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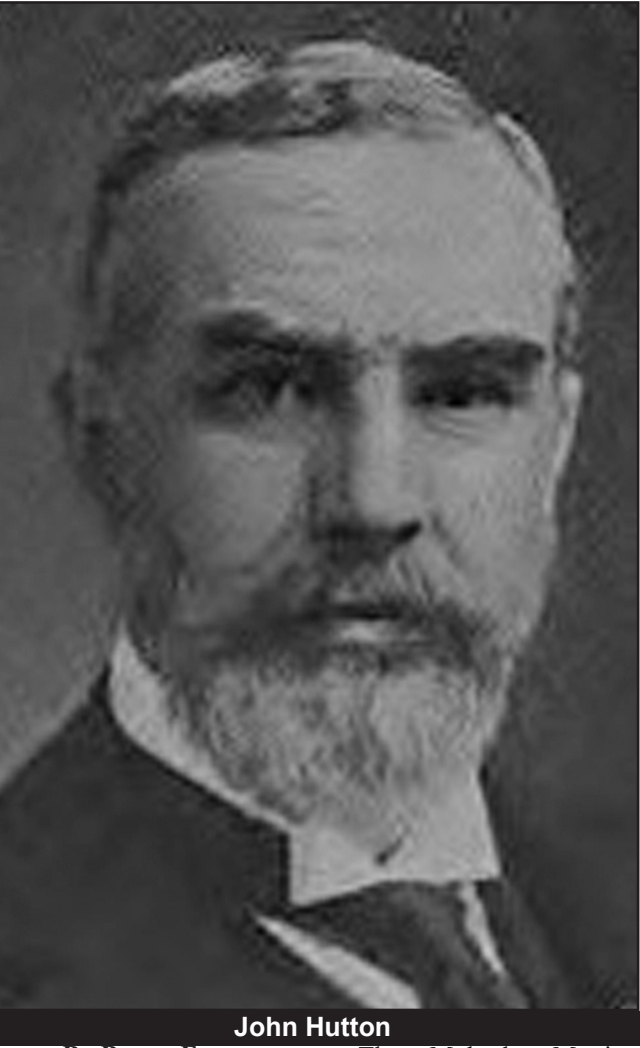
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Flip You For It

Political Nominee Chosen In Unusual Way



John Hutton
BY BRENT ENGEL
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Editor's note: Following is the third part in a story series by contributing writer Brent Engel.

The bickering was more restrained, but there still was plenty of drama. The battle for the 1886 Democratic congressional nomination in Missouri's Seventh District was not quite as rancorous as the contest two years earlier – or the one that would take place in 1888. Still, political brawls had led to the area being nicknamed “The Bloody Seventh.” So, the race was captivating. Counties covered were Pike, Ralls, Audrain, Montgomery, Lincoln, Warren, Franklin and St. Charles. The 1884 campaign “was remarkable for its bitterness and tenacity with which the friends of the candidates stuck to their choice,” the State Times observed in 1886. “It will probably have a repetition this year.” Five men wanted to unseat incumbent John Hutton, an Audrain County lawyer and doctor who had a powerful mouthpiece as owner of The Weekly Intelligencer newspaper in Mexico. Many agreed Hutton had done a credible, if inconspicuous, job after defeating Republican Matthew Reynolds of Louisiana in the 1884 general election.



DAR Good Citizen

Each year, the Pike County Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is honored to present their “Good Citizen” award to two area seniors. The award consists of a monetary gift to further their education, a lapel pin, a certificate, and a DAR ID card which identifies that student as a recipient of the prestigious award. At the Louisiana High School Awards Assembly, Vice-Regent Cindy Blaylock presented the DAR Good Citizen Award to Brady Sheppard. Brady is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William W. “Shep” Sheppard of Louisiana. At the Clopton Awards Assembly, Regent Sandy Orf presented the DAR Good Citizen Award to Lauren Blackwell. Lauren is the daughter of Chris and Jennifer Blackwell of Eolia. Both recipients plan to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia.

The Vandalia Leader predicted Norton would be “taught a lesson which will probably impress indelibly upon his memory the truth of the old adage ‘Honesty is the best policy.’”

Squabbling prompted the St. Louis Post-Dispatch to suggest that The Bloody Seventh was living up to its name. “Men worked as if at a fire,” it said of one county’s delegation.

The nominating convention in Mexico could not make up its mind. “The deadlock seems to have come, and come to stay,” wrote The Intelligencer.

The Pike County Democrat warned such outcomes were “once the rare exception” and might now lead to the kind of “ill-will and bitterness” that would hurt the party.

Delegates quarreled for five days, took two weeks off and then reassembled. One paper called it a “Democratic farce.” The Ledger feared “the same delegates will meet at the same place, and, in the same monotonous tone, cast the same vote for the same candidate.”

Hutton finally was re-nominated, but it took 838 ballots. The Globe-Democrat called the gathering “the most stubborn and protracted contest waged in a nominating convention in the country this year” and said the results “should be very encouraging to the Republicans.”

The Nevada Mail countered that the re-nomination “cannot help but strengthen” Democrats because Hutton “is above a mean or deceitful act.”

Unsurprisingly, The Intelligencer said criticism of the incumbent was “only to be expected from the trickster and the lickspittle.”

In the general election, Hutton defeated Republican Franklin County judge, lawyer and former state legislator John R. Martin. The margin was only 2,077 of 28,347 votes cast.

The Kansas City Times was among the audacious or, perhaps, oblivious when it said the “strife for the nomination has left no heart-burnings or jealousies.”

“We have Hutton; now, let’s have harmony,” echoed The Ledger.

The incumbent boarded a train and returned to Washington on Thanksgiving Day 1886. But he left behind a suitcase full of vitriol, and it wouldn’t take long for virulence to erupt again in The Bloody Seventh.

Next time: The “wickedest man in Missouri.”



Mary Lang Fournier, right, performs in last year’s production of “Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.” She is directing and appearing in the musical “The Addams Family” June 14, 15, 21 and 22 at The Apple Shed Theatre in Clarksville. Also pictured are Gene Nothaker and Caramia Harrelson.

‘They’re All Together Ooky’ “The Addams Family” Coming To Clarksville

BY BRENT ENGEL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER
Duh-da-da-duh, snap, snap.
Oh, c’mon.
Duh-da-da-duh, snap, snap.
You know how it goes.
Duh-da-da-duh, duh-da-da-duh, snap, snap.

You’re invited to join the living, the dead and the in-between when “The Addams Family” is staged at 7 p.m. June 14 and 21 and 2 p.m. June 15 and 22.

The comedic musical is presented by The Changelings Theatre Company and hosted by Raintree Arts Council at The Apple Shed on Highway 79 in Clarksville. Tickets, available at the door, are \$18 for adults and \$15 for children and seniors. Kids under 10 get in free.

Mary Lang Fournier is co-founder and director of The Changelings, and “The Addams Family” is very close to her heart.

“I chose it because it’s fun,” she said. “I grew up with the TV show and we’d play ‘The Addams Family’ in the backyard.”

The production will follow the film version. Think of opposites in getting to know the

twisted characters. What’s bad is good. What’s sad is happy. What’s painful is joyful.

Parents Gomez and Morticia – portrayed by Gene Nothaker and Colleen Lilley – have lived for centuries without changing, and they’re content to go on doing so. The plot thickens and chaos ensues when their daughter, Wednesday – brought to “life” by Hannah Lindsey – invites her “normal” boyfriend home for dinner. “All ages will appreciate this show on several levels,” Fournier said.

