## Lincoln School Holds Annual Banquet In Louisiana

The Lincoln School held its annual banquet at the Pike Nutrition Center in Louisiana on Saturday, May 26 with a lovely meal and games, due to lack of attendance it was decided not to have a banquet in the next two years, might consider doing something else.

They will continue to keep the scholarship going for persons with

grandchildren and great-grandchildren graduating from high school. Donations may still be sent to Bette Maxwell, 207 S. Main St., Apt. 1, Louisiana, MO 63353.

Memorial services were held at Bethel AME Church, Louisiana on Sunday, May 27 after the worship service. The Rev. David Parker gave a very inspiring message.

A candle was lit in memory of all deceased students that had died in the last two years and a large candle was lit in memory of all deceased students and teachers that had died during the years from Lincoln.

The memorial services will continue to be held. The next one to be held at Maryland Street Baptist Church in 1920.



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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Summer Foot Care Tips With Dr. Cline

Summer is quickly approaching and with it comes the urge to shed your shoes. However, choosing to go without proper footwear can lead to problems for your feet and may put a damper on your summer fun. Podiatrist Dr. Edward Cline often sees more sprained ankles and broken bones during the summer months due to sports-related injuries or people being active outside doing yard work or playing with their family. Another issue Dr. Cline sees is from people who have been outside barefoot or wearing unsupportive shoes and they have ended up with splinters, stepped on broken glass or had another injury.

### Central Methodist Spring Dean's List Announced

Out of Central Methodist University's nearly 5,000 College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) and College of Graduate and Extended Studies (CGES) students, 956 were named to the 2018 spring semester dean's list.

To make the dean's list, students must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.50 or above for the semester, among other criteria, according to CMU Provost and Dean of the University Dr. Rita Gulstad.

These students study at CMU's main campus in Fayette, at a CMU center, or through CMU's online program.

The following CMU students from local areas were named to the spring 2018 dean's list:

Meghan Leverniz from Bowling Green, an elementary education major who studies at CMU's main campus in Fayette.

Katelyn Watts from Louisiana, an elementary education major who studies at CMU's main campus in Fayette.

Kaitlyn Blackwell from Louisiana, a nursing major who studies at CMU's main campus in Fayette.

### DON'T OVERLOOK THE IMPORTANCE OF PROPER FOOTWEAR

Summer isn't the time to dismiss wearing the proper footwear. "You really should not be going outside barefoot, at all," notes Dr. Cline. "You don't want to get sunburned on your feet which could lead to melanoma or you don't want your foot getting cut by a piece of wood or glass that could be hidden. Those are two very common problems I see this time of year." Don't forget to consider comfort and protection when it comes to your footwear. Some flip flops are very inexpensive, but they are flimsy and will likely lead to a foot injury. Choose sandals that will support your feet - and if you know your feet will be in and out of water make sure they don't have foam in them. The foam will hold water and become a breeding ground for bacteria. Dr. Cline also recommends discarding any old, worn out, beat down shoes. While it may seem like a good idea to keep them to do your "dirty" work in, they could have holes in them or the traction may be worn down which could lead to falls or cuts on your feet.

### FOOTWEAR CHOICES FOR WOMEN

Not just during the summer, but all year around, women need to remember to choose footwear which provides support and protection. "Ballet flats are an example of what could be a bad shoe to wear - and most women don't realize that because they're comfortable" says Dr. Cline. "Most flats have little to no support and little protection. When you are looking for flats, find something that gives you arch support and protects your feet." Heels and wedges could also lead to problems because it's similar to walking on your toes all day. Pointed toes are also bad for your foot health and could lead to permanent damage. "I recommend tracing your foot on a piece of paper, then tracing the outline of your shoe. If it looks like a

tight and uncomfortable fit, it will not be good for your feet."

### SUMMER FOOT HEALTH FOR CHILDREN

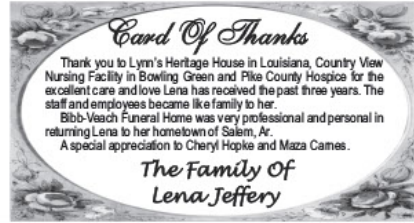
"Summer is a good time of year to have your children's feet checked. Before they start a new season of sports, they should have previous injuries checked. Their shoes may need to be adjusted or a brace may be needed to help support an area that has been previously injured," says Dr. Cline. Another important thing to remember is not to put your children in hand-me-down shoes. Financially it can make sense, but allowing your children to wear previously used shoes may put them at risk for an injury. "With all the wear and tear the shoes have been through, they may no longer be supportive or protect well and could lead to bigger problems than the cost of buying a new pair of shoes for the season," notes Dr. Cline.

If you are experiencing problems with your feet, help is only a step away. Dr. Cline sees patients in Hammond and at outlying HRMG locations and is ready to help guide you on your journey to better health. To contact Dr. Cline's office call 573-629-3500.



### Recorder Awards Presented

Nicole Sears, elementary music teacher, presented awards to Clifton Elementary 5th grade students based on their Recorder Karate competition. Students were graded on the correct rhythm and notes to pass onto the next level. Pictured are those students who received the black belt (highest level). They were presented a certificate and black belt including. Pictured, from left: Austin Jolly, Whitney Lindsey, Ray Reading, Josh Harvey, Lauren Blackwell, and Rikeigh Kuntz.



Thank you to Lynn's Heritage House in Louisiana. Country View Nursing Facility in Bowling Green and Pike County Hospice for the excellent care and love Lena has received the past three years. The staff and employees became like family to her. Bibb-Veach Funeral Home was very professional and personal in returning Lena to her hometown of Salem, Ar. A special appreciation to Cheryl Hopke and Maza Games.

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## OBITUARIES



### George Herman Tophinke

George Herman Tophinke, 85 of Bowling Green died Monday, June 4, 2018 at his residence.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m., Thursday at St. Clement Catholic Church in Bowling Green, with the Rev. Jason T. Duke, STL officiating. Burial was in St. Clement Cemetery.

Visitation was from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday at Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

George was born June 19, 1932 in St. Clement, the son of Felix George and Frances A. Miller Tophinke. He married Pauline Linker July 15, 1959 in Hamilton, Ala. She survives.

Other survivors include his children, Phyllis Grayson of Bowling Green, Brenda Parsons and husband, Dennis of Clarksville, George Michael Tophinke and wife, Debbie of Auxvasse, Charles Rudy Tophinke and wife, Carensa of St. Clement and Richard Tophinke and wife, Karen of Bowling Green; grandchildren, Jessica Grayson and Jessica, Eric Grayson and wife, Isabella, Neal Parsons and wife, Brittany, Nathan Parsons, Brock Parsons and wife, Amber, Amanda McClure, Michael Tophinke, Megan Barton and husband, David, Courtney Smith and husband, Kevin, and Caitlin Tophinke, Beth Blanchard and husband, Chad, Sarah Waddell and husband, James, Becky Williams and Shea, Bradley Dempsey, Deanna Laird and husband, Josh; great-grandchildren, Lillian F. Parsons, Samuel Parsons, June Parsons, Addison, Barton, Kevin Smith, Audrey Smith, Jacob Blanchard, Anabel Blanchard, Aaron Blanchard, Madison Waddell, Matthew Waddell, Mara Waddell, Bennett Waddell, Brennah Waddell, Grant Waddell, Makenna Waddell, Kaedon Williams, Kendall Williams, and Wyatt Moore, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Harold Tophinke; son, George Herman Tophinke Jr. and son-in-law, Bill Grayson.

George grew up and lived in St. Clement until he entered the United States Air Force. During his enlistment he served in the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War. He was assigned duty in Japan, Germany, Libya and Thailand as well as several U.S. bases. He was a crew chief and air craft maintenance supervisor on trainer, bomber and fighter aircraft. He retired from the USAF in 1972 after 20 years as a master sergeant.

He moved back home to Bowling Green and worked for the U.S. Postal Service. He was a member of the Retired Enlisted Association, Air Force Sergeants Association, and the U.S. Postal Workers Union. He was an avid NASCAR fan and enjoyed traveling to races across the U.S. He loved the St. Louis Cardinals and was meticulous about his yard and home. Most of all he loved his family.

Serving as pallbearers were Neal Parsons, Brock Parsons, Eric Grayson, Michael Tophinke, Chris Tophinke and David Barton. Serving as honorary pallbearers were Mark Stokes, Jimmy Turpin, George Jacobs, Chuck Tophinke, Ed Feldmann and John Tophinke.

Memorials may be made to the St. Clement Building Fund, Pike County Memorial Hospital Nurses Scholarship Fund, American Heart Association of the donor's choice.



### Duane B. Straube

Duane B. Straube, 74, of St. Ann died Monday, June 4, 2018 at St. Luke's Hospital in Chesterfield.

