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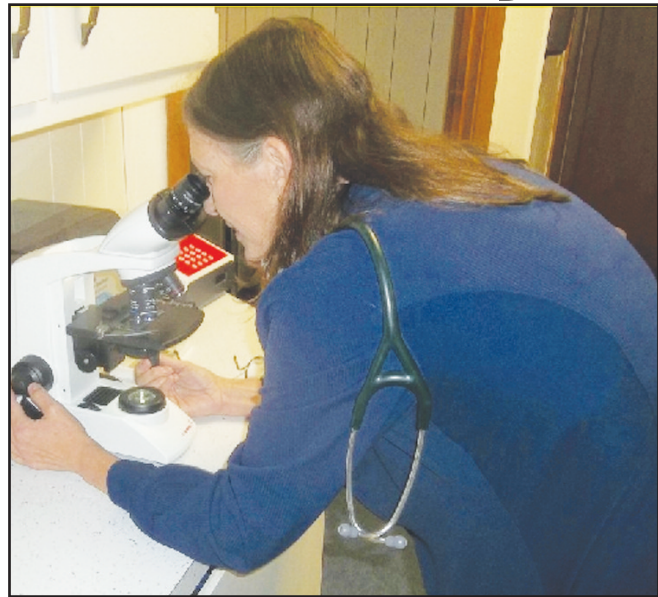
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NECAC To End Family Planning Program



NECAC Family Planning Director Claudia Timbrook examines cultures under a microscope. The program is shutting down March 31 after more than 30 years.

After more than 30 years, the not-for-profit North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) is ending its Family Planning Health Services program March 31.

The decision was approved March 22 by the NECAC Board of Directors, and covers NECAC Family Planning clinics in Hannibal, Bowling Green, Warrenton and O'Fallon. The agency is notifying patients, who will be directed to other providers.

The program received federal Title X funding from the Missouri Family Health Council, and served more than 1,000 people in 2021.

However, funding for services has dropped as the number of clients has decreased substantially over the last few years. Even with efforts to in-

crease revenue, the program has operated in the red — around \$75,000 this year. The deficit is being made up from other sources. In addition, the COVID pandemic impacted staffing and client visits.

"This was a difficult decision, but one we had to make," said NECAC President and Chief Executive Officer Don Patrick. "We are proud to have operated life-saving family planning clinics and we want patients to know that we will do all we can to make sure their needs are met before the program shuts down."

"The delivery of exceptional family planning services has always been NECAC's top priority and we are saddened that we will no longer be able to serve Mis-

souri's northeast region," said NECAC Community Health Service Programs Directors Brenda Fuqua. "It is a great regret that we could not make the program sustainable."

About 30 percent of NECAC's patients were uninsured and fell below the federal poverty level for 2021. Fuqua said that between the lack of broader Medicaid expansion in Missouri and other state resources, the program was no longer financially viable.

The decision means the permanent layoff of three employees. The clinics offered a variety of affordable family planning services to people of all ages, including birth control services and education, pregnancy testing, options counseling, prenatal education, sexually-transmitted disease testing and treatment, Pap smears and Well Women and Well Men exams. The agency also was a Show Me Healthy Women program provider.

The NECAC In-Home Senior Health Services and Women, Infants and Children (WIC) programs are not affected, although an unrelated reorganization of In-Home is planned.

NECAC's Family Planning facilities will operate until March 31. The Missouri Immunization Program has Gardasil records that can be accessed at local health departments.

NECAC Family planning patients who may need referrals to other providers should call 573-221-3404. Information may also be found at www.mfhc.org.

Silex Mayor Resigns, Gambrill Sworn In

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

Monday, March 14, the Silex Board of Alderman ap-

pointed alderman Stuart Gambrill as mayor to replace Joseph Clark after missing several meetings.

Former mayor Clark was sworn into office on April 14, 2021 for his term as mayor
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Move 'Em On, Head 'Em Up

Ashley Family Part Of Epic Cattle Drive

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

There was one last beast to tame before Pike County's Walter Crow and his men could complete their 1850 cattle drive to California.

The Sierra Nevada range featured some of the steepest climbs in America, the biggest trees on earth, a waterfall that was more than 650 feet taller than the most elevated point in Missouri and what was then the nation's highest peak in Mount Whitney.

Cyrus Loveland, a friend of Crow's who kept a diary of the drive, called the Sierra "The Great Elephant of the Overland Route to California."

The Rockies were wider and longer, but the Sierra caused travelers the greatest fear. The name itself — Spanish for "mountain range covered in snow" — was intimidating. Crow and his team were awed.

"We beheld vast quantities of snow both above and below, spread over a wide stretch of the most rugged and mountainous region that I had ever beheld, rearing upwards, their lofty peaks capped with perpetual snow in majestic grandeur to the skies," Loveland wrote.

CANNIBAL CABIN
Water and grass remained plentiful, but the higher the drovers climbed the more weather became a factor.

"The nights are now cold and frosty," Loveland reported on Sept. 10 "Had a little snow this evening."

As the men crossed into California, they encountered something else chilling — the campsite of the infamous

Donner Party. During the winter of 1846-1847, almost 90 members of the emigrant wagon train got stranded.

To survive, they resorted to cannibalism. The story had shocked the world. One of the shelters — called "Cannibal Cabin" — had been burned.

"But the spot is still marked by bones and ashes and the big stumps where they cut the logs for their cabin," Loveland said.

One way to get through the mountains safely was to follow the Truckee River and the narrow passages it had meanderingly cut through the rock. However, that was not always practical.

On Friday the 13th, the Crow caravan doubled its teams and "moved on to conquer the last great difficulty." The peak was more than 9,000 feet high and others nearby were even bigger.

"From the time we left the foot until we reached the summit of the mountains, it snowed and most of the time quite hard," Loveland said. The trail was so primitive that it "beat anything we had seen on the route."

At some impassable places, the heavy wagons had to be lowered with ropes from one point to another. When one of the wagons toppled and broke apart, no salvage effort was made because it was too risky. A frustrated Loveland had a lament echoed by all travelers from every point in history.

"For me to attempt a discussion of the road yesterday and today is useless, for I do not believe language can do it," he wrote. "However, I will say if wagons had never traveled it, I would have said it was impossible and never would have thought of making the attempt."

As the drovers descended into California, some began to leave the party. Loveland never mentions when or how much they were paid, but historical records indicate herdersmen likely got what would today be the equivalent of around \$1,800 per month — a little more than \$8,000 for the grueling four-and-a-half-month trip.

As for costs, drovers who remained got a taste Sept. 22 of the California inflation they had heard about since leaving Missouri. Loveland describes buying a restaurant dinner for \$1.25 — about \$48 today. Back in the Midwest, \$1.25 would have bought meals and lodging for two or three days at a hotel.

Although the price wasn't mentioned, Loveland and the remaining men lodged at a nearby home that night. It was the first comfortable bunk they'd had in what seemed liked ages.

ONE LAST THING
Being part of a cattle drive wasn't the only way to get from Pike County to California in 1850.

A short-lived commercial enterprise was available to those who didn't want to herd livestock or strike out on their own.