Other cast members are Gabe Maier as Fester, Macy Whitcamp as Pugsley, Angela Maier as Gramma, Ira Garner as Lurch, Clint Mullen as Mal, Donna Grote as Alice, John Emery as Lucas and Aiyana Ferguson as The Moon. Six “ancestors” making an appearance are Wendy Straube, Terron Summers, Liberty Daffron, Gracie Lou, Guila Rodhouse and Tristan Mulloy.

And, yes, Thing will be part of the fun. Disclosure: The disembodied character will be depicted by Fourier’s left hand. “I always like to appear in a cameo in all of the shows I direct,” she explained with a laugh.

In addition to the musical, local artist Matthew Hemminghaus will display his work in the lobby, and will be in attendance for the June 14 show.

“He’s into photos and mixed media, with a delightful sense of humor,” Fournier noted.

Stage productions at The Apple Shed were revived in 2018 after an absence of about a decade. Fournier is thankful to Raintree for its ongoing support.

In the last seven years, Changelings has staged plays such as “The Last Romance,” “The Pepperonis” and “The War of the Worlds,” and musicals such as “Little Shop of Horrors,” “9 to 5” and “Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.”

Mixed in have been variety shows, a murder mystery and individual performances. The troupe also has done an outdoor presentation of the Shakespeare spinoff “Comedy of Errors” at the Clarksville riverfront and the bard’s “Romeo and Juliet” at Fournier’s home, a former church.

More information about “The Addams Family” is available by calling 817-300-9796.

Elsberry-Silex Girls Win First-Ever State Title

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

The Elsberry-Silex co-op girls soccer team made history Saturday, June 7 defeating Blair Oaks 6-1 in the Class 1 Missouri State Championship to bring home the program’s first-ever state title. The win capped an extraordinary season with an 18-2-1 record.

For head coach Chris White, the victory was nothing short of surreal.

“I’m thrilled for the girls,” White told the Tribune. “As a coach, it’s an honor to be part of it and lead them. But they had to go out there and do the work. This was a program that, before 2021, had no winning seasons. To go from that to a state championship? It’s mind-blowing.”

White, who moved to Elsberry three years ago, didn’t come from a soccer background. He played and eventually coached college hockey at Liberty University in Virginia before stepping into the role Head Soccer Coach when the school needed someone.

“My daughter played soccer, and in small towns, word gets around,” he said. “The school needed a coach, and my wife who played Division I soccer volunteered me.”

Despite the steep learning curve, White leaned on his coaching instincts and a commitment to fundamentals. One major turning point came when the team embraced a more direct style of play.

“My first couple of years, I wanted to play a pretty game—six passes up the field, you know? But I realized we didn’t quite have the technical skills for that. Last year we started simplifying it: give the defenders one or two options, and if it’s not there, just send it upfield,” he said. “It wasn’t as pretty, but it clicked for our girls. They could defend phenomenally. Once we simplified it, it really resonated.”

That strategy paid off in a big way, especially behind the efforts of junior Grace White, who scored four goals in the state title game. Grace, the coach’s daughter, is commit-

ted to play Division I soccer at Baylor University.

Other key contributors included Ella Burbridge, sophomore Rylan Jensen (10 goals), defender Stevajah Hardwick, and midfielder Kirsten Hunter.

“Ella was a big part for us. Rylan is quick as lightning. Stevajah has recovery speed that helped anchor our back line. Kirsten was just physical and tough in the midfield,” Coach White said.

One of the most remarkable parts of the team’s story is the co-op between Elsberry and Silex, two schools that often compete against each other in other sports.

“They came in and treated each other like teammates from day one,” White said. “They didn’t care who was from Silex or Elsberry. It was like we were one school this year. Watching that happen has been one of the coolest things.”

Coach White also credited the community for its overwhelming support throughout the season.

“I’d like to thank the community for what they did—buying team dinners, donating, the police escort out of town, the fans lining the streets downtown. That’s what I hoped for when we moved here. It’s been a blessing to be part of it.”

As for the future, White has no plans to step away any time soon.

“I don’t work for the district, but my employer’s been great. And I’ve got to stick around at least for the Silex ‘Fab Five’ sophomores,” he said with a laugh. “I’d love to keep doing this for the next seven or eight years.”



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Community News

BauerFinancial Names Silex Banking Company A 5-Star Bank

June 2025: BauerFinancial, Inc., the Nation's Premier Bank Rating Firm, is pleased to acknowledge Silex Banking Company, Silex, for its continued 5-Star status. June 2025 marks the 146th consecutive quarter that Silex Banking Company has earned this distinction, which gives it the added prestige of being a "Best of Bauer Bank". Only banks that have earned and maintained this highest 5-Star rating for 25 years (100 consecutive quarters), or longer, may claim this distinction.

This latest rating is based on March 31, 2025 financial

data and signifies that Silex Banking Company continues to be one of the strongest banks in the nation.

"Community bankers are typically the best positioned to understand and quantify local markets and needs," asserts Karen L. Dorway, president of BauerFinancial. "This includes real estate market values and fluctuations, small business needs (and impediments), and even how consumers are faring personally in their corner of the country. This makes perfect sense," Dorway continues. "Community bankers

live in your neighborhood, which means they can provide faster, personalized service. They also serve a smaller, more defined market area than bigger banks. No need for red tape, just results – from one neighbor to another."

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Westminster College Dean's List

Westminster College is pleased to announce those students named to the spring 2025 dean's list for exemplary academic performance.

The list of 226 students includes 64 freshmen, 51 sophomores, 52 juniors and 59 seniors.

The Dean's List recognizes Westminster students who excelled academically during the past semester. To be included on the Dean's List, a student must achieve a 3.60 semester grade point average with at least 12 hours completed that semester.

Area students named to the list include Caragan Lockard, senior, of Eolia; and Brylie Sparks, senior, of Frankford.

Southeast MO Dean's List

Southeast Missouri State University-Cape Girardeau has announced its dean's list for undergraduate academic achievement during the spring 2025 semester.

Students named to the dean's list earned at least a 3.75 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and completed at least 12 hours of standard graded credit. They received no grade below a B and received no failing grades in enrolled, credit/no credit or pass/fail courses.

Area students named to the list include:

Hannah Akers of Bowling Green.

Emma Craig of Middletown.

Carli Donovan of Elsberry.

Bryant Makes Dean's List

Kristopher Bryant of Curryville has made the dean's list at Monmouth College for the spring 2025 semester.

We Welcome Your Local News

Agape House Board Meets For May

The Agape House board met Tuesday, May 20 with members Phil Pennington, Janet Heim, Richard Duffner, Jane Duffner, Floy Oliver, Karen Holbrook, Sterling Holbrook, Kay Robnett, and Mary Thomas in attendance along with guest Ruth Miller.

House manager, Karen Craig, reported good attendance including five children. The house is being power washed and the parking area will be recoated.

Secretary, Mary Thomas, reported that the 10,000th guest was a first time visitor. Ann stated she was quite excited to hear about the Agape House from the person she came to see as she could not afford to visit without the low cost of the stay.

As Ann is extremely hard of hearing, she was very appreciative of the extra assistance provided by manager,

Karen Craig, to make her stay more enjoyable. She stated the house was very clean and nice.

Ann brought her own food with her and utilized the kitchen facilities. She also stated there was a very nice variety of snacks and drinks available. Ann stated she would rate the Agape House a 10. The board was glad to hear such a positive report.