Funeral services were Thursday at 6 p.m., at Collier's Funeral Home in St. Ann. Following the service the family invited everyone to the Straube home for a reception.

He was born Nov. 26, 1943 the son of Bennett Clark and Shirley Maxine Livingston Straube. He married Kathie Meirink Straube. She

survives.

Other survivors include his children, Crystal Sadler and husband, Paul of Texas, Elizabeth Gallegos and husband, Al, St. Louis, Lance Straube and wife, Roy, Bangkok, Thailand; grandchildren, Lawson, Lukas, Ruby, Wells, Adam and Evan; siblings, Tanya Cunningham, Vandalia, Elaine Deters, Bowling Green, Mike Straube, Hannibal Cheryl Oligschlaeger, Perry, and Dewey Straube of Vandalia; brothers-in-law, uncle, cousin and friend to many.

Duane graduated from Van-Far High School in 1961 where he was recognized as the outstanding senior athlete. He attended University of Missouri-Columbia and graduated in 1965 with a BA degree in education. He later obtained his masters degree in education administration from UMSL.

He taught physical education at Marvin Elementary School in the Riemour School District in St. Louis for many years when he left to run Straube Painting Company.

Duane was an avid Cardinals fan and loved all sports. He loved going to the track and to the boats. He played golf most of his life, bowled a few perfect games, and was loyal to his dart league. As a result, he made many friends in many walks of life who, in turn, enjoyed his sense of humor and camaraderie. He was loved for his dry wit and sarcasm and his willingness to give you the shirt off his back. He will be missed.

Memorial contribution may be given to the American Cancer Society.



### Ruth L. Caldwell

Ruth L. Caldwell, 85, of Vandalia died Thursday, June 7, 2018, at SSM St. Mary's Hospital in Mexico.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m., Monday at Waters Funeral Home in Vandalia. Bro. Kenny Haddock officiated. Burial was in Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Vandalia.

Visitation was from 9 a.m., until the time of the service Monday at Waters Funeral Home. Ruth was born July 11, 1932 in Ralls County, the daughter of Orville Eugene and Etta Frances Storck Dowell. She was united in marriage to Hugh Ramsey (H.R.) Caldwell on Dec. 19, 1950. He preceded her in death on March 12, 1997.

Survivors include two sons, Michael Caldwell and wife, Tona of Rush Hill, and Marshall Caldwell and wife, Amy of Jonesburg; two daughters, Linda Prior and husband, Tom of Curryville, and Ellen Orf of Bowling Green; grandchildren, Brandy Wojciuch and husband, David, Andrew Orf, Kelly Borchert and husband, Adam, Ian Caldwell, Matthew Caldwell, and Marlee Caldwell; step grandchildren, Bill Prior and wife, Donna, Mark Prior, and Jamie Prior and wife, Charla; great-grandchildren, Alison Wojciuch, Luke Wojciuch, and Luigi Caldwell; step grandchildren, Kileigh Prior and Colin Prior; sisters, Phyllis Dowell of Diamond Head, Miss, and Bonnie Kingham and husband, Jim of Hannibal; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, Mrs. Caldwell was preceded in death by two sisters, Christina Bradenburger and Helen Rice, and son-in-law, Ronnie Orf.

Ruth graduated from Vandalia High School in 1950, she went on to further her education at Gem City Business College in Quincy, Ill.

Professionally Ruth worked at the garment factory in Vandalia and later worked at Hassler's Grocery Store in Vandalia.

Ruth enjoyed gardening, going to Jennings Opry House in Frankford and listening to music, drinking morning coffee and catching up with the town happenings and socializing with friends.

Most of all Mrs. Caldwell enjoyed the time spent with her family, especially family gatherings and attending her grandchildren's sporting events that she cherished the most.

Ruth attended Farber Baptist Church. Pallbearers were David Wojciuch, Matthew Caldwell, Ian Caldwell, Andrew Orf, Adam Borchert, and Jamie Prior.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery or Van-Far Booster Club, c/o Waters Funeral Home.

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### Edna Mae Wallace

Memorial services for Edna Mae Wallace, 92, of Vandalia, were at 3 p.m., Monday at the First Presbyterian Church in Vandalia with the Rev. Joel Montgomery officiating. Interment of her ashes will take place at a later date.

Visitation was from 1 p.m., until the time of service at the church.

Arrangements were under the direction of Bienhoff Funeral Home. Mrs. Wallace died Friday, June 8, 2018 at Boone Hospital Center in Columbia.

She was born March 25, 1926 in Ralls County, the daughter of Grover and Nettie Alton Bontz Lynn. She married Howard Teague on Feb. 22, 1945 in Vandalia. He preceded her in death Jan. 18, 1993. She then married Eugene Wallace on Aug. 12, 1995 in Vandalia. He preceded her in death March 25, 2011.

Survivors include one daughter, Pat Caldwell and husband, Randy of Vandalia; two stepdaughters, Linda Johnston and husband, Ron of Arvada, Colo., and Marilyn Basinger and husband, Monte, Vandalia; two stepsons, John Wallace and wife, Marie, and Frank Wallace, both of Vandalia; one brother, W.R. Lynn and wife, Val Jean of Sylvania, Ohio; two grandchildren, Jan VanBoening and husband, Charles of Auxvasse and Jill Lybarger and husband, Adam of Sedalia; eight step-grandchildren, Stephanie Richardson and husband, Jeff, Fairbanks, Alaska, Joe Basinger of Montgomery City, McKenzie Wallace, Parker Wallace and Chad Wallace and wife, Annie, all of Vandalia, Alacia Wallace of Perry, Shannon Johnston of Westminster, Colo., and Jessica Erwin and husband, Zac of Knox City; five great-grandchildren; 11 step great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Dorothy Rowden.

Mrs. Wallace was a lifetime area resident, homemaker and member of the First Presbyterian Church of Vandalia. She belonged to the Monday Study Club, VFW Post 2173 Ladies Auxiliary and she loved to crochet, cook, garden and take care of her flowers.

Her grandchildren asked for her famous burnt caramel cake with a fork for their birthdays.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church or the First Presbyterian Church of Vandalia.

Online condolences may be made at [www.bienhofffuneralhome.com](http://www.bienhofffuneralhome.com).



### Paul F. Motley

Paul F. Motley, 81, of Bowling Green died Sunday, June 10, 2018 at his home.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Bowling Green with the Rev. Bill Hobbs officiating.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday at Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Paul was born Feb. 9, 1937 in Atlas, Ill., the son of George Fredrick and Dola Pearl Dixon Motley. On May 23, 1959 he married Dorothy Mae Hammitt at the preacher's house in Bowling Green. She survives.

Other survivors include sons, Robert Fry Jr. of Hannibal, Paul W. Motley Sr. of Bowling Green, William Motley of Bowling Green; daughters, Lora Vonvann and husband, Mike of Bowling Green, Debbie Liffick and husband, Tom of Bowling Green, "Tiny" Thelma Shy and husband, Don of Bowling Green, Donna Curry and husband, Denny of Curryville, and Rita Liffick of Bowling Green; 26 grandchildren; 59 plus one on the way great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; brothers, Roy Motley of Stockton, and Ray Motley and wife, Shirley of Bowling Green.

He was preceded in death by three grandchildren, Deanna Motley, John Curry and Jason Vonvann; siblings, Mary Preston, Lora Boots, Ernest Motley Sr., Raymond Motley, Elmer Motley, Howard Motley, Fred Bolton Sr., Clarence Motley, George W. Motley, and Willie M. Motley and a daughter-in-law, Peggy Sue Motley.

Paul was born in Illinois and moved to Missouri when he was 8 years old and was a Baptist by faith.

He worked for Stark Brothers Nurseries for 60 plus years. He enjoyed cutting and hauling hay, gardening, watching westerns, playing

Bingo and most of all his family.

Pallbearers will be Phillip Curry, Bryan Curry, Alan Hurd, Davy Sherman, Shane Fry, Paul W. Motley Jr. and Justin Fairchild. Honorary pallbearers will be Dylan Fox, James Fox Jr., Tom Liffick, Fred Liffick and Henry Resor.

Memorials may be made to the family c/o Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes.

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



### James Renner

James Renner, 89, of Louisiana died Friday, June 8, 2018 at St. Joseph Hospital West in Lake St. Louis.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. The Rev. Randall Come officiating.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m., until time of services Saturday at the funeral home.

He was born July 1, 1928 in Hannibal, the son of Ellen Peterson Renner and Ellis Renner. He was married to Rita Chambers in 1949 and they were parents of five sons, Gary Renner of Wildwood, David Renner of St. Charles, Robert Renner and wife, Beuna of Washington, Phil Renner and wife, Monica of Louisiana, and Paul Eric Renner and wife, Amy of Parkville. His grandchildren are Erin Renner Kappelmann, Cassandra Renner, Andy Renner, Matthew Renner, Joel Renner, Shelby Renner, Samantha Renner, Bryan Renner, Alexa Renner, and Weston Renner. His great grandchildren are Caleb and Kathleen Kappelmann.

