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10 Million Reasons

Big Interest Shown In Quirky Man's Fortune



Dr. James William Crewdson

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

Legal battles over the estate of wealthy Pike County businessman Fielden Estes were expected to take years.

Instead, decisions were made in a matter of months — thanks to the influence of two powerful Louisiana men.

Estes made a fortune in horse sales and real estate. He died of cancer at age 80 on Sept. 29, 1900, leaving a will valued at what would today be \$10 million.

The lifelong bachelor was eccentric, stubborn, stingy and churlish. Late in life, he seemed to spend as much time in a courtroom as at his rural Louisiana home.

"If a judge or juror decided against him, he hated the man all his life and never spoke to him afterward," remembered David Ball, a Pike County lawyer and former Missouri Lieutenant Governor. "The old man couldn't help hating

those who opposed him in any way. He made it a personal matter."

One man Estes did not have a problem with was Dr. James William Crewdson. Known as J.W., the Kentucky native had moved to Louisiana in 1892 from Eolia and would later serve nine terms as mayor. In addition to seeing patients, he farmed and was a bank vice president.

Crewdson provided care to Estes for six years, and it wasn't just medicine. The doctor took his patient on therapeutic trips to Minnesota, Colorado, Wisconsin, Florida and even one to Cuba.

"Estes hated to part with a dollar more than any man I ever knew," Crewdson recalled. "Bear in mind that I mean actual cash when I say this. He did not mind giving a check. It seemed to break his heart to let real money go out of his hands."

The will was drawn up seven months before Estes passed. It left most of the estate to nieces and nephews who "had not incurred his displeasure," the St. Louis Republic said.

Crewdson was to get what would today be \$45,000, but claimed he was owed \$1.8 million. He appealed when a jury awarded \$591,000.

Meanwhile, a lawsuit was filed on behalf of Estes' feeble 78-year-old brother, Samuel. It asked that the will be set aside, citing alleged "undue influence" by attorneys and the older sibling's "unsoundness of mind."

Samuel Estes was a resident of what was called the Pike County "poor farm," a place at Ashley that featured housing for indigent men. Fielden Estes ordered that Samuel and another brother, George, be cut off with only about \$45 each if they contested the will. George apparently stayed out of the fray.

In addition, Louisiana optometrist Angus Prettyman claimed he was owed today's equivalent of \$360,000 in expenses. The cancer which killed Estes had started in his left eye. Despite being almost 40 years older, Estes had lived for a while with Prettyman, his wife, Nellie, and their daughter, Eglanna May.

Most who knew Estes were not surprised by the courtroom skirmishes.

"He was a fighter," Crewdson said. "It was born in him. He loved to win legal victories. Even defeats were pleasing to him, for they gave him more enemies to hate."

The Vandalia Press had fun with the drama, comparing one of the richest men in Northeast Missouri to one of the wealthiest in America.

"If (Andrew) Carnegie knew of the Fielden Estes will contest in Pike County, he would loosen his purse strings a notch or two more under the belief that it is a sin to die rich," it said.

Standing firmly with Estes were Ras Pearson and William Stark. They would have a huge impact on the outcome of the litigation.

Next time: Satisfying outcome?

July 4 Stand-Off Ends With One Man Arrested

By BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

On Friday, July 4, officers responded to the 500 block of Nebraska Street in Louisiana for a report of several individuals being threatened by a man with an AR-15 rifle.

According to a press release from Louisiana Police Chief, Josh Baker, an investigation revealed that Anthony Q. Bachler, 54, had committed the offense.

Officers responded to his residence, where he had barricaded himself and refused to come out upon requests from officers. Assistance was re-

quested from the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Pike County Sheriff's Office. The immediate area was evacuated for the safety of our citizens and a search warrant was obtained for the residence.

After an approximately two and half hour standoff, contact was made with Bachler via phone by Louisiana Police Officers who convinced him to turn himself in, ending the standoff. The search warrant was then conducted resulting in firearms and ammunition being seized from the residence.

Pike County Prosecuting Attorney Alex Ellison has charged Anthony Q. Bachler, with the class E felony of Unlawful Use of a Weapon, two counts of the class E felony of Harassment in the 1st degree, and three counts of the unclassified felony of Armed Criminal Action.

The Honorable Milan Berry has set the bond for Bachler at \$50,000 cash only. Bachler remains in custody at the Pike County Jail.

All suspects of a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Brown Selected As Elks Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler



Mona Brown

By BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

A member of the Louisiana Elks Lodge 791 has been selected for a state level position in the non-profit organization. Mona Brown was recently named the 2025-26 Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for the Northeast District.

The Missouri Elks Association (MEA), part of the national Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a fraternal organization committed to charity, justice, brotherly love, and fidelity. With nearly 30,000 members across 71 lodges statewide, the Elks are known for their deep commitment to community service and patriotic values.

According to Brown, District Deputy Grand Exalted Rulers (DDGER) are the district representatives for the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Grand Lodge within the local Districts of

each State Association. The Missouri Elks Association has 8 Districts, and the Northeast District contains 10 Local Lodges in Columbia, Hannibal, Jefferson City, Louisiana, Macon, Mexico, O'Fallon, St. Clair, Warrenton, and Washington. District Deputies conduct yearly audits of all local lodges to ensure compliance with Grand Lodge statutes and programs. There are more than two hundred Districts nationwide.

Founded in 1909, the Missouri Elks have a long-standing tradition of benevolent programs including their major state project, the Missouri Benevolent Trust Dental Program, and actively support veterans, military families, and health awareness initiatives. Guided by the motto "Elks Care – Elks Share," the organization seeks to make a meaningful impact in the lives of Missourians through volunteer work and compassionate outreach.

"It has been several decades since a member of Louisiana Lodge #791 has attained the commission of DDGER and I am the first female from Louisiana to receive it," Brown told the Tribune. She's been a member of the Louisiana lodge for 13 years and in those years has held the positions of Exalted Ruler, Secretary, Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, Lecturing Knight and Chaplain. "In the Northeast District, I was

elected to the 'At Large' position in 2020, the District Director office in 2021 and District Vice President in 2022. The District Vice Presidents exist in the same number as the DDGERs and are the "assistants" to the Missouri Elks Association State President."