Monetary gifts received included Vandalia Christian Church, Curryville Baptist Church, Edgewood Baptist Church, Farber Baptist Church, First Baptist Church Vandalia, First Presbyterian Church Vandalia, Hopewell Baptist Church Wellsville, Southside Baptist Vandalia, John Yost of Thompson, and Beth Schnitker (New York Life Insurance) of Middletown.

Drury Day School Spring Dean's List

Earning a spot on Drury University's dean's list is a significant accomplishment.

The recognition means a student earned a grade point average of 3.6 or greater (on a 4-point scale) while carrying a full-time course load of 12 or more semester hours at Drury, a top Midwestern university, according to US News & World Report and The Princeton Review.

In the spring semester, the following student(s) made the day school dean's list was Jolene Hollensteiner of Martinsburg, Community R-VI High School.



Clopton Seniors Receive Scholarships

Ronald and Helene McElfresh will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 14 - a joyful milestone marking six decades of love, fair, and family.

The couple will host a celebration from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at their home welcoming neighbors, friends, and family to join them for a delicious meal and time of fellowship.

Ron and Helen credit their

lasting marriage to God's faithfulness and the strength of their shared commitment. They are grateful for the many blessings they have experienced over the years and look forward to continuing their journey together in the years ahead.

For more information, please contact Ronald McElfresh, 719-214-0863.

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Community News

From The Mayor's Desk...

Yard sales were spotted all around Bowling Green as the park board sponsored city-wide yard sales. This is a yearly event that happens on the first Saturday in June.

A lot of things happening in Bowling Green. This is an important time of year for the City of Bowling Green! You understand that tax revenues only go so far and the city depends on tourism dollars to complement our tax base. I encourage business owners to really advertise your businesses on social media.

Advertise on Facebook but also include others. We need many more of our local businesses to promote themselves on Tour Pike County MO and not simply businesses but whenever we have an activity in Bowling Green, we need to promote such on this website.

This is a strategic time for tourism dollars for our fuel stations, restaurants, historical sites, Amish country, our airport, famers markets around the town, our lakes and parks, and "in-home" businesses throughout the city and the outlying services.

Since Covid, I have been checking with our store owners after each Christmas season and summer for the success and promotion of their businesses. According to their responses, each year we have increased revenue dollars from tourists and

visitors. We need to increase the advertising as we compete with other small rural towns.

IF YOU HAVE A PULSE, YOU HAVE A PURPOSE IN LIFE. As I go around the city and talk with people, so many, especially senior adults, share with me their lack of connectiveness and purpose. They tell me, "Since I lost my husband" or "my mom died last year, I feel lost and worthless, and I have no purpose in life." This reinforces Bowling Green's need for a senior citizen meeting place.



JIM ARICO, MAYOR
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

A place they can call their own, who will assist with transportation, have programs and activities, and a place for them to tell their stories and develop relationships. However, these concepts are not limited to our senior adults. I have many parents of middle and high school ages, tell me "They wish Bowling Green had a youth center for their kids to hang out, socialize and have activities." Then, I encounter young family parents that wish there were programs for their young children...like a YMCA."

In working on projects, members of a community can work together in a variety of different ways to accomplish and meet the needs of all ages. The purpose of contributing to people's quality of life is to give meaning to individuals of all ages. Any thoughts about this, Bowling Green?

Pike To Pike...



By Wyvetta Davis-Niffen
1-217-320-8438

Birthdays and Anniversaries for the week of June 11-17:

June 11 - Jason Simmerman
June 12 - Janice Swartz, Paul and Neta Lennon

June 14 - Dylan Myers, Ryan Dixon, Sue Yackley, Sam and Lesley Myers
June 15 - Randy and Connie McAdams

June 16 - Jody Miller, Sally Garner

June 17 - Jason Predmore, Jim and Juanita Chapman, Kevin and Rebecca Leahr

This upcoming Friday, June 13, the Buggs' Family Opry will

be having their show in Pearl, Ill. Doors open at 6 p.m. Show starts at 7 p.m. Come on out and enjoy a great evening of entertainment.

This upcoming Saturday, June 14, Country Classics will be having their show at the Cardinal Inn in west Pittsfield. No Admission and the Show starts at 6 p.m. Let's show our support for one of our own local bands in the area.

Prayers go out to all those in our area who have lost loved ones and to all those that are still recovering.

Deepest sympathy to Wanda Blacketer whose son Tad Blacketer of Mt. Pulaski, Illinois, died very unexpectedly Monday, June 2. Tad was the first son of Carl and Wanda, and a brother to Carlina, Lawanda, and Tim. He was a husband and a father to two sons. He will be sorely missed.

Trivia Questions for This Week:

1. The end of the Pony Express line was in what western city?

2. What were the first book and last book of the New Testament that Apostle Paul wrote in the Bible?

3. Edward Teach became famous under what name?

We in the Pike County Illinois area have been having lots of rain. The night of June 3, we had 2 3/4 inches of rain.

Friday, June 6, found Jamie and I having a busy day. First thing granddaughter Jacqueline Meford stopped in for a few minutes before heading home after she had been to a Great-Aunt's funeral in Pittsfield. Enjoyed getting to see her and visit for a bit. Then we met Jamie's son and daughter-in-law James and Amanda Niffen from Annapolis, Missouri, at the Maya in Pittsfield and enjoyed lunch with them. They came back up to the house for awhile. Brothers Dana Bell and Tim Bell, both from Nebraska, met all of us at Sugar n Smoke in Pittsfield for an early supper. Dana and Tim are nephews of Jamie's. A good day was had by all.

Another Single Seniors has been planned. This is for both men and women who are 55+ and who enjoy visiting with others and making new friends and who enjoy going to various restaurants to eat a midday meal. Call the number above if you are sincerely interested and have your own transportation.

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G.F. Filley #10 Gem Pan
Very Old 2 Leaf Vienna Roll Pan
G.F. Filley #8 Gem Pan
Griswold #8 Gem Pan 946 Variation 4
Griswold #3 Gem Pan 942 Variation 4
Griswold #3 Gem Pan 942 Variation 3
Griswold #20 Turk Head Pan 953
Griswold #14 Turk Head Pan 941
Griswold Step Stool
Griswold #768 Square Fry Skillet 168 Handle on Corner
G.F. Filley #4 Gem Pan
Griswold 2700 Wheat & Corn Stick Pan 632
Wagner Aluminum Vienna Roll Pan 474
Griswold #6 Gem Pan 944 Variation 42
Griswold #9 Gem Pan Variation 1
Griswold Puritan Corn Stick Pan
Griswold #270 Crispy Corn or Wheat Stick Pan 636
Griswold #8 Gem Pan 946 Variation 6
Griswold #7 Skillet Large Logo Slant Erie 701
Griswold Square Fry Skillet Small Logo 28A
Griswold #6 Skillet Large Logo Slant Letters 699B
Griswold #5 Skillet 724C
Skinner Safety Kettle Pan 869
Griswold #4 Skillet Erie 702
Griswold 5" Damper 1425X
Griswold 6" Damper
Griswold Steak Platter 851
Griswold #3 Skillet 709B
Griswold Shallow Patty Mold Flower
Griswold #40 Skillet 562
Griswold #108 Skillet Griddle
Griswold #109 Skillet Griddle 202
2) Griswold 5" Damper 1425X
Griswold Shallow Round Patty Mold