He was preceded in death by a brother and two sisters. Jim had served in the Missouri Guard following high school for a few years. He worked for Southwestern Bell for many years retiring in 1986, working in Louisiana, Clarksville, and Elsberry.

He was an avid carpenter having built two houses and many other projects. He enjoyed getting involved with the community serving on the Louisiana School Board, Pike County Hospital Board, and the Special Road District.

Jim enjoyed deer and elk hunting, fishing, and was a gun trader and collector. He loved to visit the western United States and enjoyed traveling over the United States, Canada, and other places. He loved to meet friends at the Trimble House.

He was a wonderful husband and father and will be missed very much by friends and family. He lived a long and good life.

Memorials may be made to the Pike County Nurses Scholarship Fund, c/o the funeral home.



### Carl McPike

Carl McPike, 81, a lifelong Bowling Green died Sunday, June 10, 2018 at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m., Saturday at Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green with the Rev. M. Faye Vaughn officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Gardens in Bowling Green.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m., until time of service at the funeral

home.

Carl was born Nov. 17, 1936 in Curryville, the son of Ivan and Elizabeth Holman McPike. On Nov. 18, 1961 in Bowling Green he married Bessie Marie Talton. She survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Earl McPike and Tyrone McPike, both of Bowling Green; a daughter Yvonne Morgan and husband, Mark of Moscow Mills; grandchildren, James Sledge, Carlos Sledge, Heather Hammess, Amy Baker, Kristen McPike, Joseph McBride, Earl McPike Jr., Malik McPike, Miranda Morgan, Kobe McPike, Mark Morgan Jr., and Maurice Morgan; 11 great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents a daughter, Sandra Jean Talton-Sledge; siblings, James McPike, Leroy McPike, Hattie Mitchell, Mammie Scott, Clairemae Mitchell, Nellie Turner and two in infancy.

Carl was a truck driver for Farmers Equity Grain Elevator for 35 years and worked at Marvin's Garage after retiring from the elevator. He attended United Wesley Methodist Church.

He enjoyed horseshoes, baseball and barbecuing for his family. Carl's life revolved around his wife, his parents and his kids.

Pallbearers will be James Sledge, Carlos Sledge, Joseph McBride, Earl McPike Jr., Malik McPike, Kobe McPike, Mark Morgan Jr., and Maurice Morgan. Honorary pallbearers will be Bruce Scherder, Terry Scherder, Delbert Parsons, Paul Redmond, Donnie Hendrix and Milford Shepherd.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

### Magdelyn 'Maggie' Schmidt

Magdelyn 'Maggie' Jo Schmidt, 23, of Vandalia died Saturday, June 9, 2018.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday at Waters Funeral Home in Vandalia. Burial of cremains will be at Big Springs at the United Methodist Church Cemetery following services.

Visitation will be from 9-11 a.m., Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the family for funeral expenses c/o the funeral home.

### Jeffrey Baker

Jeffrey Baker, 56, of Louisiana, formerly of Grove City, Ohio, died Saturday, June 9, 2018 at his home in Louisiana.

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

Jeff was born June 25, 1961 in Columbus, Ohio to John and Mildred Baker. He was married to Thelma Louise Lewis in 1998 at Grove City, Ohio. She survives.

He is also survived by his daughter, Benn Baker; a step-daughter, Catrina Turnbaugh; two brothers, Don Baker and wife, Susie and Ron Baker, both of Ohio; a sister, Barb Baker of Ohio, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Gladys Baker.

Jeff had been employed at Maple Grove Lodge Nursing Home in Louisiana for the last 11 years. He had worked at Massenelli's Grocery in Grove City, Ohio for 14 years while living there.

He loved to play chess. He had a great sense of humor and loved to make people laugh.

Jeff loved his daughter Brin and step-daughter Catrina and considered them his world. He was adored by many and will be greatly missed.

### Vandalia Officer Receives LETSAC Award

The Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Advisory Council (LETSAC) Executive Board has selected Officer William Barger of the Vandalia Police Department as one of the four recipients to receive the 2018 LETSAC 'Officer of the Year' Award.

The award presentation will be held on Thursday, July 12 during the LETSAC Annual Conference Awards Banquet at Lodge of Four Seasons at Lake Ozark.

Officer Barger will be recognized and presented the award during his time. The banquet will begin at 6 p.m., and conclude by 9 p.m.

As recipient of this award, Officer Barger is also invited to attend the entire LETSAC Conference which will be held Monday, July 9-Friday, July 13.

## Thank You

The Vandalia Recreation Corporation and the Eastern Missouri Family YMCA Board would like to thank Melissa Deimeke, Kelsy Fowler and all those who assisted with the May 26 Memorial Tournaments. The event was enjoyable and monumental for the YMCA project and the community!

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Learn About Black Bears, Other Projects Through New MDC Research Website

Want more information on the science behind how the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) manages wildlife such as deer, eagles, elk, black bears, and other species? Want to know more about the scientific research involved in MDC setting hunting, fishing, and trapping regulations? Want more information on how MDC determines its forestry practices and the many benefits of trees? Want to know more about how MDC is working with landowners to help increase public hunting, fishing, and wildlife watching opportunities on private land?

MDC has recently launched a new website dedicated to the extensive scientific research staff do on these and other topics. Visit the new MDC website to learn more at [research.mdc.mo.gov/](http://research.mdc.mo.gov/) or go through the MDC main website at [mdc.mo.gov/](http://mdc.mo.gov/) and use the search box by typing "research."

"Missouri Department of Conservation staff from various divisions all around the state conduct a wide variety of scientific research projects to help us protect and manage the fish, forests, and wildlife of the state," explained MDC Resource Science Division Chief Jason Summers. "These science-based research efforts also help us provide many opportunities for all Missourians to use, enjoy, and learn about these resources. Our new research website provides more information on many of these efforts for those who want to know more."

**BLACK BEAR RESEARCH**  
One topic of interest to many people is black bears in Missouri. Common questions include: Where are they and where do they move

around? How many bears are there in the state and is the population growing? And will they be allowed to be hunted one day?

MDC has been conducting black bear research since 2010 to help answer these and other questions about these large and mostly secretive native animals. "One new and very exciting feature of the new MDC research website is our Missouri Black Bear Project Story Map," said MDC Furbearer Biologist and Black Bear Researcher Laura Conlee. "Our hope with this Story Map is to provide interesting and interactive content related to the black bear project in Missouri where people can explore maps, photos, and videos about Missouri black bears and the research we are conducting."

Explore the Missouri Black Bear Project Story Map at [mdc.mo.gov/BlackBearProjectStoryMap](http://mdc.mo.gov/BlackBearProjectStoryMap). The site includes maps of where black bears have been spotted, information on research efforts and results, and plenty of photos and videos of black bears - including peeks inside bear dens, and much more.

**BE BEAR AWARE**  
Conlee also reminds people to never feed bears and to "Be Bear Aware."

"Never feed bears and remember that bird feeders, trash, barbecue grills, and food waste left out at home or camp can all serve as huge attractions for bears," she said. "When a bear associates food with people, it can become a problem and may have to be killed to keep people safe."

MDC offers these tips for avoiding attracting black bears to possible

food sources:

- Don't leave pet food sitting outside. Feed pets a portion they'll eat at each meal and remove the empty containers.
- Store garbage, recyclables, and compost inside a secure building or in a bear-proof container until the day of trash pick-up.

- Keep grills and smokers clean and store them inside.
- Don't use birdfeeders in bear country when bears are active from April through November.

- Use electric fencing to keep bears away from beehives, chicken coops, vegetable gardens, orchards, and other potential food sources.
- Keep campsites clean and store all food, toiletries and trash in a secure vehicle or strung high between two trees. Do not burn or bury garbage or food waste.

While close encounters are uncommon, MDC offers this advice when outdoors in black-bear country:

- Make noise while walking or hiking to prevent surprising a bear. Clap, sing, or talk loudly.
- Travel in a group if possible.
- Pay attention to the surroundings and watch for bear signs, such as tracks or claw or bite marks on trees.
- Keep dogs leashed.
- Leave a bear alone! Do not approach it. Make sure it has an escape route.

- If encountering a bear up close, back away slowly with arms raised to look larger. Speak in a calm, loud voice. Do not turn away from the bear. Back away slowly. Do not run.

For more information on black bears in Missouri and how to Be Bear Aware, visit the MDC website at [mdc.mo.gov/bearaware](http://mdc.mo.gov/bearaware).