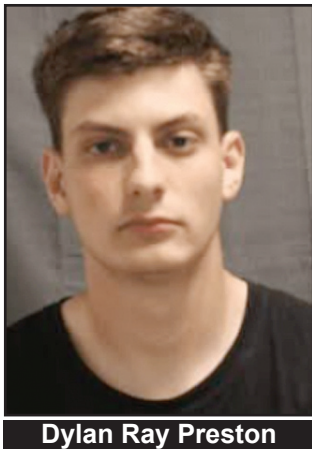
Besides those roles, she also has a busy schedule as the Lodge Activities State Chairman and more.

"I also hold the chairman position in the Northeast District for Hoop Shoot, Public Relations, State Directory, and am a photographer for the state bulletin."

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This year's MEA State President, Dr. Jason Meisenheimer, has set the tone with the theme "Rekindling the Compassion in the Heart of Elkdom," emphasizing continued service, gratitude for veterans, and advocacy for health awareness causes.

Vandalia Man Charged With Child Sex Crimes



Dylan Ray Preston

By BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

A Vandalia man is facing multiple felony charges in connection with the alleged sexual abuse of two children under the age of 14.

Dylan Ray Preston, 19,

was arrested on Sunday, July 6, by the Audrain County Sheriff's Office after deputies responded to a report of suspected child abuse at a residence in Vandalia.

Following an investigation, the Audrain County Prosecutor's Office charged Preston with two counts of first-degree child molestation and two counts of statutory sodomy involving a person less than 14 years old. According to court records, the abuse is alleged to have occurred over several months.

A warrant for Preston's arrest was issued and served on July 6. He was taken into custody and is currently being held in the Audrain County Jail without bond.

In the probable cause statement, two individuals identified as Confidential Witness

and Confidential Reporting Party wrote in a statement that Preston initially denied the allegations when questioned but eventually admitted to the crime.

At a hearing held on Tuesday, July 8, Preston appeared by video without legal counsel. The court found that he poses a danger to the victims and the community, and denied bond. A bond review hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, July 15, in Audrain County Circuit Court.

If convicted, Preston faces the possibility of life imprisonment. He is also classified in court documents as a predatory sexual offender under Missouri law, which allows for enhanced sentencing.

Back To School Pool Party

The Twin Pike Family YMCA, Louisiana, and the Buffalo Township United Fund organization are cooperatively sponsoring a Back-to-School Pool Party for community residents on Saturday, Aug. 9.

Party participants will enjoy a special new pool slide along with regular pool activities including the diving board, pool basketball, and music. Snacks, drinks, and raffle items will also be offered. In addition, the first annual Little Yellow School Bus Cardboard Boat Race will take place.

There will be two party times from 12-3 p.m., and 3:30-6:30 p.m. Anyone bringing a school supply item to donate to area schools will receive a discount off the price of admission. There is an admission for the party for youth and for adults with 0-2 years-free. There is no additional cost to enter the Little Yellow School Bus Cardboard Boat Race. All are encouraged to participate and build boats with a Back-to-School theme.. Pre-registration for the Boat Race is required and can be completed by calling the YMCA at 573-754-4497.

Those wishing to attend the party should also contact



Pictured from left, Gracey MacLaughlin and Lauren Ince, Twin Pike Family YMCA Lifeguards in a Little Yellow Bus Boat in Progress. Painted by Cathy Taylor.

the YMCA to reserve their spot. Early registration is recommended. Walk-in registration the day of the event will be allowed on a space-available basis only. Contact the YMCA at 573-754-4497 to register or stop by the Welcome Center.

The Twin Pike Family YMCA serves Pike County, Illinois and Pike County, Missouri and surrounding communities. The YMCA offers a wellness center, indoor heated pool, indoor track, a gymnasium, an aerobics room, and before and after school programs for youth.

The YMCA strives to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all and focuses on youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility.

The Buffalo Township United Fund Organization is an inclusive organization that does fundraisers throughout the year. Ninety-nine percent of all funds collected are distributed to over 12 area not-for-profit organizations serving primarily youth and the elderly populations.

NECAC Seeks School Supply Donations

NECAC is seeking donations of school supplies and cash to purchase additional items for Pike County students.

"As the school year approaches, we want to help teachers not have to worry about providing enough supplies," said NECAC Pike County Service Coordinator Penny Dixon. "This will lift some of the burden put onto our educators when children need items throughout the year. We don't want them to be forced to use their own money to buy supplies."

Donations will be split equally among Bowling Green, Louisiana, Clopton, BONCL, St. Clement and



Pike County Christian School.

Contributions may be sent or dropped off at the NECAC Pike County Service Center,

805 Business Highway 61, Bowling Green, Mo., 63334. Office hours are 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Mondays-Thursdays. Questions may be directed to Dixon at 573-324-2207.

Haddock Is Louisiana Rotary's Rotarian Of The Year

By Edna Smith Dolbeare

For at least the last 30 years, the Rotary Club of Louisiana has selected a Rotarian of the Year who demonstrates the values of the club by showing their dedication to "Service Above Self."

We are proud to announce Mark Haddock as the Rotarian of the Year for 2024-25.

Mark has been a member of our club since April 2022, being sponsored by Sherry McCarty and Linda Beer. He is a Paul Harris Fellow and has been active in all aspects of the club, especially the Scholarship Golf Tournament and helping with the beds for Sleep In Heavenly Peace. He has also volunteered countless hours of labor helping with the Littrell project at Henderson Park, helping with the landscaping and building the new picnic tables and benches. Mark is joining our board of directors this year, and



Mark Haddock was selected Rotary Club of Louisiana Missouri has selected a Rotarian of the Year. Pictured, front row, left: Carol McElfresh, Sally Haddock, Mark Haddock, Jackie Onnen, and Walter Logan. Second row: Darrell McElfresh, Kim Haddock, Mike Haddock, and David Onnen.

we are grateful for his faithful attendance and can-do spirit!

In his nominations, many noted not only his work in Rotary, but also his work in the community (Alumni association,

Buffalo Township United Fund, Louiaiana Historical Museum, his church).

They appreciate Mark and his wife, Sally and are so glad they chose to serve with them in Rotary.

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Community News



PGS Reserve Bull Division 3

Meyer Commerce 4008 won reserve bull division 3 phenotype and genotype at the 2025 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), June 28 - July 5 in Tulsa, Okla. Alexis Koelling, Bowling Green, owns the winning bull.

