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10 Million Reasons

Big Interest Shown In Quirky Man's Fortune



Fielden Estes

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

Fielden Estes managed to stir up a ruckus even after he kicked the bucket.

The Pike County man probably would have enjoyed the battle that broke out after his passing at age 80 in September 1900.

Described as an eagerly combative, wildly eccentric and miserly penny pincher who could be a benevolent gentleman or a wretched jerk, Estes left an estate that would today be worth \$10 million.

To be settled were financial claims from J.W. Crewdson, a prominent Louisiana

doctor who took care of him, and Samuel Estes, an infirm brother who had been all but cut off.

"The consensus of opinion in Pike County appears to be that, though Estes is dead and buried near his old home in Calumet, his name will live on in the courts for many years to come," the St. Louis Post-Dispatch observed.

Estes was born in Kentucky on Nov. 24, 1819. The fourth of 13 children, he came to Pike County with his parents about age seven. His father, Robert, was a Virginia native and War of 1812 veteran who had married Elizabeth Griffith in the Bluegrass State.

The family farmed. While an unhealthy child who could barely read or write, Estes' smarts came from common sense, observation and determination. Before age 30, he had made a bundle selling horses and making real estate loans, and was speaking like a highly-educated economist.

"You can talk about your ways of making money, but I tell you that the cent-per-cent way is the best," he said. "There's nothing beats cent-per-cent."

"During his lifetime, he was a peculiar character, hav-

ing few friends and a faculty for holding onto a dollar until the last possible moment," the St. Louis Globe-Democrat said.

Estes guarded his holdings, citing thrift as the reason he refused to take a bride.

"When I was a young man, I was too busy to marry," he told one lawyer near the end of his life. "When I grew older and made money, I was afraid of women. I was afraid they would want to marry me for my money alone, and I wouldn't have none of that sort of thing."

However, the bachelor admitted nuptials had crossed his mind. An experiment quickly changed that. A good housekeeper and cook, Estes spent six months making an extra plate at every meal. The idea was to see how much having a wife would cost.

"Well, my wife ate too much, entirely too much, sir, and I concluded that a wife was too costly for me," Estes told an interviewer. "So, I divorced the woman before I got her. Since then, I only serve one plate."

Instead of a woman, litigation seemed to be Estes' constant companion. The long list of Pike County attorneys who came across him over the years included former Missouri Supreme Court Justice Thomas James Clark Fagg; William Henry Biggs, who practiced in Louisiana for years before becoming an appeals court judge; Naval Academy graduate and unsuccessful congressional candidate Matthew Reynolds; William Hamilton Morrow, who had fought as a Confederate in just about every major battle of the Civil War; and former Missouri Lieutenant Governor David Ball.

Ras Pearson of Louisiana was another lawyer who represented Estes.

"He was good to those who were good to him," said Pearson, who drew up Estes' contested will. "He never forgot a man who did him a favor."

"He never forgot an enemy, either," Ball retorted. "Fielden Estes could hate with a virulent vindictiveness."

Next time: A "personal matter."

Men, Women's Day To Be Celebrated At Vandalia Second Christian Church

Pastor Charlene Wheeler-Williams To Speak



Pastor Charlene Wheeler-Williams, D.D.

The Disciples of Christ, Second Christian Church in Vandalia will hold a special service for Men & Women's Day on Sunday, July 13.

Guest speaker will be Vandalia native, Pastor Charlene Wheeler-Williams, D.D., of Through & Through Ministries Inc., of St. Louis.

Deacon William Wheeler Sr., will serve as the host for the day.

Lunch will be served at 1 p.m., and the service will begin at 3 p.m.

Everyone is invited to come, join, and share in fellowship with them as they lift up the name of the Lord, Our Savior Jehovah Jesus Christ.

The church is located at 1071 W. Booker St., in Vandalia where Melvin McCaleb is pastor and associate pastor is the Rev. Oscar Williams.

PCMH Opens New Cancer Center

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

Patients in Pike County now have access to advanced, personalized cancer care close to home with the opening of the new Oncology Center at Pike County Memorial Hospital (PCMH). The center, which officially opened on June 30, is led by board-certified medical oncologist Dr. Stephen Schleicher.

Dr. Schleicher brings a wealth of experience to the community, having trained at Vanderbilt University, completed a residency and MBA at Harvard, and finished his oncology fellowship at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York. Most recently, he served as Chief Medical Officer of Tennessee Oncology, one of the largest community oncology practices in the country.

He took a few moments at the Center's grand opening to talk with the Tribune about what brought him to Pike County and his goals for cancer care in the area.

"We wanted to find towns that currently don't have oncology services," Dr. Schleicher explained when asked why Pike County Memorial Hospital. "And we wanted to find an amazing hospital partner with leadership that we can work with to create the oncology programs. When we met [PCMH CEO] Tylie Mills and [PCMH Chief Nursing Officer] Pam Haemker

and saw the unmet need here, it was a clear choice. This is the kind of place we wanted to be to build this up."

Although Dr. Schleicher recently worked out of Nashville, he has personal ties to the region.

"I met my wife in St. Louis, and her family's still there. They have a little farm in Alton along the river, so I kind of had my eye on this area," he said. "I think we picked the right place. We're so excited to be here."

The new cancer center offers treatment for a wide range of cancers, including breast, lung, gastrointestinal, genitourinary, head and neck, melanoma, and more. Services include chemotherapy, infusion therapy, advanced diagnostics, palliative care, and personalized treatment plans.

Perhaps most importantly, Dr. Schleicher is focused on speed and accessibility—two areas that are often major barriers in rural cancer care.

"There's nothing worse than having a cancer diagnosis or having a loved one with one and you don't know where to go," he said, explaining how at some treatment centers patients sometimes wait weeks to get in and then have to travel far. "We'll see everybody within a week. Even if they don't have a diagnosis yet, just so people aren't having to wait. It's already scary enough having a concern of cancer, but having to deal with logistical

concerns and the waiting game is worse."

Dr. Schleicher will be supported by a national team of oncology specialists, he emphasized that the model is both local and consistent. "We have a unique model so you guys have access to oncologists around the country to help me. But even if I can't be here in person, we've created a virtual room in the hospital so I can always still be here. We'll make sure patients are seen every week, so we move their care fast, see them within a week of diagnosis, and still have me in person. I'm available 24/7, even if I'm not here. We hope it's the best of both worlds for the people in the community."

The center is also working to build trust in a hospital that, like many rural facilities, has sometimes struggled to retain local patients for specialty services.

"We are bringing the expertise," Dr. Schleicher said. "I used to manage 100 oncologists across Tennessee. Our head of nursing has helped train several hundred oncology nurses. So, we're bringing expertise from the oncology and nursing standpoint along with the amazing people here at Pike County Memorial Hospital. I think this will be the highest quality cancer care program around."

For more info or to make an appointment, call the PCMH Cancer Center at 573-560-5566.