## From the Mayor's Desk...



JO ANNE SMILEY, MAYOR  
CITY OF CLARKSVILLE

This is the time of year when meetings for municipal government officials are numerous. This past week was the annual training conference for elected officials in Columbia.

As always (at least for the past 14 years that I have attended) it was an excellent meeting with outstanding presenters and involved the largest number of attendees in Missouri Municipal League history.

The subjects included an Overview of Municipal Government, Ethics, Planning and Zoning, Fundamentals of Municipal Contracting and of course, the Sunshine Law among others. Again and again throughout this conference, officials were reminded that serving

when elected is an educational journey. The roles awaiting elected officials include: Public Servant, Persuader, Advocate, Opponent, Ally and skills needed were described as: Thick Skin, Economic Understanding, People Skills, Judgment, and Common Sense.

The striking familiar atmosphere among this gathering was filled with honor, dignity and respect. The brutal environment in which elected officials live and work was in no way denied.

We were however cautioned to always support the integrity of the process. Coming away from the experience I felt renewed in the belief that it is important to keep getting excited about what could go RIGHT!!!

## Pike Pioneer Menu

Monday, June 18 - Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, brussel sprouts, dessert.

Tuesday, June 19 - Taco salad, corn, dessert.

Wednesday, June 20 - Ham, sweet potatoes, spinach, dessert.

Thursday, June 21 - Closed.

Friday, June 22 - Barbecued chicken breast, baked potato, green beans, dessert.

Saturday, June 23 - Closed.

## Area Students Named To Honors List

Maryville University has named the following students to the honors list for the spring 2018 semester.

Part-time, undergraduate students are eligible for the Academic Honors List when carrying a minimum of six (6) credit hours in the fall, spring or summer semester and maintaining a minimum grade point average of 3.5 and no single grade below a B-.

Aron students named to the list include: Cris Presswood, College of Health Professions, general studies - pre-nursing, Elsberry and Michelle Hess, College of Health Professions, BSN completion, Foley.

## Clarksville Memorial VFW Post, Auxiliary Finalize Plans For Summer Events

The Clarksville Memorial VFW Post 4610 and Auxiliary held regular meetings on Monday June 4, with Commander Herbert Everett and President Mary Tarpein, presiding. Plans were finalized for the Louisiana Bicentennial, they will be selling barbecued pork steaks and catfish fillet sandwiches along with bottle water on Saturday, June 30 and Sunday July 1. They will also be participating in the parade.

They also decided to have a inside

flea market and craft sale Saturday, July 14. Vendor tables may be rented. Anyone that would like to rent a table may contact: Herbert Everett - 754-3436, Mary Tarpein - 573-795-3584 or Joanne Hammuck - 573-847-2266.

They will also have a bake sale and will be selling sandwiches of large hot dogs and pork burgers, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

The businesses in town will be

holding sidewalk sales that day also.

The Department of Missouri Convention will be held in Springfield June 14-16, representing the post and auxiliary will be Commander Herbert Everett, President Mary Tarpein, Joanne Hammuck and Michael Everett.

## State Technical College Holds Spring Graduation

State Technical College of Missouri would like to congratulate the 2018 spring graduates.

State Tech conferred 441 certificates and degrees to 425 students in May 2018.

Area graduates include: Dakota

McIntee and Kaleb Storts, Bowling Green; Kayleigh Kohl, Curryville; Mark Talbot, Elsberry; Christian Wharton, Louisiana; Anthony Flood, Midletown; Dalton Buie, Trenton DeTienne, and Melani Hamlett.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## GENEVIEVE

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There was a serious side, of course. Genevieve campaigned for women's voting rights and worked on many social causes. One of her fondest was the "Made in America" movement, which garnered huge attention.

"Miss Clark takes considerable interest in politics and has become acquainted with most of the leaders in Washington," said the Anderson Daily Intelligencer of South Carolina. "Some of them talk politics with her, and her knowledge of the game has been commented on very often."

Though she decided to forego college, Genevieve began writing for publication. One story was about a trip she took with a Congressional delegation to Panama. Another featured a look at life in Washington. Her article on the "su-fringe hike" was prominently featured in the Washington Times.

As in the past, Genevieve remained a media darling. Her image appeared on front pages across the country, and her pals included the President's daughter, Jessie Wilson, and Thomas Edison's daughter, Madeline.

A formal Washington society debut took place on New Year's Eve 1913, but everyone already knew her. Genevieve took the moment with her usual endearing nature, joking with sincerity that the only time her beloved father had lost a re-election bid was the year she was born.

"Since then, she has been in great demand, not only in the younger set, but among the grown-ups, at the most formal sort of official functions, brilliant diplomatic dinners, and Senatorial feasts," raved the Times' social observer, Jean Elliot.

James and Genevieve kept in touch, with both periodically making the trip between Washington and New Orleans. At some point, the two decided to tie the knot. Elliot speculated the engagement dated to Genevieve's visit at Mardi Gras 1914.

The New York Times made things official in an article on Dec. 28, 1914. "The only news in the announcement was that 'Speaker and Mrs. Clark announce,'" Elliot sarcastically said.

Two months later, the Times reported Genevieve had suffered a "breakdown" due to a "slight indisposition" that caused her to "go to a sanitarium" to recover. Though no specific reason was given, the papers speculated whether Genevieve was having second thoughts or had just been overcome by buildup to the big day.

Whatever the case, Genevieve bounced back quickly. During a pre-wedding tea in Bowling Green, she was discussing how some people fall into a bad marriage.

"It is another of those cases where a man, in love with a dimple, makes the mistake of marrying the whole girl," she said.

As the calendar turned toward the wedding day of June 30, a problem arose.

The Speaker had family, friends, colleagues and constituents stretching from coast to coast. If just one

of them failed to get an invitation, the offense would draw all kinds of unwanted inquiry.

Clark finally came up with a solution, announced in a notice from his secretary, Wallace Bassford of Montgomery, Ala.

"As it has been found utterly impossible to issue individual invitations, all Missourians are invited," it read.

Many wanted the ceremony to take place in Washington, but Genevieve was adamant. She "put aside all suggestions for a more brilliant setting for her wedding than Honey Shuck," The Quincy Daily Whig reported.

"The giant locust trees that give her home its name and shade its lawn are her first distinct memories," the paper said. "Long ago, she said if she was ever married, it would be in June under those same, dear old trees."

It seems the only person not welcome was William Jennings Bryan. Speaking with reporters, Clark denied "all suggestions for a more brilliant setting for her wedding than Honey Shuck," The Quincy Daily Whig reported.

The wedding plans almost came to a screeching halt when the British liner Lusitania was sunk by a German U-boat on May 7, 1915. Almost 1,200 people were killed, including 128 Americans. Speaker Clark and Congress were called into special session, but the Wilson administration took a cue from American public opinion and said it would not get involved.

So, in Bowling Green, preparations continued.

"Down in Pike County, Missouri, where they raise mules and famous statesmen, there is going to be a wedding that for a time will attract the undivided attention of the whole United States," declared the Odgen Standard of Oregon.

On June 8, Bryan resigned as Secretary of State, citing his disagreement with Wilson over the response to German aggression.

Reporters sitting with Clark on his front porch at Honey Shuck asked for a statement. The Speaker's lips grew tight and he barked: "I shall say absolutely nothing. I am not going to say a word about it."

It would be one of the few — but not the last — time Clark refused to answer reporters. For good reason, he would also not utter a peep about what could have been a day-of-the-wedding catastrophe.

Next time, Genevieve's mother wades to the rescue.



Genevieve Clark on the telephone in 1915.

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The following memorials have been made to the LHS Alumni and Friends Association from April 6-May 31:

In memory of Betty Dunn Hirsch by Class of 1946, c/o Bea Goodin.

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In memory of Joyce Dean Couch by Sharon Love.

In memory of James "Flip" Arthur Miller by Betty Asquith and William Levingston.

In memory of Barbara Artus Branham by Gary Branham, Jim and Kelly Akers, and Mark P. Smith.

In memory of Robert "Bob" Parsons by Betty Asquith.

In memory of Mark Elgin By Joe Ray Asquith, and Betty Asquith.

In memory of Kenneth L. Woods by Gary Branham.

A donation was made as a general gift to the Alumni Association from Mark Kucera.

A donation was made to the Ellen Morrow Math Scholarship Fund by Shell Oil Company's Matching Gift from Henry Pierce.

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

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The alumni association's primary concern and purpose is helping the students and the district wherever possible. All alumni meetings are open to the public. There are only six or seven meetings a year and everyone is invited to attend. The association also has reprinted copies of its cookbook available for purchase at the Pike County Memorial Hospital Gift Shop, the Louisiana Public Library and the State Farm insurance office, all in Louisiana, and on the web site as an ongoing fundraiser for its work.

Anyone wishing to make a donation may send it to Louisiana Alumni & Friends Association, P.O. Box 404, Louisiana, MO 63353. Donation envelopes are also available at area funeral homes.