Two Ashley neighbors of the Crows, 23-year-old John M. McPike and 40-year-old E.J. Strother, came up with an idea they were sure would be a Gold Rush hit.

They bought wagons made of iron, leather and wood — called "hacks" — that resembled stagecoaches and sold tickets for a May 1 departure. Each wagon could hold four passengers with at least one coachman riding on top and four horses pulling the rig. Additional horses and mules

New Roundabout Construction Begins

Drivers can expect to see a lot of activity in Bowling Green on Business U.S. Route 61 at Missouri Route 161 and Court Street as construction of a roundabout is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 11.

Bleigh Construction Company was awarded the contract by the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission last winter for \$1,397,215. This project is a cost share project with the City of Bowling Green. The completion date for the project is Nov. 1.

"This project will replace the existing four-way stop on Business 61/Court Street and MO 161. The new roundabout intersection will improve traffic flow in addition to increase safety and improve access to nearby businesses, especially during peak traffic times," explained Missouri Department of Transportation Assistant District Engineer, Kevin James.

The project will include a 170' roundabout with a 19' truck apron to be completed in four major stages of construction. The initial phase includes grading, temporary pavement construction and some entrance work which is all scheduled to be completed during nighttime hours to

when traffic volumes are lower in order to minimize traffic impacts.

"The roundabout intersection improvement will be constructed one-half at a time. Work included in the second phase, scheduled to begin early to mid-May, includes the 70-day closure of MO 161 during which time the south half of the roundabout will be completed," added James. A signed detour will be in place during this time to direct motorists around the work zone.

With the end of the temporary detour, comes the construction of the northern portion of the roundabout in stage three. This work will begin tentatively around late July at which time traffic will be shifted over the newly constructed southern portion of the roundabout and Court Street access at this location will be closed. Motorists will need to use alternate routes during this time. Drainage work, intersection lighting, pavement, demolition, removals and additional entrance work will be accomplished during this phase as well.

Upon moving to the final stage of the project, all legs of the roundabout will be open to normal traffic patterns as finish work is completed dur-

ing nighttime hours, including permanent pavement markings, removal of temporary pavement and the installation of splitter islands.

Schedule changes could occur due to weather or material availability. We ask motorists to please be attentive in work zones for their safety and the safety of highway workers. Please obey all traffic signs and personnel and eliminate distractions by putting down your phone.

MoDOT and the City of Bowling Green will alert the public about the project through signs, news releases and social media. For more information, call MoDOT at 888-ASK-MODOT (275-6636) or the City of Bowling Green at 573-324-5451. To learn more about this project visit <https://www.modot.org/roundabout-bowling-green>.

Spring is here and work zones are popping up in Missouri. Be in the know before you go.

All work zones are online at www.modot.org/northeast, and you can receive the latest news about road work in your area by signing up for e-updates, receiving emails or text messages about road work that's happening on the roads, projects or counties you want.

Children's Book Author Raises Money For LAPD K9

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

Local children's book author, Eme Sue was already talking with new fans right at the start of her book signing event early Saturday morning.

Despite the deceivingly sunny but cold, Spring day,

The Bridge — a popular coffee shop and gathering place in Louisiana — teemed with patrons and Louisiana Police officers.

Members of the LAPD including officer Embry and his K9 partner Nadia were on hand to speak with locals and help celebrate Sue's recent release, Cops & Robbers.

Sue said she's long been a supporter of the law enforce-

ment and emergency response communities and has helped organize several fundraisers for the Louisiana Police Department. In fact, all the proceeds from her recent book will go towards supporting the future training of Nadia.

"I've worked alongside of them planning events and its just one of the things I enjoy — helping police and fire de-

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March Is National Developmental Disability Awareness Month

PEOPLE FIRST
Sometimes you can tell a lot of what an organization is all about just by its name; this is the case with People First.

People First is dedicated to the idea that persons with developmental disabilities are "people first", and should not be defined by their disability or by a label that can often be hurtful or demeaning. Run by, and for, persons with developmental disabilities, People First is a statewide organization with local chapters throughout the state including here in Pike County.

The goal of People First is to promote equality for people with disabilities so they can live the life they want in the community. People First chapters work to teach and empower persons with disabilities to understand their rights and responsibilities, and to work for full and meaningful participation in community life.

People First advocates for the needs of persons with disabilities, and some of the current priorities of the organization include eliminating barriers to transportation,

expanding accessible and affordable housing, and expanding self-determination initiatives for persons with developmental disabilities. Each chapter has members who serve on a statewide steering committee; Pike County's current steering committee representatives are Kristina Spears and Vernon Wallsmith.

Pike County's local People First chapter has been active in raising funds for local needs and priorities, including a chair lift system at the YMCA, pantry boxes at the Bowling Green and Frankford schools, donating candy for the annual Easter egg hunt, and playground equipment for the Judevine Center for Autism facility in Louisiana. The chapter is currently selling greeting cards as a fundraiser, and is hoping to sell 100 boxes.

If you are a person with a disability who may have an interest in joining People First or if you would like to purchase greeting cards for the chapter's current fundraiser, contact chapter advisor Melony Grote at 324-5493.

OBITUARIES

In Loving Memory

Carolyn McBride, 89, Vandalia
Zach Silvey, 22, Louisiana
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Rep. Chad Perkins Capitol Report

Lawmakers Act to Protect the Rights of Landowners (HB 2005)

The Missouri House took action this week to protect land owners from having their property unlawfully seized through the misuse of eminent domain. House members gave initial approval to HB 2005, which is a direct response to the Grain Belt Express project that has the authority to use eminent domain to acquire land in Missouri.

Grain Belt Express is a high-voltage electric transmission line that will run approximately 800 miles from Kansas to Indi-

ana. In 2019, the project was granted the authority to obtain land easements in Missouri through the use of eminent domain.

The bill's sponsor told his colleagues, "The Grain Belt is a private out-of-state company that is using eminent domain as a public utility. There is very little benefit for the state of Missouri. Only six percent of the power is going to be used here in our state."

The sponsor said the bill is a response to the land owners who are pleading with the legislature for help. He said the bill, "ensures utility projects in Missouri actually benefit the state of Missouri. It provides just compensation for land owners when their land is being taken from them and it's being condemned. It also incentivizes negotiations outside the court process."

HB 2005 would require that any electrical corporation that proposes building a transmission line must provide a minimum of 50% of its electrical load to Missouri consumers to be considered a public service and to be allowed to condemn property to construct the transmission. The bill also specifies that in condemnation proceedings, just compensation for agricultural or horticultural land will be 150% of fair market value, which will be determined by the court. Additionally, the bill states that in a condemnation proceeding for agricultural or horticultural land in which a court appoints three disinterested commissioners, at least one of the commissioners must be a farmer who has been farming in the county for at least 10 years.

The bill now requires another positive vote in the House before moving to the Senate.

MAKING PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS MORE AFFORDABLE (HB 1677)

Missourians could see lower prescription drug costs thanks to legislation approved by the Missouri House of Representatives. House members gave first-

round approval to HB 1677 with the goal of improving transparency and accountability for pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) in Missouri.

