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Evan Craig is pictured with his medals and trophy he won in the World Shooting Championship.

Pike County's Evan Craig Captures World Shooting Championship

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

At just 19 years old, New Hartford farmer Evan Craig has already spent more than half his life competing with firearms.

Now, he can add world champion to his resume.

Evan recently captured first place in the Standard Junior category at the International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC) Shotgun World Shoot in Greece, competing against some of the best practical shooters from around the globe.

For Evan, the victory marked the culmination of years of competition that began when he was still a child.

"I got my start with guns when I was 7 and shot my first deer," Evan said. "When I was 8, my dad introduced me to competitive shooting, and I started shooting the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) Rim-fire Challenge, which is speed shooting steel targets with .22 pistols and rifles."

Evan's father, Scott Craig, also shot semi-competitively when Evan was born, but stopped in order to focus on his family and their farm.

"When Evan showed interest in shooting, they were headed back to the range," Evan's mother, Tabitha Craig, explained. "It has been amazing watching him grow into the sport. To begin with, he was so small that he had to work extra hard to adapt to the large equipment. As he has gotten older and much bigger, all the training has just helped everything fall into place."

By age 9, Evan moved into 3-gun competition, using a pistol, rifle, and shotgun. He's continued competing in 3-gun ever since.

"He has been a top 10 finisher at major 3-gun matches for a few years now," Tabitha answered when they realized that Evan had the potential to move beyond regional competitions. "The Shotgun World Shoot in 2023 was held in Thailand, and we thought he was good enough to go, but the logistics didn't work out. So we had a little better plan going into this year."

In 2023, he first learned about IPSC shotgun competition, but it was not until 2025, when qualifiers began for the USA Shotgun World Shoot team, that he had an opportunity to compete seriously in the format.

Practical shotgun competition combines shooting ability with speed, movement, memory, and strategy.

IPSC matches are divided into short, medium and long stages, with competitors given only a limited opportunity to study each course before shooting.

"At IPSC matches you cannot walk onto the stage until the five-minute walkthrough starts," Evan explained. "You and your whole squad of up to 12 people get only five minutes to memorize where the targets are, figure out where to reload, and get a good plan on how to be the most effective with your footwork. Then comes the shooting. You wait for your turn, load your gun, and get ready. When the timer goes off, you start the course of fire."



Pictured are Evan Craig's world championship shooting medals he received.

Evan's path to Team USA took him across the country.

He competed in four of five qualifying matches, traveling to Texas, Minnesota, Kansas and Nebraska. Shooters earned points based on their percentage of the winning score at each event, with each competitor's best three performances counted toward the national rankings.

Evan finished third in the United States in the Standard Division standings, earning a position on the Overall Standard USA team.

That sent him to Corinth, Greece, near the gateway to the Peloponnese, and onto the largest stage of his young shooting career.

More than 50 countries were represented at the World Shoot, and Evan said one of the most fascinating parts of the competition was seeing the different approaches used by shooters from around the world.

"Some broke the stages into sections, while others just flowed through it in a continuous motion," he said. "There was a large variety of different gear, loading strategies, warm-ups, and even snacks. Shooting against the best of the best was one of the greatest experiences of my life because even though it was super tough competition, everyone was nice and helped each other out."

Despite the friendly atmosphere among competitors, he said the pressure of representing the United States was something entirely different from what he had experienced before.

"Shooting on the world stage brought another level of stress that I didn't even realize I had," he explained. "It was not until I walked off the last stage of the match on day six that all of the stress went away."

In the Standard Division, competitors use semi-automatic, tube-fed shotguns. The division featured 261 overall competitors, including 11 shooters in the Junior category.

His battle for the junior world title could hardly have been closer.

He finished with 1,667.9 match points. Second place finished with 1,665.3, while third place recorded 1,664.9.

Evan also finished second among the United States Standard team shooters and 13th overall out of all 261 competitors in the division.

On the last day of competition, he knew the junior championship remained in doubt.

"There was a stage where I left a little bit on the table, so I knew it was going to be a tight race for the junior title," he said. "But I just kept shooting my game and tried not to let it get in my head."

When the final scores were posted, Evan saw his name at the top.

"It was a relief when I saw the scores," he said. "I realized I had won the world title, and all of my hard work had paid off."

The victory meant more to Evan than simply earning an individual championship.

"I was happy to have placed first for my family, friends and myself, but also for my country,"

he said. "The USA not only won more medals than any other country, but the most gold as well."

It's easy to see the team brought home so much hardware after seeing Evan finish a stage in under six seconds, something only 46 of the 847 competitors at the event accomplished.

Evan told the Tribune that he didn't realize at the time how rare the performance had been until the Range Officer keeping score congratulated him.

"When I shot the stage, I had no idea that less than 50 people would do it in under six seconds," he said. "But it is always a good feeling when the Range Officer gives you a compliment like, 'Welcome to the 5 club.'"

But demands on the family farm don't pause for international competitions. Something Evan and the Craig family are well aware of.

"Sometimes it is hard to get to major matches because most are held in the spring and fall," Tabitha added. "So sometimes we wait until the last minute, if it's raining or something prevents us from being in the field, we will make a quick trip while the rest of the family holds down the farm. The World Shoot was right in the middle of harvest season, so we were down a couple hands while they [their daughter Emma, Evan, and Kylie] were overseas, but we all worked together and made it happen."

Evan credits much of his success to the people who have supported him throughout his shooting career. His father, who has served as both his coach and primary sponsor since Evan was 7 years old. He also thanked his mother, Tabitha, and his wife, Kylie, for supporting his pursuit of the world championship.

Evan recently married Kylie, who is also a competitive shooter.

He also credited fellow competitor and friend Varick Beise of Minnesota, who finished second overall and was the top junior shooter in the Open Division.

"Varick is great to train with," Evan said. "He is great competition and helps me push my speed in training."

Evan also thanked CMMG and Athlon Optics for assisting with travel expenses, along with family members who kept the farm operating while he, his wife and his sister were away for approximately two weeks.

"I also want to thank the community for supporting my journey throughout my shooting sports career," Evan said.

That support is important because Evan's life away from competitive shooting remains firmly rooted in Pike County. A native of New Hartford, Evan attended Bowling Green R-I School through seventh grade before completing his education through the Abeka Homeschool Program.

His accomplishments extend beyond shooting and agriculture. According to Tabitha, Evan has always been eager to help others and frequently accompanied his father on calls with the local volunteer fire department when he was younger.

Bowling Green Man Attempted To Escape From Pike County Jail



Williams Jones
BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

On Sunday, Oct. 25 at approximately 2:05 p.m., Elijah Browning, 22, of rural Bowling Green attempted to escape from the recreation yard of the Pike County Jail.

He was treated for minor injuries at a local medical facility and returned to the jail.

Browning had been incarcerated the previous day, Saturday, Oct. 24, at approximately 9:13 p.m., after a traffic stop by the Louisiana Police Department.

Subsequent investigation revealed that he was a person of interest in another in-

cident involving the Missouri Highway Patrol.

At approximately 10:12 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 25, the jail was notified that a felony warrant for aggravated fleeing and flight to avoid prosecution, bond \$75,000, had been issued out of St. Louis County.

Browning is currently at the Pike County Jail awaiting extradition to St. Louis County.

All persons charged with a crime are presumed innocent until being found guilty in a court of law.



Ingram Brings Home 10-Pointer

Zane Ingram, 14, of Bowling Green shot this 10-point-buck during Youth Deer Season this past weekend.

NECAC Receives Ameren Relief Funding

BY BRICE CHANDLER
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NECAC clients struggling to pay energy bills could benefit from funding donated through the Ameren Energy Relief Program.

The utility company announced that it is committing \$10 million for programs in Missouri and Illinois. In Missouri, programs that are receiving money are Dollar More, the Energy Relief Grant, AmerenMissouri Military & Veterans Support and the Non-Residential Hardship Program.