Griswold Five-in-One Breakfast Skillet 665

Griswold Square Egg Skillet
Wagner Skillet 1053D
Griswold Square Egg Skillet Since 1865 129
Griswold #3 Hammered Chrome Skillet
Griswold Star Trivet
2) Griswold Crispy Corn or Wheat Stick Pans 262
Griswold 4" Damper
Griswold #8 Hammered Chrome Skillet Wood Handle A2108
Wagner Square Skillet 1220
G.F. Filley #10 Gem Pan
Griswold #22 Bread Stick Pan 954 Variation 2
Griswold #27 Whole Wheat Stick Pan 638
Griswold #28 Wheat & Corn Stick Pan
G.F. Filley #1 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #2 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #3 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #4 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #5 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #6 Gem Pan 1319
G.F. Filley #7 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #8 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #11 Gem Pan
G.F. Filley #12 Gem Pan
Griswold #9 Double Vienna Roll Pan
2) Griswold #1 Gem Pans 940 Variation 2
Griswold #5 Gem Pan 943; 8-Oval Cup Variation 4
Shepard Hardware Co., 8 Cake Gem Pan
Griswold #28 Vienna Roll Pan Variation 2
Griswold #29 Golf Ball Brownie Pan 947 Variation 4
Griswold #20 Turk Head Pan 953 Variation 6
Griswold #8 Gem Pan
Griswold #7 Gem Pan Variation 2
Gem Pan G.F. Filley #10 Look-a-Like EMIG 14862
Griswold #10 Popover Pan 948F Variation 13
Wagner Krispy Korn Pan 1319
Griswold #273 Crispy Corn Stick Pan 930
Griswold #825 Crispy Corn or Wheat Pan
Wagner 6 Cup Brownie Pan
Griswold #18 Popover Pan 6141 Variation 5
Wagner Krusty Korn Tea Size 1317A
Wagner Krusty Korn Junior 1318
Wagner Krusty Korn Pan 1318
#10 Erie Dutch Oven-is cracked
#9 Griswold Tite Top Dutch Oven 834C w/Lid A2552
Griswold #8 Glass High Dome Lid
Griswold #12 Skillet Lid 472
Griswold #8 Skillet Lid Raised Letters 468A
Griswold #10 Domed Dutch Oven Lid-cracked
Griswold #7 Chrome Skillet 701A
Griswold #7 Chrome Skillet Lid 1097
Griswold #8 High Dome Skillet Lid Small Logo 1098B
Griswold #6 Self Basting Lid 1096
Griswold #11 Chrome Self Basting Skillet Cover 471
Griswold #9 Dutch Oven 834 & Lid 2552
#8 Griswold Dutch Oven 1278 C
#8 Griswold w/Lid Teflon Inside Lid 1288B
Griswold # Scotch Bowl 782-A
Griswold Patty Bowl 871
Griswold #8 Flat Bottom Kettle 811S
Griswold Yankee Bowl 4 qt. "Erie" 786
#7 Favorite Piqua Ware Deep Fry Pot
Griswold #6 Flat Bottom Kettle "Erie" 809
Aluminum Santa Claus Mold
Griswold 4 qt. Colonial Design Alumn. Flat Bottomed Kettle
Griswold Erie Fluter 297 and 298
Griswold #7 Waffle Iron w/Wooden Handles
Griswold #8 American Waffle Iron on Frame #151
Griswold Star Trivet
John Wright Alphabet Cookie Mold w/Original Box
G.F. Filley Bar-B-Que Grill
#8 Victor Waffle Iron Wire Wrenches & Frame 395
#7 Favorite Piqua Ware Waffle Iron w/Stand & Wooden Handles
Wagner #6 Skillet, No Smoke Ring
Wagner #9 Chef Skillet 1368B-Unusual
Wagner Chrome Double Skillet Bottom 1401-CB
Wagner #8 Early Chef Skillet
Griswold #6 Skillet 699A
#8 1/2 Deep Fryer Skillet Chicago Hardware Foundry
Griswold #10 Skillet Slant Letters 716 #10 on Top of Handle
Wagner #8 Early Skillet w/Heat Ring 8H
Griswold #15 Oval Skillet 1013
Wagner Oval Skillet Skillet Server 1095B
Franklin Signet Embosser Franklin Mfg. Co
Griswold #88 High Frame Waffle Iron 155
Griswold 7 inch Damper-no handle
J.C. Adams Co., Clark, Mo. Fruit Mold Pan
Griswold Erie 6 lb. Sad Iron
Griswold Mailbox 361
Cast Iron James Haven & Co. Meat Mincer
Large Cast Iron Griddle-is rusty
2) Griswold Meat Grinder Food Choppers
#9 Griswold Round Handled Griddle 609
Griswold #8 Round Griddle 736A
2) Turtle Trivets
2) Butterfly Trivets
2) Owl Trivets
Frog Trivet
Griswold #10 Round Griddle 740
Griswold #10 Round Griddle Logo 610
Griswold Round Griddle Diamond Mark
Griswold #8 Skillet Large Logo Slant, Letters/Heat Ring 704M
Griswold #7 Round Handled Chrome Griddle 737
Griswold #80 Double Skillet Bottom 1102
Griswold #80 Double Skillet Top 1103A
Griswold #14 Large Logo Skillet w/Lid & Heat Ring-Lid Will Sell Separately
Griswold #12 Skillet w/Smoke Ring 719
Turquoise Enamel/Porcelain Skillet
#9 Skillet "Mi Pet" Keeps Food Tasty
Wagner Ware Ashtray 1050D
Wagner Ware Ashtray International Molders & Allied Workers Union"
3-Egg Poacher/Danish Cake Apple Cake Pans 962
#6 Early Griswold Gem Pan
#9 Victor Skillet 723B
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2) Griswold Colonial Breakfast Skillets, 666
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#3 Unmarked Skillet 1031 w/Smoke Ring
Griswold #7 Erie 701 C w/Heat Ring
Griswold #7 Yellow Enamel/Porcelain Skillet 701C
Griswold #8 Large Logo Slant Letters Smoke Ring 704N
Griswold #273 Crispy Corn Stick Pan 930
Griswold #5 Skillet Hinge 2505
Griswold #10 Popover Pan 948A Variation 10
Griswold #10 Popover Pan 949B Variation 2
#249 Wagner Ware Drip Drop Trivet
Wagner Fat Free Fryer 1102E
Griswold #4 Skillet 702C
Early Unmarked #1 Gem Pan
Griswold #9 Skillet 710K
Griswold #3 Skillet 709A
#3 Favorite Piqua Ware Skillet
#8 Shallow Skillet 8A Erie 728-Rare
Griswold Round Griddle #9 608A
Griswold Griddle
Griswold #7 Skillet Large Logo Block Letter Smoke Ring
Griswold #9 Griddle Large Logo Erie 739
#8 Victor Skillet 722A
Wagner #11 Skillet 1061
Griswold #6 Skillet 699J
Griswold #8 Skillet Large Logo Slant Letters 704H
Griswold #8 Skillet Large Logo Block Letters 704V
Griswold #4 Red Enamel/Porcelain Skillet 702C
#9 Favorite Piqua Ware Skillet 9A
Wagner #8 Unmarked Skillet w/Smoke Ring
Griswold #7 Skillet 701F
Griswold #7 Skillet 701A
Favorite Piqua Water Skillet Miami
Unmarked Corn Bread Skillet
Made for Sears & Roebuck #8 Unmarked Griswold Skillet #755