PBMs are paid third-party administrators of prescription drug coverage for insurers and employers. They provide a wide variety of services including developing and maintaining formularies, processing claims, and negotiating discounts and rebates between payers and manufacturers. PBMs manage plans for millions of Americans.

The bill's sponsor said the bill "will reduce prescription drug costs" and noted his bill is meant to help Missourians "understand what goes on with the rebate monies that PBMs are handling for their employers."

The sponsor told his colleagues, "It offers transparency. It shows where the rebate monies go and as you look at where the rebate money goes, you will determine that these PBMs are actually pocketing some of the rebate moneys that they collect that should be going back to the patients. This is a bill that puts the moneys back in the patients' hands instead of paying shareholders' dividends."

HB 1677 would require PBMs to report the dollar amount of rebates collected from pharmaceutical manufacturers, the dollar amount of rebates that were not passed on, and the dollar amount of all fees and payments received from pharmaceutical manufacturers. The bill also specifies that PBMs must notify health carriers and pharmacies in writing of any potential conflict of interest, including but not limited to common ownership or any other relationship between the PBM and any other health carrier or pharmacy with which the PBM contracts.

Supporters say the legislation will help restore the balance in the health care system and ensure Missourians have sustainable access to medications and choice in where they receive their pharmacy services.

The bill now requires another vote in the House before moving to the Senate.

MISSOURI HOUSE APPROVES PLAN TO LEGALIZE SPORTS BETTING (HBs 2502 & 2556)

Missourians would be able to wager on college and professional sports under legislation approved by the House this week. Lawmakers gave approval to HB 2502 to allow legalized sports betting in Missouri in either casinos or through a licensed mobile app.

The bill is the result of a Supreme Court ruling in 2018 that struck down a federal prohibition on sports betting. Since that time, nearly 30 states, including many of Missouri's neighboring states, have adopted legislation to allow some form of wagering on sporting events. Supporters noted that Missouri needs to legalize sports betting to keep revenues generated by the industry in the state.

One supporter noted, "It's happening today. We're not stopping it by not allowing it. It's just going underground or it's going across the border. We should be regulating this."

HB 2502 would implement an 8 percent tax on sports wagers. Fiscal analysts estimate the tax would generate approximately \$10 million annually for the state.

The bill's sponsor noted that the legislation has the support of all of the state's professional sports teams and five of the six companies who operate casinos in Missouri.

An amendment added to the bill requires an annual report to assess the social and economic effects of gaming in the state and to obtain information related to compulsive gambling. The provision would require the state to provide resources to assist individuals with a compulsive gambling problem.

The bill now moves to the Senate for consideration.

Southern Pike Interchurch

Council Plans Maundy Thursday Services

The Southern Pike County Interchurch Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 15 at the Clarksville Christian Church at 6:30 p.m., with President Cindy Ricks Presiding.

Prayer was given by the Rev. Charles Williams. Minutes were read and approved along with treasurer's report being given in absence of treasurer Susan Richardson, by the Rev. Al Boatman, they were approved.

Update on Christmas fruit that was given and food vouchers. The food vouchers that were used this year was down, quite a surprise to the group 26 vouchers were given and only 19 used.

Joanne reported that school supplies were going well at Clopton, and that clothing for the elementary has been given to the school nurse along with items for the Lucky Tray Program.

Easter services were discussed and it was decided to hold Maundy Thursday services at the Clarksville Christian Church on April 14 at 7 p.m. The Rev. Charles Williams, pastor will be in charge up putting the services together and letting everyone know so they can take part in the services, would like to have participation from all of the churches.

Joanne asked about the Songfest in the spring, it was decided to plan one on Sunday, June 12, Judy Colbert said tentative place for Songfest, Ramsey Creek and Joanne said if Ramsey Creek wasn't available Bethel Paynesville. Meal will be discussed at next meeting

Meeting adjourned with closing prayer by the Rev. Al Boatman. Next meeting to be held on Monday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m.

MAYOR

Continued from front page to replace Joseph Clark after missing several meetings.

Former mayor Clark was sworn into office on April 14, 2021 for his term as mayor followed the late Chuck Turbyville who held a seat on the city's board of aldermen.

Prior to Clark's resignation, sources have told The Tribune the Silex board was preparing to impeach the former mayor due to missing several board and special meetings along with other allegations.

In February, the board of aldermen voted unanimously to prepare five articles of impeachment to read during in March; however, Clark resigned only days prior to the scheduled meeting.

Another of Silex's former mayors, Robert Zeh, was appointed to replace Turbyville who died unexpectedly on Feb. 28.

"The Silex Board of Education is confident that Heggemann will provide exceptional leadership to our district moving forward. Throughout the hiring process it became evident that Heggemann was the right choice for our district, and we are excited to have him join our community," stated school board president Gabe Twellman.

"We are sad to see Mr. Heggemann go," Louisiana School Board President, Jenna Loveless told The Tribune. "He is a huge asset to our district. I am excited about Mr. Heggemann's future as a superintendent, and I know he will be a great addition to Silex. We have opened the position and should be filling it quickly."

"The students and staff are amazing individuals," Heggemann said of his time at Louisiana. "I appreciate all the work they put in every day. I am very thankful for the opportunity to work in Louisiana."

The People's Tribune will provide more information as it becomes available.

Vandalia Historical Society Plans Season

The Vandalia Area Historical Society held their monthly meeting on Saturday, March 19.

Those attending were Vicki Wright, Paul Ray, Kevin Wenzel, Pete Nasir, Linda Klug and Joy and Jentry Davis. The minutes of the February meeting were approved as corrected. The financial report was made.

The 2022 museum season will begin on Memorial Day weekend. The hours will be on Saturdays and Sundays from 1-3 p.m., until Oct. 30. Area residents and their guests are encouraged to visit the museum and the new exhibits. Organizations and individuals will be volunteering their time to keep the museum open.

Plans for the 2024 Vandalia 150th Anniversary Celebration were discussed. The Chamber of Commerce will help with the plans as well as other organizations. The celebration will be part of Prairie Days 2024. An ice

cream social may be held on August 10, 2024, that is the actual date of founding Vandalia. Other ideas discussed included having re-enactors, having a lawn of the week program, having a beard contest, doing a fashion shoe with tea, and asking for family photo collages from those with long histories in the community. The publication of a history book based on the

writings of Lucy Coontz that were part of the Vandalia Leader in the 1950's was mentioned. Possible grant applications will be needed to help defray the expense of the celebration.

The next meeting is Saturday, April 16, 9 a.m., at the Charlene Teague Genealogy Center on Main Street. Residents are welcome to attend these meetings.

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We Would Appreciate Your Vote On April 5

Hey Everyone! I wanted to announce I am running for City Alderman in WARD #1 in Bowling Green and would appreciate your vote in April!

To those that don't know me well:
 I'm recently engaged to Brittany Kidd. I've lived in Pike County my entire life. I graduated from Bowling Green High School in 2011. After high school, I spent 8 years as a local 513 Union Heavy Equipment Operator where I worked on improving roads, bridges, buildings and all other kinds of infrastructure. I loved what I did and met a lot of great people but I hated the drive. So I decided to open up a business here in my hometown.