A memorial donation may be made for a deceased loved one or deceased classmate. An honorarium donation may be made for someone still living perhaps as a gift to honor him or her for some occasion.

All donations to the alumni association are greatly appreciated and allow the giving of even more assistance to the Louisiana R-II School District and its students.

## Area Blood Drives Planned For July

Monday, June 25 St. Louis Cardinals Blood Drive from 12-6 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church located at 205 W. Centennial in Bowling Green. Donors will receive a FREE St. Louis Cardinals t-shirt while supplies last. Sponsor code "Cards"

Thursday, July 12 from 2-7 p.m., at the Louisiana Elks Lodge located at 120 N. 5th Street in Louisiana.

Donate at this blood drive and help college students receive funds for school. Sponsor code "LouisianaElks"

Thursday, July 19 from 2-6:30 p.m., at the Bowling Green High School Auditorium. Help BGHS National Honor Society earn funds by donating blood. Sponsor code "BowlingGreenHS"

To make an appointment to give blood go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter the corresponding sponsor code. Don't forget to complete Rapid Pass to save time when donating blood. You can complete it the day of the blood drive at [www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass)

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Motorcycle Crash During Police Pursuit Injures Two

An early Sunday morning motorcycle crash during a police pursuit in Pike County injured two local individuals.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol reports a 2014 Harley-Davidson Street Glide driven by Mark A. Teague, 40, of Vandalia, failed to yield to Vandalia Police, which began pursuit into Pike County.

The patrol said the driver was southbound on Route V at Pike County Road 447 at 12:45 a.m. The

driver attempted a right turn onto County Road 447, but the motorcycle began to skid and overturned, ejecting him and a passenger, Shari J. Love, 46, of Vandalia.

Teague was taken by Air Evac to Missouri University Hospital in Columbia with serious injuries. Love was treated at the scene for minor injuries.

Teague may face charges following the conclusion of an investigation into the accident.

## Ince Cousins Reunion Was Held June 10

The annual Ince Cousins Reunion was held on Sunday, June 10 at the home of Virgil and Linda Beer of rural Louisiana.

There were 36 in attendance with David and Sherre Ince of Lenexa, Kan. traveling the farthest. Others who traveled to join the group for a carry-in luncheon were Mike and Sallie Martin of Kirksville; Paul and Teresa Ince of St. Charles; Joe and Donna Radtke of St. Charles; and Tim and Xander Ince of Hannibal.

Those from Pike County included John and Becky Elliott; Matt Ince; Don Ince; Marta and Mark Jines; Donna and Pam Ince; Logan and Noney Martin with Anthony and William; Samantha Johnston with Brayden and Owen; and Kyle Elliott with April Perkins, Aiden, Gage, Paityn, Ava, Camdon, Dalton and Xander.

This gathering has been a tradition that has been held on the second Sunday in June for many years.

## PROJECT

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Baldwin, who lives in Shelbyville, showed a powerpoint of photos of photos about the construction process of the bridge, even photos taken by a drone that is regularly used to monitor the project. One of her responsibilities is to help coordinate the various contractors, as well as working with the Corps of Engineers, Coast Guard, and Conservation Department to make sure that all policies are followed.

Careers in the field of STEM (Science Technology Engineer and Math) were explained in more detail, with the focus on the various types of engineers such as chemical, mechanical, bio-medical, computer and others.

Attendees were happy to learn that the old 90-year old bridge is being replaced with a new one over twice as wide. Over 1,500 truckloads of concrete have been used in the construction as well as over a million pounds of rebar. On the Illinois side of the river, drilling had to go 90 feet deep, though not that deep on the Missouri side. All the underwater part of the construction is now completed and she encouraged everyone to watch for large construction cranes that will be making their way up the river on a barge to help with the heavy lifting of metal beams.

Next week's program on "Masks" will feature the collection of Chuck and Eileen Hoffman. It will take place at the Museum on Wednesday, June 13 at 1 p.m. The program is open to the public and there is no admission fee.

## Bowling Green Elementary School Honor Rolls

A HONOR ROLL

**THIRD GRADE**  
Emma Akers, Keganam Beshears, Jackson Bierly, Kaylee Bliss, Caleb Dyer, Avery Eskew, Ryan Hall, Jackson Henry, Bennett Hickerson, Luke Hiles, Aidan Liber, Emilie Orf, Emilee Phillips, Addison Potter, Alex Riady, Brendan Scherder, Maddie Thomas, Flori Tikoski, Bryson Wendel, Trinity White.

**FOURTH GRADE**  
Kendal Brewster, Mason Brewster, Trenton Calvin, Haiden Chandler, Kaycee Charlton, Mealia Cover, Lily Craig, Jacob Dyer, Ashlyn Gilbert, Sophia Hartwig, Michael Hays, Taylor Hays, Daniel Matlock, Leah Niemeyster, Lucas Orf, Jake Piper, Trevor Potter, Sara Reid, Jacob Rue, Isabella Sumowski, Sarah Turner.

**FIFTH GRADE**  
Claire Bibb, Dianna Bibb, Riyem Brown, Piper Coleman, Evan Craig, Olivia Dawson, Jace Eskew, Natalie Hickerson, Isabelle Hudelson, Michelle Jafferis, Tanner McGaugh, Lillian Oakley, Matthew Pitman, Ashley Potter, Bailey Pruitt, Seth

B HONOR ROLL

**THIRD GRADE**  
Landon Burnett, Charles Calhoun, Caleigh Cashman, Caifin Grote, Caleb Grote, Camryn Guritz, Nolan Jones, Carson Knies, Tyren Oberhaus, Sequan Thomas, Miley Thompson, Xzavion Amman, Odessa Bliss.

**FOURTH GRADE**  
Sitalica Gaspar-Lawson, Natalie Hollingsworth, Zander Horton, Devin McGlasson, Zila Summers, Gage Tipp, Trenton Wilson.

**FIFTH GRADE**  
Joaquin Aguilar, Trenton Beatty, Aniya Brown, Charisma Clark, Landon Comer, Alexis Craig, Jackson Damron, Dane Dunn, Ethan Early, Tristan Flynn, Alaina Fuerst, Vash Greenwood, Nathan Gruen, Brooke Haywood, Rhyann Graham, Hayden Howland, Anderson Hunt, Andrew Luebrecht, Carys Martin, Isaac Oberhaus, Easton Orf, Michael Orf, Cameron Price, Victoria Robbearts, Wayne Seiller, Frances Steinbrugge, Carlton Worthington.

## Haw Creek Club Meets In Hannibal

The Haw Creek Club met Wednesday, June 6 at the Hannibal Nutrition Center.

Marge Gilliland was hostess and treated members and two guests to a roast beef and gravy with potatoes and carrots and dessert.

Danny Epperson led the members in prayer before the meal. The meeting was opened with pledges to The United States and the state of Missouri. Diane Miller read the devotional, "Walk with Love" and "I'll Paint You a Rainbow."

Since June is the popular month of weddings, roll call was answered to the question, "What do you think of today's weddings?" Roll call was answered by Mary Helen Elder, Frankie Epperson, Leah Epperson, Dorothy Flowers, Ceara Flowers, Pauline Gibbs, Marge Gilliland, Lola Jennings, Dorothy McCarthy, Diane Miller and Myrna Schulte. The two guests were Alyssa Flowers and Linda Flowers.

Since June is the month of weddings members decided to have a wedding shower.

Members were asked to bring a can of food with the label removed from it. One lucky person got to take the food home. They hope to have fun next month hearing what that person got and how she served it.

Members sang Happy Birthday to Ceara Flowers. Song of the month was "Pretty Baby." Dorothy McCarthy gave the program, she shared her thoughts on life today.

Two games were played, one a question and answer, the other a alphabet word game. Winners of the games were Pauline, Linda, Dorothy, Myrna, Frankie, and Ceara.

The club collect was mailed, secret pal gifts were exchanged and the meeting was closed. Next month's meeting will be at the Jennings Opry.



North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) President and Chief Executive Officer Don Patrick presents a plaque to Melinda Ferguson and Elizabeth Hobbs of NeighborWorks America during the Tri-State Housing Summit June 8 in Quincy. NECAC, a not-for-profit agency, has been a chartered member of NeighborWorks since 2004 and works with the national organization on community development and housing projects. NeighborWorks is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year and June 2 to 9 is National NeighborWorks Week. Also pictured are NECAC Chief Deputy Director Dan Page, left, and Deputy Director for Housing Development Programs Carla Potts.

## HOMES

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"This program will create a circle of success," said NECAC Deputy Director for Housing Development Programs Carla Potts. "People will be able to buy quality homes for a low price, inmates will learn a skill that will help them get a job once they're out of prison and Carpenters Union apprentices will develop their abilities."