Griswold #10 Skillet Large Logo Slant Letters Erie 711 w/Smoke Ring

Griswold Crispy Corn Stick Pan 930
Early #3 Gem Pan 11 Cup
Unmarked Fruit Mold Pan
Griswold #8 Skillet 704P
Griswold #9 Skillet 710M
Griswold #10 Skillet 716
Griswold #11 Skillet 717A
Griswold #12 Skillet 719
Griswold #14 Skillet 718A
Griswold #20 Hotel Skillet 728
Griswold #147 Gas Griddle
Griswold #11 French Roll Pan #950
Griswold #7 Waffle Iron Wood Handles
Griswold #14 Balled Skillet 618
Wagner Ware Crispy Corn Pan 1318
Griswold #10 Flat Skillet Cover
Griswold 6 inch Damper 517E Wood Handle
#9 Favorite Piqua Ware "Best to Cook In" Smoke Ring w/Lid
Griswold #5 High Dome Skillet Lid 1095
Griswold #8 Large Block High Dome Lid
Griswold #7 Skillet 728 3 Hole Handle
COINS
22) Walking Liberty Halves, Will Sell Choice
6) Franklin Silver Halves
6) Kennedy Silver Halves
65) Silver Washington Quarters
445) Silver Mercury & Roosevelt Dimes, Will Sell in Bags of 50
1977 Ike Dollar; 2008 Unc. ASE
11) 1964 Unc. Silver Kennedy Halves
3) 1963 Columbia Expo Halves
2) 1982-S Washington Silver Comm. Halves, Proof 63
1940, 1941, 1943, 1944, 1945 Walking Liberty Halves
1954 & 1963 Franklin Halves
1927 Standing Liberty Quarters
10) 1920's & 1930's Buffalo Nickels
1888 & 1901, 1905 Barber Quarters
1926, 1942, 1945 Mercury Dimes
1900, 1903, 1906, 1907 V-Nickels
39 Ike Dollars
1892, 1893, 1901, 1903, 1907 Indian Head Pennies
1908 & 1911 V Nickels in Nice Holder
1990 35 Comm. Silver 1/10 oz. Fine Gold w/Blanket Note Sticker
2) 1819 Bust Roman Coins Silver-Will sell choice
1916 Barber Dime
18) 1 oz. Canada Maple Leaf .9999 Fine
2) 1 oz. Australian Kookaburra .999 Fine
6) 1/2 oz. Liberty .999 Fine Silver Rounds
2) 1924 Great Britain Britannia 1 oz. 999 Silver Round
3) 2007 AMAC 1 oz. 999 Silver Rounds
2016 Buffalo 1 oz. 999 Silver Round
1968 40% Silver Kennedy Half & 5) 1970's Kennedy Halves-All One Money
2006 & 2009 Unc. ASE
9) 2013 Unc. ASE
3) 2014 Unc. ASE
20) 2015 Unc. ASE
7) 2016 Unc. ASE
2) 2021 Unc. ASE
1958 Wheat Penny, 1957 Silver Roosevelt Dimes, 1964 Washington Silver Quarter, All One Money
1880-P & 1882-P Morgans
17) 1921 Morgans, 2-D, 5-S, & 10-P Mint
3) 1926 Peace Dollars, AU Condition
3) 1922, 3) 1923, & 1) 1924 Peace Dollars
1925, 1926, 1934 Peace Dollars
1916 American Eagle 1/10 oz. Fine Gold
1929 \$2 1/2 Indian Gold Unc.
1880-O & 1881-P Morgans
1882-P & 1882-O Morgans
1886-P Morgans
1889-P & 1889-O Morgans
1890-P & 1890-O Morgans
1898-P & 1902-O Morgans
1902-S & 1921-S Morgans
All the above Morgans are Very Nice and Will Sell Choice
2023 NGC MS69 First Release ASE in Wooden Box
2021-V ICG Proof 70 D Com. Congratulations Set ASE
1960 & 1961 NGC Proof 67 Franklin Halves
1899-O, 1889-P & 1900-P Morgans, Sell Choice
1800-P-S-O Mint Morgans, Will Sell Choice
Americas Last \$2 1/2 Dollar Coin in Nice Leather Bound Holder. This coin is a 1911 \$2 1/2 Indian Gold-WOW
1925-D Strong Strike \$2 1/2 Indian Gold AU
1854 Type 1 Rare \$1 Indian Princess Gold XFT
1909, 1911, 1919, 1925, 1926, 1929, 1929-S Wheat Pennies
1895, 1896, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907 Indian Head Pennies, Sell Choice
1804 1/2 Cent-Low Grade
2) 1864 & 1865 2¢ pcs., All Very Good Unc. Condition
1868 & 2) 1869 Shield Nickels, Sell Choice
1911-D Indian Gold
1881 & 1868 3¢ Nickel
1803, 1844, 1848, 1849, 1852 Large 1¢, Will Sell Choice
1935, 1936, 1937 Mercury Dimes, All Unc.
1833 Bust Dime
1853 Half Dime w/Arrows
1837 Seated Dime
1886 Seated Dime AU
1875-S 20¢ pc
1854 w/Arrows, 1856 & 1876 Seated Quarters-Sell Choice
1959-D Washington Quarter Proof Like
1789, 1989 Congress Comm 50¢ pc.
1936 York Co., First County in Maine 50¢
2) Foreign Coins
1876-S NTC VF25 Trade Dollars
1873 w/Arrows Seated Half-Nice Coin
1879-P & 1889-P Morgans-Very Nice
Chain Link Gold None 1861 Bracelet; Narrow 14K G.F. Gold Bracelet;
3/8 Inch Wide Italian 14K Gold Necklace; Group Costume Jewelry
20 Inch Narrow 12K G.F. Necklace; 20 Inch Rope 14K Gold Necklace
Unmarked Gold/Gold Tone 17-18 Inch Necklace
Unmarked Interesting Chain 18 Inch Gold/Goldtone Necklace
1) 19 Inch, 1) 17 Inch, 14K Gold Silver Necklace-Both are Kinked
Cufflinks Marked Swank; Silver Amber Dangle Earrings

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"Old Wedding Set" 14K PAT FIC;
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14K Gold Ring w/3 Gemstones
925 Silver Ring & Colorless Pearl Shaped Stone
J.R. 14K G.E. (Gold Electroplate) Opal Ring w/Accent Gemstones, Missing One;
Cracked Opal Ring w/4 Accent Stones
Gold Tone Ring Missing Center Stone, Marked 10K
10K Gold Class Turned Shriners Ring; 10K Gold Figaro Necklace 23 Inches;
Screw Back Earrings & Pendant Marked R. Inc. & Sterling
14K Made in Italy Gold Bracelet; 925 Silver Kinked Chain Bracelet
Chain Link Gold None 1861 Bracelet; Narrow 14K G.F. Gold Bracelet;
3/8 Inch Wide Italian 14K Gold Necklace; Group Costume Jewelry
20 Inch Narrow 12K G.F. Necklace; 20 Inch Rope 14K Gold Necklace
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Obituaries

Robert Lynn Barton

Robert Lynn Barton, 82, of Curryville died Sunday, May 25, 2025, at Aspire Senior Living Center in Jonesburg.

Per Robert's wishes, there will be no services. Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory is handling the cremation rites.

Robert was born Feb. 6, 1943, in Wellsville to Robert and Mary Kincaide Barton. He was united in marriage to Eugenia "Jeanie" Sue Norton on Oct. 29, 1960. Jeanie survives.

Also surviving are daughters, Lynda Woods and husband, Keith, and Lori Shambach and husband, David; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; a brother, John Barton; and one sister, Mary Ann Brown.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents; and siblings, Betty Kerr, Dorothy Nelson, and Bill Barton.

Robert attended school at the one-room schoolhouse in Ashley. His family also spent some time residing in Clarksville, and Illinois. Once he and Jeanie married, they moved to Curryville where they still resided.