I own and operate Elite Express Wash and 20+ rentals here in Bowling Green. I know how to manage money well and run on a tight budget. My mother, Shelley Sue Wiler, has been a great role model in business and has always taught me how important it is to be involved in our community. So I decided to run for Alderman.

Everyone would describe me as a funny, easy going straight forward guy who likes to make people laugh.

As this town grows, I think it needs some new ideas to grow with it. I will always stand for what's right and fair and I'm not afraid to bring up concerns.

THIS IS OUR TOWN, OUR FUTURE. Don't be afraid to call me, I'd love to hear your questions or concerns. 573-470-5427.

Thank You!
-Austin Wasson
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COMMUNITY NEWS

From The Mayor's Desk...



JIM ARICO, MAYOR
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

What makes a city strong? Cities thrive through relationships.

Developing and maintaining relationships of all kinds is a key component and bonds a community together. Positive interactions with neighbors, customers and business owners, and our community with their aldermen and women.

Strong connections in all aspects of our town makes us a stronger, more united, and a healthier city. Trust in one another is sorely missing in our country today. When we build relationships with others, we learn to trust, which is much needed at every level of government.

That's why it is important to reach out to your mayor, your Alder person(s) in your ward. Making connections throughout our city causes us to be more closely knit and stronger. Building relationships is a big part of our lives and if we don't, we become fragmented and more alone; weaker and divided. When we reach out in time of need or have positive interactions with one another, these factors support and encourage in building a tighter close-knit community. America in Bloom beautifies a city and invites civic pride.

Elections are Tuesday, April 5 for various positions in Bowling Green. The Bowling Green School Board has two positions either open or up for re-election as does the Board of Alderpersons. Please exercise your voting right and responsibility.

The Bowling Green Park Board continues to meet and schedule activities for the Spring, Summer, and Fall. Check their Face Book page for specific details like the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9.

Spring activities at our Bowling Green

Schools are gearing up at all levels and are also preparing for State testing soon. MIC NIGHT sponsored by the gifted program is Thursday, March 31 at 7 p.m., in the high school auditorium.

Fish Frys at St. Clement and Ashley on Friday, April 1, is always a great time for good food and fellowship.

General Council meeting is Monday, April 4, and the city is invited. It's an excellent time to find out what's happening in Bowling Green.

"Clean up and Beautify Bowling Green" is going on this week, so it is a fantastic opportunity to get rid of unused and/or broken items that clutter your house and yards.

As Bowling Green is experiencing new businesses and new building of houses, please reach out and welcome these new people and their families into our loving and caring community.

The Bicentennial Committee encourages you to take the three-question survey and add any comments at BGMO200.com.

A Westmoreland saying is, "A Persons character is like a fence, you can't strengthen with whitewash. It takes ad- versity."

Lincoln County OATS

Plans Trip To Pigeon Forge, Smoky Mountains

The Lincoln County OATS plan a trip to Pigeon Forge and Smoky Mountain with Diamond Tours Oct. 10-15.

Some of the activities are Country Tonite, Patty Waszak Show, Soul Of MoTown, and a Guided Tour of the Great Smoky Mountains National

Park, and lots more, Diamond Tours are wonderful, for more information and Price you may contact Pam White, 636-399-5675.

Van-Far Alumni, Friends Plans For Reunion

When they met Thursday, March 24, Van-Far Alumni board members made plans for the all-school reunion. This will be held Sunday, Sept. 18, at the elementary school. Guest speaker following the catered meal will be V-F graduate, Dea Hoover. Hoover is the owner of two tour companies based out of St. Louis and an author.

The membership committee reported that Cami Hill Blackman is a new lifetime member. Membership is available to any person; further information can be ob-

tained by contacting Brian Hummel at the elementary school.

The treasurer reported the following memorial gifts received in recent months: Carol Gaw Hogue by the class of 1967; Elaine Brookshier by her family; and Alan Adam by Loralee Adam. Other gifts were received from Harold Chenoweth and the class of 1984.

In attendance at the meeting were Jim Deppe, Gary Heim, Hummel, Debbie Moore, Carol Schambach, and Laura Straube.



Preparing Your Garden For Spring

One of the first things to do in the lawn and garden is a winter cleanup. Rake the lawn to get rid of dead growth, leaves, twigs and winter debris and let light and air to the soil level, encouraging the grass to grow. Remove dead plants from the garden if they were not removed in the fall. If trees were wrapped for protection from Southwest Injury, now is the time to remove the wrap. Leaving it on can damage the trunk by allowing insects and rain to get inside of it. As weeds start to grow in the garden remove them while their roots are still shallow and it is easy to pull them. Chickweed and henbit are two of the earliest weeds to emerge in the garden and flower bed.

If you haven't pruned your fruit trees and small fruits such as grapevines and bramble fruits, there's still time. Pruning should be completed in northeast Missouri by late March, earlier in the southern part of the state. Save the grapevine clippings to start new plants. Apply dormant oil spray to fruit trees, magnolias, crabapples and shrubs such as euonymus to control scale insects and other overwintering pests. Apply dormant oil when the buds are swelling but the leaves haven't opened yet. Apply when temperatures are between 40 and 70 degrees F (4-21 degrees C).

Do not be in a hurry to remove winter mulch from

strawberry beds, or cut back perennials such as roses, until temperatures are reliably warm. If freeze and thaw cycles over the winter heaved plants out of the ground, replant them when the ground thaws and the temperatures stay above freezing.

If mower blades need sharpened, or the mower or tiller still need a tune-up, get this done right away. If you plan to take the mower or tiller to a garden center to be worked on, plan on several weeks before getting it back possibly, as most people wait until right up until they need it to have it worked on. Start preparing other tools for planting. Tighten loose screws, remove rust, and apply oil to the wood handles for protection from the elements. Taking proper care of tools will make them last a long time.

Cool-season vegetables can be planted by late March in Northeast Missouri. Plant cool-season crops like spinach, lettuce, kale, cilantro and other leafy greens for harvest in late April and throughout May. Radishes, broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, snow peas and other cool-season crops can also be planted at this time if the soil is workable. Most of these crops can be planted in containers, raised beds or directly into the ground. Containers are not the best for peas. Plant them along a livestock panel or trellis in a raised bed or directly in the garden.

Dental Kits Presented

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OBITUARIES



Carolyn Gatson McBride

Carolyn Gatson McBride was born Feb. 11, 1933, in Ralls County. She was the first of four children born to Maude Lorene Brown and Willoughby Henry Gatson. Her siblings are Evelyn Evans, Anita Allee, and Arnold Gatson.

Carolyn went to rural, one-room schools in the Spencer Creek area (Crosslane, Bridgewater, Butler). She graduated from Vandalia High School and the University of Missouri, as did her three siblings. Carolyn taught at Eugene Field in Mexico, in Farber, and at Van-Far Middle and Elementary Schools. She retired after 32 years of helping children learn.