Two Arrested For Four-Wheeler Theft



Grant A. Baker

On Wednesday, June 11, members of the Louisiana Police Department received information regarding a theft of four-wheelers that occurred in Lewis County.

Information obtained from the Lewis County Sheriff's Office identified a local individual as a suspect in the theft. Information was also obtained from the Lewis County Sheriff's Office about

the stolen four-wheelers.

Further investigation into the matter revealed that two local individuals, Grant A. Baker, 36, and Tyreck D. Porter, 27, were in possession of and operating one of the four-wheelers locally after the theft. The four-wheeler was towed and returned to the owner.

Officers with the Louisiana Police Department submitted charges to the Pike County Prosecutor's Office regarding the incident. On June 27, Pike County Prosecuting Attorney Alex Ellison charged Baker with the class D felony of Stealing – Motor Vehicle and the class A misdemeanor of Tampering with a Motor Vehicle in the 2nd degree.

Porter was charged with the class D felony of Tampering with a Motor Vehicle in the 1st Degree.

During the evening hours of June 27, members of the Louisiana Police Department



Tyreck D. Porter

apprehended Baker and Porter on their outstanding warrants. As of this time both subjects remain in custody at the Pike County Jail. The Honorable Milan Berry has set bond for both subjects at \$10,000 cash only.

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

Van-Far Alumni And Friends Establish New Scholarship

At the Thursday, June 26 meeting, Van -Far Alumni and Friends coordinating committee made further plans for the Sunday, Sept. 28, annual all-school reunion.

The menu, featuring chicken and pork loin, will be served at the 12:30 p.m. meal. After time for visiting with former classmates and friends, guests will enjoy entertainment.

The guest speaker, Kevin Langston, class of 1979, and retired director of economic development and tourism for the state of Georgia, will follow. Introduction of the winners of scholarships for this year will be made; they will give a moment to discuss their plans for further education. Advertising for the event will begin in late August with reservations to be in by Sept. 10.

Committee members welcomed a guest, Linda Wise Dowell of Bowling Green. She represented her family when presenting funds to es-

tablish an annual scholarship in memory of their parents, Dan and Margaret Flowers Wise; the scholarship would be given preferably to a student attending a tech or vocational school.

Laura Straube announced that Luke Heim would be joining the committee.

Gifts to the scholarship fund were recently received from Ann Kohl and Norma Galloway. A gift was given in memory of Muriel Beshears from Craig and Jeanne George. Additionally, gifts given in memory of Gary Heim were received from Cathy Dailey, Norman and Jane Heim, Tony and Mary Ann Heim, Michelle, Aaron and Jennifer Heim, Wyatt Facendini, Bryan and Susan Hartnagel, Barry and Crystal Sparks, Marie Haught, Mick and Janie Hayden, Craig and Jeannie George, Queathem Insurance, Alan and Pan Shaw and family, Jim and Nancy Dunn, Paul and Jill Schneider, Geff and Julie

Dunn, Jim and Anita Davis, Leslie and Ryan West, Grace and Gary River, Bob and Sue Schlanker, Mel Motley, Loralene Adam, Agape House of Vandalia Board of Directors, Kenneth and Kathleen Robnett, Rich and Bernadine O'Connor, Terry and Lisa Newland, Charles Heim, Karol and Bryce Kristoffer-son, Sterling and Karen Holbrook, Mary Kate Barnes, Mary Orr, Ralph and Christina Nelson, Will, Jill, Rory and Cate Schaefer, Charles and Jamie Bukovac, Rex and Debby Moore, Brent and Patsy Speight, Jim and Linda Block and family, Darryl and Corliss Griffin, Jim and Carla Winter, and Ron and Karen Morris.

A meeting to finalizel reunion plans will be held Aug. 28.

Members in attendance were Jim Current, Jim Deppe, Janet Heim, Brian Hummel, Debby Moore, Joyce Nolan, Carol Schambach, Laura Straube and Denny Wright.

July History Nuggets

BY BRENT ENGEL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Happy Fourth, comrade
For the July 4 celebration in 1915, the Louisiana Press-Journal bravely carried the unappreciative blathering of a constitutionally-protected dingweed, who thought misspellings were cute and bashed the premise of the document he disparaged: "The Filosofer expects to spend the day in reading the Declaration of Independence and other works of fiction. There was a time, perhaps, when the D. of I. stood for something in this country, but it is fiction now, and there is about as much freedom here as there is in Russia."

Talk The Walk

The Montgomery Tribune of July 2, 1909, carried a warning: "Pike County politicians never count on dying till old age has taken away every power of utterance and locomotion."

181 Years Ago Or Today?

The Radical of Bowling Green offered an editorial on July 20, 1844, that many would agree could be published today: "What have they done for us? This is a question which we have heard asked in reference to our delegation in Congress during the late session."

Crusty Clown

The Clarksville Sentinel of July 26, 1895, wondered if summer would pass without a circus coming to town. "What's the matter with the clown. Doesn't he know that (the wheat) harvest is over and all the people have their half-dollar waiting to pay for his moldy jokes."

Talk The WalkGet That Chest Checked

The miraculous experience of a Pike County farmer caught the attention of The Troy Herald on July 16, 1873. It seems the unidentified man's wife had triplets, one of his sows had 15 pigs, 10 of his ewes had two lambs each

and a cow had two calves – all on the same night. "He got up on the fence then and whistled," the paper recounted. "He said nothing else would calm the agitation of his heaving bosom."

Prince Of Puns

The Louisiana Press-Journal continued its fun with puns in July 1905. "Norway wants to break loose from Sweden and King Oscar. Maybe she is getting tired of an Os-car and wants an automobile."

Fish & Buns

J.T. Munson of Louisiana got more than he bargained for after being accused of trying to burglarize a fish market. The Bowling Green Times reported in July 1925 that while being taken from Louisiana to the county jail, Munson leapt from the squad car. Before the vehicle could be stopped, it ran over one of Munson's feet. The injury was treated and "the patient is being held in jail."



Girod Family Auctions

LARGE TOY•COIN•GUN PUBLIC AUCTION

Saturday, July 19, 2025. 9:00 am

528 West Hudson St., Wellsville, Mo., (Grace Lutheran Fellowship Building)

TOYS•TOYS•TOYS

600-700 NIB Toys: JD-IHC-MM-Oliver-MH-White-MF-AC-Cockshutt,

You name it, they are in this auction. Plus 100's of Mini Farm Toys, Lots of Nascar, Hot Wheels and Matchbox Toys-Mostly NIB. Lots of Breyer Horses-NIB and some without boxes. Lots of Construction Toys-NIB, Lots of Precision Series Tractors, Lot Specast, Lot Anniversary Editions, Lot of National Farm Show Toys, Lot of National FFA Organization Tractors. Also selling lots of Die Cast Cars & Coin Banks. We will start on toys at 9:00 a.m. Sharp Coins will start approximately 2:00 p.m. In the event of toys not being finished when coins start, we will run 2 rings when coins start. Coins followed by 50 Nice Slick Clean Guns from One Owner, followed by lots of Ammo & Knives.