In his younger years, Robert worked for area farmers. An opportunity arose with a position at Hercules. Robert was employed there until his retirement.

In his free time, Robert liked to hunt squirrels, rabbits, and especially quail. He enjoyed watching sports on TV. Robert loved riding motorcycles, and he had ridden to every state except Hawaii.

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



Robert 'Bob' F. Elder

Robert "Bob" F. Elder, 70, of Eolia died Saturday, May 31, 2025 in Louisiana.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m., Tuesday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. Greg Wyble officiated. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery near Louisiana.

Visitation was from 10 a.m., until time of service Tuesday at the funeral home.

Bob was born Dec. 24, 1954 in Louisiana to T.V. Elder, Jr and Anna Naxera Elder. He was married to Karla D. Neumann on May 26, 2002. She survives.

He had lived in Louisiana for most of his life and later moved to Eolia. He was Catholic by faith. He was a fence builder by trade, and a farmer, with his most recent employment at the Northeast Correctional Center in Bowling Green.

He is survived by his wife, Karla; a brother, Broz Elder; one sister, Rita Elder; a sister-in-law, Judy Asbridge Gollagher; and various cousins; nieces; and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Mary Ann Fox; and sisters-in-law, Marilyn Cole, Paulette Asbridge, and Bonnie Asbridge.

Honorary pallbearers were Broz Elder, Rita Elder, Jerry Fox, Brian Moore, Tom Firkus, Ryan Branstetter, Tim Elder IV, Amy Smith, James Fox, Megan McQuoid, Missy Seeker, Travis Bower, and Jim Hartung. Pallbearers were Paul Scherder, Tom Turley, John McCrory, Dickie Rule, Chad Elder, and Andrew Elder.

Online condolences may be sent at collierfuneral.com.



Bethany Jinkens

Bethany Jinkens, 50, of Clarksville died Sunday, June 1, 2025 at Pike County Me-

morial Hospital in Louisiana.

A funeral service was held at 1 p.m., Saturday at Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk with Pastor Dan Deatrick officiating. Burial was in Sand Cemetery in St. Francisville.

Visitation was two hours prior to the service with the family meeting with friends at that time.

She was born July 5, 1974 in Quincy, Ill., the daughter of Estin and Carol Branson Jinkens. She graduated from Keokuk High School with the class of 1992.

Bethany was baptized at New Testament Christian Church and attended the Wayland Baptist Church alongside her beloved grandmother, Mary Jinkens.

Bethany had a vibrant personality and a sharp, playful sense of humor. She was known for her quick wit, infectious laugh, and ornery streak that kept everyone on their toes. Whether it was a perfectly timed joke, a funny meme, or a mischievous prank, Bethany had a way of making people laugh and feel at ease in her presence.

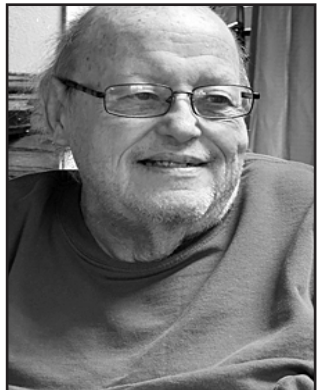
She enjoyed playing computer games and could spend hours immersed in her favorite virtual world. A lifelong fan of country music, she enjoyed listening to her favorite artists and especially loved attending concerts, where she felt most alive surrounded by music and people. Bethany also collected Mickey Mouse memorabilia. More than anything, Bethany cherished time spent with her family, especially with her nieces.

She is survived by her mother, Carol Picton and husband, Craig of Keokuk; two sisters, Jeri Roby and husband, Shaun of Pryor, Okla., and Shiloh Jinkens of Hamilton; two brothers, Russell Jinkens and wife, Jamie of Ursa, and Steven Picton of Keokuk; and nieces, Caitlin Allen and husband, Taylor, Wednesday Hughes and husband, Austin, Kloe Eggert, Jasmine Cochran, Michelle Cochran, Dayton Cochran, and Kaley Jinkens. She is also survived by her fiancé, David Street of Clarksville; and his son, Jorrdon Street and wife, Mandy and their children, Bradly and Wyatt; along with Pops and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father, Estin Jinkens; maternal and paternal grandparents; four uncles; three aunts; a niece; and three cousins.

Memorials may be made to the Pike County Home Health and Hospice.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.



Richard Lee Prior

Richard Lee Prior, 76, of Overland Park, Kan., died Tuesday, June 3, 2025 at his home.

Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana is in charge of cremation arrangements and a graveside burial of his urn will be held at a later date.

He was born Dec. 20, 1948 in Hannibal to Lewis and Mary Mae Snyder Prior.

Richard was a Christian by faith. He was a veteran of the United States Army, his duty as a cook. He worked as a stylist for most of his adult life in Missouri and worked as a certified nurse aide while in Kansas.

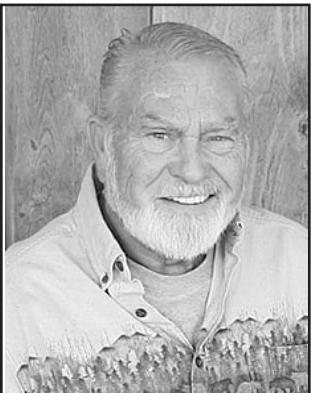
He is survived by a daughter, Susan Jo Prior Barker of Hannibal; two granddaughters, Hannah Barker and Angel Barker of Columbia; and a sister, Cheryle Ann Prior Wharton and husband, Pete of Louisiana.

He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents; his partner, Rick Link; and an infant sister, Wanda Jean Prior.

Memorials may be given to the family, c/o the funeral home.

Online condolences may be sent at collierfuneral.com.

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William E. Sisson

William E. Sisson, 76, of rural Bowling Green died Thursday, June 5, 2025, at his residence.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m., Tuesday (today) at Mt. Zion Cemetery, in Bowling Green with the Rev. Bill Hobbs officiating. Military Honors will be conducted by Missouri Military Honorary Guard, along with VFW Post #5553 of Bowling Green.

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

Bill was born April 29, 1949, the son of Roy and Alma Hutchinson Sisson, Sr. He lived in Pike County and Bowling Green his entire life, attending Bowling Green Schools and graduated with the class of 1967.

Following graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he served during Vietnam and was later honorably discharged. Upon returning home, Bill began a career as a heavy equipment operator, working for Dundee/Holcim for 38 years.

Bill married Judy Ann Ellis Nov. 25, 1994. She preceded him in death Dec. 9, 2022.

In his spare time, where he wasn't working or farming, Bill enjoyed fishing and was an avid horseman and loved to ride.

Bill is survived by his mother, Alma Edelen of Ashley; a son, Terry Sisson and wife, Sue of Bowling Green; grandchildren, Tyarra Clark and Taylea McKean smf husband, Rodney; great-grandchildren, Kylar, Bentley and Zairah Clark, Josiah, Paisley, Liam, Harrison and Easton McKean; s brother, Roy Sisson, Jr., and wife, Barbara; one sister, Joyce Perkins and husband, Leroy; and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Roy Sisson, Sr.; his wife, Judy Sisson; and brother, Charlie Sisson.

Serving as pallbearers will be Steve Robinson, Levi Schwartz, Jeremy Baker, Greg Lawrence, Kylar Clark, and Troy Niemeyer.

Memorials may be made to Wounded Warriors Project, or St. Jude's.



Ronald Eugene Shepherd

Ronald Eugene Shepherd, 62, of Browning died Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at University Hospital in Columbia.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Hannibal. The Rev. Tim Goodman will officiate.