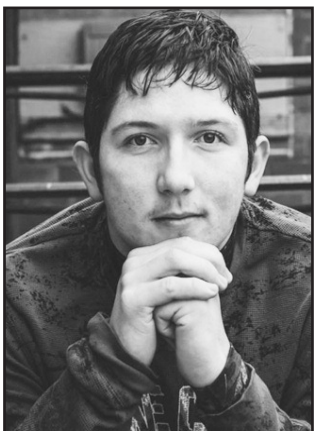
Carolyn married Leo McBride in June of 1952, just before he left for Korea. Carolyn continued her college work. They lived in Fort Worth, Texas, and Mexico, Missouri, and then Farber, where their three children were born. They later moved to Vandalia. Their children are: Laura Martin and husband, Gerald, Fair Grove, Leann Rosenmiller and husband, Alan, Old Monroe, and Norman McBride and wife, Andrea of Curryville. Their grandchildren are Jesse and Jonathan Wasson, Leah and Lucas Rosenmiller, Renee and Ryan Renolds, Jason Giltner, and Aaron McBride. Great-grandchildren are Rodger and Lily Giltner, Bennett, Harlynn, and Adalyn Wasson, and Owen Reynolds.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, her sister, Anita, her brother, Arnold, and infant grandchildren, Anna Rosenmiller, and Joshua Giltner.

Carolyn was active in community and church activities. She was a 4-H member and later a leader, taught religion classes, volunteered at the women's prison, was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and was currently a member of the Tri-County Care Center Board of Directors. She loved history and was a member of the Ralls County, Vandalia, and Audrain County Historical Societies. She loved spending time with her family, sewing, quilting, and working in the yard with her flowers.

A Mass to celebrate her life will be held Saturday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Vandalia. A Rosary will be recited at 10 a.m., with Mass at 10:30 a.m. No visitation will be held. A private burial ceremony will be held at Vandalia Cemetery. All friends and family are invited to attend a luncheon served at St. Patrick's Hall.

Donations can be made in her name to St. Jude Children's Hospital, or Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Vandalia.



Zach Silvey

Zach Silvey, 22, of Louisiana died Saturday, March 19, 2022.

Funeral services were at 12 p.m., Friday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. The Rev. John Davis officiated. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery near Louisiana.

Visitation was from 4-8 p.m., Thursday at the funeral home.

He was born Sept. 29, 1999 in St. Charles to Lawrence and Angela Smith Silvey.

Zach is survived by his parents, Larry and Angela Silvey of Louisiana; two sons, Kaiden Silvey and Lincoln Silvey; a brother, Sheldon Sil-

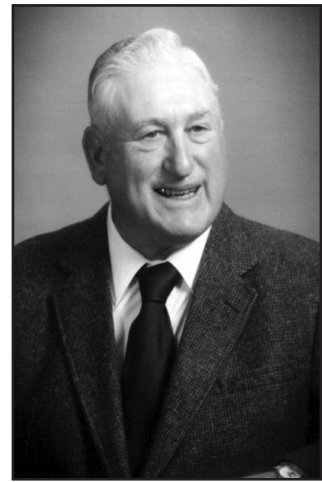
vey; one sister, Morgan Findley and husband, Andre; maternal grandfather, Gary Smith, Sr.; aunt, Renee Walter; uncles, Gary Smith and Jeff Silvey; nephew, Ty Findley; niece, Ella Findley; and several other aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Elizabeth "Judy" Smith, and his paternal grandparents, Larry Silvey Sr. and Mary Silvey.

Zach was a graduate of Louisiana High School with the class of 2019. He had attended Faith Baptist Church in Louisiana. He was employed at Louisiana Steel. He enjoyed watching football and was a fan of the San Francisco 49ers, and he loved to play horseshoes.

Honorary pallbearers were Kaiden Silvey, Lincoln Silvey, Ty Findley, and Ella Findley. Pallbearers were Sheldon Silvey, Andre Findley, Joe Johnson, Hunter Radatz, Clayton Welch, Trevor Chandler, and Caleb Perez.

Memorials may be given to donor's choice, c/o the funeral home.



Samuel 'Sam' Branstetter Sr.

Samuel "Sam" Reed Branstetter Sr., 91, died Nov. 23, 2021.

A celebration of life service and legacy of Sam will be Saturday from 3-5 p.m., at Bowling Green Community Center, 201 W. Locust, Bowling Green.



Donna Joan Summers Tilman

Donna was born Dec. 15, 1935, in St. Louis, and passed away peacefully on Monday, March 21, 2022.

She was the beloved wife of the late Page E. Tilman. She was an exceptional cook, baker, and hostess, and cherished her sons and daughters, Scott and wife, Beverly, Guy and wife, Debbie, Tracy and wife, Brenda; and "adopted" sons, Tony Laird and wife, Denise and Bret Jones.

She was the daughter of the late Russell and Goldie Manley Summers, and was preceded in death by brothers, Eugene, Dean, and Don, and a sister, Wanda. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Lois Summers; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren; cherished nieces; nephews; cousins; and friends.

Donna was a Godly woman who devoted her life to serving Christ, her family, her many friends, her church, and her community. She loved children of all ages and enjoyed being "Grandma" and "Grammy" to many over the course of her life. She will be greatly missed, leaving behind memories of a life well lived and a legacy of love. Hers was not always an easy life, but it was a successful life because she was faithful, she loved greatly, and she was loved dearly.

Visitation was Saturday at Waters Funeral Home, 500 S. Main Street, Vandalia from 9-11 a.m., until service at 11 a.m. Christian burial followed at Vandalia Cemetery, 1183 N. Main Street, Vandalia following the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Donna's memory to St. John's Catholic Church Pantry, 601 Elm Street, Ladonia, MO 63352, or charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be made to the family on Donna's memorial page at www.watersfuneral.com.



William Wayne Pease

William Wayne Pease, 90, of Mexico died Saturday, March 26, 2022, at the Mexico Veterans Home.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday at Mount Olivet Church. Burial will be in the Mount Olivet Cemetery following the service.

A visitation celebrating Wayne's life will be held from 1 p.m., until the time of service Saturday at the church.

Wayne was born Dec. 25, 1931, in Vandalia, the son of Ira and Mabel Kelly Pease. He was united in marriage to Doris Haverich on Nov. 25, 1951. Doris and Wayne divorced in May of 1998 but remained close friends. She preceded him in death on Feb. 6, 2021.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Tallmadge Pease, Clifford Pease, Leroy Pease, and Melvin Pease; six sisters, Evelyn Grover, Julia Mae, who died in infancy, Viola Maskey, Leota Craighead, Sue Henderson, and Mildred Morris.

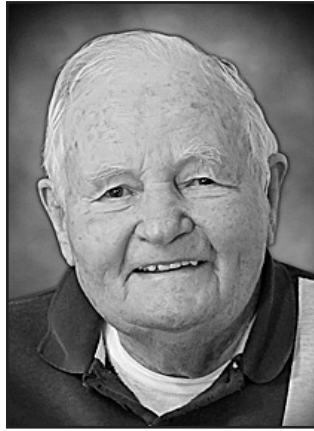
Survivors include his children, Jeanine McEvers and husband, Sam of Bluffs, Ill., Eddie Pease of Ladonia, Keith Pease and wife, Janie of Vandalia, and Lanette Goldsborough and husband, Jim of Jacksonville, Ill.; one sister, Dorothy Emo of Dayton, Ohio; seven grandchildren, Lezlie Fuhr and husband, Michael, Jason McEvers and wife, Courtney, Lori Howerton and husband, Jimmie, Stephanie Largent and husband, Joe, Dustan Pease and wife, Kailyn, Alena Schafer and Alecia Freels; 15 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Wayne honorably served his country in the United States Army during Korean War from January 1952-January 1954. He was a member of the Mount Olivet Church in rural Vandalia.