"This is great news for families and individuals who are facing trouble paying their utility bills," said

NECAC's Kayla Wasson. "NECAC has received almost \$55,000 and we expect it to go quickly. People who think they're eligible should sign up as soon as they can."

There are no income requirements and a disconnect notice is not required. However, applicants must be an AmerenMissouri customer, be the account holder on the Ameren account and have a current account balance.

When applying at a NECAC County Service Center, applicants must have a photo identification, Social Security cards for all in the household and a copy of the current Ameren bill. Submitting an application

does not guarantee assistance.

To apply, please make an appointment with one of the following NECAC Service Centers:

- Lewis County: 573-288-3969.
- Lincoln County: 636-528-7604.
- Monroe County: 660-327-4110.
- Montgomery County: 573-564-3606.
- Pike County: 573-324-2207.
- Ralls County: 573-985-2411.
- Randolph County: 660-263-6595.
- St. Charles County: 636-272-3477.
- Warren County: 636-456-8191.



Nothing But The Truth, So Help Us

Longtime auctioneer Bill Unsell was verbally skewered during the sixth annual Champ Clark Honey Shuck Restoration Inc., Roast Saturday, Oct. 24 at the St. Clement Knights of Columbus Hall. At left, Honey Shuck Board Member and Emcee Milan Berry donned a wig and robe to take a jab. At right, Unsell sometimes laughed so hard he cried. Roasters were Chad Perkins, Kent Betts, and Bill Allen. The tales included exotic animals, replacement furniture and a clunky Cadillac. The guest of honor confirmed what all three claimed as evidence for their testimony – that everything spoken was the unadulterated truth. Proceeds from ticket sales, donations and an auction will assist with maintenance of Honey Shuck, the historic Bowling Green home of former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Champ Clark.

Community News

Jack Frost Is At The Door, So Get Your Garden Ready

Late October can be a somber time of the year for gardening enthusiasts, since it usually signals the end of the outdoor growing season, said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

Based on decades of weather data, there is a 50 percent chance that mid-Missouri's first frost of fall will happen on or before Oct. 23, and a 70 percent that first frost will arrive by Oct. 29. In any case, the end of the growing season is near.

Plants differ in their ability to withstand cool weather. Some species, mainly tropical plants, suffer "chill injury" at temperatures well above freezing. Most species in this category should not be exposed to temperatures lower than 45 F. Container-grown tropical houseplants placed outside for the summer should be brought inside early in the fall, if possible.

Another consideration is that the moisture in plant tissue is not pure water; it contains solutes that lower its freezing point. Except for sensitive tropical plants, most plants can withstand 28 F with little, if any, damage. Cool-season flowers

and vegetables (pansy and cabbage, for example) can withstand considerably lower temperatures, depending on species and the exposure to gradually cooler temperatures.

Protecting plants in the fall differs from spring protection. In the fall, gardeners are "prolonging the inevitable." Whether it is ornamentals or food crops, most have served their purpose and provided enjoyment and food for the past growing season. In the spring, gardeners are protecting an investment they have made in plants that have yet to yield dividends, so more aggressive (and expensive) measures are warranted.

In either case, protection from cold usually involves preserving latent heat stored in the soil of a garden or growing medium of a container. Usually, this entails placing insulating material over tender plants. However, this process likely will result in a difference of only a couple of degrees. Lightweight floating row cover (such as Agfabric) is an example of a commercially available product for frost protection. Bed sheets, blankets or other items already on hand may be used,

but a support mechanism may be needed to keep these materials from crushing delicate plants.

Fortunately, the soil contains more latent heat in the fall than in the spring, so protecting plants with an insulation tends to be more successful in the fall. Unless cold temperatures continue throughout the day, remove insulation during the day to expose plants to sunshine.

However, there comes a point late in the year when gardeners must acknowledge the growing season has ended, said Trinklein. "While it can be difficult to watch delicate flowers and tomato plants heavy with fruit succumb to the first autumn frost, this transition is a natural and necessary part of the Earth's cycle. Resisting the change only leads to frustration, whereas embracing it allows gardeners to concentrate on essential autumn tasks like harvesting the garden's final vegetables, clearing spent beds and planting cover crops."

Finally, don't be discouraged. As writer and naturalist Hal Borland wrote, "No winter lasts forever, and no spring skips its turn." The 2027 growing season is just around the corner.

Shrubs Add Fall Color To Jeweled Family Tree

While trees remain the jewel in the crown of fall foliage, don't overlook their shorter relatives, said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

In the home landscape as well as in the wild, woody shrubs also provide fall color to add beauty to the season. At a time when many summer flowers are in decline, colorful shrubs can extend garden enjoyment.

Early autumn outings are made more enjoyable by the bright red leaves of native sumacs. Fragrant sumac (Rhus aromatica) and smooth sumac (Rhus glabra) often can be seen growing along roadsides. These two species also are suitable for the home landscape and will provide good fall color at other times as well, said Trinklein.

Perhaps a bit more decorative is cut-leaf staghorn sumac (Rhus typhina 'Laciniata'), selected from a native sumac species. Capable of growing to a height of about 20 feet, it boasts large, deeply divided leaves that turn from a beautiful orange to a fiery red in the fall. Like other sumacs, it is durable and tolerates poor soil along with dry, sunny exposures.

Tiger-eyes sumac (Rhus typhina 'Bailtiger') is yet another selection of staghorn sumac. It boasts chartreuse-green foliage in the spring, yellow foliage during the summer and fiery orange foliage in the fall. Shorter than cut-leaf staghorn sumac, it grows to only about 6 feet.

One of the most attractive and best-known shrubs for fall color is dwarf burning bush euonymus (Euonymus alatus 'Compactus'). The species is considered inva-

sive by some, especially when planted in more rural settings. When planted in urban areas, 'Compactus' is much less so. Additionally, sterile 'Compactus' cultivars such as 'Fire Ball Seedless' are available.

Oakleaf hydrangea (Hydrangea quercifolia) is a lesser-known shrub that provides good reddish-purple fall color. In addition to attractive fall foliage color, this hydrangea produces white flowers in early summer that turn pinkish purple by midsummer and brown in the fall. While it can tolerate some sun, oakleaf hydrangea may fade and color prematurely when heat-stressed. The cultivar 'Ruby Slippers' is widely considered to have some of the best and most brilliant red fall foliage among the oakleaf hydrangeas.

The viburnums also exhibit modest fall color while being good landscape specimens. They include American cranberry bush (Viburnum trilobum), Korean spice viburnum (Viburnum carlesii) and several other related species in the Viburnum genus. Most will develop red or reddish-purple fall foliage color. Additionally, they bear attractive and often fragrant flowers in the spring.

Japanese barberry (Berberis thunbergii) is a common landscape shrub that carries with it the reputation of being invasive, especially in eastern states. Crimson pigmy barberry (Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea Nana') is a dwarf form of the species that develops far fewer fruits and is considered much less of a threat to become invasive. It has deep burgundy foliage the entire

growing season that turns crimson red in fall.

Dogwoods are another group of woody plants that develop attractive reddish-purple fall leaf color. The shrubby types, such as silky dogwood (Cornus amomum) or red osier dogwood (Cornus sericea) are good choices for landscape use in the proper setting. They grow 6-10 feet high and almost as wide. Where space is available, they make durable, low-maintenance shrubs that add beauty to the landscape. The red osier dogwood, commonly called red twig dogwood, also is grown for the reddish color of its bark, which provides interest throughout the winter.

While most of the shrubs mentioned have red or reddish-purple fall foliage color, some shrubs provide other colors as well. Forsythia (Forsythia spp.) is noted for its bright yellow flowers born in early spring. Most, however, produce yellow-green foliage color in fall. Additionally, a bright yellow leaf color is produced in fall by common witch-hazel (Hamamelis virginiana). This woody species develops into a large shrub or, at times, a small tree. In addition to yellow fall leaves, this plant sometimes produces yellow flowers after its leaves have fallen.