COINS•COINS•COINS

Lewis & Clark 200th Anniversary Louisiana Purchase Coins

13) Various Date Ike Dollars

4) 1964 Silver Kennedy Halves &

1) 1964 Washington Quarter

33) 40% Silver Kennedy Halves

3) Kennedy Halves & 12) Susan B Anthony Dollars

Bag of 26 Jefferson Nickels, Mostly 1964

Bag of Foreign Coins

Bag of 7 Buffalo Nickels; 7) Silver Roosevelt

Dimes & 3) Silver Quarters

Bag of 29 Washington Quarters, 1960's & 1970's, No Silver

1858-O Seated Liberty Half

1893 Columbian Expo Half

2) 1917 Walking Liberty Halves

1900 & 1906 Barber Halves

1900 S Morgan

1992 ASE

2) Buffalo Nickels; 2) Jefferson Nickels; 3) Silver Dimes; 1) Silver Quarter

1991 ASE

1987 US Constitution Coin Set Proof, 1 oz Silver Proof, 1/4 oz Gold-West Point Mint

1987 US Constitution Coin, Set 1 oz. Proof Silver Dollar

2) 1998 UNC ASE

1957 Mint Set

10) Silver Roosevelt Dimes

1940, 1963, 2) 1943 40% Silver Jefferson Nickels

1936, 1937 Buffalo Nickels

1883-P Morgan

1921-S Morgan

1922 Peace Dollar

Bag of 15-V Nickels

1910 Barber Dime

1950 Wheat Penny & 2000 Sacajawea Dollar

1929 \$2 1/2 Indian Gold

1836 \$2 1/2 Liberty Gold

1889 & 1899 \$10 Liberty Gold, Nice Coins, Will Sell Choice

Choice of 5 Proof Sets, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971,

1972, 1968 & 1969, Have 40% Silver Halves

Choice of 4- 1977 Proof Sets, all w/lke Dollars

Choice of 4- 1978 Proof Sets, All w/lke Dollars

Choice of 9 Mint Sets- 3) 1969 Sets w/40%

Kennedy Halves, 3) 1974 w/lke Dollars, 3) 1979 w/ Dollar Coins

2) Coin West Point 75th Anniversary Set, 2013

Reverse Proof ASE & 2013 Enhanced UNC ASE

1995-S Proof Civil War Silver Dollar 90% Silver

2008-S Proof Bald Eagle Silver Dollar 90% Silver

1995 Civil War Comm. Proof Silver Half

2008-S Bald Eagle Comm. Proof Silver Half

Choice of 3, 2006 UNC ASE

Choice of 3 2015 UNC ASE

Choice of 4-1 oz. .999 Silver Ingots, Credit Suisse,

Mothers Day, Graduation Day 1973, Merry

Christmas

Choice of 4-1 oz. .999 Silver Ingots, American

Indian, Morgan Dollar, US Buffalo, Apmex PME

2023-S Proof Morgan Dollar in OGP

Proof 1996 ASE Key Date in OGP

2) 2023-W Proof ASE in OGP

2) 2024-W Proof ASE in OGP

2012 American History Set, Contains 2012 ASE &

Series \$5 Federal Reserve Note, San Francisco

2012 Proof 1/10 oz. Gold Eagle w/Case & OGP

2008-W \$5 American Buffalo Gold ANACS SP-70

Perfect, First Day of Issue, Wow take a look!

Low Mintage, Only Made 1 Year

1914 Quarter Eagle Indian Gold PCGS AU55

1925-D Quarter Eagle Indian Gold PCGS AU55

2024 Morgan Dollar, Graded CAC69

1880-S Morgan ICG MS65 Proof Like

1890-S Morgan, Better Date NGC MS62

1896 Morgan PCGS MS62

1902-O Morgan PCGS MS63 in Old Holder, Take a Look

1881-CC Morgan CAC Fine Details, Rare CC

1923 Peace Dollar

1925 Peace Dollar Toned

1916-S Walking Liberty Half NGC3 Key Date

1943 Walking Liberty Half PCGS MS64 O.G.H.

1952-D Franklin Half PCGS MS65 Full Bell Lines, Super Coin

1955 Franklin Half NGC MS64 Full Bell Lines

1946-S Washington Quarter NGC MS66 High Grade

1954-S Washington Quarter, NGC MS66 High Grade

1862 Civil War Indian Cent ANACS AU53 WOW!

TAKE A LOOK!

1934 Series Silver Certificate, Funny Back

10) Star Notes, Mixed Dates

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10) Silver Certificates, Series of 1935 & 1957

10) Silver Certificates, All 1957 Series

4) UNC \$2 Bills in Folder

4) UNC \$1 Bills in Folder

18) 1965 40% Silver Kennedy Halves, All AU or Better Full Roll of 20 UNC

1964 Kennedy Silver Halves

20) 1 oz. .999 Silver Rounds, Boston Tea Party,

Don't Tread on Me, Early Design

Choice of 9 Walking Liberty Halves & 1 Franklin

Half 1935-P, 1937-P, 2) 1939 D & P, 1941-P, 3)

1942 DPS, 1943-P, 1958 Franklin

Rare, Rare, Rare 1880-CC GSA Black Box, Graded CAC MS63+, Vam-8-8-7 Complete w/

Box and COA- WOW

1883-CC GSA Black Box Graded CAC MS63 w/

Box and COA

1884-CC GSA Black Box Graded CAC MS62, w/

Box & COA

1884-CC GSA Black Box, Graded NGC MS63 w/

Box & COA

2) Rolls of 40% Silver Kennedy Halves, Choice

Each or by the Roll

Choice of 9, 1944-D & 1945-D Walking Liberty

Halves, all AU or Better

Choice of 3, 40% UNC Ike Dollars, 1971, 1972, 1974

Rarely Seen Early B/4 Slabs, 1900 Morgan,

Graded by Independent Nusismatic Laboratory,

Inc, Graded 64/64, Date 7/8/85

Choice of Full Roll of Walking Liberty Halves, All

1930's and 1940's

Misc. Lot 3 US Innovation Dollars, 1896 Gold

Plated Indian Cent and a 2019-W Lincoln Cent

Early Mercury Dime Holder from Home Savings

& Loan Association, KC, MO, Holds 30 Mercury

Dimes, Complete

1975 Bahamas \$2 Silver Coin AU 92% Fine Silver

New Style 1 oz. Buffalo/Indian Silver Round

1868 2¢ pc. XF40 Great Coin, Check This One Out!