Photo by Next Level Images

Farber Branch Library Hosts Messy Art Program

The Farber Branch Library hosted Messy Art Saturday in June for the children.

The library summer reading program theme this year is Color Our World.

The children painted flower pots, each taking home

a flower pot with three large flower pots placed at Farber city hall, the Farber post office and the Farber library.

The children also created seed mosaics, painted pictures with cotton balls, and

created chalk art on the Farber library's sidewalk.

The activity was sponsored by edf power solution and local patrons.

Brenda Gower is the branch manager



SEEKING BIDS

Buffalo Township Fire Protection District is seeking bids for the replacement of the roof on the main fire house building. Please submit bids to P.O. Box 161, Louisiana, MO 63353.

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Moving This Summer Ten Steps To Lessen Stress

About 40 million people move every year in the United States. Nearly half of all moves occur in just four months between May and August. If you're among those taking the big leap to a new home, you can minimize chaos by organizing ahead of time and breaking your move down into a series of manageable steps. Here is your 10-step game plan to help moving day go smoothly:

1. Map it out. Plan your new layout on paper so that you know everything fits and where it will go. Get all the measurements of your new home, including placement of doors, windows, staircases and electrical outlets. If your furniture won't all fit, label what goes and what stays. Give your future floor plan to your movers so they can see what goes where on moving day.

2. Label, label, label. Label every box with all contents and identify the room the box belongs in. Color coding can help immensely after moving day: red-marked boxes in dining room, green in living room, etc.

3. Find a reliable moving company. Moving heavy furniture is exhausting, and accidents can occur that harm people and belongings. Reputable, professional movers can save you a ton of aggravation, but if that isn't in your budget, enlist plenty of strong, capable helpers and make sure they know the full scope of the job ahead of time.

4. Protect your mattresses and foundation. The best way is to fully encase them in plastic mattress protectors. Truck rental companies sometimes provide these, but you can easily find them on Amazon or at your local moving truck rental store in a variety of sizes. Ideally, transport a mattress flat and don't place heavy boxes or furniture on top. If you move the mattress on its side, surround it with large pieces of cardboard to help stabilize the mattress and prevent it from folding or wobbling. Casper has a terrific blog devoted to moving mattresses. Any mattresses that are more than eight-to-ten years old should probably be replaced rather than moved. The Better Sleep Council has tips on disposing of old mattresses. Another reason to replace a mattress? If it's more than fifteen years old, it probably wasn't made with CertiPUR-US® certified foam. Start fresh in your new home with mattresses that contain certified foam that is made without chemicals of concern and has been analyzed and tested by independent laboratories for content and low Volatile Organic Compound emissions (less than 0.5 ppm) for indoor air quality.

5. Safeguard your furniture.

Take photographs of expensive or precious items to have a record if a moving company breaks something. If this is a DIY move, stock up on furniture blankets or used blankets and tape them securely around your furniture. (Avoid taping the furniture itself.) Add a layer of stretch wrap around the whole "package" for further protection and to give movers something to grip onto.

6. De-assemble furniture before the big day. Cabinets, bed frames and many other pieces require de-assembling before moving. Be sure to do this ahead of time — and record a video of the process so that you'll have a quick guide for reassembling. Keep all nuts, bolts and screws together in a resealable bag and attach it to the larger pieces with stretch wrap.

7. Stock up on sliders. All hardware stores carry plastic-and-felt sliders that stick to the bottom of chair, sofa and table legs. They can prevent damage to flooring on both ends of your move.

8. Have proper moving tools. Professional movers usually bring specialized moving equipment, but if your movers aren't pros, you'll need to properly equip them. Hand trucks or "dollies" come in various sizes,

depending on the weight load they must carry (appliances and sofas call for heavy-duty). Straps and shoulder dollies enable people to lift and haul heavy objects without straining their necks and backs.

9. Check the weather. If you think there is a chance of a storm on moving day, have tarps and towels on hand to protect your furniture. Keep your furniture and mattresses as dry as possible by going through the garage or another path that minimizes exposure before going into the truck.

10. Clear the path. Clear a route for the movers and anticipate what could present a challenge. If some items seem too big for the doorway, removing the doorstop or even the door itself can create the needed space. Many sliding doors have a special release to temporarily remove one door to create a larger opening.

One of the best moving-day survival tips we've heard is to pack a small overnight bag with essentials and have your pillows, sheets and blankets handy for the first night in your new home. Set up and make your bed as soon as it's unloaded. Get a bite to eat and then call it a night — the tedious chore of unpacking can wait until you're rested.



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Community News

From The Mayor's Desk...

As the United States embarks on its historic 250th anniversary celebration, "We the people" stands as a powerful reminder of who we are and what we can achieve together. I hope over the next 12 months that Americans of all nationalities, races, cultures, religions, villages, towns, cities, and states will join in honoring our nation's enduring spirit of freedom!

As I have traveled to several other countries, precious "freedom" does not come across in their societies. Our commemorative journey is not just a look back to our Founding Fathers but a look forward with a spirit of unity, purpose, and hope for the next 250 years of America's greatness!

Bowling Green is a part of America's greatness as we celebrate the opportunities our nation affords everyone. It's not always been that way and there are still challenges many must overcome to achieve their hopes and dreams. Bowling Green and America are still the "LAND OF OPPORTUNITY."

We, as a city, are expanding which opens the doors for a greater and opportunistic work force. The United States thrives on the small business sector and Bowling Green is growing in that aspect every month. We are adding new in-home businesses every month which meet the needs and desires of our growing Bowling Green residents. We are also drawing customers from nearby towns and villages to meet their desires and wants as well. This process blesses the city, our parks and lakes, our Visitor's Bureau, and our local services and businesses.

New plumbing businesses with brick and mortar, Field House 54 with activi-

ties and entertainment for all ages, various styles of housing, demolition of houses and rebuilding anew, a new laundromat, and Pesty Critters new injection process to save Ash trees from the invasion of destructive insects. The list could go on with an additional thrift store on Business Highway 54, activities around Bowling Green like the St. Clement Picnic on July 19 at the KC Hall, Gospel Sing at the Fairgrounds main building on July 20 from 3-5 p.m. Pike County Fair week from July 22-26.