There will be no visitation. The family is being served by the James O'Donnell Funeral Home in Hannibal.

Ronald was born April 13, 1963, in Hannibal to John and Hazel Geraldine Stone Shepherd.

Survivors include his three children, Robert Eugene Grisham and wife, Ashley of Louisiana, Jessica Stewart and husband, Sylvester of Vandalia, and Amy Ebers and husband, Tony of Vandalia; two sisters, Bonnie Conrad of Hannibal, and Mary Shepherd of Hannibal; a brother-in-law, Jimmy Grisham; 10 grandchildren, Bryden Grisham, Christopher Grisham, Gracie Grisham, Thomas Grisham, Sammy Stewart, Alexis Stewart, Brycen Stewart, Carol Stewart, Myra Ebers, and Nora Ebers; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, and three sisters.

Ronald was a jack of all trades, showcasing his talents in carpentry and car mechanics.

Ronald enjoyed fishing and camping in his free time.

Pallbearers will be Robert Grisham, Tony Ebers, Sylvester Stewart, Leslie Stone, Jesse Conrad, and Matt Glascock.

Memorial contributions may be made to donor's choice.



Aaron Willis Straube

A Celebration of Life for Aaron Willis Straube will be held Saturday, June 14, 2025 at Second Baptist Church Bowling Green.

Visitation will be from 9-11 a.m., with memorial service at 11 a.m. Officiating will be Pastor Randy McDonald, Adiel Baptist Church Frankford.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Is June 15

June 15 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, an event that seeks to unite communities around the world to raise awareness about elder abuse.

In Missouri, the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) receives and investigates reports of abuse, neglect, bullying and exploitation of some of the state's most vulnerable individuals - the elderly and disabled.

Last year, DHSS received and investigated 41,929 reports, an average of about 115 each day. That number is on the rise, though the crimes are vastly underreported.

Elder abuse is widespread. Every year an estimated 1 in 10 older Americans are victims of elder abuse, neglect or exploitation.

Despite its prevalence, experts believe that elder abuse is significantly underreported, in part because so many communities lack the social supports that would make it easier for those who experience abuse to report it.

MDC Has New Regulations For Ginseng Dealers, Harvesters

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reminds ginseng harvesters and dealers of new regulations that become effective July 1. MDC sent letters to registered ginseng dealers with the information late last year after regulations were approved. MDC also provided information to ginseng dealers to share with harvesters.

Under the new regulations, a Ginseng Dealer Permit will be required to buy and sell ginseng in Missouri starting July 1. The permit will cost \$100 for a Missouri resident and \$300 for a non-resident. Only holders of a Ginseng Dealer Permit may buy uncertified ginseng. New regulations will also require all ginseng root sold by a dealer to be certified. A dealer may possess uncertified ginseng root that has been purchased but must certify the root with an MDC conservation agent before selling it.

The new regulations also add a \$25 fee per root certification.

A Ginseng Harvest Permit will also be required for harvesting ginseng in Missouri. Permits will become available starting July 1. There is an exemption for landowners where they can get a no-cost Landowner Harvest Authorization Number if they want to give away or sell ginseng root. Landowners will need to contact MDC Ginseng Program Coordinator Malissa Briggler at Malissa.Briggler@mdc.mo.gov or 573-522-4115 ext. 3151.

For more info on American ginseng, visit MDC online at mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/field-guide/american-ginseng.

For more information on harvesting ginseng, dealer regulations, and certification instructions, visit MDC online at mdc.mo.gov/about-us/about-regulations/wild-ginseng-harvest-regulations.

Card Of Thanks

Thank you to all who thought of the family with prayers, comfort, floral, and monetary contributions, cards, and food.

Thank you to Ryan Bibb for his patience and caring.

Also thanks to Brother Don Amelung for the service.

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Property Location: 204 Meadowlark Road, Montgomery City, MO 63361
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268.6 SURVEYED ACRES OF AGRICULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL LAND, ALL WITH EXCELLENT COUNTY ROAD FRONTAGE AND INDIVIDUAL ACCESS. LOCATED IN TOWNSHIP 49N, RANGE 4W, SECTION 7 AND TOWNSHIP 49N, RANGE 5W, SECTION 12 OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MO

TRACT 1: Consists of 107.03 surveyed acres that lie on the west side of the farm with frontage and access off Meadowlark Road which runs along the entire north side of this tract and a portion of the west side. According to the Montgomery County FSA Office there is 64.05 tillable acres that is currently being used for crop production with the balance in woods, wooded draws and four stocked lakes.

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TRACT 3: This is the smallest of the four tracts and consists of 22.44 surveyed acres and has the West Homestead/ This tract has frontage and access off Meadowlark Road along the north side of the tract. According to the Montgomery County FSA Office there are 13.61 tillable acres that are currently in crop production with the balance consumed by the homestead and woods.

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“Our Father”

By Duke DuVall

These two words, “*Our Father*”, if you are telling the truth as you speak them to God, will impact your time on earth and reveal your place in eternity. If they are not true, they shall be among the most dangerous words you’ve ever spoken (**Ecclesiastes 5:4**). When you pray “Our Father” you are declaring to God and before men that you are, in fact, a child of God. By including yourself in a unique group of people who claim God as “*our* Father” you are announcing to God and other hearers—humans, angels and demons—that the Supreme Ruler of Heaven is also “*my* Father”. Dear Reader, are you confident in declaring publicly, that Almighty God, the Maker and Sovereign Head of the universe, is really *your* Father? Obviously, God knows if what you claim is true or not. If God really is your Father—not simply your creator, but truly your Father—then, according to the Bible, you are simultaneously announcing to God and in front of men and angels that Jesus Christ is also *your* Lord. It is impossible that God *is* your Father unless and until Jesus Christ is first your Lord (**John 14:6, John 1:11**). As you examine yourself (**2 Corinthians 13:5**) before God at this very moment, is Jesus Christ truly your Lord? And, if you answer with a definite “Yes, He is *my* LORD”, on what are you basing your certainty? Jesus warns that the honesty of someone calling Him, “LORD”, is for God to judge (**Matthew 7:21, John 15:16**). God is jealous for His true children, but condemns hypocrisy and all pretenders who claim to know God but who do not (**Matthew 15:8**). Relationship with God was a top priority among the apostles. They saw the arrogance of all manmade religions and longed for a real relationship with God instead. Not content to know *about* God, they wanted to *know Him personally*. The Bible records that the first thing Jesus’s disciples asked Him to teach them was how to pray (**Luke 11:1**). They knew that people can be guilty of claiming to commune with God, when there is no acknowledgement by God that He is listening to them (**Proverbs 28:9**). In response to the disciples request to learn to pray, Jesus began by first teaching them what they were NOT to do (**Matthew 6:5**). Not until He warned against hypocrisy, did Jesus proceed to teach the disciples the true way to address God (**Matthew 6:9-13**):

“Our Father Who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is In Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.”