1995-W Civil War Comm. Proof \$5 Gold 1/4 oz

2008-W Bald Eagle Comm. Proof \$5 Gold 1/4 oz Gold

2016-W Centennial Standing Liberty Gold CAC S

Proof 69 24K 1/4 oz. Gold

1926 \$10 Indian Gold Graded NGC MS62

2020 1/2 oz. Gold Eagle PCGS MS70 Perfect,

First Day of Issue

13) Coin 2009 Proof Set, All Graded ANACS Proof

70 Perfect, Missing 6 Coins

The Following Morgans are Very Nice:

1878-S Morgan, Open G Vam

1878-CC Morgan

1882-CC Morgan

1885-O Morgan

1886- Morgan AU

1887-P & 1887-O Morgans

1888-P & 1888-O Morgans

1890-CC Morgan

1891-P Morgan

1894-O Morgan

1897-O & 1899-O Morgans

1900-P & 2) 1900-O Morgans

3) 1901-O Morgans

1921-S & 1921-D Morgans

1922 Peace

8) Morgan Head 1 oz. .999 Silver Bars & 1 Abe

Lincoln 1 oz. .999 Silver Bar

2) North American Fishing Club 1 oz. .999 Silver Rounds

3) Queen of Peace 1 oz. .999 Silver

1) Buffalo Liberty & 1 Sunshine Mint, 1 oz. .999

Silver Rounds

2020 Queen Elizabeth II 1 oz. .999 Silver Round

Lincoln Heritage Trail 1969 Silver Round .999

Silver Eagle 1 oz. .999 Silver Bar

Shiny Bars, 1 oz Silver Ignor

2013 Australian Kangaroo 5 gram Gold Ch Proof 63

1861 \$1 Civil War Gold, Has damage on back

PAMP 1 Gram Gold Bar

1880-P & 1889-P Morgan AU/UNC

1898-P Morgan AU

1892-CC Morgan Key Date-Very Nice

1900-P & 1902-O Morgan, Both in MS Condition

1903-P Morgan AU

2) 1921-S Morgan

1921 Peace High Relief NGC XF40

1852 & 1853 \$1 Liberty Gold, the 1852 is in MS Condition

1994 1/10 oz Gold Eagle

1908 \$2 1/2 Indian Gold, UNC Condition

1901-O Barber Half, PCGS F12

1902-1903 Barber Halves NGC VF25, Sell Choice

1905-O Barber Half PCGS F-12

1880-S Morgan NGC MS64

1881-S & 1882-S Morgans, Both Graded PCGS MS64

1883-P & 1883-O Morgans, Both Graded NGC MS64

1884-O Morgan, PCGS MS64

1885-O Morgan PCGS MS65

1886-O Morgan NGC AU 53

1889-S Morgan NGC AU58

1893-O Morgan, Key Date

1894-O Morgan

1894-S Morgan Tough Date

1895-O Morgan, Key Date

1898-P Morgan PCGS MS64

2003-W Proof Silver Eagle in OGP

1986 Prestige Proof Set w/Ellis Island Silver Dollar

& Half

1991-S Proof Mount Rushmore Silver Dollar & Half

2014-P Proof Baseball Hall of Fame Silver Dollar

2022-W 1/10 oz. Gold Eagle NGC MS70

Set of 32 Kennedy Halves, 1964-1996 in Wood

Display Box

1888 Proof Indian Head Cent

Complete Set of Mercury Dimes, Including the

1916-D, WOW 78 Pieces!

1880-CC 8/7 Reverse of 1878, Graded PCGS

MS63, WOW

1884-CC Morgan Choice BU

1890-CC & 1891 CC Morgans, Sell Choice

2023-S Silver Dollar PCGS Proof 70, Deep Cameo

1881-P \$5 Liberty Gold, Nice+

1901-P \$5 Liberty Gold, Choice

Last, but not least, take a look at this...4 pc. Gold

Type Set, Includes \$2 1/2, \$5, \$10, \$20, Liberty

Gold-A Truly WOW Set!

GUNS•GUNS•GUNS

S & W Model M & P 22 Cal. w/Scope AR Style

Russian CAI 91/30 7.62 x 54R Military Rifle

Marlin Model 39A 22 LR Cal. Lever Action Gold

Trigger w/Scope

Winchester Model 90 22 Pump Cal. Tube Feed

Springfield Armory Model 15 22 LR Cal.

Winchester Model 70 300 H&H Mag. Nice Gun

Will Also Have Several Boxes of 300 H & H Ammo

Up for Purchase

Browning Arms 30.06 Cal. Bolt Action Beautiful Gun

Daiwa Model 500 12 ga. Auto Vent Rib, Gold

Trigger, Beautiful Gun

Browning A5 12 ga. Made in Belgium, Take a Look

Marlin Model 39A Lever Action 22 LR Cal. NICE

Ruger Model 10/22 22 LR Cal. Folding Stock

Stevens Model 5000 12 ga. Double Barrel Shot Gun

Belgium 12 ga. Double Barrel Shot Gun

Ruger Model 10/22 w/Nikon Scope 22 Cal. LR

USA Shooting Team, Twisted Bull Barrel, Thumb

Hole Stock

Winchester Model 12 12 ga. Pump Vent Rib,

Beautiful Gun

Browning Model A 500G 12 ga. Auto Gold Trigger

Willow Bay Pistol Lighter w/Box

Ruger Single 6 Revolver 22 Cal. Comes Complete

w/Box and 22 Mag Cylinder

J Stevens Single Shot 22 Cal. Pistol

The following 40 guns are all NEW or LIKE NEW Condition. Beautiful Collection.

Remington Model 700 25.06 Cal

Remington Model 700 SRS 270 Cal, NIB

Remington Model 700 BDL 22-250 Cal, Take a LOOK!

Remington Model 700 VTR 25.06

Remington Model 870 20 ga. Wingmaster-WOW

Remington Model 760 Game Master .257 Roberts Cal.

Remington Model 700 Stock Only, Short Action

Browning Model 12 28 ga. Another WOW

Savage Model 93 22 WMR Cal. NIB

Savage Model 93 R17 17 HMR Cal. NIB

Savage Mark II 22 Cal.

Savage Model 510 22-250 cal.

Henry Octagon Barrel 17 HMR Cal. Beautiful Gun

Mossberg Model 500 410 ga. Vent Rib, Gold Trigger

Mossberg Int'l Model 817 17 HMR Cal.

Heritage 22 & 22 Mag. Revolver in Box

Springfield Armory M1 Garand 30-06 Cal.

Uberti/Stoeger 0282W73 45 Colt Lever w/Box

Remington 4 22S L, LR Single Shot

DPMS Model A-15 Panther 223-5.56 Semi-Auto

Uberti/Allen Arms Cat. 1559, 44/40 Henry Pat.

10/16/1860, Lever

Community News

From The Mayor’s Desk...

City and downtown revitalization do not require millions of dollars, but it does require commitment by the city, its citizens, and a Master Plan. For cities with limited capital and resources, taking incremental small steps often proves more sustainable and effective than attempting large-scale transformations. Mayors, alderpersons, and city administrators in small communities are transforming one strategic step at a time. An Incremental revitalization approach is helping rural communities create vibrant city and downtown spaces that attract businesses and build community pride. This is all within realistic city budget constraints, civic leadership and financial commitments. With small investments and creative incentives plus micro-events in parks, business sponsorships,



JIM ARICO, MAYOR
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

and organizational activities, remarkable results occur. I am so proud of the citizens of Bowling Green and how many have stepped up and invested in their city. New businesses are springing all around town with food trucks, activity venues, in-home businesses, and new brick and mortar businesses. New houses with single family, duplex, triplex, and quad plexus are being built and sold and if we had more smaller homes and apartments, they would be filled as well.