Additional to those mentioned, cotoneaster, aronia, some of the spireas and a few species of shrub rose are worth considering.

"Colorful shrubs provide a special finishing touch to the landscape. No matter your taste, you are sure to find a shrub to accommodate it," said Trinklein.

Keep An Eye Out For Pedestrians

According to national statistics, pedestrian fatalities are 76 percent more likely to occur in the dark than during daylight. As the season changes and there are less hours of sunlight, it's important to stay alert for pedestrians. Whether jogging, walking the dog or escorting a child to the bus stop, everyone is a pedestrian at some point - and it's everyone's responsibility to keep each other safe.

October is National Pedestrian Safety Month. Here are some tips for pedestrians to stay safe and visible:

Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and stay as far from vehicles as you

can.

When possible, wear bright clothes to help maintain visibility.

Obeey all traffic laws and always cross at a crosswalk. If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, cross at a well-lit area with clear sight lines and little to no traffic.

Wait for vehicles to make a clear, complete stop and confirm eye contact with the driver before crossing.

Children under 10 should not cross the street alone. If a guardian is not able to escort the child, ensure they have an approved walking buddy — generally an adult or sibling over the age of 12.

Make a walkability checklist in your community to determine what areas are safe for family members to walk, as well as noting any areas to avoid or other safety concerns.

Drivers and other road users must also do their part to watch for pedestrians and share the road.

Slow down when approaching a crosswalk and yield to pedestrians waiting to cross. Come to a complete stop and acknowledge the pedestrians so they know it's safe.

Remain cautious and alert at night or in bad weather when limited visibility may make pedestrians harder to see.

Always follow the posted speed limit. Be mindful of speed limit changes in neighborhoods, "Slow: Children at Play" road signs and flashing lights indicating school zones.

Be careful when backing up. Thoroughly check windows and mirrors to look for movement behind your vehicle. If your vehicle lacks backup cameras or safety sensors, you may need a spotter outside the vehicle to guide your backing operation.

Learn more about Pedestrian Safety Month at SaveMoLives.com.



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285	600-700	360	412	144	600-700	350	383		
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Community News

From The Mayor's Desk...

Next Tuesday, November 3rd, might just be the most important day of our lives. A Country who has thrived for the past 250 years under a capitalistic approach is being threatened by a different approach. An approach that has failed a countless number of times in other countries, but some believe that we, as Americans, can make it work...this time.

Americans don the calluses and blisters on their hands as a symbol of economic freedom, and proof that if you want something bad enough, by golly, you go out and get it. Now, the ones who have worked so hard appear to be the villains, and Robin Hood is waiting in the weeds, ready to steal their bounty.

Very few times does economic freedom come from the old 9 -5 routine, and it certainly shouldn't be given to anyone. It takes sacrifice, sleepless nights, and sore backs. It takes a fire in your belly searing from the inside-out that wakes you early, and makes you plop down face

first in a bed long after most have had their first dream. Only to do it again in a few short hours!

We are a generous country, but we are only able to give what the sweat on our brow allows us to give. We have watched as billions of dollars have disappeared from under our noses, and there is zero accountability for it. Social Security money that has been promised to you since you pulled your first tassel from a long row of corn, or rang up that first sale, is almost all gone! It is currently projected to be all gone 6 years from now. Ironically enough, that is when I will be turning 61 years of age.

As you wake next Tuesday, I ask that you have a plan to get to your voting booth and cast your ballot? There is a lot riding on your vote, and please do not mistakenly think that your sole ballot doesn't make a difference, because it makes a world of difference.

Well, at least it makes a nation of difference, for sure. I'll see you at the ballot box.



TOM THOMPSON-MAYOR
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Clopton Middle, High School Honor Rolls

6TH GRADE

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HONORABLE MENTION: Ethan Meier, Thaddeus Morris, Javon Sinnott, Ayden Turner.

7TH GRADE

HONOR ROLL: Grant Adams, Kannyn Beauchamp, Olivia Burkemper, Shae Cannon, Elizabeth Carr, Talan Golden, Parker Graham, Luke Grimes, Madison Henry, Gavin Land, Averi Lilley, Kaden McClain, Dillan Patrick, Kase Raby, Landon Spangler, Slayte Steinmann, Kelly Stewart, Daisy Stribling, Parker Tuter, Chael Weide, Dominic West, Cooper Wilson.

HONORABLE MENTION: Raymond Noskay, Malachi Stone.

8TH GRADE

HONOR ROLL: Jacklyn Anderson, Amelia Braungardt, Ava Colbert, Jackson Davis, Madelyn Frentz, Christopher Goad Jr, Kara Hammett, Henley Haskins, Angel Howarth, Edward Hunot, Lillian Hunter, Wayne Hunter, Scott Komlosy, Hailey Lovell, Britney Lucas, Payton Palmer, Jquan Sinnott, Braxton Steinhage, Camille

Stephens, Loretta Stewart, Braylin Sutton, Nathan Taylor.

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9TH GRADE

HONOR ROLL: Ava Adams, Donna Lisa Ahema, Wyatt Baker, Trinnity Capps, Lacey Dixon, Tessa Evans, Henry Hall, Kynedy Hallows, Oliver Hartin, Jerry MacLaughlin, Joshua Meier, Evie Menne, Gracie Menne, Jacob Miller, Blake Palmer, Paisleigh Spoonster, Jeffrey Stahl-schmidt, Anna Stewart, Hailey Traw, Ian West, Wyatt Wilson, Vivienne Woods, Bryson VanBebber.

HONORABLE MENTION: Addilyn Bridgeman, Bowen Cannon, Kamryn Hankins, Lane Haskins, Trenton Heckrodt, Izabella James, Lane Jarosik, Hannah Patrick.

10TH GRADE

HONOR ROLL: Beau Beauchamp, Millayna Brown, Colin Bullock, Christopher Capps, Brooklyn Carr, Bennett Colbert, Corey Couch, Austin Dillon, Kameron Ellis, Lexi Enloe, Alaina Henderson, Bailey Land, Josilynn Magruder, Temperance Manuel, Trinity Marler, Danika Martin, Austin McNeese, Charlotte Mills, Savannah Mills, Ridge Mitchell, Blaine Reeve, LeeAnna Rogers, Caden Simmons, Carter Spangler, Lilly Stribling, Richard Suddarth, Madalyn

Thompson, Libby Grace Wilson, Briley VanBebber.

HONORABLE MENTION: Karli Barkely, Keaira Goad, Ashlyn Jeans, William Nelson.

11TH GRADE

HONOR ROLL: Madison Berardino, Gracie Heckrodt, Joseph Henderson, Jason Hoffman, Maiya Holt, Alexis James, Kailey Jones, Jacob Lovell, Tristan Malloy, Olivia Meyer, Taydem Roberts, Alex Shade, Robert Spoonster III, Ricky Taylor, Aubrey Twardowski, Paige Vinyard, Tyler West, Micheal Wheeler, Madelynn Williams.

HONORABLE MENTION: Bruce Stewart III, Mathew Wheeler, Skyler Wilson, Carson Wischmeyer, Shelby Wright.

12TH GRADE

HONOR ROLL: Lillan Baker, Corbin Booth, Amber Caplin, Siena Carnahan, Beau Fitchett, Keegan Fox, Chris Grillo, Luke Grillo, Karsyn Hallows, Jacob Harrelson, Jackson Hayden,

Phoebe Hayden, Braxton Jelinek, Richard Jones, Bobbi Jo Kaimann, Camden Lilley, Wyatt Myers,

Ashlyn Noah, Calleigh Noah, Nathaniel Sadler, Charleigh Spoonster, Rayne Stewart, Corey Umfleet,

Caden Weber, Rowan Wilson, Hailey Wright

HONORABLE MENTION: Matthew Barkley, Baron Black, Bradyn Clark, Macy Enloe, Marijayne Goad, Cash Luke, Coleman Palmer, Alayla Smith.