Iowa also is interested in A Spire. Dan Clark, director of the state's prison industries, said Iowa hopes to fund the program at the correctional facility in Newton. Homes there would be 1,000 to 1,200 square feet. Funding will be considered by state lawmakers next year. "There's a severe need for workforce housing," Clark said.

Other partners in the summit were the Two Rivers Regional Council of Quincy and the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission of Burlington. NECAC organized the first summit in 2005.

Keynote speaker Elizabeth Hollins, senior director of the Midwest Region for NeighborWorks America, praised regional partnerships that have helped create more housing opportunities.

"Partnership, innovation, adaptability, impact - these words describe NECAC, the Tri-State partnership and NeighborWorks America," Hollins said. "Together, we will continue to make a difference every day in the lives of the people and the communities we serve across the Tri-State Region, and across the country. Thank you for all that you do as we continue to create a more vibrant and prosper-

ous future for our communities." Bob Reeder of Rural LIISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation) announced the not-for-profit organization is developing a financing mechanism for the Healthy Homes Program, which would pay for removal of contaminants such as asbestos and lead paint from older housing. Reeder said that since 2015, Rural LIISC has funded \$1.3 million of such work at 88 homes, and is looking to expand by seeking more regional partners. NECAC administered a similar program several years ago.

"Our mission and our commitment is to make sure that everyone in the communities we serve has access to safe housing," Reeder said.

Other speakers were Jeremy Oshner of Two Rivers; NECAC President and Chief Executive Officer Don Patrick; Sara Hecox of the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission; NECAC Homeownership Programs Director Alicia Lopez; Maureen Kahn, president and chief executive officer of Blessing Health System in Quincy; and City of Quincy Planning and Development Director Chuck Bevelheimer. Opening remarks were given by former Quincy Mayor

Chuck Scholz, a member of the Tri-State Development Summit steering committee. Housing is a task force of the larger group.

"We may not always see it or realize it, but our work does wonders in people's lives," Patrick said. "For that reason, we cannot abandon the task we've started. We have an obligation to our neighbors and friends throughout the region to leave the Tri-States better for the generations to come. The partners of the Tri-State Housing Summit are already proven winners. By building upon our successes, we can create even better neighborhoods and communities."

Kahn said the connection between housing and health is obvious, and that hospitals are very interested in programs that can promote healthier living.

"We take this very seriously and we always looking at what we can do," she said. "Housing is a great area for public-private partnerships."

Scholz praised the housing task force and the spotlight it has put on regional cooperation in improving housing quality.

"Thanks to all of you for making more housing opportunities available in the Tri-State area," he said.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS



## FAIR

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Gamm noted the fair will not have the petting zoo this year which would be housed in the commercial building.

"We think it will be safer security-wise to have the beer garden in an enclosed area," Gamm explained.

He further noted that part of the commercial building will receive a concrete floor before the fair this summer.

The beer garden will continue to feature DJs and live bands as well. Gamm said the board isn't sure what will become of the concrete slab that previously was the small stage. He noted that it may be used as flooring for storage building(s).

"That's something we'll get together and discuss after the fair this year."

Another new addition to the fair this year will be impersonator Mike Walker who spends a lot of time performing in Branson. He covers songs by other musicians and draws big crowds. He will perform on the main stage on Tuesday night. Local talent Country Soul will open for Walker that night.

Tuesday night will also have motocross action and horse events at the arena.

Wednesday night will be the truck pull on the main track. There will also be motocross and wrestling will be featured in the horse arena.

On Thursday there will be the dirt drag racing on the main track. The western speed horse show will take place in the horse arena.

Friday night the activities remain the same with the big demolition derby on the main track and the team penning/sorting in the horse arena.

Gamm pointed out that ticket

prices will remain the same this year with one difference. Kids who are 12 and under will be allowed in free of charge on Tuesday night.

There will not be a queen pageant this year. Gamm said interest has waned in the event. However, the fair will still feature the Little Miss and Mister contest, the Junior Miss Pike County Fair and the Ms. Pike County Fair event that drew a lot of support to the small stage.

Gamm said the board is open to suggestions but wanted to mix things up this year.

"We're never going to be able to please everyone. Depending on what happens with the fair this year before we make decisions about what additions and what we'll be bringing back for next year."

Find more details in future editions of The People's Tribune and on the fair's website and facebook page.

## Trees Discussed To Kick Off Programs For Louisiana Museum Summer Series

The subject of trees was the main focus of the recent program at the Louisiana Area Historical Museum for "kids of all ages."

Retired educator Eileen Hoffman read the classic book "The Giving Tree" by Shel Silverstein.

Marvin Brown used "tree cookies" to demonstrate the various qualities of trees, especially how their age can be determined by the number of rings shown on each cut surface.

Each person who attended had their own section of tree to examine. Native varieties included white oak, red oak, poplar and walnut. From the redwood trees that are over 400 feet tall to the trees in California over 4,700 years old, trees have the common trait of tree rings.

Brown talked with those present about the danger of forest fires and the impact it has on trees that survive it. He also explained how trees are valuable in so many other ways in addition to providing building materials and paper.



Missouri is the highest producer of railroad ties and also they make the most whiskey barrels and gun stocks. Another common use for wood in Missouri is the common pallet. The "kids of all ages" came away with an appreciation for the trees that are so important to our everyday lives.

Programs are held every Wednesday this month.

## INCIDENT

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Guthrie added that she didn't want to cause problems but wanted workers to get educated about breastfeeding.

"It's normal and it's healthy," Guthrie said she was pleased to hear that Leah Diffey of the Pike County Health Department visited the pool to explain the rights of breastfeeding mothers and explain how to accommodate nursing mothers.

City administrator Darren Berry said it has been the city's policy to

ask breastfeeding mothers to use more discretion.

"We didn't shame the woman or upset her in any way," he claimed.

Guthrie noted that she was very upset over the matter.

Berry said he was not aware the pool had a Facebook page until last week when Guthrie's post of the incident was shared over 100 times and included tons of remarks.

"We got hit pretty hard on Facebook," Berry said. But we're not going to engage in an argument on Facebook. We had a lot of pre-teen boys freaking out that day."

Berry said the incident could have been handled differently but that Robinson did what was asked of

her.

"We have a really nice facility. I think it was just some miscommunication."

He added that according to statements made by Robinson, she never told Guthrie that it was illegal to nurse in public. Guthrie noted she had an eyewitness to the discussion.

"We ended up getting some education and training and that will go a long way," Berry said.

Guthrie said this is not the first time nursing mothers have been asked to cover up, or go to the bathroom. She added that she would like to return to the pool, but that she will continue to feed her baby when he's hungry.

## Frankford Elementary End Of Year Awards

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Fourth Grade - Ashley Chavez, Karli Dean, Macy Gilbert, Addison Lily, Mara Robb, Ashton Schultz, Keegan Smith.

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Science and Social Studies Award: Cole Niemeyer.

Science Fair Participant: Khloe Spires.

Citizenship Award: Ava Gilbert, Cole Niemeyer.

AR Goal All Four Quarters: Johnathon Cafer, Ashley Chavez, Karli Dean, Macy Gilbert, Landyn Groe, Lyla Kent, Addison Lily, Madlyn Raney, Mara Robb, Keegan Smith, Casen Martin.

Music Award: Evan Trowbridge-Roan, Audra Turnbull.

**SIX FLAGS READ TO SUCCEED**

Mara Robb, Keegan Smith.

**READING CIRCLE**

Haydn Buchanan, Johnathon Cafer, Karli Dean, Caleb Groe, Landyn Groe, Trent Nightingale, Madlyn Raney, Ashton Schultz, Keegan Smith.

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**HIGHEST AR ACCURACY**

Mara Robb.

**HIGHEST AR POINTS**

Keegan Smith.

**READING - STAR GOWIT**

Lyla Kent, Mara Robb.

**READING PARTICIPATION AWARD**

Landyn Groe, Ashton Schultz.

**MOST IMPROVED READING**

Ashley Chavez.

**OUTSTANDING READING STUDENTS**

Karli Dean, Macy Gilbert, Mara Robb, Keegan Smith.

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Karli Dean, Addison Lily, Mara Robb.

**MOST IMPROVED WRITING**

Trent Nightingale.

**OUTSTANDING GRAMMAR STUDENTS**

Macy Gilbert, Madlyn Raney, Ashton Schultz.

**MOST IMPROVED GRAMMAR STUDENT**

Landyn Groe.

**GRAMMAR PARTICIPATION AWARD**

Chance LaZear.

**OUTSTANDING SCIENCE STUDENTS**

Landyn Groe, Keegan Smith.

**MOST IMPROVED SCIENCE STUDENT**

Chase Kurtz.