I will be attending a Downtown Revitalization Conference on July 22-24 to better highlight our historical districts, develop economic businesses to increase community and visitors' activity, and showcase our commercial atmosphere on how to be more attractive and inviting. We already do a very good job of this, but there are always new ideas in marketing and promotion.

Networking with other cities and businesses offers enticements to welcome other tourists and visitors to our wonderful community. It is vitally important, especially at this time of year, to keep our grass and lawns looking great, our landscaping attractive, our houses and sheds beautified, and impressions of our town positive and inviting. This beautification of our town keeps people and potential customers coming back, builds civic pride, mutual support in our attractive neighborhoods, parks, businesses and services, develops a love thy neighbor mentality and says, "Come live in our amazing community!"

Look for and attend the upcoming Music in the Park.



JIM ARICO, MAYOR
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

Asian Needle Ant Could Reach Missouri In 2025

When hiring a tree care professional, use caution and stick to reputable companies, says Joni Harper, University of Missouri Extension field specialist in natural resources.

Harper and other MU Extension specialists have received increased numbers of reports this year of homeowners being solicited by door-to-door salespeople offering services such as pruning, spraying or trimming. The salespeople often warn homeowners that trees will die if they don't take immediate action.

"True tree care professionals don't solicit work this way," she says. "Think of it like this: Would you trust a doctor or dentist who showed up uninvited at your door, diagnosing you with a problem you didn't know you had? Reputable tree care companies typically have more than enough work and don't need

New MDC Hunting Booklets Available

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reminds Missouri deer, turkey, waterfowl, and dove hunters that new booklets for upcoming hunting seasons are now available.

Hunters and others can get the most current information on upcoming fall hunting from the MDC 2025 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet and the MDC Migratory Bird and Waterfowl Hunting Digest 2025-2026.

MDC's 2025 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet has detailed information on fall deer and turkey hunting seasons, limits, permits, managed hunts, regulations, conservation areas to hunt, post-harvest instructions, chronic wasting disease (CWD) updates, and more. The booklet is available where permits are sold and online at mdc.mo.gov.

MDC's Migratory Bird and Waterfowl Hunting Digest 2025-2026 has detailed information on waterfowl hunting along with hunting doves and other migratory game birds such as rail, snipe, and woodcock. It also has information on needed permits and duck-stamp requirements, hunting seasons and limits, hunting areas, regulations, and more. The digest is available where permits are sold and online at mdc.mo.gov.

Buy Missouri hunting and fishing permits from numerous vendors around the state or online at mdc.mo.gov/buypermits.

to find customers this way." Harper offers tips to find a qualified, trustworthy tree care professional:

BE INFORMED

Before hiring anyone, ask for their full name, company name, address, phone number and references. Call the phone number to confirm it is legitimate.

Check for licensing. If they're working within city limits, they should have a current city business license. At minimum, anyone applying pesticides should have a commercial pesticide applicator or technician license.

However, a license alone doesn't guarantee the person is qualified to care for trees. Professional companies should also be bonded and willing to show you current certificates of liability and workers compensation insurance. "A nice-looking truck and an official-sounding name aren't enough," says Harper.

GET DETAILED ESTIMATES

A written estimate is essential. It should include the species of tree, its location on your property and a detailed description of the proposed work. "Prune front oak," for example, isn't specific enough.

Don't rush to hire the first person who gives you a quote. Get at least two or three estimates to compare. Reputable companies will provide free estimates and won't pressure you to make an immediate decision.

DO YOUR HOMEWORK

Ask if the work will follow American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards, which outline best practices

Round Up For Veterans With MO State Parks

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources and its Division of State Parks are proud supporters of our nation's veterans.

During July, all proceeds from the Round Up program are earmarked for events designed specifically with our veterans in mind.

The Round Up program allows park guests to voluntarily round up their purchases, supporting programs that honor and engage veterans, including the popular Hero Deer Hunts.

Normally, the money rounded up will be used at the state park where the purchase is made. However, in July all money raised will help fund special events and programs for veterans.

"Our parks are places of reflection, connection and community," said Laura Hendrickson, Missouri State Parks director. "This initiative is a meaningful way to express our gratitude to those who have served. It's an opportunity for every visitor to make a difference in the lives of

for pruning, fertilization and tree care safety. Even if it's not in the contract, you can still review these standards to make sure the company's methods align with industry guidelines. The Tree Care Industry Association has information about ANSI tree care standards.

You can also find a certified arborist near you by visiting the International Society of Arboriculture's website. "Hiring a certified arborist is a great way to ensure your trees receive proper, professional care," says Harper.

NEVER TOP TREES

Tree topping is widely known to harm trees. "If a company recommends topping, that's a red flag. Don't hire them," says Harper.

NO SPIKES FOR CLIMBING

Professionals should never use spurs or spikes to climb a living tree. Spikes create wounds that can spread disease and damage the tree.

BE REALISTIC ABOUT PRICE

Quality tree care is not cheap. If a price seems unusually low, be wary. It might signal inexperience or poor-quality work. Getting a second or even third estimate can help you make an informed decision.

"Unfortunately, some homeowners have been taken advantage of by dishonest individuals, which gives reputable tree care companies a bad name," says Harper. "Take your time, do your research, and remember, your tree isn't going to die tomorrow if you don't have it treated today."

If you have questions or need more information, contact your county extension center.

50th ANNIVERSARY

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To Attend

Pike To Pike ...



By Wyvetta Davis-Niffen
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"Pray big; Worry little". Friday, July 18, the Big River Band will be at the Cardinal Inn in Pittsfield with the show starting at 6 p.m. No admission charge. Come on out for a good evening of country music.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for the week of July 16-22, 2025:

July 16 - Jenny Halsey, Linda and Sonny Kimmel

July 17 - James Dean

July 18 - Amy Williams, Ivan Shafer

July 19 - Dakota Henry, Jerry Garner, Brian and Margaret Myers, Jonathan and Ashley Guthrie

July 20 - Sandy Garner,

Adah and Dusty Helm

July 21 - Everett Dean

July 22 - Ann Rine, Brian Myers, Lori Orr, Tammy Harshman, Bob and Eve

Pray for Israel and her people, pray for all the extreme tragedy that has happened in Texas and all the lives that this has touched, pray for America and America's leaders and our families, pray for those who are sick, Sharon Straus, those who are traveling, and those who have lost loved ones.