Louisiana Area Historical Museum Offering Asks For Donations Of Wreaths

The Louisiana Area Historical Museum, located at 304 Georgia Street in Louisiana, is once again offering the community an opportunity to support its restoration project by creating and donating a wreath.

Pictures of the wreaths will be posted on Facebook and bids will be taken on the

Museum's Facebook page. Final bids will be in person after the Christmas parade when Santa visits the museum on Saturday, Nov. 28.

Wreaths can be dropped off at the Museum on Friday, Nov. 13 from 4-6 p.m. or from 9-11 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 14.

Wreaths will be on dis-

play in the museum windows until bidding ends, when winners can then take the wreaths home.

An alternative time to pick up wreaths will be on Monday, Nov. 30 from 4-6 p.m.

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"Live your life and forget your age". Frank Bering And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. Matthew 6:5

This Friday there will be a Fifth Friday Hymn Sing at the Detroit Christian Church which will start at 6:30 p.m. Free admission. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Big River Band Show Dates at the Pike County Senior Center, 220 West Adams, in Pittsfield:

Saturday, Nov. 21, and Thursday, Dec. 31, with music starting at 6:30 p.m. Free admission. No concession stand so please bring your own non-alcoholic drinks and snacks. No

meals.

Buggs' Family Opry Show Dates at Pearl, Illinois:

Fridays, Nov. 13, Nov. 27, and Dec. 11, with all shows starting at 7 p.m.

I forgot to wish Happy Anniversary to Georgia and George Ruble that celebrated their first anniversary on Oct. 7 and also to Shirley and Mike Straus that celebrated their first anniversary on Oct. 18.

Birthdays and anniversaries for the week of Oct. 28 -Nov. 3, 2026:

Oct. 28 - Debbie Harshman, Hannah Ward, Mike Scott

Oct. 29 - Dale Robbins, Landon Rudd

Oct. 30 - Duncan Bradshaw

Oct. 31 - Bob Rue, Nora Dee Bedenbender, Rita Rush

Nov. 1 - Lynda Blacketer, Margaret Myers, Roger Bonnett

Nov. 2 - Micah and Sara Rudd

Nov. 3 - Mike Leahr

Single Seniors + One had their "Meet, Greet, & Eat" this past Friday, Oct. 23, in Mt. Sterling at Renee's Place with 20 in attendance. Good service, good food, good prices, and plenty of visiting were all enjoyed. It's never too late to show interest in Single Seniors + One, a not-for-profit group. Qualifications are you must

be 62+ in age, single for one reason or another, able to pay for your meal and provide your own transportation, and have a workable phone number. Not a match-making group, but you never know who you might meet. This group was invented to provide seniors a place to enjoy a meal with others. Interested in joining in, all you have to do is either text or call 1-217-320-8438.

Trivia Answers for Last Week's Questions (that are right after the band dates of this column):

1 How many pounds are in a "long ton" and in an "apothecary pound"? (a long ton has 2,240 pounds in it and an apothecary pound has 12 ounces)

2 In the Bible, how many total years did Jacob work for Laben to be able to marry his daughter Rachel? (14 years)

3 Who was the first man to suggest using a pendulum to run a clock? (Galileo)

"Life's a dance; you learn as you go". John Michael Montgomery

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MDHEWD Recognizes National Disability Employment Awareness Month

The Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development (MDHEWD) is honored to join national and state agencies and organizations in recognizing National

Disability Employment Awareness Month, an annual celebration of the positive impact and contributions individuals with disabilities have on the workforce. The theme of "Celebrating Value and Talent" reinforces the importance of expanding equal employment opportunities for all individuals.

"National Disability Employment Awareness Month is about recognizing the skills, value, and impact individuals with disabilities bring to our state's workplaces," said Dr. Bennett Boggs, Commissioner of MDHEWD. "We are proud to support initiatives that expand access to training, education, and employment opportunities so all Missourians can achieve long-term career success."

MDHEWD and the National Disability Institute (NDI) partnered to help 2,500 youth with disabilities explore STEM career pathways through apprenticeship opportunities. Building on this foundation, the partnership expanded to include the Southeast Workforce Development Board to test community focused efforts and develop strategies that can be used statewide. So

far, more than 30 partners from workforce, education, vocational rehabilitation, employers, and the community have worked together to map the pathways youth take toward STEM careers. This collaboration has strengthened coordination and produced practical tools, including the Youth Apprenticeship Toolkit and Youth Apprenticeship Playbook, to help partners connect youth with apprenticeships and other work-based learning opportunities. Missouri also continues to lead the nation in providing apprenticeship opportunities to those with disabilities to pursue high-quality careers.

"The pathways and resources developed through this project give youth with disabilities stronger guidance and more opportunities to explore and succeed in STEM careers," said Julie Carter, Director of the Office of Workforce Development. "This collaboration reflects Missouri's strong commitment to expanding opportunities for all individuals within our workforce system."

See individual success stories and helpful guides about exploring a career in advanced manufacturing, healthcare, information technology, and more by visiting the NDI website. Individuals can also visit Missouri Job Centers across the

state to access employment services, training, and education to pursue new skills and career opportunities.

National Disability Employment Awareness Month began in 1945 as a week-long recognition of people with physical disabilities and has since expanded to a monthlong celebration that embraces people with all disabilities, including those with mental health conditions and other invisible disabilities. The month serves as an opportunity to raise awareness, highlight the importance of expanding access to employment, and showcase supportive workplace policies and practices that benefit employers and employees.

For more information about National Disability Employment Awareness Month, visit the U.S. Department of Labor's website at dol.gov/NDEAM. Those interested in apprenticeship opportunities can visit the dhewd.mo.gov/workforce-development/apprenticeship-mo.

About the Missouri Department of Higher Education & Workforce Development: The department works to empower Missourians with the skills and education needed for success. More information about MDHEWD can be found at <https://dhewd.mo.gov> or by following MDHEWD's social media accounts.

Public Service Announcement

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Contact Pete Breting, PCADD, at 324-5493 for more info.

October Is National Disability Employment Awareness Month

Bowling Green MO — The Pike County Agency for Developmental Disabilities (PCADD) joins the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy in recognizing National Disability Employment Awareness Month, an annual awareness campaign that takes place in October. The purpose of National Disability Employment Awareness Month is to bring attention to disability employment and celebrate the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities. The 2026 theme is "Celebrating Value and Talent."

PCADD's Community Employment Services (CES) program works with area businesses to help meet their staffing needs, while also providing job planning, training, coaching, and placement supports to persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Individuals supported in the program all earn wages at or above minimum wage. The CES program was recently designated by the Missouri Division of Developmental Disabilities as an Employment First Model Agency, one of only a few in the state.

PCADD would like to recognize the following employer partners in helping area persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities realize their employment potential: Ann Layne Boutique, Chartwells Food Service, Bowling Green School District, Bowling Green Public Library, Crossroads General Store, First Christian Church, St Clement Parish & Church, Hart Chiropractic, Bowling Green Housing Authority, The People's Tribune, Pike County Connections, Pike County Memorial Hospital, Remax Realty, The Agency, Walmart, Bowling Green Visitors Center, Pepsi Warehouse, The Learning Center, Two scoops / Back Door Brick Oven, Frank and Ruby's Tee shirt shop, County Market, Feeder's Grain, Lynn's Heritage House, The Henny Penny, Super 8 Motel, Me Me's Pantry, Spring Hollow Coffee, Next Level Graphic Design, True Manufacturing, Twin Pike YMCA, Split Rail Vet Clinic, and A Taste of Philly.

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Obituaries



Scott Andrew Miller

Scott Andrew Miller, 54, of Vandalia died Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026.

He was born Sept. 30, 1972 to David Lowell Miller and Patricia Humke.

Scott worked for Teva Pharmaceuticals in Mexico until the facility closed. He then continued his career at Hubbell in Centralia.