Thanks go to Second Baptist Church and the 8 other churches that joined together to promote 2025 Love Thy Neighbor program! 75 volunteers signed up to help tear down and rebuild porches, decks, steps, and ramps while also putting on new roofs and painting houses. Volunteers also cooked three meals a day to feed the workers, had a Care team that prayed and visited with the individuals and families plus giving the homeowners Bibles with signatures of those that worked on their homes. Each evening there was a praise and worship time as well as a guest minister to share God’s Word. This was the second year for the Love Thy Neighbor project and it reached into Louisiana, Indian Creek, and St. Clement areas along with Bowling Green. A great deal of thanks to those workers who were out in the heat, gave up vacation time, cooked meals, organized and promoted this wonderful event, and covered the efforts with prayer.

I hope everyone was able to celebrate Independence Day on July 4. We are one year away from our 250th anniversary as a nation. We have much to celebrate as a country and it is not simply another day. Too many people have fought, died, maimed, and families that sacrificed so much for the freedoms and blessing we have in America. Thanks to all who attended the Lincoln-Reagan banquet and listened to KANE as the guest speaker!

A great turnout for First Presbyterian barbecue helped in their fund-raising event and the same for the Pike County Christian School dinner and auction! The Mudders got muddy and there were many great events in Bowling Green over the last couple of weeks. I have again been in contact with Aldi and IGA concerning another grocery store for Bowling Green but without success. KFC, Captain D’s and Long John Silvers have committed to building here either. I will not quit!

Storefront improvements and public space enhancements have proven to be

high-impact, low-cost strategies for attracting tourists and clientele. Creative business incentives, especially during holidays and the high travel times like the summer months, have proven to entice and attract more foot traffic. Micro or small inexpensive events have also proven to invite more prospective buyers. Worthington House, Kountry Store, Ligon’s Flooring, ATOP’s outdoor beer garden, Dollar General’s outside inventory, Meme’s outdoor porch, and Spring Hollow Coffee’s back area have made an inviting atmosphere for would-be customers. Special events like “open house” which Home Bank and People’s Saving with small giveaways, hotdogs and water, have proven to be excellent marketing and brand recognition to the public and visitors coming to Bowling

Green.

Hope you didn’t miss the Independence Day Celebration on July 4 from Iowa. The general council meets on July 7 at City Hall and starts at 5:30 p.m. Come and see how the leadership of Bowling Green leads. July 19 marks the St. Clement Picnic with a chicken dinner at the KC Hall plus carry-out. July 20 is the PACT Sing at the Fairgrounds from 3-5 p.m., and July 21 starts Pike County Fair and runs through Saturday, July 26. Several of our local churches are inviting children to their Vacation Bible School programs.

As I visit with various businesses around town, the word is out that the Mayor has requested annexation to the west of town. So, I might as well clarify. I have proposed annexing all along Business Highway 54 West from the stop sign at the intersection of Business 61 and Business 54 West to where Business 54 West meets Highway 54. I have proposed annexing land the city owns from the Animal Shelter, lagoons and compost areas. Going west on Main Street from the current city limits to the “rock pile” which is city property. We are still in the investigative/research stage and still in talks. We are not discussing or declaring any personal property at this point.

Building continues around the city with many houses being torn down, contractors buying the properties, then building nice new contemporary housing. People inside and even outside of Bowling Green are investing in our progressing and developing town. New housing continues in our two new developments as well as many lots throughout our town. This has been a very exciting time for me as your mayor from the standpoint of BEAUTIFICATION of our wonderful community. We still have challenges with draining, especially after heavy rain. Challenges arise when properties are lower than roadways. Tony, (our BG code enforcer), and LaDon from Alliance are identifying and working to clean out current ditches and culverts as well as dig new ditches.

I have started to see more local businesses and activities showing up on Tour Pike County MO Facebook page. It’s free and reaches Pike County, our neighboring counties, and into western Illinois. Posting your businesses and various activities lets people know Bowling Green is a great place to SHOP, EAT, REFUEL, LIVE, RAISE A FAMILY, AND ENJOY LIFE!

Steve Keller Teaching Scholars During A Chemistry Of NASCAR Lecture

When hundreds of Missouri high school students gathered in an auditorium at the University of Missouri, there was a buzz of excitement for a unique lecture on the chemistry of NASCAR.

Students in the Missouri Scholars Academy (MSA) soaked up lessons on the chemical reactions that power racecar engines and the science behind fire-retardant suits that protect drivers.

Then came the highlight — a visit from Carl Edwards, Hall of Fame NASCAR driver and Columbia native who attended Miz-zou.

Edwards inspired the audience as he spoke on the power of driving through life with ambition and at full speed.

And based on the legacy of this program, this year’s scholars are poised to do just that.

For the past 40 years, around 330 of Missouri’s most academically gifted rising high school juniors have gathered each summer for three transformative weeks at MSA, hosted by the

Mizzou Honors College.

This isn’t your typical summer enrichment program. At MSA, students dive into a rigorous curriculum, one in which Shakespeare shares space with math modeling, music, programming and engineering.

MSA creates a tight-knit, intellectually vibrant community where curiosity is celebrated and self-confidence soars. From the moment they step foot on Missouri’s flagship campus, scholars feel a strong sense of belonging.

“In addition to what the scholars learn, the sense of community they build with their peers is often a highlight of the experience,” Steve Keller, an associate professor in the College of Arts and Science and co-director of MSA, said.

Scholars also explore Miz-zou’s premier research facilities such as the University of Missouri Research Reactor and the Roy Blunt NextGen Precision Health building — gaining firsthand exposure to the resources and innovation that power a leading research institution. From

meeting Linda Godwin, a NASA astronaut and former Mizzou professor, to competing against national champions in chess and Scrabble, scholars are constantly pushing their intellectual boundaries through fun activities.

The scholars don’t find out what they will be doing each day until the night before. And that’s on purpose.

“Uncertainty is part of life,” Doug Valentine, an assistant teaching professor in the College of Arts and Science and co-director of MSA, said. “We give the scholars opportunities to make spontaneous decisions to explore who they are, what they value, where they come from and where they’re going.”

Over the years, scholars have participated in creative projects such as floral design at Mizzou’s Tiger Garden and community service projects such as removing invasive honeysuckle plants at a local park. These experiences provide outlets for self-expression, leadership and responsibility.

Pike To Pike ...



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

"Pray big; Worry little".

If you'd like to listen to sermons from the Detroit Christian Church, the prior week's sermons are broadcasted each Sunday on WBBA at 11 a.m.

Postage stamps will be increasing from 73 cents to 78 cents Sunday, July 13. Stock up on those Forever Stamps.