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Ephesians 6:10

Cleve and Susanne Curry had friends Ron and Karen McClellan stop in late afternoon, July 2, enjoying the evening and breakfast together Thursday morning.

Rachel Curry and Eric Long and family got in Wednesday night in time to visit with Rachel's college band director Ron and piano teacher Karen from Mid America Nazarene University days. Justin and Joelle's family and Carol Lisa, John, and Jack O'Brien joined together for food and other activities Thursday through Saturday noon as the schedule allowed.

Wednesday, July 9, we had my son Nathan up for supper to enjoy the fish that Jamie fried.

Saturday, July 12, Jamie and I were among the crowd at the funeral for Jamie's grandson-in-law in Troy, Missouri.

I like to encourage people to read books so I asked several to make some recommendations. The books I'm recommending for this week are two books by Kristin Hannah NIGHTINGALE and THE WOMEN. The person that recommended these said that THE WOMEN is a wonderful book about the women who served as nurses during the Viet Nam conflict. She also said any of her books are good to read.

Trivia Questions for This Week (anytime any of you have questions along with the answers that you would be willing to share that I could use in the column, I would be appreciative.):

1. Who was the first American in space?

2. Who was America's first public enemy number one?

3. What are the two family names central to Shakespeare's ROMEO AND JULIET?

plan to walk-in, and would like to know the best time to arrive, please contact Carolyn the day of the drive.

Every donor is also encouraged to use Rapid Pass, which offers donors a way to complete their pre-reading and donation questions online THE DAY OF THE DRIVE. To use Rapid Pass, visit redcross-blood.org/ RapidPass, read the info, answer the questions, and print the pass or email it to yourself so you can show it at the drive. Remember that all donors are required to provide a valid photo ID the day of the drive.

First United Methodist To Hold Red Cross Blood Drive

The First United Methodist Church in Bowling Green, located at 8 N. Broadway at the corner of Church and Broadway, will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, Aug. 7, from 12:30-6 p.m., in the church fellowship hall. This will be the 28th drive the church has hosted as part of its "Acts of Kindness" mission. Snacks and homemade sandwiches will be served to donors.

The American Red Cross is currently experiencing a shortage of blood. The need for lifesaving blood transfusions never takes a break. It is important to have blood ready to go when every second

counts, so please consider donating. As an appreciation of blood donations at this time, Red Cross will email donors a \$15 e-gift card.

To schedule an appointment to ensure a lesser wait time, visit the Red Cross website at redcross-blood.org and enter in the search field the sponsor code: FUM-CBowlinggreen, use the blood donor app, call 1-800-RED CROSS, or call or text the church's blood donation program coordinator, Carolyn Shaw, at 573-470-5379. Appointments have priority, but walk-ins are needed, as sometimes scheduled donors are unable to give the day of the drive. If you

problems in the environment, says Althoff.

"Why do we care about ants being outcompeted?" she asks. "Well, native ants are friends of soil health, pest control and pollination." They also play an important role in healthy environments. Many herbaceous plants' seeds have a structure called an eliasome that attracts certain ants, according to the U.S. Forest Service. Those ant species carry the seeds away from the mother plant, ensuring proper dispersal. Researchers have shown substantial decreases in seed dispersal where Asian needle ants have invaded forest areas, so this invasive species could have long-term negative effects on forest understory, says Althoff.

In addition to bullying other ants, the Asian needle ant is nasty to humans. Its sting injects a venom that could be harmful to people who are allergic to the stings of other insects. In rare cases, its sting can cause life-threatening anaphylaxis. Althoff suggests that those with allergies carry an epi pen if they are planning a trip to the woods. Also, avoid moving firewood and store firewood

off the ground to ensure it stays dry.

If you think you spot an Asian needle ant, send a good-quality photo to your local MU Extension center or contact Althoff at emilyalthoff@missouri.edu

DON'T PANIC

Because of its presence in Arkansas and proximity to southern Missouri woodlands, the Asian needle ant likely will make it to Missouri. If it does, use management practices recommended by MU Extension and other state agencies to treat homes and public spaces. However, it should be noted that the ant does not come inside unless brought in (for example, on firewood).

Most importantly, don't panic, says Althoff. "We do not need to panic about killer insects here," she says. "The damage caused by these stings to people likely would be like that of a bee or wasp sting. It is important for people to know if they are allergic to such stings and take proper precautions." If you could be at risk, make sure that you know what the ant looks like and if it is on your property.

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Obituaries



Imogene 'Jean' Eastman

Imogene ‘Jean’ Eastman, 89, of Jefferson City, formerly of Louisiana died Monday, July 7 at the Primrose Retirement Community in Jefferson City.

Visitation was Saturday from 12-2 p.m., at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana.

Services wer at 2 p.m., at the funeral home and officiated by the Rev. Don Kelley. Burial was in Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana.

Mrs. Eastman was born Dec. 23, 1935, on the family farm in Pike County near the little town of New Hartford to Otto Willis and Ruth Maureen Reese Willis. Imogene was the sixth of nine children.

She loved growing up on the family’s 140-acre farm with her parents and many siblings. They never had indoor plumbing, but got electricity when Jean was 13 years old in 1948.

Jean married Harold ‘Bill’ Eastman on Feb. 19, 1955. After living in St. Louis and St. Charles, they moved to Louisiana in 1958.

Mrs. Eastman was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Louisiana, where she taught Sunday School and worked on the baptismal and kitchen committees for many years.

She also worked as a volunteer at the Louisiana Area Historical Museum, Pike County Hospice, and the gift shop at Pike County Memorial Hospital. She worked as an ‘Avon Lady’ selling makeup products door-to-door for some years. She also worked at a local florist and at the Arcade Clothing Store for many years.

She is survived by her two sons, Rick Eastman and wife, Pat of Jefferson City and their children, Zach Eastman of Omaha, Neb., and Karina Amsden and husband, Joseph and their children, Liam and Raleigh of Jefferson City; and Phil Eastman and wife, Kim of Olathe, Kan., and their son, Matthew; and many nieces and nephews.