Dear Reader, if you are prepared to testify, “Yes, Jesus Christ is my Lord, and therefore, God is my Father”, be sure you’re speaking the truth: the Bible says God hates a lying tongue (**Proverbs 6:16-17**). So, if your answer is, “Yes, I am sure God is *my* Father”, are you basing your child-parent relationship on Biblical facts or just a human sensation? Emotional feelings that prompt assumptions are unreliable in determining your standing before God (**Psalms 139:23**), and to *assume* your name is written in the Book of Life is the most extreme example of gambling. The foolishness of gambling with your eternal soul can result in destruction forever. How sure are you of God’s response to your claim of His fatherly responsibility over you? Even human courts require a claim of fatherhood be proven by a paternity test. Imagine trying to get past guards at the White House by claiming, “I have a feeling that the President is my father.” Perhaps you think God is your Father because you really do believe God is who the Bible says He is. Remember that Jesus’s own biological half-brother cautions you against such a faulty assumption. Demons know God is who He declares Himself to be, and they tremble at that truth (**James 2:19**)! That’s why, whether demons or humans are guilty of suppressing the truth (**Romans 1:18**) and rejecting the Only Remedy for sin’s curse that God alone offers (**John 1:12**), they are all damned (**Galatians 1:8**). God has declared His divinity—His “God-ness”—to the entire universe of men and all creation (**Romans 1:19**). That’s why no one will have an excuse in The Judgement (**Romans 1:20**) by pleading, “*Believing in God*” is the same as “*I have a child-parent relationship with God.*”

Therefore, since the Bible warns that feelings are not reliable, and that intellectual belief in God is not sufficient for making the claim that God is your Father, is it possible you’re relying on your works—your religion—as the basis for assuming the prayer “Our Father” includes you? Before placing your “hope so” in “keeping the rules or commandments” list, just how often do you perform miracles, or perfectly predict future events, or cast out demons from other people (**Matthew 7:22**)? Jesus warns that even that impressive of a list of “good deeds” performed in the Lord’s Name—when no relationship exists—will result in the Son of God looking you in the eye, pronouncing, “I never knew you (**Matthew 7:23**): depart from Me, ye that work iniquity” (evil deeds; wickedness). Dear Reader, every human being has passed, or will pass, from time into eternity, either *in Christ* or *out of Christ*. Either *under God’s wrath* or *in God’s Grace*. Either *worshipping our Savior in Heaven forever*, or *writhing in torment, with the demons as your cellmates in the eternal prison forever*. With that sobering reality in mind, are you sure about your public statement each time you say, “Our Father”? Let’s review: Jesus declares that He is the only Way to *The Father* (**John 14:6**). Our focus, according to Jesus, shouldn’t be on Heaven...*a location*. Instead, our hunger and desire should be for The Father...*a Person*. There’s an old song that says, “Not everybody talkin’ about Heaven is going there.” This Father’s Day could be your breakthrough from “hoping for Heaven” to receiving the gift of eternal life from *your Lord*, and embracing God as *your Father*. Friend, we’re commanded to examine ourselves (**2 Corinthians 13:5**) to see:



Am I In Christ or Out of Christ?

If we are out of Christ, it means we are still in our sins (John 8:24).

Jesus said if you die in your sins, you will have no part in Heaven (John 8:21).

Jesus warns that He is the *only* Way to the Father, the *only* Truth and the *only* Life (John 14:6).

The Bible declares that Jesus is the only Begotten Son of God (John 3:16).

Therefore, all other sons (and daughters) must be adopted if God is truly their Father (Galatians 4:5-6).

If God is not your Father, then according to Jesus, you are kin to the “father of lies” (John 8:44).

Your feelings, your factual beliefs, and your works, cannot influence God to adopt you (John 1:13).

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Dear Reader, I recall reading this as a boy: “Christmas might be the most damnable day of the year.” What a powerful impression those words made on me! The writer explained that on that day each year millions of people admit that Jesus Christ was born, but they go no further than that. In acknowledging His reality, they are without excuse (**Romans 1:20**) for rejecting Him (**John 1:11**) as the only Way to be adopted (**Ephesians 1:5**) by God. Similarly, everyone who falsely claims a child-parent relationship by praying “*Our (my) Father, Who art in Heaven*”, is heaping wrath upon himself (**Romans 2:5**). Saying such a prayer falsely is dangerous (**Proverbs 28:9**). It is play acting and invokes God’s anger, like taking the Lord’s Supper in an unworthy manner (**1 Corinthians 11:27**). Salvation, and thus knowing God as *our Father*, belongs to The LORD (**Psalms 3:8**). We can’t help but be captured by the story in Luke 15, of a father’s love for his very rebellious, prodigal son. Of all Jesus’s parables, this one may be the most touching. Jesus uses this story to explain our Heavenly Father’s love for all who are the genuine offspring of “*our Father*” (**John 1:13**). We know that God desires for us to receive His Son as our Savior and be reconciled to Him (**2 Peter 3:9**). In Luke 15, this point is clearly emphasized through a progression of three similar parables, the final one being about the prodigal son. The first parable is about a lost sheep. In this story, the shepherd had 100 sheep. When one became lost, he left the 99 to search for the wayward sheep. After finding it, he rejoiced with his friends and neighbors. In the Bible, God’s people are often referred to as sheep. or the flock that belongs to our Heavenly Father (**Luke 12:32; John 21:17; Acts 20:28-29**), and Jesus is called the “Chief Shepherd” (**1 Peter 5:4**). God desires to bring sinners, all of us who were once lost, into a relationship with Him. He rejoices when any one of us trusts Jesus Christ as Savior (**Luke 15:7**), receiving His gift of eternal life (**Romans 6:23**).

The second parable is about a woman losing one of 10 silver coins. The woman lights a lamp and sweeps her entire house as she searches for the missing coin. When she finds that one precious coin, she too, rejoices with her friends and neighbors (**Luke 15:8-10**). The common theme of all three parables, whether about a lost sheep, a lost coin or a lost son, is the overwhelming joy experienced when that which was lost is found. As *Expositor’s Bible Commentary* notes: “There is a mathematical progression, as the loss worsens from one of a hundred, to one of ten, and then to one of two, even as the enormity of the loss rises in a similar series. In the first it was a lost sheep, a loss which might soon be replaced, and might soon be forgotten; in the second it was a lost coin, speculated to possibly be one tenth of a set of ten coins received on her wedding day, whose combined worth of her honor and character is more valuable than the gold; while in the third parable of the son, the suffered loss is tragically beyond a possession. It is the overwhelming heartache of a lost child.” All three of these parables also serve to answer the question raised by the Jewish authorities and demonstrated by the prodigal son’s older brother, namely, whether it was proper for Jesus to care about and mingle with sinners. Oh, Christian friend, aren’t we eternally grateful that Jesus would graciously mingle with us sinners? The parables show that God cares about humans—to a hard-to-understand level—and that if He rejoices that much when a single lost soul is rescued, we should, too! We’re to first be passionate about “*our Father*” and His love (**Ephesians 2:4**). Next, we’re to be compassionate about distributing His love to everyone He divinely arranges for us to impact for Jesus Christ. To the degree that we grow in our belief of how much our lives influence—for better or for worse—the lives of others, to that same degree we will cry out to God for Him to transform us more into the image of His dear Son and our dear Savior!

Dear Reader, have you, by faith, trusted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? By God’s own promise, Jesus is the only Way we can be reconciled to God (**Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5**) and adopted as His child (**John 1:12**). Our Heavenly Father saves each prodigal son or daughter who acknowledges his or her need for forgiveness, and who by faith in Jesus Christ (**John 3:16; Ephesians 2:8-9; 1 John 1:9**) receives God’s mercy and grace unto eternal life! Have you come home to “*Our Father*”, by trusting in Christ’s substitutionary death as payment in full for your humanly impossible sin debt (**2 Corinthians 5:21; Galatians 3:13; 1 Peter 3:18**)? Then let the Redeemed of The Lord say so (**Psalms 107:2**), “**God, The Heavenly Father, is my Father**” (**2 Corinthians 6:16-18**) because I am alive *in Christ* (**Galatians 2:20**)! In life and in death LORD, I belong to You (**Romans 14:8**)! Amen!

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