He was an avid football fan, especially when it came to cheering on his beloved Kansas City Chiefs. In his younger years, he enjoyed spending time outdoors, hunting and crappie fishing. Whether watching a football game or enjoying the simple pleasures of life, Scott appreciated the things that brought him happiness.

Above all else, family was the center of Scott's world and his greatest reason for living. He treasured the time spent with those he loved and held his family close to his heart. Scott was a big guy with an even bigger heart, and those who knew him will remember the love he had for his family and the special place he held in their lives.

Scott is survived by his wife, Kathy Miller of Vandalia; his mother, Patricia Humke of Surprise, Ariz.; one son, Trey Miller and wife, Madison of Bowling Green; a daughter, Sydney Miller of Vandalia; his father-in-law, Billy Jo White of Vandalia; and a stepbrother, David Humke and wife, Kim of Springfield, Ill. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, David Lowell Miller; his mother-in-law, Judy White; a step-brother, Richard Humke; maternal grandparents, Harold and Margaret Benedict; and paternal grandparents, Everett and Yvonne Miller.

Visitation was from 6-8 p.m., Thursday at Waters Funeral Home in Vandalia.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m., at the funeral home with Harold Benedict officiating. Cremation followed the funeral service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Stroke Association, c/o the funeral home.

Arrangements were under the direction of Waters Funeral Home.



Andrew 'Andy' Wayne Morrison

Andrew "Andy" Wayne Morrison, 61 of Bowling Green died Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2026, at SSM St. Joseph Hospital in Lake St. Louis.

Andy was born Nov. 13, 1964, in Hannibal, the son of Donald and Patsy Burnett Morrison. He married Sandra Mae Fry, the love of his life, on March 21, 2015, at the Bowling Green City Park. They shared 28 years together until Sandra's untimely death on July 26, 2026. Andy and Sandra raised three sons together, Tyler Morrison and wife, Natasha of Wright City, Nicholas Morrison of Bowling Green, and Jonathan Morrison of Bowling Green. Other loved ones include three grandchildren, Asher Morrison, Alexander Morrison and Bailey Morrison; siblings Alice Morrison of St. Clair, Raymond Morrison of Bowling Green and Robert Morrison of Bowling Green.

Andy was a proud United

States Marine, serving in Desert Storm. He was also a member of the VFW.

In his spare time, Andy enjoyed everything revolving around his family, he enjoyed barbecue dinners, Fourth of July was his favorite holiday, he loved shooting off fireworks, but when Christmas rolled around you would find him dressing up like Santa for his family. He enjoyed John Wayne movies and if you knew Andy, he loved his coffee, all day every day.

Funeral services were Thursday at 11 a.m., at Bibb-Veach Funeral Home with visitation Wednesday from 4-7 p.m., at the funeral home. Pastor Mark West officiated. Cremation rites followed the services.

Honorary pallbearers were Asher Morrison, Tyler Morrison, Nicholas Morrison, Jonathan Morrison, Raymond Morrison, Robert Morrison, Elmer Blair, and Andrew Robertson.

Memorials may be made to the family, c/o Bibb-Veach Funeral Home & Crematory.

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

Helen M. Pruitt

Helen Marie Pruitt left this earth on Thursday, Oct. 16, 2026.

She was born July 24, 1943 in Bonne Terre to John A. Piermont and Mary W. Frazier.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Michelle Pruitt and Frederick Harrison of Louisiana, and Nicole Pruitt of St. Louis; great-grandchildren, Mechia Campbell of St. Charles, Tyona Campbell, Steven Harrison, Nakayia Griffith, Donnell Griffith, Katie Harrison, Destiny Pruitt, and Kameron Griffith all of Louisiana, MO. She is also survived by her brothers Albert Piermont, Ronnie Piermont, Jim Loyd of Farmington, and Danny McConney of Pleasant Hill, Ill.; and two sisters, Juanita Chapman of Griggsville, Ill., and Hazel Jennings of Atchison, Kan.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents, two daughters, Karen Pruitt and Angie Husted, a great-grandchild, Aries Campbell, and three brothers, Steven Shade, Gary Shade, and Larry Shade.

Marie lived most of her life in Louisiana with her family. She was employed by Stark Bros. Nurseries and Louisiana Plastics. She loved to play bingo and put puzzles together. She loved her children, grandchildren, and all her family. She will be dearly missed by all.

Collier Funeral Home is in charge of cremation rites.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Online condolences can be sent at collierfuneral.com.



Wanda Rose Kirtlink

Wanda Rose Kirtlink, 83, of Frankford died Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026, at her residence surrounded by her family.

Funeral services were at 6 p.m., Friday at Bibb-Veach Funeral Home & Crematory in Bowling Green, with The Rev. Richard Epperson officiating.

Visitation was from 4 p.m., until time of services Friday at the funeral home.

Cremation rites following services.

Wanda was born July 21, 1943, the daughter of James T. and Mildred Fox Montague. She grew up in Stoutsville, and attended Community R-VI in Ladonia. She married James Lee Kirtlink on Sept. 16, 1961, in Hannibal. He preceded her in death on May 14, 2010.

Wanda stayed at home to raise her children and she helped on the family farm. She enjoyed gardening and taking care of her chickens and cats. She loved taking gator rides around the farm, but her greatest joy was spoiling her grandchildren and visiting with friends and family.

Those left to carry on her legacy include, Jack L. Kirtlink of Hannibal, Chrystal Stone of Cuba, Melody Henke and husband, Clarence of Frankford, and James Matthew Kirtlink of Atlanta, Ga.; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; siblings, J.D. Montague, Wilda Gregg, Doris Phillips and husband, Charlie, Betty Aston, Derril Montague; nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband; siblings, Wilma Montague, Joe Montague, and John Montague; one great-grandson, Dayne Fast.

Memorials may be made to the family, c/o Bibb-Veach Funeral Home & Crematory.

Drew Jeffrey Thomas

Drew Jeffrey Thomas, precious son of Michael and Kelsey Thomas, was deeply loved and eagerly awaited. At 18 weeks of pregnancy, we learned that his little heart had stopped beating, leaving us heartbroken over the loss of our son and the life we had dreamed of sharing with him. He was born sleeping on Friday, Oct. 16, 2026 at St. Luke's Hospital-Chesterfield.

We were so excited to finally welcome a little boy into our family. His middle name, Jeffrey, was chosen in honor of his grandpa, Jeff Meyer. We could already picture our little boy as his daddy's shadow on the farm and his hunting buddy, following along wherever Daddy went.

After Drew was born, Mommy and Daddy got to hold him in their arms and spend precious time with their son. In those moments, we got to simply be his mommy and daddy—holding him close and telling him how much we loved him. Our time together was far too short, but those moments will always be some of the most special of our lives. We will forever cherish the memory of holding our precious boy, for as long as we live.

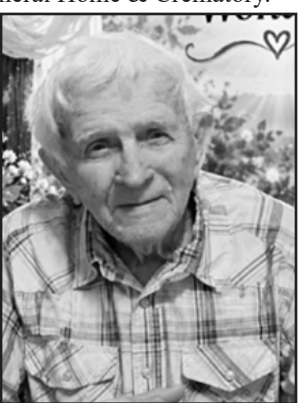
We wanted to watch him grow, see him look up to his daddy, and watch his sisters love their little brother. Though our time with Drew was far too short, he will always be part of our family, and we will carry our love for him throughout our lives.

Drew is forever loved by his parents, Michael and Kelsey Thomas; his sisters, Lydia Gibson, Lainey Thomas, Ellie Thomas, and Karrah Thomas; grandparents, Jeff and Laura Meyer, Paul Thomas, and Sheila Gibbs; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

We entrust our precious son to the loving arms of Jesus and hold onto the hope of being together again.

Drew, we will always wish we could have watched you grow. You are our son, our little brother, and our much-loved boy—forever.

The family is being served by Bibb-Veach Funeral Home & Crematory.