Wayne enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He was always visiting someone and often found traveling to the west coast to visit his old Army buddies and family. He was no stranger to hard work spending most of his time working on his farm and at Harbison Walker Refractories.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mount Olivet Church 9945 Highway W, Vandalia, MO 63382.

Online condolences may be made to the family on Wayne's memorial page at www.watersfuneral.com.



George L. Peecher

George Lindsey Peecher, 96, formerly of Louisiana, died Thursday, March 24,

2022 at his home in Washington.

George, son of the late Luther B. and Nellie Ava Peecher, was born Nov. 11, 1925, in Summer Hill, Ill. He was united in marriage to Betty Lou Finney Peecher June 6, 1954 in Greenfield, Ill., and the couple spent 67 wonderful years together.

Upon graduation from Pittsfield High School in 1944, George enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served his country during WWII. He trained at Great Lakes Naval Academy and attended gunnery school in Gulfport, Miss.

He served as a gunner on an oil tanker and crossed the Pacific five times. He was honorably discharged in July 1946. He was extremely proud and honored to have served his country.

After working in Wood River, Ill., for Standard Oil Company for five years, the couple moved to Louisiana where George was employed by Hercules, Inc., for the next 30 years.

He retired and bought a farm near his childhood home in Summer Hill, Ill. He loved working and playing on his farm. One of his greatest joys in life was watching his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, hunting, fishing, and playing on his farm.

Throughout his life, George loved being outside and loved to camp, hunt, and fish. He shared his passion by serving as assistant scout master and later scout master for Troop 155 in Louisiana. He was also a member of the Louisiana Lions Club, member of Lodge No. 453 A.F. & A.M., and the Pittsfield American Legion Post 152.

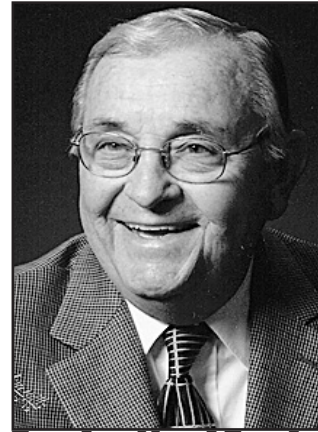
George was one of eleven children and learned at an early age to cherish family and friends. Those who knew him, loved him. He was always willing to lend a helping hand and share his knowledge. He was beloved by numerous generations of relatives and friends. He had a special bond with his grandchildren and great grandchildren; their grandpa and Papa Peecher was their hero.

George is survived by his wife, Betty of Washington; a son, Roger Peecher and wife, Cindy of Arrow Rock; daughter, Mary Lou Littrell and husband, Robert of Washington; five grandchildren, Carrie Peecher, Camdenton, Jason Peecher and wife, Megan, Miami; Annie Kessler and husband, Eric, Washington; Kristy Littrell, Tampa, Fla.; and Jennifer Biermann and husband, Kevin, Washington; nine great-grandchildren, Maddie Koenig, Addison and George Peecher, Sydney, Leah, and Audrey Kessler, Hallie, Hannah, and Emma Biermann. George has one surviving brother, Lester Peecher, Minneapolis, Minn.

George was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, six brothers, and numerous sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews.

A memorial visitation was held Saturday from 1-2 P.M., at Collier Funeral Home, Louisiana, with a memorial service at 2 p.m. Interment followed at Summer Hill Cemetery, Summer Hill, Ill.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Pike Pioneers Senior Center, 521 Georgia St., Louisiana, MO 63353, or Mercy Health Foundation (Hospice), 901 E. 5th St., Washington, MO 63090.



Fowler Noel Ennis

Fowler Noel Ennis, 101, of Vandalia died peacefully from this life to be made new in Christ at 7:15 p.m., Sunday, March 27, 2022, at his home, surrounded by his family.

Funeral services will be held at 9 a.m., Saturday at Spencer Creek Baptist Church. Pastor Bob Hoehn will officiate. Burial will be in Vandalia Cemetery following the service.

Visitation celebrating the life of Fowler Noel Ennis will be held from 4-7 p.m., Friday at Waters Funeral Home.

Fowler was born Dec. 27, 1920, in Supply, Ark., the son of James Herbert and Lura Dean Fowler Ennis. He was united in marriage to Dolores Opal Jones on March 10, 1940 in St. Louis. She preceded him in death on Feb. 15, 2012.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Charles Elmo Ennis, and Herbert Leon Ennis; and two sons-in-law, George Pfeiffer and Leroy Breneman.

Fowler is survived by his three daughters, Patricia Diann Six and husband, Kenneth of Jefferson City, Phyllis Gail Breneman of Vandalia, and Mary Elizabeth Pfeiffer of Plano, Texas; one son, Phillip Wayne Ennis and wife, Shelia of Vandalia; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; and many other loved family and friends.

Fowler graduated from Roosevelt High School Class of 1937 in St. Louis where he began his volunteer service leading youth activities at Third Baptist Church. He honorably served his country in the United States Army as a master sergeant and drill instructor during WWII.

He moved to Vandalia to start Ennis Implement Company with his father, J.H. Ennis and brother, Leon in 1947 and continued in the business until his retirement in 2005. The business continues today under fourth generation ownership.

During his 75 years in Vandalia, he was active in civic work in multiple capacities, serving on the Vandalia Utilities Board for 21 years, the Vandalia State Bank board, and the Vandalia Industrial Development Authority. A member of BPM, he served as its president several terms. Ennis was elected president of the Mississippi Valley Equipment Dealers Association and served on its board of directors. He was also on the National Dealer Council,

International Harvester Company.

Fowler was a member of Spencer Creek Baptist Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Spencer Creek Baptist Church 41403 Hwy. P, Vandalia, MO 63382, c/o Waters Funeral Home.

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



Anna Rudd

The Lord called Anna Rudd's name on Monday, March 21, 2022 and she answered the call. She had just celebrated her 109th birthday in February.

Services will be held Saturday at Collier Funeral Home at 117 Barnard Drive in Louisiana. Pastor Rodrick Burton from New Northside Missionary Baptist Church in St. Louis will be officiating. Visitation is from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Services start at 1 p.m. Burial will be in Mt. Ayre Baptist Church Cemetery in Edgewood.

Anna Norton Thomas was born in Prairieville, Feb. 12, 1913, to Frederick Wilson Thomas and Lula Belle Simon Thomas. She married Charles William Rudd, Sr., on Feb. 7, 1937. They were married for 49 years until he passed in 1986. To this union 10 children were born.