The Pike County Senior Citizens' Center at 220 West Adams Street in Pittsfield will be hosting a fish fry fundraiser Thursday, July 10, from 4:30-6 p.m. On the menu will be your choice of catfish fillet or buffalo with three set sides which include potato salad, pasta salad, and fresh fruit plus your choice of dessert, all for the reasonable price. Eat-in or carry-out. All ages are welcome. Your continued support is appreciated. There are gift certificates available for purchase. Any questions, please call 217-285-4969.

Friday, July 11, the Buggs' Family Opry will be in Pearl with the show starting at 7 p.m. Great musical entertainment.

This Saturday, July 12, Country Classics will be at the Cardinal Inn with the

show starting at 6 p.m., for a good evening of music.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for the week of July 9- July 15, 2025:

July 9 - Carmen Long, Joe Huckstep

July 10 - Kevin Leahr, Riley Bradshaw, Sharon Dice

July 11 - my youngest hard working granddaughter Reese Davis, Sarah Johnston

July 14 - Crystal Syrcle

July 15 - Devin Burge, Garret Robbins

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.

But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart. 1 Samuel 16:7

Tuesday, July 1, Jamie and Wyvetta, after being in Han-nibal, went to Bowling Green and stopped by to visit his sister Lavern Goree and did a few errands.

Wednesday, July 2, son Nathan Davis was a lunch guest of Jamie and Wyvetta. Jamie had made delicious homemade runzas.

July 4, James and Amanda Niffen of Annada, invited Jamie and Wyvetta over for a good lunch of corn on the cob, grilled chicken, new potatoes, and watermelon. Others in attendance were James and Amanda's daughter, Shayla and Amanda's brother,

and mother, Aaron Brown and Wanda Brown.

There was a nice crowd at the Cardinal Inn Saturday evening, July 5, to listen and enjoy a last minute organized concert by the Big River Band.

I received a call awhile back from “Mac” Frier McCollister who was raised in Louisiana that was extremely concerned about the care and maintenance of a certain high section of the Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana.

Four generations of his family are buried there. I have no idea how this area at the very top could be taken care of but it is eroding badly and several graves are in jeopardy of falling off the cliff. He realizes that it takes time and care and money to regularly maintain a large cemetery.

His family (he calls them the “McCollister-Frier Cleanup Crew”) came to the cemetery on May 24, 2025, to do the best they could. They came from California, Wisconsin, New York, and Vermont, and Mac himself lives in Florida so I believe you'll agree with me that there is no way they could be expected to take care of this on a regular basis. If anyone that is interested in helping with this project, or can point him in the right direction on who to call, please feel free to call 1-312-909-1680 or 1-941-953-3849.

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 a dangerous silence by Catherine Palmer and two sets of books by Krista Davis which are two different types, a diva set and a paws and claws set. Happy reading!

Missouri’s Warmer Winter Could Mean Juicier Tomatoes, Melons

After a warmer-than-average winter across much of Missouri, home gardeners may find themselves in for an early and abundant summer growing season. While the lack of deep freezes might worry some, experts say the mild conditions could give certain crops a major head start, especially heat-loving vegetables, herbs, and southern staples.

“Warmer winters can actually be a big advantage for summer produce,” says Martynas Mandrijauskas, founder of Craftcamp, a resource for gardeners and DIYers with step-by-step guides from building raised beds to DIY greenhouses to maximizing fruit tree yields. “If you know what to plant - and when - the results can be spectacular.”

Tomatoes, Okra & Peppers Set to Thrive

Mild winters often mean soil temperatures warm earlier in the year, allowing classic summer crops like tomatoes, bell peppers, and okra to get established faster. Gardeners in Missouri should find transplanting conditions

favorable weeks earlier than usual - and may even be able to get in a second round of planting later in the season.

Citrus & Sweet Potatoes Could Benefit From Early Heat

In regions where citrus trees or sweet potatoes are grown, the early warmth reduced stress from late frosts and allowed for a longer, more stable growing period. That’s good news for anyone hoping for juicier satsumas or a bumper haul of sweet potatoes come fall.

Squash, Cucumbers & Melons Ready For A Running Start

Vining crops like cucumbers, zucchini, and melons thrive when soil temperatures rise early and stay warm. A shorter, gentler winter means these fast growers can hit the ground running, with fewer setbacks from cold snaps or transplant shock. For gardeners with space, this is a great year to let vines sprawl.

Watch For Pests & Act Early

One caveat to a mild winter is that fewer pests are killed off by frost. Gardeners

should be proactive this year: use floating row covers, plant pest-deterrent herbs like basil and marigold, and consider companion planting to stay ahead of any infestations.

Water Wisely & Mulch Generously

Warmer winters may also mean drier soil heading into summer. Be sure to water deeply and mulch around young plants to preserve moisture and keep root zones cool. “Think of mulch as sunscreen for your soil,” says Mandrijauskas. “It protects your investment when the summer heat kicks in.”

Bottom Line For Missouri Gardeners

A warmer winter doesn’t mean less to grow - it means different opportunities. For those planting at the right time, and picking crops that love the heat, 2025 could be a standout summer season.

“Whether you’re in the city or out in the country, gardening is about working with the weather, not against it,” Mandrijauskas adds. “This summer, the weather might just be on your side.”

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Learn About Watersnakes At July 18 MDC Virtual Program

All snakes can swim, but those that belong to the genus Nerodia are commonly referred to as “watersnakes” because water is a key part of their habitat.

People can learn more about the species of watersnakes found in Missouri at the Missouri Department of Conservation’s (MDC) virtual program “Amphibians and Reptiles: Watersnakes of Missouri” on July 18. This free virtual program, which will be from 3:30-4:30 p.m., is being put on by the staff of MDC’s Springfield Conservation Nature Center. This program is open to all ages. People can register at: [https://mdc-event-web.s3li-censing.com/Event/EventDetails/209180](https://mdc-event-web.s3.amazonaws.com/Event/EventDetails/209180)

At the July 18 program, MDC Naturalist Jordanya Raos will discuss the various species of watersnakes found in Missouri. The preferred habitat for these non-venomous snakes are swamps, marshes, sloughs, oxbow lakes, and drainage ditches. Missouri’s watersnakes often get mistaken for the venomous cottonmouth. From a taxonomic viewpoint, cottonmouths do not fall into the “watersnake” category because they belong to the genus Agkistrodon instead of the genus Nerodia. However, because cottonmouths are frequently found near water and are associated with habitats adjacent to water, Raos will also talk about cottonmouths at the July 18 program.

Though this program is free, registration is required to

participate. Use the link above. Registrants must provide an e-mail, so a program link can be sent to them. This program will include a chat-based question-and-answer period where participants can interact with the presenters.

Staff at MDC facilities across the state are holding virtual and in-person programs. A listing of these programs can be found at mdc.mo.gov/events.