Virgil L. Langley

Virgil L. Langley, 91, of Bowling Green died peacefully on Tuesday, Oct. 20,

2026, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born Sept. 24, 1935, in Alton, Ill., to Virgil Erin and Mary Josephine Holiday Langley.

On March 6, 1954, he married the love of his life, Dorothy, and together they shared 69 wonderful years of marriage. Throughout their marriage, they lived in Alton, Ill., spent two years in Florida, and eventually returned to the Midwest, making Bowling Green their home in 1973.

Virgil worked for over 10 years as the maintenance supervisor at Maple Grove Lodge, where he was loved and appreciated by the residents, staff, and families. His gentle nature and quiet personality made him a special part of the Maple Grove Lodge family.

He was a man of few words, but his mischievous spirit, gentle eyes, and wonderful sense of humor spoke volumes. He enjoyed playing video games, watching Hallmark movies, *Walker, Texas Ranger*, and professional wrestling. Above all, he loved his family. His grandchildren held a particularly special place in his heart, and he never missed an opportunity to tease them or share a little mischief. Behind his quiet demeanor was a loving man who found great joy in making those around him smile. His family will forever cherish his gentle spirit, playful teasing, and the countless memories they shared.

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Vicki Borton of Bunker Hill, Ill., Joseph Langley and wife, Denise of Bowling Green, Cynthia Meeks of Bowling Green, Kathy Murry and husband, Dave of Bowling Green, Aaron Pruitt and wife, Amanda of Bowling Green, and Christopher "Danny" Pruitt and wife, Cindy of Lexington Park, Mary.; 17 grandchildren, Sinah, Jennie and husband, Jeremy, Christie, Michael and wife, Kara, Josh and wife, Kaitlyn, Lester, John and wife, Jessica, Adam, Kayla and husband, Nolan, Jamie and wife, Emilee, Amanda and husband, Matt, Catie, Trevor, Madison, Bailey, Marcus and wife, Talia, and Eddie; 34 great-grandchildren; 18 great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Charlene Rush of Los Angeles, Calif.; along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members, and dear friends.

Virgil was preceded in

death by his wife, Dorothy Langley, in 2023; his parents, Virgil Erin and Mary Josephine Langley; and siblings, Henry Schott, Donald Langley, Ronald Langley, Marlene Elliott, and Wanda Bristow.

Though Virgil was quiet by nature, the love he had for his family was never in question. He leaves behind a lifetime of cherished memories, laughter, and love that will continue through the many generations of his family.

Visitation was held Sunday from 2-6 p.m., at McCoy-Blossom Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Funeral services were Monday at 11a.m., at McCoy-Blossom Funeral Homes in Bowling Green, with Pastor Skip Merkel officiating. Interment followed at Fairview-Grassy Creek Cemetery in Louisiana.

Jeanette Bernice Willenberg Schwyhart

Jeanette Bernice Willenberg Schwyhart, formerly of Overland, was born Dec. 9, 1944.

She died peacefully at Elsberry Health Care Center, surrounded by family on Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2026.

She was the youngest daughter of Charles Lewis and Hildegard Elizabeth Willenberg of Charlack. A lifelong resident of St. Louis, she attended Our Lady of the Presentation Catholic School and graduated from Mercy High School in 1962.

Jeanette was united in marriage on July 1, 1967 at All Souls Catholic Church to Bobby Junior Schwyhart of Cedar Creek. They made their home just a block away on Spencer Avenue, where she lived for nearly 60 years. This union was blessed with two children, Kenneth Robert and Kimberly Elizabeth. Jeanette, strong in her faith, was an active member of any church congregation she attended.

She found a career in accounts payable with Brown Shoe Co., Carpet One, Witte Hardware, and Hussmann Corporation. In her personal life, she enjoyed spending time with her family, spoiling her grandchildren, Cardinals baseball, music, and of course, tending to her garden and watching the birds from her back porch.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Hildegard Willenberg; stepfather, Vincent DuFaux;

her beloved husband of 37 years, Bobby Schwyhart; a sister, Kathleen Willenberg Schwyhart; and her husband, John Schwyhart.

She is survived by her eldest sister, Karen Welch of Jefferson City; her children, Kenneth and wife, Jeri, of Silex, and Kimberly and her husband, Jim Berns, of Frankford; grandchildren, Andrea, Christina, Shelby, Erika, and Austin; and great-grandchildren, Alexandra, Dylan, Xander, Logan, Brody, Thomas, Quinn, and Paxton; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

Memorial services for Jeanette will be held Saturday at Overland Church of Christ, 8875 Lackland Rd; Overland, MO 63114.

Visitation will be from 12-1:30 p.m.; with a memorial service beginning at 1:30 p.m. A luncheon will follow at the Church Fellowship Hall.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Christian Academy of Greater St. Louis, 11050 N Warson Road; St. Louis, MO 63114b or c/o Carter-Ricks Funeral Home, 107 South 5th Street; Elsberry, MO 63343.

Online condolences may be made at www.carterricks-funeralhome.com.

Carl Edward Green

Carl Edward Green, 74, of Frankford died Monday, Oct. 19, 2026, at his residence.

Carl was born Dec. 16, 1951, in Louisiana, the son of Lawrence and Verona Ingram Green, as well as the brother of Lawrence Green Jr., and Leonard Green.

Cremation rites are under the direction of Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes & Crematory in Bowling Green.

No services are currently scheduled.

Community Calendar...

Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or e-mail to: peopletribune@sbcglobal.net

On Oct. 28: Louisiana Elks Lodge bingo. Also on Nov. 11, Dec. 9, and Jan. 13.

On Oct. 31: Clarksville Community Halloween Trunk-r-Treat on North First Street. Set up 5 p.m., event 5:30-7:30 p.m., judge trucks 6 p.m.

On Oct. 31: Trunk or Treat from 5-7:30 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church, 8 N. Broadway in Bowling Green.

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Community News

Fall Planting: Give Trees, Shrubs A Root Awakening

We often see "Fall is for planting" advertisements at nurseries, garden centers and other retail outlets during late summer and early fall.

"While the primary motivation for the ads is to increase sales, the message is good advice from the standpoint of sound horticultural practices, and is especially true for trees and shrubs," said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

There are several advantages to fall planting. One is convenience. In fall, there often is more time to do a good job on what can be a labor-intensive task. There are fewer demands for pruning and weed control and other landscape-maintenance chores. And when the soil is still warm and the air becomes cooler, there is less stress on plants while the roots grow and become established.

In fall, many deciduous trees and shrubs are approaching dormancy or already may have dropped most of their leaves. This means they will not lose large amounts of moisture like in spring when new leaves and top growth develop rapidly, often at the expense of root growth. The absence of this stress allows energy to go into the production of new feeder roots that prepare the plant for next year's spring growth.

The ideal time for fall planting depends in part on geographic location. In the Midwest, trees and shrubs may be planted from September through October. This allows time for good root development before the soil cools. This does not mean that trees or shrubs cannot be planted later. However, since root growth correlates with soil temperature, there may be little or no root growth until the soil warms in spring.

If planting nursery stock in good soil, little if any improvement will be needed to the "back-fill" soil used around the root ball. For heavier soils, adding one

part organic matter to two parts of existing soil (by volume) can help speed root establishment. If the roots are growing in almost total organic matter (as in the case of some container-grown stock), remove some of the growing medium from the upper and central area of the root ball. This lets heavier back-fill soil settle closer to the base of the trunk, next to the root system.

A general rule is to never plant trees or shrubs deeper than they were growing. Holes that are wide but not deep are best. Wide holes (two to three times root ball diameter) provide more room for amended back-fill soil; shallow holes reduce the tendency for plants to settle. With balled and burlapped nursery stock, remove the upper ring of wire supporting the soil ball and loosen the twine used to hold the burlap to the tree trunk.

Watering a tree after planting is just as important in the fall as is in spring. Make sure the root ball is well watered as the back-fill soil is added to the hole. If dry weather follows planting, keep the root ball moist, but be sure not to overwater. There is not a rapid moisture uptake by plants in the fall, but water still is needed.