She is survived by her children, Annette Tucker and husband, Henry of Centralia, Charles W. Rudd, Jr., of Spanish Lake, Rosemary Nailon and husband, Robert of Altadena, Calif., Kathleen Alexander of Jennings, Susie Smith of Kansas City, and Loretta Dedmon of Bedford, Texas.

There are 10 grandchildren, Charles Bryant Jr. of Moscow Mills, Mary Bryant Griffith of Louisiana, Bryan Tucker of Centralia, Scarlett Rademaker of Pekin, Ill., Tonya Williams of San Antonio, Texas, Rachele Nailon of Atlanta, Ga., Robert Nailon of Altadena, Calif., Renay Nailon of Atlanta, Ga., Joyce Fort of Phoenix, Ariz., William Smith of Atlanta, Ga.; two nieces; 15 great-grandchildren; 11 great-great-grandchildren, and a host of cousins, friends; a special neighbor, Mrs. Maxine; and special friends Earnestine, Vatisa, and Kisha.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Charles William Rudd, Sr.; James, a son who died, loving parents, two sisters, Mabel Thomas

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and Rosie Williams; two brothers Gilmore Thomas and Fred Thomas; three children, Marjorie Rudd Bryant, Frederick G. Rudd, Joyce L. Rudd, and one grandson, Michael Q. Alexander.

She was an amazing woman. After she accepted the Lord at an early age, she became active in serving the Lord. Originally a member of the Eolia Baptist Church, her final membership was at the Mt. Ayre Baptist Church in Edgewood, where she served as the church secretary, treasurer of the Mission Circle, and as pianist.

She furthered her education beyond high school by attending Lincoln University in Jefferson City where she received her

teaching certificate. She taught for several years at a one room school located in the Old Knob area near Edgewood. Throughout the years, many of her students returned to acknowledge her influence on their lives. She was fortunate enough to receive piano lessons when young and used that talent to play not only for her own church, but for many of the neighboring churches until her 90th birthday. Reading, crocheting, sewing, quilting, singing, listening to the radio, and reminiscing were some of her favorite things to do. Her sharp sense of humor and laugh was delightful. She will be sorely missed.

The family is requesting attendees to wear masks for the visitation and the service. Memorials may be given to the donor's choice, c/o the funeral home.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



MO Junior Officers

These young Angus producers were elected to serve on the Missouri Junior Angus Association board of directors and are pictured at the 2022 Missouri Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Feb. 26 in Columbia. Pictured from left: Juliette Mead, Barnett, president; Alexis Koelling, Bowling Green, vice president; Cinch Dowling, Fair Grove, second vice president; Josey Meier, Jackson, secretary; Madelyn Sampson, Kirksville, assistant secretary; and Ella Jordan, Savannah, treasurer.

Photo by Lauren Gilbert, Missouri Angus Association intern

AUTHOR

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partments," Sue explained. According to Eme Sue, the proceeds for the book's sales all will go to funding any future training and development for the department's K9, Nadia.

"Nadia was part of the inspiration behind the book," Sue told The Tribune. "We decided that once the department got her, that we were going to do a book signing to help with all the costs that come with having a K9. All the proceeds go towards her and any additional training she needs."

"Right now, we do all our training for free out of Springfield," Officer Embry said. "But she'll need to maintain training in the future, and we're looking to build or find a training ground here in Louisiana."

Sue came prepared. "We brought 150 books

and that's our goal to sell today," she said. "It's been a great turnout so far."

Sue is no slouch when it comes to meeting that goal. Having published 20 books in different genres, she has a good understanding of how many books she can sell at an event and was busy talking with readers and coffee drinkers.

The event was also an opportunity for residents and visitors to meet the LAPD's newest K9, ask officers questions, or enjoy a coffee.

"Eme does an amazing job with these fundraising events," Louisiana Police Chief Jones added. "Her and her mother."

Even outside of the book signing events, the proceeds from Cops & Robbers sales will continue to be donated to the department.

Anyone who missed the event but would still like to support the author and cause can purchase the book on Amazon.



Local author Eme Sue (pen name), held a book signing event at The Bridge in Louisiana to help raise funds towards future expenses for the LAPD's newest K9, Nadia. Pictured l to r are: Edna Dolbear, K9 Nadia, Officer Eddie Embry, Mayor Kathy Smith, and Eme Sue

Photo by Kimberly Chandler



Angus Foundation Scholarships

These junior members received Missouri Junior Angus Foundation scholarships at the 2022 Missouri Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Feb. 26 in Columbia. Pictured from left: Ethan Vanderwert, Columbia; Mardee Sadowsky, Eagleville; Alexis Koelling, Bowling Green; Courtney Keaton, Anderson; Payton Frank, Wentzville; Anna Eitel, Novinger; David Lemmon, Williamstown; and Ella Jordan, Savannah.

Photo by Lauren Gilbert, Missouri Angus Association intern



Sr. Heifer Of The Year

Alexis Koelling, Bowling Green, right, won the Open and Junior Division Senior Heifer of the Year award with EXAR Forever Lady 98449 at the 2022 Missouri Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Feb. 26 in Columbia. Pictured presenting the award is David Hunter.

Photo by Lauren Gilbert, Missouri Angus Association intern



Angus Royalty

These junior members were crowned Angus royalty and are pictured at the 2022 Missouri Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Feb. 26 in Columbia, Mo. Pictured from left are Alexis Koelling, Bowling Green, Miss Missouri Angus; Gavin Rhode, Stewartsville, Angus ambassador; and Madelyn Sampson, Kirksville, Angus princess.

Photo by Lauren Gilbert, Missouri Angus Association intern



MO AA Board Of Directors

These men and women were elected to serve on the Missouri Angus Association board of directors and are pictured at the 2022 Missouri Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Feb. 26 in Columbia. Pictured seated, from left: David Hunter, Fair Grove, past president; Kelly Smith, West Plains, president; Brock Meyer, Bowling Green, president elect; Tony Ward, Oak Grove, vice president; Darla Eggers, Mexico, secretary; and Julie Conover, Holden, executive director. Standing from left are Steve Miller, Maryville, district 1 director; Jim Brinkley, Milan, American Angus Association board member; Chad Sampson, Kirksville, district 2 director; Chas Wheeler, Paris, district 3 director; Roger Behlmann, Saint Paul, district 4 director; Duane Robertson, Russellville, district 5 director; David Warfield, Butler, district 6 director; Holly Meyer, Koshkonong, district 8 director; Kadin Boardman, Jackson, district 9 director; and Kody Graves, Eureka, sales manager.

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- Achieving the designation as "Certified Municipal Official"
- Completed the Georgia Street project.
- Phase I resurfacing and infrastructure of secondary roads.
- Grant funding for new sewer and pavement on Cemetery and Kling Road, Lillian and Prospect Dr, Tennessee, and part of 14th Street.
- Coop with MoDOT on the North 79 and 3rd St. resurfacing shoulders and pavement this Summer.
- Helped volunteer groups on various beautification projects and city parks rejuvenation. Multiple grants for Police and Fire K9 Unit and vehicles.
- Relocating all police services to one level.
- New and expansion of businesses.
- New fire equipment and trucks.