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Vehicles: 2016 Kia Sportage XL, GDI Engine, One Owner, 86,000 miles (with reserve) / 2008 Ford Ranger, Single Cab, 2wd, 2.3 Lit Engine, Automatic, 103,000 miles (with reserve) / Vehicles offered at 12:30 p.m.

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Hannibal Regional Prepares For Epic Go-Live

By Chris Maun

Hannibal Regional is excited to announce that we will begin using our new electronic health record system, Epic, on Wednesday, July 9.

This transition is a significant step forward in enhancing the way we deliver care to our patients. As we begin this new system, we want to thank our community for your pa-

tience and understanding during the transition period.

We kindly ask that all patients bring a valid photo ID and current insurance card(s) to their first appointment after July 9. A copy of your ID and insurance will need to be scanned into our new system, even if you’ve recently provided them. This is an important step in ensuring your

information is accurate and secure moving forward. Patients should expect slightly longer check-in and appointment times as our team adjusts to the new workflows within Epic. Please plan to arrive early and allow extra time for visits.

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Burns Makes Dean's List

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To qualify for the dean's list, a student must be enrolled in 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 3.4 to 3.99.

Tressa Burns from Elsberry.

More than 900 students qualified for the Dean's List. Congratulations to all these students, Washburn University is proud of their hard work and commitment to their education.

CMU Students Earn Degrees

Central Methodist University celebrated its spring 2025 commencement on May 10 in Puckett Fieldhouse on the Fayette campus. CMU alumnus Laurence Tucker '69 gave the commencement address as a packed house of family, friends, faculty, staff, and other guests celebrated the graduates. Students were recognized for earning degrees at the master's, bachelor's, and associate's levels.

The following local students were among those on the program for the event:

Shelby Lyn McMorris, of Bowling Green -- Bachelor of Science

Riley Layne Walker, of Eolia -- Bachelor of Science

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Mark Twain State Park Has New Trail

The team at Mark Twain State Park is excited to announce the ribbon cutting for the newest trail at the park. The public is invited to attend the ceremony at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 19, at the new trailhead, near the 107 Boat Ramp fish-cleaning station off Highway 107.

The new Ben Sapp Memorial Trail is a 1.1-mile hiking trail that traverses woodlands and prairie features. The trail is named for Ben Sapp, a former Mark Twain State Park superintendent who wanted to share his love of nature, family and the park with others.

Immediately after the ribbon-cutting ceremony, there will be a town hall-style public meeting for Mark Twain State Park, Mark Twain Birthplace State Historic Site and Union Covered Bridge State Historic Site.

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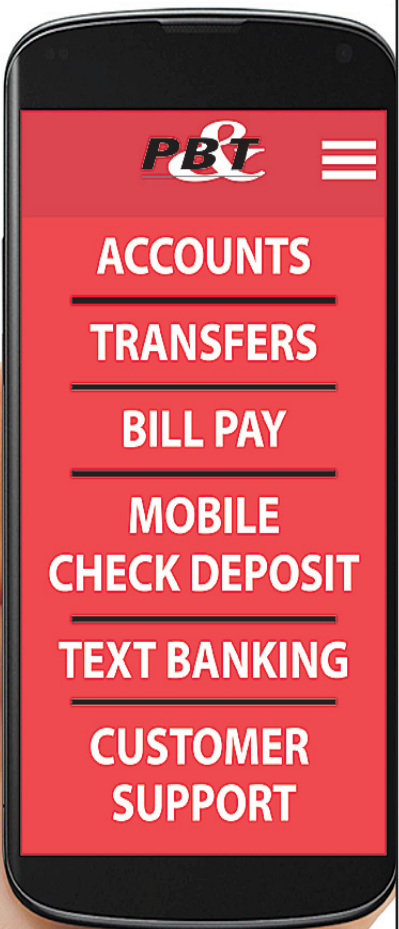
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Little Mr. & Miss 6 p.m. • Motocross Dirt Bike Races 7 p.m.

Wednesday, July 23 - Adults \$20 • Kids 12 & Under FREE

Western Fun Horse Show 6 p.m. • Truck Pull 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 24 - Adults \$20 • Kids 12 & Under FREE

Baby Show 6:30 p.m. • Truck & Tractor Pull 7 p.m.

Friday, July 25 - Adults \$25 • Kids 4-12 \$15

Look-A-Like Contest 5:30 p.m. • Demolition Derby 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 26 - Adults \$25 • Kids 4-12 \$15

Horse Show Tourney 11 a.m. • Cornhole Tourney 1-11 p.m.

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Demolition Derby 7:30 p.m.

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Community News



Edward Lee Jennings

Edward Lee Jennings, 65, of Curryville died Wednesday, June 25, 2025, surrounded by his family at St. Louis University Hospital.

A memorial service will be held at New Harmony Christian Church in Curryville on Saturday from 12-2 p.m.

Ed was born July 4, 1959 in Hannibal to Edward F. and Roberta Lee Dillion Jennings. Ed was married to Stacy Atkinson Jennings on June 30, 1990 in Bowling Green. They had three children: Stephanie Jennings White, Seth Jennings, and Morgan Jennings.

He loved being outdoors hunting and fishing with his children, grandchildren and friends.

Remaining to cherish Ed's memories are his mother, Roberta Jennings; his wife, Stacy Jennings; his children, Stephanie and Ronnie White of Fulton, Seth and Hannah Jennings of Bowling Green, and Morgan Jennings and Devin Graver of Bowling Green; and grandchildren, Ashley, Walter, Andrew, Adam, Austin, Anna, Rhett, and Adley.

Ed was preceded in death by his father, Edward F. Jennings; and grandparents, Lance and Pauline Jennings and Marvin and Hazel Dillion.

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



Edward F. Jennings

Edward F. "Papa Tractor" Jennings, 87, of Curryville died Friday, June 20, 2025, at his home surrounded by his family.

A visitation, "Celebration of Life" will be held Saturday from 12-2 p.m., at the New Harmony Christian Church in Curryville.

He was born June 17, 1938, in Louisiana, the son of Lance and Pauline Maenner Jennings. Edward worked for

many years as a logger after attending the local schools.

He married the love of his life, Roberta Dillion, 66 years ago. The happy couple were blessed with one son, Edward Lee Jennings.

Edward is survived by a daughter-in-law, Stacey Atkinson Jennings; grandchildren, Stephanie Jennings and Ronnie White, Seth and Hannah Jennings, Morgan Jennings and Devin Graver, and great-grandchildren, Ashley, Andrew, Adam, Austin, Anna, Rhett, and Adley

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his beloved son, who preceded him in death, June 25, 2025.



12 Summer Health Risks To Watch Out For

Nothing ruins summer fun like a summer injury! Before you pull on your board shorts and head out into the sun, make sure you know how to keep yourself safe, healthy and protected from some of nature's less forgiving aspects (like the sun itself, not to mention mosquitos, poison ivy and jellyfish — to name just a few).

To arm you with as much knowledge as possible, we've rounded up a few of the summer's biggest health hazards and shared expert input from healthcare providers. They'll share how to avoid the risks so you can focus on enjoying the season.