**SCIENCE FAIR PARTICIPANTS**

Lyla Kent, Addison Lily, Madlyn Raney, Mara Robb, Keegan Smith.

**MATH STAR GOWIT**

Haydn Buchanan, Ashley Chavez, Joanna Doda, Caleb Groe, Landyn Groe, Lyla Kent, Chase Kurtz, Addison Lily, Trent Nightingale, Madlyn Raney, Mara Robb, Ashton Schultz.

**PARTICIPATION MATH AWARD**

Caleb Groe.

**OUTSTANDING MATH STUDENTS**

Johnathon Cafer, Karli Dean, Ashton Schultz, Keegan Smith.

**MOST IMPROVED MATH STUDENT**

Joanna Doda.

**MULTIPLICATION CHALLENGE COMPLETION**

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**DIVISION CHALLENGE COMPLETION**

Haydn Buchanan, Johnathon Cafer, Ashley Chavez, Karli Dean, Joanna Doda, Macy Gilbert, Caleb Groe.

**PIZZA HUT BOOK IT!**

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Neveah Konecny, Austin Mason.

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Owen Miller, Karrah Thomas.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Van-Far Spring Athletic Banquet Held Thursday, June 7



### Boy's Track Awards

Brogan Wheeler, Rookie of the Year; Brennan Wheeler, Rookie of the year; Verlyn Johnson, short distance sprinter of the year; Morgan Staffen, most improved, 4x800 state plaque; Lathyn McMoris, outstanding distance runner, 4x800 state plaque; Jacob Garner, outstanding pole vaulter, leadership award, state plaques; Parker Wallace, long sprinter of the year, leadership award, state plaques; Josh Hodde, outstanding jumper, outstanding hurdler, state plaques; Sam Hazel, 4x800 state plaque; Tyler Robinson, 4x800 state plaque; Trevor Crider, outstanding hurdler; state plaque and Kyle Ebers, outstanding thrower. Not pictured Dillon Minor, outstanding athlete of the year.



### Ron Stallcup Award

Josh Hodde, 2018 Van-Far graduate is pictured with Ron Stallcup, former administrator at Van-Far, receiving the most prestigious athletic award given at Van-Far High School during the spring athletic banquet held Thursday, June 7.



### Girl's Track Awards

Katie Elzea, MVP sprinter award; Madalyn Swafford, MVP sprinter; Jordan Garner, MVP field events, MVP; Carleigh Phillips, outstanding newcomer award. Not pictured Cheyenne Martin, most improved; Jaye Jennings, MVP distance runner; and Taryn Adam, gusto award.



### Steve Snowden Award

2018 Van-Far graduate Kyle Ebers was awarded the Steve Snowden Award at the spring athletic banquet held Thursday, June 7.



### Baseball Awards

Sam Middleton, defensive player of the year; Josh Hodde, MVP; Trayson Culwell, hitter of the year; Caden Wiburn, most improved; and Riley Culwell, best teammate.



### Golf Awards

Jaysen Orr, lowest 18 hole average and Mr. Golf. Not pictured Rylee Hanson, lowest nine hole average; and Zane Allen, most improved.

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## Auditor Galloway Finds Not Enough Being Done To Prevent Or Detect Abuse Of Food Assistance

State Auditor Nicole Galloway today released an audit of the Department of Social Services' (DSS) food assistance program, formerly known as the Food Stamp Program, which found millions of dollars in questionable transactions by recipients who were deceased, incarcerated or making purchases exclusively out of state. The audit, which was performed by the Auditor's data analytics team, found issues with the integrity and accuracy of data and made recommendations to ensure potential fraud is identified quickly.

"This audit found hundreds of thousands of SNAP transactions that raised red flags, but were not seriously investigated by the Department of Social Services," Auditor Galloway said. "Misuse or abuse of these benefits means that taxpayer dollars are wasted, the resources are not going to Missouri families in need."

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, known as SNAP, is a federal program administered through the Missouri Department of Social Services. The department provides benefits to low-income Missourians by loading them on

EBT cards to purchase groceries. The report found the department consistently failed to review and investigate suspicious activity identified through system alerts. During an 18-month period, there were more than 51,000 alerts, but DSS cited a lack of resources to investigate or making purchases exclusively out of state. The audit identified \$16 million in purchases made exclusively out of state for 90 consecutive days or more. Thirty-nine recipients used EBT cards exclusively out of state for more than 700 days. While some out-of-state use is permitted under federal guidelines, it is also an indication that a recipient may no longer be a Missouri resident and no longer eligible for benefits through the state.

The report also identified weaknesses in the system that resulted in benefits going to households with recipients who were incarcerated or no longer living. In 3,668 cases, an EBT card was used more than 30 days after the death of the cardholder. The report also identified 62 cases receiving SNAP benefits, but the cardholder was incarcerated throughout the entire period reviewed. Similarly for an additional 2,358 cases, the cardholder was incarcerated during some portion of the period reviewed.

"We even found a case where a recipient who was in jail completed a recertification interview by phone with a Social Services caseworker," Auditor Galloway said. "These types of situations show exactly why the department needs to take these recommendations seriously and ensure they are able to root out bad actors who are abusing the system."

Recommendations included improving data quality and accuracy within the system. Transaction data is often incomplete, invalid or unreliable, making it difficult to manage information and identify fraud. The audit also recommended that DSS use data analytics to proactively identify and investigate benefit abuse and misuse.

Auditors also identified an error in the system that resulted in fewer alerts for even-dollar transactions, a warning sign of fraudulent behavior, and recommended additional protections to identify high-risk recipients who use their cards multiple times within a short period.

## Bowling Green Middle School Honor Rolls

**A HONOR ROLL  
SIXTH GRADE**  
Logan Waelder, Miles Klenke, Eli Grote, Mackenzie Cashman, Olivia Fomick, Daegon Bryant, Jasmine Beshars, Avery Shade, Megan Graver, Molly Norton, Dylan Preston, Avery Gamm, Sebastian Leon, Gavin Outlaw, Benjamin Chance, Gavin White, Kaylee Stephens, Molly Grote, Kaylyn Charlton, Morgan McMenamy, Neil Roney, Delaney Feldmann, Jordan Johnson, Lillian Bowen, Rachel Klott, Casey Price, Courtney Kraft, Gavin Miller, Clara Bailey, Caleb Graver, Isabella Fairchild, Bethany Perry, Mason McMenamy, Kellen Cockrell, Hannah Post, Rachael Niemeier, Audrey Lovell.

**B HONOR ROLL  
SIXTH GRADE**  
Landon Chandler, Caden Burt, Kelsey Heck, Kaden Penrod, Miranda Orf, Tian Little, Castor Litton, Lane Sheldone, Cameron Green, Natalie Wells, Isabella Rhoades, Hayden Barber, Landon Gregory, Gabriel Kroeck, Zachary Gibson, Abbie Gette, Kaelyn Fox, Jasmine Ellsworth, Kortney Carroll, Jayce Straube, Hannah Akers, Ethan Henningfield, Rowan Milosovich, Tucker Watson, Harrison Hunt, Emma Niemeier, Nova Hurd, Jaten McCullum.

**A HONOR ROLL  
SEVENTH GRADE**  
Blake Morton, Alex Miller, Cortnie Ricks, Katelyn Luebrecht, Jace Stolle, Tami Reynolds, Julia Shade, Kaden Klocke, Ryan Bowen, Kaelyn Wommack, Rhloe Merryman, Saige Hortness, John Gamm, Camden Fisher, Kyle Scott, Jose Soto, Payton Wandland, Levi Summers, Devin Rue, Kailey Luebrecht, Mya Shepard, Joshua Carroll, Katerine Houchins, Gabriel Maier, Grace Hiles, Andrew Korte, Allisyn Dameron, Megan Niemeier.

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SEVENTH GRADE**  
Adam Scherder, Olivia Welch-Orf, Dakota Hill, Zavier Fairchild, Miy Kael Hardy, Alyssa Wilson, Jordyn Stafford, Brooke Colston, Korbin Stewart, Brandon Gamba, Lillian Orf, Dakota Garza-Irons,

Dulton Thomas, Kamia Conners, Elissa Troutman, Trenton Griffith, Grace Deters, Madeline Branstetter, Miranda Niffen, Matthew Jennings, Blake Haywood, Cara Lindsay, Kylee Spires, Emma McCollum, Tiana Lewis, Sage Mitalovich, Theodore Charlton, Gayvn Potter, Aiden McDannold, Tyrah Frazier, Katrina Gordon, Jason Boyd, Jackson Orf, Hallie Gilbreath, Andrew Niemeier, Jackson Charlton, Tatum Schmidt, Luke Koester, Dylan Dalton, Camdyn Penrod, Jacob Fernel, Jackson Hughes, Emmalie Twilla, Morgan Rose, Mildred Goff, Makayla Treash, Kaden McMillen, Braden Hunt, Alyssa Timbrook, Brinley Sparks.