The decision to stake a newly planted tree depends

on both the plant and location. Staking prevents the root ball from shifting and shearing off newly formed feeder roots. A plant with a large, massive root ball often is heavy enough to sit firmly in the soil and avoid shifting. Plants with small, lightweight root masses, such as container-grown plants, may need support.

Wires and other staking materials can injure sensitive young trunks if kept too taut, so support should not restrict the trunk from moving slightly. As a general rule, stake a tree only as high as necessary to keep the root ball steady but still allow the upper trunk to move in the wind. Light, corrective pruning also can be done at the time of staking. Additionally, if sun scald is a concern, wrap the trunk of the tree with a light-colored material.

This advice is for trees and shrubs that are very hardy. Marginally hardy species are better saved for spring planting at Missouri's latitude, since there is the chance of cold injury if winter is severe. If such plants must be fall-planted, plant as early as possible to allow for maximum root growth. Anti-transpirants can help protect marginally hard plants such as broad-leaved evergreens during their first winter after planting.



Susanna Randolph DAR Chapter Visit Winery

On Saturday, Oct. 3, five Susanna Randolph Chapter, DAR, members and their three guests traveled to the Hopewell Winery at Summer Hill, Ill. A southern style shrimp boil with variations was enjoyed for their lunch before returning to Vandalia. Left to right: Ann Carter, Linda Richardson, Ruth Miller, Joy Davis, Rennie Davis, Carolyn Ball, Gary Fowler, and Leslie Fowler. Anyone interested in finding their patriot ancestor to join the Daughters of the American Revolution needs to contact Ruth Miller at 573-473-8557.

Fall Planting: Give Trees, Shrubs A Root Awakening

The Louisiana Area Historical Museum is hosting a Gingerbread House Contest again this year.

Groups, individuals, businesses and organizations are invited to participate. There is no entry fee, and creative entries are encouraged. Prizes of \$200 will be awarded to each of the following categories:

children 16 and under; individual adults; and businesses, groups, classrooms, or organizations.

All submissions may be turned in at the museum on Friday, Nov. 13 from 4-6 p.m., or Saturday, Nov. 14 between 9 and 11 a.m. The museum is located at 304 Georgia St., in Louisiana.

Voting will take place on Friday, Nov. 28, immediately before and during the Louisiana Community Christmas parade.

The museum will be hosting Santa Claus that evening, and visitors are invited to vote for their favorite gingerbread house while they attend.

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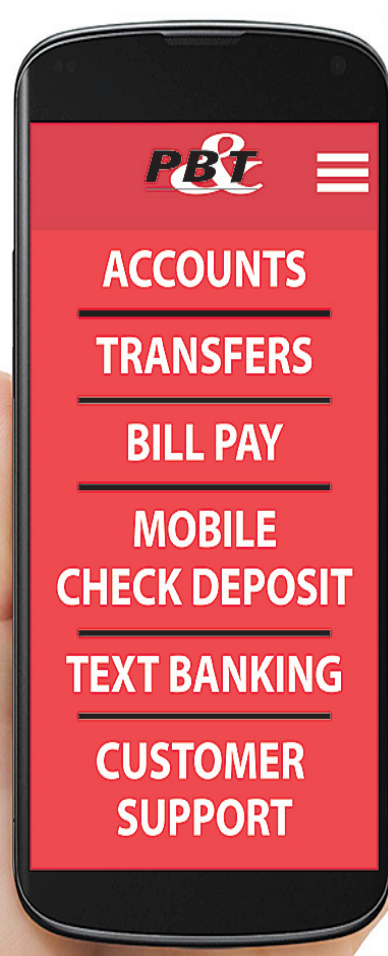
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- Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully.
- At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing.

PARENTS

- Make sure that an adult or an older responsible youth will be supervising the outing for children under age 12.
- Plan and discuss the route trick-or-treaters intend to follow. Know the names of older children's companions.
- Instruct your children to travel only in familiar areas and along an established route.
- Teach your children to stop only at houses or apartment buildings that are well-lit and never to enter a stranger's home.
- Establish a return time.
- Tell your youngsters not to eat any treat until they return home.
- Review all appropriate trick-or-treat safety precautions, including pedestrian/traffic safety rules.
- Pin a slip of paper with the child's name, address and phone number inside a pocket in case the youngster gets separated from the group.

COSTUME DESIGN

- Costumes should be loose so warm clothes can be worn underneath.
- Costumes should not be so long that they are a tripping hazard. (Falls are the leading cause of unintentional injuries on Halloween.)
- If children are allowed out after dark, outfits should be made with light colored materials. Strips of retroreflective tape should be used to make children visible.

CHILDREN

- Do not enter homes or apartments without adult supervision.
- Walk, do not run, from house to house. Do not cross yards and lawns where unseen objects or the uneven terrain can present tripping hazards.
- Walk on sidewalks, not in the street.
- Walk on the left side of the road, facing traffic if there are no sidewalks.

SAFE TREATS

- Give children an early meal before going out.
- Insist that treats be brought home for inspection before anything is eaten.
- Wash fruit and slice into small pieces.
- When in doubt, throw it out.

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NOTICE

NOTICE OF ENTRY - (Supreme Court Rule 74.03)

In The 45th Circuit Court, Pike County, Missouri

115 W. Main St., Bowling Green, MO 63334

Case No: 26PI-FC00039

In RE Alyssa R. Filsinger

You are hereby notified that the court duly entered the following:

Filing Date Aug. 20, 2026; Description Uncontested

Judgment Name Change

The name of Petitioner is changed from Alyssa Rose Filsinger to Alyssa Rose Harvey.

Judgment Against: ALYSSA FILSINGER; Amount: \$.00; Satisfied Date: Aug. 20, 2026

Notice of Entry of Judgment

NOTICE

Two certified copies of Judgment to pro se Petitioner.

K.G. - Clerk of Court

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1FTNX21L74ED47131

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1GNEK3V431253485

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1FTNF21L6XED67409

1998 FORD F150, 4X4, VIN

1FTRX18L8WKA93483

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Community News

MDC Stresses Safety For Non-Hunters During Hunting Seasons

With deer and turkey hunting underway in Missouri, the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reminds non-hunters to practice safety measures when afield during hunting seasons.

"Safety while hunting is ultimately the responsibility of the hunter," said MDC Hunter Education Coordinator Justin McGuire. "Hunters must clearly identify their targeted game animals before even putting their fingers on the triggers of their firearms or before drawing their bows when archery hunting. They must also be aware of what is behind their targets and should never shoot at movement or sound."

McGuire added that non-

hunters out in hunting areas can also practice some safety measures.

He and MDC offer these safety tips for non-hunters:

Wear bright clothing to be more visible, such as a bright orange hat, jacket, or pack.

Place a bright orange vest or bandana on the canines who join you and keep them leashed.

Avoid earth-toned or animal-colored clothing such as tan and brown.

Be aware that hunters are often most active during the early morning and late afternoon, when game animals are most active. Be especially aware of your own visibility during these times when light is dim.

Stay on designated trails.

Trails are designed to improve the safety of public users and to protect sensitive habitats. Enjoying recreational activities only on designated trails will reduce the likelihood of entering hunting areas.

Whenever venturing into the outdoors, let someone know where you are going and when to expect your return.

Make yourself known. If you hear shooting, raise your voice, and let hunters know you are in the area.

Be courteous. Once a hunter is aware of your presence, don't make unnecessary noise to disturb wildlife. Avoid conflict.

Identify hunting seasons and lands open to hunting. Learn where and when hunting is taking place. Plan your recreation activities based on this information. Find information on Missouri hunting seasons at mo.gov/hunting-trapping.

Find conservation areas that allow hunting and those that do not by using the MDC Places to Go web feature at mo.gov/discover-nature/places.

Archery deer and turkey hunting runs through Nov. 13 and opens again Nov. 25 through Jan. 15, 2027. Firearms turkey hunting is open Oct. 1-31. Firearms deer hunting opens with the early antlerless portion Oct. 9-11 followed by several other firearms portions through Jan. 5, 2027.