Imogene Eastman was preceded in death by her husband Bill on Dec. 7, 2012; parents Ruth and Otto in 1965 and 1970 respectively; siblings, Wilma Marie Willis (Aug. 3, 1952), Walter Kenneth Willis (April 26, 1995), Otto Major Willis (July 31, 1997), Clara Louise Atkinson (April 5, 2003), Orville Lewis Willis (Aug. 8, 2006), Charles Thomas Willis (April 21, 2007), Garland Edward Willis (March 16, 2018), and Lena Esther Willis (Dec. 28, 2022).

She was also preceded in death by an infant grandson, Nathan David Eastman (July 2, 2004) and Daniel Christopher Eastman (Jan.30, 2024).

Honorary pallbearers were Liam Amsden and Raleigh Amsden. Pallbearers were Zach Eastman, Matthew Eastman, Joe Amsden, Kevin Sartain, Duane Willis, and Denny DeWeese.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Louisiana or Compassus Hospice in Jefferson City. Online condolences may be sent to collierfuneral.com.

Donald E. Burnett

Donald E. Burnett, 82, of Louisiana died Friday, July 4, 2025 in Louisiana.

According to his wishes he will be cremated and a celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

He was born Feb. 1, 1943 in Louisiana to James Burnett and Flora Jones Burnett. He was married to Judy Cummins Aug. 14, 1971 in Louisiana. She survives.

He is also survived by two sons, Michael D. Burnett of Louisiana and Timothy L. Burnett and wife, Amanda of Mexico; three grandchildren, Savanna Burnett, Brian Baker and wife, Lexi, and Brandon Burnett; and a brother, H.J. Burnett of Louisiana.

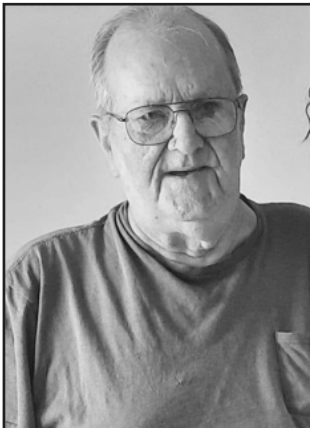
He was preceded in death by his parents, and two sis-

ters, Mary Jane Joseph and Dorothy Ann Hamblet.

Donald was a graduate of Louisiana High School with the class of 1961. He served in the United States Army Reserves following high school for several years. He was a truck driver for most of his life until his retirement.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer’s Association.

Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana was in charge of cremation rites.



Simon David 'Dave' Howard

Simon David “Dave” Howard, 81, of Louisiana died Wednesday, July 9, 2025.

Collier Funeral Home is in charge of cremation rites according to his wishes. No services are scheduled.

He was born on April 26, 1944 in Pearl, Ill., to Simon Peter Howard and Bessie Hubbard Howard. He was married to Bernice Viola Swarnes on Jan. 30, 1976 in Clarksville. She preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his parents, Simon and Bessie Howard, three brothers, Clifford Howard, Pat Howard, and Dale Howard; six sisters, Jean Harding, Dorothy Colbert, Helen Honey, Mary Joe Henderson, Doris Bartkowiak, and Edith “Edie” Dove, and his mother-in-law, Katherine Swarnes.

He is survived by a daughter, Kathy Bryant and husband, Jack of Clarksville; a special friend, Debbie Watson; two grandchildren, Johnathan “Bear” Bryant and Angel Bryant, both of Clarksville; and four sisters, Waivie Howard, Vickie Bowen, Lou Darnell, and Roberta Howard.

Dave had farmed most of his life mainly working for Marmac Farms in Clarksville until retiring due to health issues. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends, fishing, hunting, gardening, mushroom hunting, and trapping, but his grandkids were the apple of his eye. He never knew a stranger. He always had a smile and would give a wave or a kind hello to everyone.

Memorials may be given to the family at 805 Kentucky St., Clarksville, MO 63336.

Online condolences may be sent at collierfuneral.com.



Dwaine Barnes

Dwaine Barnes, 87 of Farber died peacefully at his

home on Saturday, July 12, 2025.

Visitation will be at Bienhoff Funeral Home in Vandalia from 4-7 p.m., Tuesday (today).

Funeral service will be held at First Christian Church in Vandalia at 10 a.m., Wednesday. Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Church Cemetery in rural Vandalia.

Dwaine, a lifetime rural Farber resident and farmer, was born on June 1, 1938, at the family home to Henry R. and Hazel Jerman Barnes. He was the third son in a family of five boys and two girls. He attended Hickory Grove Grade School and Farber High School where he played basketball, a sport he truly loved.

Dwaine was inducted into the United States Army in October of 1956 and was honorably discharged with the rank of SP4 in October of 1958. He served in the 24th Evac Hospital at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas.

Dwaine was always proud to share that all five Barnes brothers served in the US Army.

On Oct. 26, 1958, Dwaine married Jean Smith Barnes in Vandalia and they shared 66 years of farm life, camping trips with rousing rounds of Boogaloo, card parties, and sitting on the back deck enjoying the deer, turkeys, birds, and the occasional glass of Jack Daniel’s.

Dwaine also enjoyed woodworking and gifted his grandchildren with toy boxes, benches and train tables. He also enjoyed golf with friends and a good baseball or basketball game, especially the St. Louis Cardinals and MU Tigers.

In their later years, Dwaine and Jean took many road trips around the United States stopping at whatever caught their attention or visiting far flung family members.

Dwaine raised row crops and pigs for over 60 years working hard for his family and his community. He was a man of faith and service, and he often provided the heavy lifting for gardening projects for La Femme Arts Club and the First Christian Church in Vandalia.

Dwaine and Jean were blessed with two children, Jon Barnes and wife, Pam of Perry, and Beth Ryan and husband, John of Springfield. They also have five grandchildren, Cameron, Cole and Christian Ryan of Springfield; and Thomas and Samantha Barnes of Perry. Dwaine and Jean supported their children and grandchildren in ball games, school programs, cross country meets, color guard and anything else they had time to attend. He was not a man of many words, but he was always supportive and bestowed his brilliant smile often.

He is survived by his wife; his children and grandchildren; and three brothers, Ramon Barnes, Danny Barnes and wife, Anne, and Dennis Barnes and wife, Virginia; and one sister, Barbara Voss and husband, Dan.