Priorities for Our Future:

- Replenish Reserves account to a healthy level
- Continue Economic Development Growth
- Promote and support existing business
- Protect public safety by supporting police, fire, and first responders
- Continue a working relationship with the Drug Task Force, Pike County MO & II Sheriffs, and Fire Depts.
- Phase II Resurfacing and infrastructure of secondary roads - All of Buffalo, Maryland (9th to Maple), S. 10th (N. Car to S. Car), Johnson St. (Kelly Ln to Dolbear), Marion Dr. (2nd curve to end), Michael Dr. (all).
- Continue City Government transparency while supporting city employees so they feel safe, not threatened, and harassed at work
- Continue relationships with Mark Twain Regional of Council MRCTI, Mississippi River Cities & Town Initiative, for grants and development of the Mississippi River Development

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COMMUNITY NEWS



PLTC Welding Students Win Big

Pike-Lincoln Technical Center Welding students have traveled across Missouri to compete in several competitions. These competitions are open to any high school senior in the U.S. On Jan. 28, students competed at Missouri Welding Institute (MWI) PLTC students took four places in the top 10, second place, third place, fifth place, and eighth place. On Saturday, Feb. 12 students competed at the American Welding Academy (AWA) in Union. PLTC students took six places in the top 10. First, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh.



AWA Contest was held Feb 12. Blake Thoroughman from Silex, first place, bringing home over \$23,000 in scholarships and prizes including a Miller Bobcat 250 engine driven welder as the top prize. Ryan Langley from Louisiana, third place, bringing home over \$7,000 in scholarships and prizes. Cole Neiderer from Winfield, fourth place, Tramaine Chatman from Louisiana, fifth place. Chase Smith from Bowling Green, sixth place. Will Clark from Clopton, seventh place. Their instructor, Aaron Ervin, said "I am blessed to be a part in helping this next generation of welders to achieve their goals. They give me nothing short of 100 percent effort and far exceed my expectations. I want to thank all the parents for instilling in them a good work ethic and morals. I could not do my job effectively without these traits that have been instilled in them."



On Friday, Feb. 4 students competed at the district welding competition in Hannibal. PLTC students placed first, Cole Neiderer, and second, Blake Thoroughman in the individual welding skills competition which consisted of stick, mig, tig, and oxyfuel cutting contest. The Fabrication team also placed first in their competition which consisted of working together to fabricate and weld a rocket stove. Will Clark, Daniel Havlik, and Scott McCartney. All five competitors will be advancing to the state contest located in Linn.

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MWI Contest was held Jan. 28. Will Clark from Clopton, second place, bringing home a half tuition paid scholarship worth \$8,450 and a Victor Journeyman torch outfit. Blake Thoroughman from Silex, third place, bringing home a quarter tuition paid scholarship worth \$4,225 and a Lincoln Viking auto-darkening welding hood. Tramaine Chatman from Louisiana, fifth place; and Luke Jones from Bowling Green, eighth place.

Salt River Master Gardener Club To Meet

The MU Extension - Salt River Master Gardener Club monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, at 7 p.m.

It will be held at HLGU Burt Administration Building, Room 129 in Hannibal.

There will be a presentation on Hummingbirds. All SRMG Club Members and Guests will be asked to please social distance and wear masks at all times due to COVID-19 guidelines in place at this time. The public is welcome to attend.

For more information contact MU Extension Marion County Office 573-769-2177 or Michael Powell 573-248-4425.

'Quilting In The Quiet Times'

The Prairie Pine Quilt Guild will host its upcoming Quilt Show, "Quilting in the Quiet Times" at the Audrain 4-H Center, 21509 Route D (off Highway 54 South), Mexico on Friday April 1, from 9 am-6 p.m., and Saturday, April 2, 2022 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

They will have over 100 quilts and quilted items on display. Admission is \$5.

In addition to viewing our latest quilts, you will be able to bring your scissors or knives to be sharpened by Jerry's Expert Sharpening Service, shop at our vendors and find bargains at our "Quilters Treasurers" including new and gently used items.

County Line Quilts will offer fabric and quilting supplies. The Busy Beaver 4-H Club will provide lunch and snacks during the day. If you would like to have a quilt appraised, an appraiser will be available. It is suggested that you call 573-473-8557 to schedule an appraisal.

The 4-H Center is handicapped accessible with plenty of parking. We look forward to sharing our quilts with you. The Prairie Pine Quilt Guild will have its next regular meeting on Monday, April 4 at 7 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, 400 Lakeview Road, Mexico in their activities room.

All those interested in sewing or quilting are welcome to attend.



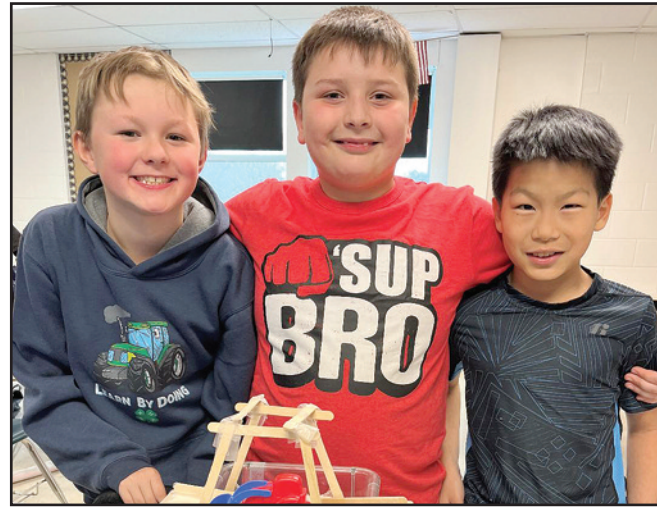
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On April 2: Seniors and Friends dance, 6-9 p.m., American Legion Hall Martinsburg, Country Plus Band. No carry-in.

We Welcome Your Local News

Twin Pike Family YMCA Celebrate Women's History Month



Pictured are Bowen, Josh and Bryson display their bridge.

Twin Pike Family YMCA teacher Erin Tate has focused her lessons on Women's History Month which is celebrated annually in March by the United States since 1987. The students have also completed craft projects relating to this theme.

Some of the women students have learned about include: Edith Clark and circuits, Grace Hopper with programming and coding and Emily Roebling with bridges. Students worked on designing bridges following the lesson regarding Roebling.

In arts and crafts, a lesson was taught on silhouettes in which a teacher drew the silhouettes of the students by having them sit next to a smartboard with a white screen and classroom lights off. Once traced, the students wrote their names on the back of them and tried to guess whose silhouette was whose. American artist, Kara Walker, who developed the use of silhouette, has used this method to present racial issues.

The Clopton YMCA program is open to all students in Kindergarten through Sixth Grade. Hours are Tuesday-Friday from 6:15-7:30 a.m. and after school until 5:24 p.m. For more information on the Clopton YMCA Before & After School Program, please contact site coordinator, Kathy Gregory at 242-3546.



Ethan and Sophia show off their bridge.

Celebrating women's contributions to history and society has been the theme for March at the Clopton YMCA Before & After School Program.

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