Learn more about deer and turkey hunting online at mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/deer and mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey.

Learn How To Conduct Prescribed Burns At MDC Landowner Workshop At Cuivre River State Park

Prescribed fire is a valuable tool that can help landowners manage their land, encourage native plant diversity, and control undesirable vegetation. It can be dangerous and ineffective, however, if not used properly.

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) is conducting a Prescribed Burn Workshop for anyone interested in learning how to properly utilize prescribed fire on their property. The workshop will take place Wednesday, Nov. 11 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Cuivre River State Park just east of Troy.

The event is free, but advanced online registration is required at <http://short.mdc.mo.gov/ogm>.

This workshop will discuss how to plan and execute a prescribed burn for habitat management. Participants will learn about burn equipment, burn line installation, safe weather parameters, ignition operations, and other techniques to safely conduct a prescribed burn.

The program will be presented in two parts: online and

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573-324-3000
Don't delay as the Medicare open period ends during the first week of December & Healthcare.gov ends this year by Jan. 15, 2027
If you are returning to enroll in Healthcare.gov consider Dec. 15, 2026 as your deadline in order to avoid a gap in coverage



Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Volunteers are needed for the Salvation Army Christmas Red Kettle campaign, which kicks off Nov. 16 and runs through Dec. 24. Locations are Walmart in Bowling Green and County Market in Louisiana. People are needed to ring bells for a couple of hours at a time. Day and evening shifts are available, and the schedule is flexible. Eighty-five percent of donations will stay in Pike County to help people with emergency needs. If you'd like to know more, please call NECAC Pike County Coordinator Penny Dixon at 573-324-2207. Hours are 7:30 a.m.-noon and 12:30-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Pictured is Curt Mitchell donating to the Salvation Army last year outside Walmart in Bowling Green. This year's fund-raiser is Nov. 16- Dec. 24.

SPECIAL COW SALE
Callaway Livestock Center, Inc.
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Thursday, Nov. 5
Sale 6 p.m.
Early Consignments
COWS & BRED HEIFERS
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Bred lbw Angus bulls start Dec. 1
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90 Black/Black Whiteface cows, 3-4 years old, with fancy black August/September calves by side. Not exposed.
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50 Black cows, 4-8 years old, with fancy SydGen Angus calves by side.
••KINCAID••
115 fancy Black/Black Whiteface cows, 3-4 years old, bred to Wheeler Angus bulls. Due to start calving January 20th.
••PAMPERING••
30 fancy, gentle Angus first-calf heifers, weighing 1,200 pounds. Artificially inseminated, due December 1, and cleaned up with bulls for 45 days.
••BOHANON••
15 Black cows, 3-4 years old, with fancy black September calves by side.
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11 Black Whiteface open heifers, weighing 775 pounds. Reproductive tract and pelvic scored, ready to breed.
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For More Information Contact:
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Tyler Harris - 573-220-2766

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Glenn Stegeman - 573-619-8495
Jarrod Simpson - 573-247-0706
Chad Nickelson - 573-631-1627
Kevin Miliken - 417-588-0307
Cration Blattell - 417-650-7688

New Harmony Church Lord's Acre Sale
New Harmony Christian Church will be hosting their annual chili/soup supper and Lord's Acre Sale on Friday, Nov. 6.
Supper will be served 5-6:30 p.m., with the auction to begin at 7 p.m.
A variety of items will be auctioned, including craft items, baked goods, quilt, Bobcats cornhole game, and a variety of other items.
All are welcome to attend.

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Thank you!

CITY OF VANDALIA, MISSOURI SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT - MARCH 1, 2026 TO AUGUST 31, 2026		
General Fund Revenues: Taxes 14,489.37 Cigarette Tax 2,786.12 Sales and Use Tax 197,832.19 Franchise Taxes 47,319.81 Grants 0.00 Licenses and Permits 5,980.50 Charges for Services 85,002.81 Interest on Investments 22,286.91 Miscellaneous 3,892.73 Transfer from Electric 160,000.00 Transfer from Water/Sewer 30,000.00 Total Revenues \$ 569,590.44 Expenditures: Administration 138,293.67 Community Development 47,219.87 Municipal Court & Legal 13,523.27 Law Enforcement 188,912.18 Street Department 117,513.31 Municipal Garage 25,923.99 Parks Department 90,941.06 Miscellaneous 164,172.72 Code Enforcement 9,893.88 Transfer to Cap Impr Fund 0.00 Total Expenditures \$ 796,393.95	Combined Water & Sewer Fund Revenues: Grants \$0.00 Residential Sales - Water 126,430.06 Commercial Sales - Water 38,059.99 Penalties - Water 2,623.68 Interest on Investments-Water 4,657.38 Residential Sales - Sewer 56,240.71 Commercial Sales - Sewer 56,651.67 Penalties - Sewer 1,000.85 Interest on Investments-Sewer 4,657.38 Miscellaneous - Water & Sewer 271.61 Total Revenues \$290,593.33 Expenditures: Water Treatment 199,222.00 Water Distribution 73,998.53 Sewer Treatment 52,181.79 Sewer Maintenance 42,431.06 Transfer to General Fund 30,000.00 Transfer to Cap Impr Fund 0.00 Total Expenditures \$ 397,833.38	Electric Operating Fund Revenues: Admin Fee/Franchise Tax 56,638.32 Residential Sales 821,662.98 Commercial Sales 210,394.43 Power Sales 250,894.94 Security Lights 6,354.71 Penalties 20,471.36 Interest on Investments 13,972.14 Miscellaneous 3,041.28 Total Revenues \$ 1,383,430.16 Expenditures: Electric Distribution 274,721.78 Electric Administration 1,151,975.17 Transfer to General Fund 160,000.00 Transfer to Cap Impr Fund 0.00 Total Expenditures \$ 1,586,696.95
Jordan/Waters Trust Fund Revenues: Interest on Investments 963.32 Total Revenues \$ 963.32 Expenditures: Tri-City Trail/Parking Lot Total Expenditures \$ -	Capital Improvements Fund Revenues: Transfer from General Fund 0.00 Transfer from Park Fund 0.00 Transfer from Electric Fund 0.00 Transfer from Water/Sewer Fund 0.00 Transfer from Spec Proj Fund 0.00 Total Revenues \$ - Expenditures: Electric 102 Conversion 21,788.10 Water Tank Improv 15,600.00 Sealcoat/Street Program 157,324.07 Total Expenditures \$ 31,391.61	Water Surcharge Fund Revenues: Water Surcharge Fee 63,978.02 Total Revenues \$ 63,978.02 Expenditures: OSP Water Line Replacement 388,667.42 Total Expenditures \$388,667.42
Special Projects Fund Revenues: Sales Tax - 2007 75,401.00 Total Revenues \$ 75,401.00 Expenditures: 2017 Central Bank Lease Pymt 44,948.00 Streets - 2007 Sales Tax 0.00 Total Expenditures \$ 44,948.00	Substation Facility Revenues: Substation Facility Fee 31,391.61 Total Revenues \$ 31,391.61 Expenditures: Substation Facility Payment 0 Total Expenditures \$ -	Park Fund Revenues: Taxes 104.38 Fees, Passes & Lessons 48,869.53 Miscellaneous 14,820.57 Total Revenues \$ 63,794.48 Expenditures: Pool Expenditures 110,707.66 Total Expenditures \$ 110,707.66
		Sewer Surcharge Fund Revenues: Sewer Surcharge Fee 51,358.39 Total Revenues \$ 51,358.39 Expenditures: Inflow & Infiltration 1,886.68 Sewer Replacement N. Main 7,033.10 Total Expenditures \$ 8,919.78

The semi-annual financial statement for the City of Vandalia is hereby signed and approved on this 14th day of October 2025

Administrative Assistant

Mayor

Finance Officer