Up to 78 percent of your body is made of water, so when you don't get enough of it, you simply can't function right. In high heat, dehydration can become severe and even fatal.

In the summer, be proactive about staying hydrated, especially if you work outside or play sports. If you start these activities while dehydrated, it's even harder to replenish what your body has lost.

Trying to figure out how much water you need? It varies by person and depends on your health and activity level, but there are some general rules. "The standard number to aim for is 64 ounces a day," says registered dietitian Beth Czerwony, RD, LD. Some foods can help hydrate, too.

And keep an eye on the color of your urine, especially when it's hot out. Pale straw to dark yellow-colored pee is healthy, while anything darker may be a sign of dehydration.

A sunburn is a radiation burn caused by UV (ultraviolet) ray exposure from the sun. Ouch! You probably know that sunburns contribute

Caldwell Receives Designation

Financial Advisor Kayla Caldwell in Bowling Green has achieved the Certified Private Wealth Advisor®, or CPWA®, designation through the Investments & Wealth Institute®. Coursework was provided by the Yale School of Management.

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When Your Garden Becomes A Drive-Thru For Wildlife Intervene By Putting Up Roadblocks

Most gardeners know the frustration of having a beautiful garden decimated by wildlife, said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein. Wildlife can be more formidable pests than insects, diseases and weeds.

Just like people, deer and other critters are drawn to food that is tasty and convenient, he said. A garden is wildlife's equivalent of a fast food drive-thru. Gardens are especially enticing to wildlife when they cannot find food in their native habitats, such as during drought.

Avoid animal pests by putting barriers in their way, Trinklein said. Pungent smells and unpleasant tastes may dissuade wildlife such as deer. Some gardeners choose chemical repellents with repugnant odors. Spray these around the edge of the garden. Keep in mind human and pet safety, plant toxicity and expense when considering these options, he said.

There are numerous homespun remedies for repelling wildlife. One of the easiest is a mixture of 20 percent whole eggs and 80 percent water. Reapply monthly. Some commercial repellents contain capsaicin, the chemical that

gives the fire to hot peppers. Other homespun remedies include sachets containing dog hair and highly perfumed soap.

Objects such as scarecrows, foil, aluminum pie plates, predatory bird figures and mirrors can help deter deer, raccoons, rabbits and other pests. These are most effective when moved frequently, said Trinklein. Animals become accustomed to them if they're left in the same place. Additionally, ultrasonic devices, "bird bangers" and recordings that mimic animal distress calls can deter wildlife by creating unappealing noises.

More drastic methods include fences, netting and small cages over individual plants such as tomatoes. These can be effective but expensive, he said. Using 36-inch-high chicken wire buried 6 inches in the ground can exclude smaller wildlife such as rabbits and squirrels. For deer, fences must be eight or more feet high to be effective. Electric fences also are an option. Deter small species with two strands of electric fencing two and four inches above the ground. Larger animals require taller fences. Trinklein recommends clearly

labeling all electric fencing to avoid accidental contact by humans.

Plant selection is another way to deter wildlife. Common garden flowers considered to be deer-resistant include ageratum, geranium, marigold, morning glory, nasturtium, salvia, snapdragon, Shasta daisy, canna, liatris, petunia, phlox, verbena, vinca and yarrow. The MU Integrated Pest Management article "Spring Deer Feeding on Shrubs and Trees" has a more complete list.

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MU Extension, Partners Develop Appraisal Guide For Wild Turkey Habitat

Landowners in Missouri interested in improving habitats for wild turkeys on their property have a new tool to help them.

University of Missouri Extension, in collaboration with the Missouri Department of Conservation and the National Wild Turkey Federation, has developed a publication that features habitat evaluation tools landowners can use to rate conditions on their property and then begin to address any limiting factors to enhance habitats for wild turkeys, says Bob Pierce, MU Extension associate professor and state wildlife and fisheries specialist.

The MU Extension publication "Improving Habitats for Eastern Wild Turkeys in Missouri: Conducting a Habitat Evaluation" is available for free download at <http://muext.us/G9529>.

"We created a publication with two evaluation tools, each with a set of important

habitat criteria that turkeys require," Pierce says. "These habitats can then be assessed and ranked based on their availability and quality on an area. This process helps determine the habitat components that may be in short supply, or that may be limiting, and which need to be addressed."

Lack of brood-rearing cover is often the most observed limiting factor to be addressed, says National Wild Turkey Federation district biologist John Burk. Quality brood-rearing habitat is typically composed of early successional plant communities, which are made up of native grasses and seed-producing native forbs and legumes.

"These plant communities also attract an abundance of insects, which are important food items for young poults," says Burk. Management practices to create and maintain early successional plant communities include prescribed

burning, timber stand improvements and other activities that create disturbances and set back plant succession.

The Missouri Department of Conservation's Turkey Habitat Initiative provides information and help landowners manage for wild turkeys on their property.

"The website provides a series of videos that showcase management activities that can be used to help restore habitats, and the habitat evaluation tools will help determine the current conditions on your property that need to be addressed," says MDC biologist Nicholas Oakley.

Visit <http://mdc.mo.gov/MOTurkeys> for information on the Turkey Habitat Initiative. If necessary, you can seek professional and technical advice by contacting an MDC private lands conservationist or your local MU Extension center for educational assistance.

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All snakes can swim, but those that belong to the genus Nerodia are commonly referred to as "watersnakes" because water is a key part of their habitat.

People can learn more about the species of watersnakes found in Missouri at the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) virtual program "Amphibians and Reptiles: Watersnakes of Missouri" on July 18. This free virtual program, which will be from 3:30-4:30 p.m., is being put on by the staff of MDC's Springfield Conservation Nature Center. This program is open to all ages. People can register at: <https://mdc-event-web.s3.amazonaws.com/Event/EventDetails/209180>

At the July 18 program, MDC Naturalist Jordanya Raos will discuss the various species of watersnakes found in Missouri. The preferred habitat for these non-venomous snakes are swamps, marshes, sloughs, oxbow lakes, and drainage ditches. Missouri's watersnakes often get mistaken for the venomous cottonmouth. From a taxonomic viewpoint, cottonmouths do not fall into the "watersnake" category because they belong to the genus Agkistrodon instead of the genus Nerodia. However, because cottonmouths are frequently found near water and are associated with habitats adjacent to water, Raos will also talk about cottonmouths at the July 18 program.

Though this program is free, registration is required to participate. Use the link above. Registrants must provide an e-mail, so a program link can be sent to them. This program will include a chat-based question-and-answer period where participants can interact with the presenters.

Staff at MDC facilities across the state are holding virtual and in-person programs. A listing of these programs can be found at mdc.mo.gov/events.

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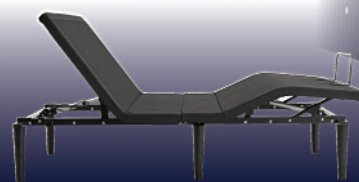
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