Dwaine was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Ruth Nell Heaton, one brother, Ronald Barnes; brothers-in-law, Donald Heaton and Lee Smith; sisters-in-law, Marjorie Barnes, Norma Barnes, and Wanda Smith-Bruner; nephews, Randy Barnes, Alan Barnes, and Darryl Heaton; and great-

niece, Lacy Jo Smith-Hammons.

Pallbearers were Cameron, Cole and Christian Ryan, Thomas Barnes, Ramon Barnes, Danny Barnes and Dennis Barnes.

Memorials may be made to St Jude Children’s Research Hospital or First Christian Church of Vandalia, c/o Bienhoff Funeral Home, P.O. Box 54, Vandalia, MO 63382.

Edward Kee Wehmeyer

Edward Lee Wehmeyer of Lincoln County died peacefully surround by family on Thursday, July 10, 2025.

A graveside service will be held at Oakland Cemetery in Moberly Tuesday (today) at 1 p.m.

He was born May 31, 1935 in Moberly to Elmer William and Bertha Mae Elsbery. He was the grandson Edward Herman Wehmeyer and Frieda Susan Schaper and Arthur Lee Elsbery and Willie Mae Hogan.

He attended the Cottage Grove School through the 8th grade and graduated from Moberly High School in 1953. He went to the University of Missouri for two years before deciding to enlist in the United States Air Force, proudly serving his county as a radio repair man.

In 1959, he married Emma Partin of Christmas, Fla. This union produce three children,

Mike Wehmeyer and wife, Marva of Winfield, Chuck Wehmeyer and wife, Lori of Winfield, and Linda Gerde-man of Vandalia.

In 1967, he married the love of his life, Carol Jean Fitzgerald. They had one child, Annie Brown of Troy.

After his time in the United States Air Force he worked for short time for Emmerson Electric before starting a 28 year career with Monsanto/MEMC retiring in 1990. In his spare time he enjoyed horseback riding, traveling and doing genealogy research.

He is survived by four children; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren along with his three step-children, Denny Conoyer and wife,

Cathy, Karen Somers and husband, Mike, and Dottie Conoyer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Carol, sisters, Barbara Bethel Scrogin and Mary Jean Anderson, a granddaughter, Ginny Wehmeyer Horner; and stepson, Terry Conoyer.

Family and friends may sign the online guestbook @ www.mccoymblossomfh.com.



INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the CR 227 Low Water Crossing Replacement (hereinafter “Project”) will be received by the Pike County Clerk, 115 W. Main Street, Bowling Green, MO 63334, until 10:00 A.M., on Thursday, July 31, 2025. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 10:00 A.M., on Thursday, July 31, 2025, at Pike County Courthouse.

Pike County Commission

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED PROPOSALS for the Pike County Transportation Alternatives Program, consisting of: Construction of approximately 550 linear feet of new 5-foot sidewalk with paved and aggregate approaches. Federal Project TAP-9901(210) located directly adjacent to Georgia Street in the City of Louisiana, Missouri. WILL be received until:

10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 14, 2025

at the office of County Commission, Pike County Courthouse, 115 W. Main Street, Bowling Green, MO 63334 and at that time will be publicly opened and read.

Any and all bids received after the time specified above will be returned unopened. The wage rates applicable to this project have been predetermined as required by law and are set forth in the bid proposal. When Federal wage rates are applicable and included, this contract is subject to the “Work Hours Act of 1962,” (P.L.87-581; 76 Stat. 357) and implementing regulations. The higher of the Federal or State Wage rates shall apply.

The prime contractor must be on MoDOT’s Qualified Contractor List per the most current version of the Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, including all revisions. The contractor must have a fully responsive questionnaire on file with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) at least 7 days prior to bid opening.

Bidders are required to submit the corresponding documentation of enrollment in the E-Verify program. This documentation includes the Memorandum of Understanding between the company and Department of Homeland Security and the Affidavit of Compliance. MoDOT will accept the first page and the signature page of the agreement as proof of participation.

The County of Pike hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, ancestry, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The bidder will insure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises will have the opportunity to participate in the performance of this contract and or any subcontracts. Goals for the amount of work to be awarded to DBE’s will be 8% of the total contract price. DBE subcontractors must be on the MRCC DBE Directory prior to bid opening.

Contractors and sub-contractors who sign a contract to work on public works project provide a 10-Hour OSHA construction safety program, or similar program approved by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, to be completed by their on-site employees within sixty (60) days of beginning work on the construction project.

A digital copy of the plans and specifications may be purchased from the office of Hutchison Engineering, Inc., 8965 Highway 36, Suite 5, Hannibal, MO 63401 for a non-refundable fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00). Hard copies of the plans and specifications may be purchased upon request for an additional non-refundable fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for a total of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00). All bidders must purchase plans and specifications through Hutchison Engineering, Inc. and be on the plan-holder list in order to bid the project. Please contact Kim Harris with Hutchison Engineering via phone at (573) 240-9577 or via email at kharris@hutchisoneng.com to request plans and specifications.

ADV - 2 A certified or cashier’s check or a bid bond in the amount of 5% shall be submitted with each proposal.

No 2nd tier subcontracting will be allowed on this project.

Proposals must be on forms provided and all unit price bids, extensions and totals provided thereon shall be completed fully.

The project will be awarded to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder.

Special Needs: If you have special needs addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify Matthew Walker at (573) 470-2187, at least five (5) working days prior to the bid opening you plan to attend.

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YARD SALE
2 FAMILY YARD SALE - Thursday, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m.-1 p.m., 400-406 Peacock Dr., Louisiana. At 400 inside: furniture, dishes, tools, 4-pc. bedroom set, lots of misc. At 406 Sale: small round table w/2 chairs, footstool, desk, other tables, drill, saw, lots of misc. Come and see both.

YARD SALE - 3415 Hickory Dr., Louisiana, Friday, 7 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m.-noon. Toys, kitchen & house decor, collectible pigs, golf clubs and clothing, sports equipment, pickleball set.

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Community Calendar...
Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or e-mail to: peopletribune@sbcbglobal.net
On July 22: Middletown Baptist Church will sponsor a blood drive from 1-6 p.m.

FOR SALE
REFURNISHED COMPUTERS, parts, accessories. Call Geeky Hillbilly Computers 573-324-7176. (tf)

GOOD used tires, passenger & light truck, \$15 & up. Vandalia Firestone & Appliance, 594-6624.