**A HONOR ROLL  
EIGHTH GRADE**  
Joshua Holmes, Charity Johnson, Hadley Freeman, Samuel Wells, Tanner Turner, Alexis Robb, Alexandra Holmes, Seth Huber, Cooper Kiel, Hailey Prater, Kaylin Dandridge, Kaysey Clark Kaysey, Brayden Buffington, Cadence Green, Mason Humphrey, Megan McMillen, Kaden Chandler, Meredyth Betts, Morgan Graver, Zoe Brandenburger, Lillian Dameron, Hannah Fox, Maria Kingsley, Wyatt Houseworth, Ivy Johnson, Bailey Graves, Kennedy Grimsley, James Hearn, Emma Craig, Brylie Sparks, Chloe Kroencke, Miranda Liber, Madison Pruitt, Paige St. Aubyn, Alecco Walker, Samantha Smith.

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## BGMS President Achievement Awards

**SIXTH GRADE  
GPA 3.5 & HIGHER**  
**PROFICIENT ON MAP (SILVER)**  
Hannah Akers, Kortney Carroll, Mackenzie Cashman, Ben Chance, Kaylyn Charlton, Isabella Fairchild, Delaney Feldmann, Keatyn Fox, Olivia Fomick, Avery Gamm, Abbie Gette, Megan Graver, Landon Gregory, Ethan Henningfield, Harrison Hunt, Tia Little, Morgan McMenamy, Rowan Milosovich, Emma Niemeier, Molly Norton, Dylan Preston, Casey Price, Kaylee Stephens, Jayce Straube, Logan Waelder.

**PROFICIENT ON MAP (GOLD)**  
Clara Bailey, Hayden Barber, Jasmine Beshars, Lilly Bowen, Blayne Bryant, Kellen Cockrell, Jazmine Ellsworth, Caleb Graver, Jordan Johnson, Miles Klenke, Rachel Klott, Courtney Kraft, Gabriel Kroeck, Audrey Lovell, Jaten McCollum, Mason McMenamy, Gavin Miller, Rachael Niemeier, Gavin Outlaw, Bethany Perry, Hannah Post, Neil Roney, Gavin White.

**SEVENTH GRADE  
GPA 3.5 & HIGHER**  
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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## PCMH Welcomes Back Reesa Vanhooser As Director Of Emergency Dept., EMS

Reesa Vanhooser BSN, RN was recently welcomed back to Pike County Memorial Hospital as the Director of Emergency Department and EMS.

Vanhooser began her career at PCMH on the switchboard and also worked in the Business Office. Upon graduation and obtaining her Associate Degree in Nursing from Hannibal-LaGrange College, she worked as a nurse on the

Medical/Surgical floor managing the care of inpatients as a staff nurse and charge nurse. Vanhooser also worked as the Patient Care Coordinator before transitioning to the Emergency Department.

Since leaving PCMH in 2013, Vanhooser has gained her Bachelor's Degree in nursing and is currently working on her Master's Degree. Vanhooser worked as a clinical support nurse and was working to become a leader within emergency nursing at SSM Health St. Joseph Hospital. She has also gained knowledge and experience in many other roles.

"Having lived in this community my entire life, and having raised my three children in this community, I have always been drawn to serve my community and look forward to serving the citizens of Pike County," Vanhooser remarked. "It is my desire for the Emergency Department and Emergency Medical Services at PMCH to be able to provide high quality healthcare in a patient safe environment. It is good to be back!"

Pike County Memorial Hospital looks forward to working with Vanhooser on meeting the needs of the community.



Reesa Vanhooser

## Area Students Named To Dean's List At Maryville University This Spring

Maryville University has named the following students to the dean's list for the spring 2018 semester.

Maryville undergraduate students are eligible for the dean's list when they complete at least 12 Maryville University credit hours in a semester with a minimum of a 3.5 grade-

point average on a 4.0 (perfect) scale.

Area students named to the list include Nancy Wastler, College of Health Professions, BSN completion, Bowling Green and Devin Hartley, College of Health Professions, nursing, Elsberry.



## Operation Round Up Donates \$500 To YMCA

Elementary students at Clopton have been staying busy during the summer school session sponsored by the Twin Pike Family YMCA. The program was awarded a \$500 Operation Round Up grant to be used for partial scholarships to offset the enrollment fee for several students. The three-week summer session, which concludes June 15, features a number of activities such as swimming, fishing, crafts, games, presenters and clinics. Operation Round Up grant funds come from Cuijve River Electric Cooperative members who voluntarily pay the round up amount on their monthly electric bill. The funds are administered by volunteer trustees who represent areas within St. Charles, Lincoln, Warren and Pike counties where Cuijve River offers electric service. The program addresses unmet needs in the areas of community and emergency services, home weatherization, health, youth and education. More information can be found at [www.cuijve.com](http://www.cuijve.com).

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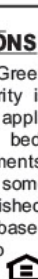
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**PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER:** The City of Vandalia is currently accepting applications for the position of Part-Time Police Officer.

Vandalia has a citizen population of 3,899. Vandalia is located in Audrain County in the North Eastern section of Missouri. The City of Vandalia does not require police officers to reside within the city limits of Vandalia.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Applicants must be twenty-one years of age, have a high school diploma or equivalent, and possess a valid Missouri driver's license, a negative criminal history records check and valid Missouri P.O.S.T. certification.

**SALARY:** Starting salary for the position is \$11.75 per hour. Salary will increase upon successful completion of the employee's probationary period.

**BENEFITS:** Benefits include overtime, vacation, holidays, sick leave, training, health insurance, retirement program and provides uniforms and weapons.

All applicants must be able to successfully complete a pre-employment physical and drug screen. Applications may be obtained at Vandalia City Hall, located at 200 E. Park St., in Vandalia or by calling city hall at 573-594-6186 during business hours Monday-Friday. Applications should be returned to Vandalia City Hall, Attn: Karen Shaw, city clerk, 200 E. Park St., Vandalia, MO 63382.

Position is open until filled. The City of Vandalia is an equal opportunity employer and participates in E-Verify.

**FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER:** The City of Vandalia is currently accepting applications for the position of Full-Time Police Officer.

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**B&J SEPTIC PUMPING** - Commercial or residential, septic pumping & repair, sewer augering & repair, grease trap pumping and porta potty rentals. Butch Menne, 573-384-5536. (tf)

## Pike Democrats To Meet At Community Center

Democrats of Pike County will meet Thursday, June 21 at the Bowling Green Community Center at 6:30 p.m.

Speakers will be Tara Morrison Eskew and Rhonda Niemeyer, candidates for the office of Pike County collector.

Desserts will be provided. Plans will be finalized for the Clark-Truman dinner in July with Martin T. Rucker speaking.

Rucker is a former Kansas City Chief and MU tiger football player and now a candidate for state Senate. For more info call 573-470-0325.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS



## PCMH Brings Organizations Together

Pike County Memorial Hospital hosted a collaborative seminar: "Readmissions, Care Transitions and Patient, Family Engagement recently. Several representatives from within the hospital and other organizations attended. Pictured (l-r): Paulette Powelson, ICRM/QA Director at PCMH, Lisa Pitzer, Director Med-Surg at PCMH, Pat Teske, Cynosure Health Implementation Officer, Ti Wilde, HIIN Program Manager for the Missouri Hospital Association and Judy Prater, Director of Nursing at PCMH.

## PCMH Holds Collaborative Seminar 'Readmissions, Care Transitions, Patient And Family Engagement' For Several Local Organizations

Pike County Memorial Hospital was fortunate to provide a collaborative seminar: "Readmissions, Care Transitions and Patient, and Family Engagement" recently.

Lunch was served as professionals learned on May 31 as part of PCMH's HIIN project through Missouri Hospital Association. Tori Wilde (PCMH program manager) secured national speaker, Pat Teske from California to present.

Community partners attending included: Pike County Health Department, Home Health & Hospice, Ruth Jensen Village, Maple Grove Lodge, Elsberry Health Care, Kindred Hospice, Heartland Hospice and NECAC.

Teske is an RN who works through HRET (Health Research and Educational Trust) for Cynosure Health. Highlighted county-level

health issues include heart, lung, cancer, and diabetes. PCMH's HIIN aim is to reduce all-cause readmissions by 12% by September 27, 2018. The IMPACT Act's goals are to improve care transitions and that patients receive timely follow-up care.

Seminar discussions included: Follow-up phone calls to assess medication needs and physician timely recheck; teach back discharge instructions; easy to understand printed discharge instructions for patients and caregivers; reach out to community partners for home care or hospice if applicable. Communications is the KEY with all care partners.

The care-team members present agreed this program was enlightening and want to have similar seminars in the future.

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