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July 22 - 26, 2025

Saturday, July 19

10 am - Rabbit Show
5 pm - Cattle Show

Sunday, July 20

Noon - 4-H Gymkhana
3 pm - Gospel Music

Tuesday, July 22

Adults: \$20;
Children 12 & Under Free
9 am - Poultry Show
5 pm - Goat & Lamb Show
5 pm - Food Pavilion Music by
A Side of Country
5 pm - Petting Zoo Open
6 pm - Carnival Rides Open
6 pm - Little Mr. & Miss Contest
7 pm - Motocross Dirt Bike Races
8 pm - Rodeo by Outlaw/5J

**Kids
Night**

Wednesday, July 23

Adults: \$20; Children 4-12: \$10
4 pm - Swine Show
5 pm - Food Pavilion Music by
Ben Hummel
5 pm - Petting Zoo Open
6 pm - Carnival Rides Open
6 pm - Western Fun Horse Show
6 pm - Talent Contest
7 pm - Motocross Quad Races
7 pm - Truck Pull - EMTF

Thursday, July 24

Adults: \$20; Children 4-12: \$10
5 pm - Food Pavilion Music by
Tyler Cannon
5 pm - Petting Zoo Opens
6 pm - Carnival Rides Open
6 pm - Western Speed Horse Show
6:30 pm - Baby Show & Diaper Derby
7 pm - 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale
7 pm - Truck & Tractor Pull - Xcaliber

Friday, July 25

Adults: \$25; Children 4-12: \$15
9:15 am - Clover Kid Pet Show
9:45 am - Cat & Dog Show
5 pm - Food Pavilion Music by
Disengage
5 pm - Petting Zoo Opens
5:30 pm - Look-A-Like Contest
6 pm - Carnival Rides Open
7 pm - Power Wheels
7:30 pm - Demolition Derby
8 pm - Beer Garden Music
by Country Soul

Saturday, July 26

Adults: \$25; Children 4-12: \$15
11 am - Horseshoe Tournament
1 pm - Cornhole Tournament
3 pm - Carnival Rides Open
2 pm - Pedal Tractor Pull
5 pm - Prize Bingo
5 pm - Food Pavilion Music by
Fair Maiden & The Dudes
7 pm - Power Wheels
7:30 pm - Demolition Derby
8 pm - Beer Garden Music
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Rodeo Tuesday July 22



Truck & Tractor Pull Wed. & Thurs. July 23-24



Demolition Derby Fri. & Sat. July 25-26



See Event Details at www.pikecountyfair.org

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2025 Pike County Fair

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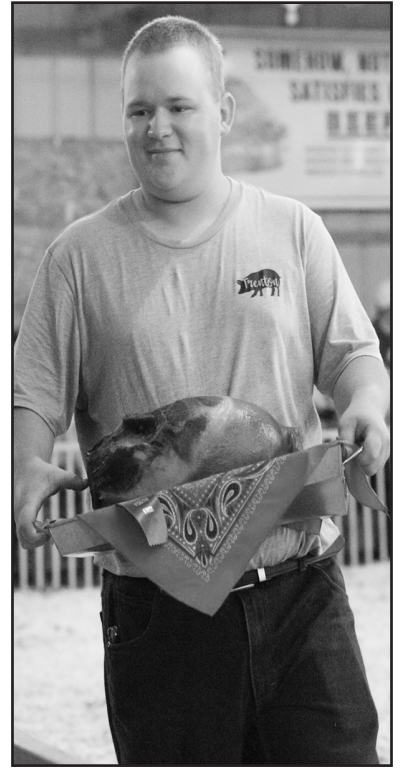
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Pictured are the 4-H exhibits in the fairground building at the 2024 Pike County Fair. Be sure to stop by and view all the hard work that's been put into the display.



Many hams were on display in the 4-H, FFA Exhibit at the 2023 Pike County Fair. This year's exhibits will be available to view during the fair July 22-27.



Horseshoe Tournament

Saturday,
July 26
11 a.m.



Brian Moore, left and Gabe Jennings are pictured throwing bags at the Pike County Fair Cornhole Tournament.



Mark Huber, left and Dennis Morrison of Bowling Green are pictured pitching shoes. This year's competition is on Saturday, July 29.

Saturday,
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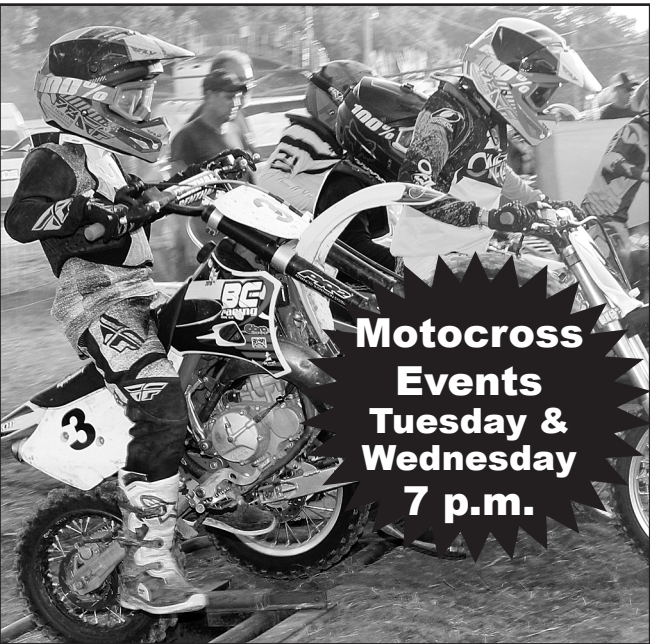


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Baby Show
Small Stage
6:30 p.m.
Thursday, July 24

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Class 5 - Girls 7-12 months
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Little Mr. & Miss Pike County Fair
The 2024 Little Mr. & Miss contest at the Pike County Fair will be Tuesday, July 22 at 6 p.m., on the small stage. Pictured are the 2024 winners, Chael Hallows and Madelynn Luebrecht.
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Wednesday, July 23
6 p.m. • Talent Contest

Thursday, July 24
6:30 p.m. • Baby Show Diaper Derby

Friday, July 25
5:30 p.m. - Look-A-Like Contest

Saturday, July 26
2 p.m. - Pedal Tractor Pull
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