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## Despite Inflation, Worker Shortage, Business Surges Ahead In Clinton

BY JENNIFER JACKSON  
Staff Reporter

Santa may not have brought that Trader Joe's or other store to town in 2022 that you might have hoped for, but there is lots of good news on the economic front.

That's the word from Mark Dawson, Clinton's economic development director, who knows all the "war stories" — what goes behind the scenes in Clinton in trying to attract both retail and industrial development.

Here's a look at what's new, what's history and what is stepping in to fill the void in 2022.

Gone but not forgotten: Chel's, a coffee shop, cafe and bakery on Second Street, closed in September. Smith's Restaurant, which served home-style meals and pie like grandma used to make, closed its doors in November after 15 years in Clinton. Also lamented is the closing of the Bluebird Mercantile on the Square.

The Sears Store is also history. That closing was a nationwide decision, Mark said. The reason most of the other businesses in town closed has more to do with life cycles, he said, meaning the personal situ-



**A DYNAMIC DUO**, David Lee, Director of the Clinton Chamber of Commerce, and Mark Dawson, Director of Economic Development, work closely together to keep a business eye on the Clinton Square, as well as the business park and other areas of town.

ation of the owners, than the viability of the Clinton economy.

What's stepped in to fill the void: The Pediatric Place at one end of Jefferson Commons on Second Street needed more space, so is expanding into the space occupied by Chel's. Pediatric Place offers physical therapy, occupational therapy (small-muscle

skills) and counseling for children, and is also planning to build in the parking lot on the north side of the building, David said.

TR Fitness opened in the Sears building. An announcement will be made soon of the business relocating to the Mercantile storefront.

Mark stepped into the role of Clinton's econom-

ic development director three and half years ago after a 36-year career in economic development. He worked in that field for Kansas City Power and Light, now Evergy, and for shopping centers in Lee's Summit. Originally from Hayti, in the Missouri boot heel, he commutes from his home in the railroad

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## Council Hears Citizen Asking For Annexation Of Englewood

BY LUKE EDWARDS  
Staff Reporter



**RESIDENT** Nick Smith addressed the Clinton City Council about officially incorporating the Sweeney Cemetery into Englewood Cemetery's property.

The Clinton City Council met in open session, January 3, at City Hall. Councilman Gene Henry was absent, all other council persons were present — Mayor Carla Moberly presided.

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## Father Jim Is The Traveling Priest Of Truman Lake



**FATHER JIM** Taranto is a busy man, serving the three churches in Truman Lake Parish: Holy Rosary, St. Catherine in Osceola and St. Bartholomew in Windsor.

BY JENNIFER JACKSON  
Staff Reporter

Like Santa Claus, Father Jim Taranto covers a lot of ground on Christmas Eve. First he drives 25 miles to Osceola, where he celebrates Mass at St. Catherine Church at 2 p.m. Then he drives 25 miles back to Clinton, where

he celebrates Mass at Holy Rosary at 4 p.m. Two hours later, he's celebrating Mass at St. Bartholomew in Windsor - with the detour, a drive of around 40 minutes.

On Christmas morning, he is back at Holy Rosary, celebrating Mass at 8:30 a.m. While it sounds like a full

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## From Dream To Reality: Jelifish Lure Company Honors It's Founder

BY KEITH JACKSON  
Staff Reporter

When the fishing in an area is good really good, the creative get inventing. The excellent crappie fishing in the region with its star performer, Truman Lake, inspired fisherman Bailey Jelinek to create a "better way" to catch his favorite fish.

Creativity led him to develop the Crappie Bomb, an innovative lure that does a better job of catching crappie. While anything from a minnow on a hook to a plain leadhead jig will catch crappies, the Crappie Bomb does it a little better, and if sales are any indica-



**CRAPPIE BOMB**

tion, it's a favorite with local fishermen.

The Crappie Bomb is a jigging spoon, but unlike the usual run of such lures, it has a high-quality reflective finish—12 of them at present count. It is made only in quarter-ounce siz-



**TAKING ANOTHER PODIUM**, Brad Jelinek displayed a catch at last fall's MLF event on Truman Lake. Much of Jelinek's success is attributed to equipment made by the company he helms, Jelifish.

es. What is different from most jigging spoons is that it is rigged with a single, long-shank Aberdeen-style hook. And it's the hook that gives the lure its biggest advantage.

As a rule, jigging spoons are rigged with a treble hook. However, when fished around brush, trees

or downed wood, a three-pronged hook will end up snagged in wood frequently. And too often that leads to breaking off the jigging spoon.

The single-hook Crappie Bomb obviously has two fewer points the snag. But the design of the spoon, its weight and the gape of the

hook make it possible to shake the lure free.

There is a short video on the Jelifish website (www.jelifishusa.com) that demonstrates the shaking technique. "The key thing is to get right over the snagged lure," said Brad Jelinek, Bailey's brother, "and **JELIFISH Page 3**

### WEATHER

#### THURSDAY

HIGH 38  
LOW 21

#### FRIDAY

HIGH 38  
LOW 23

#### SATURDAY

HIGH 51  
LOW 39

#### SUNDAY

HIGH 59  
LOW 50

#### MONDAY

HIGH 61  
LOW 35

#### TUESDAY

HIGH 53  
LOW 39

#### WEDNESDAY

HIGH 53  
LOW 36

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# Have I Got A Line For You!

By James Mahlon White



Watching Kevin McCarthy finagle his way into wielding the Speaker's Gavel was a barn burner. Stayed up late Friday night watching the whole fiasco. It will be interesting to see what secret deals and greased palms happened to get those final votes? Putting term limits on these elected officials is long overdue. Some argue that's what elections are for. May have been true in the 70's, but there is so much money poured into campaigns these days that people like Mitch, Nancy and Jerry get elected again and again. None of them know what middle class is, let alone governance. They sure don't represent "We The People." We aren't the highest bidder even though they confiscate 30% of 300 million people's income each year in Federal income taxes. They'd rather take the special interest money and put the rest of us over a barrel or under the snow plow.

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Meanwhile, President Biden made it down to the border but El Paso was "cleaned up" before his arrival. One of the border agents said he might as well have landed in Des Moines, Iowa. What's the point of visiting the border after a 48 hour clean up? Sounds like a trip with no purpose. This reminds me of the Red Cross visiting

Terezin, Czechoslovakia during WW2. That sight was cleaned up to fool the world too.

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I've been re-reading Sinclair Lewis's 1930 books about Small Town America and have found them again, most interesting. I'd also like to re-read Upton Sinclair's "The Jungle," about work in the Chicago meat packing houses and what folks endured. This caused an uproar at the time it was published. Remember how the West Bottoms in K.C. used to smell on hot days from the packing houses? All gone now.

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Here's something I didn't know but learned this morning. Back in 1932 the smallest team of mules in the world was owned by Cliff Fewell of Calhoun. The pair weighed 300 lbs. One was black, the other a dappled grey and their names were Amos and Ruby. The mules were bred in Vermont, the mother being a small Shetland pony and the father a Mountain jack. Mr. Fewell trained the pair to do all kinds of things, including pull a cart full of children, count and answer questions with a nod or the shake of their head.

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Enough of this mind wandering all over the place. Time to close up shop for the day. Take care old buddy.

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Til Next Week: J.M.W.

# Word on the Street

What's the most important thing an area business needs to be successful?



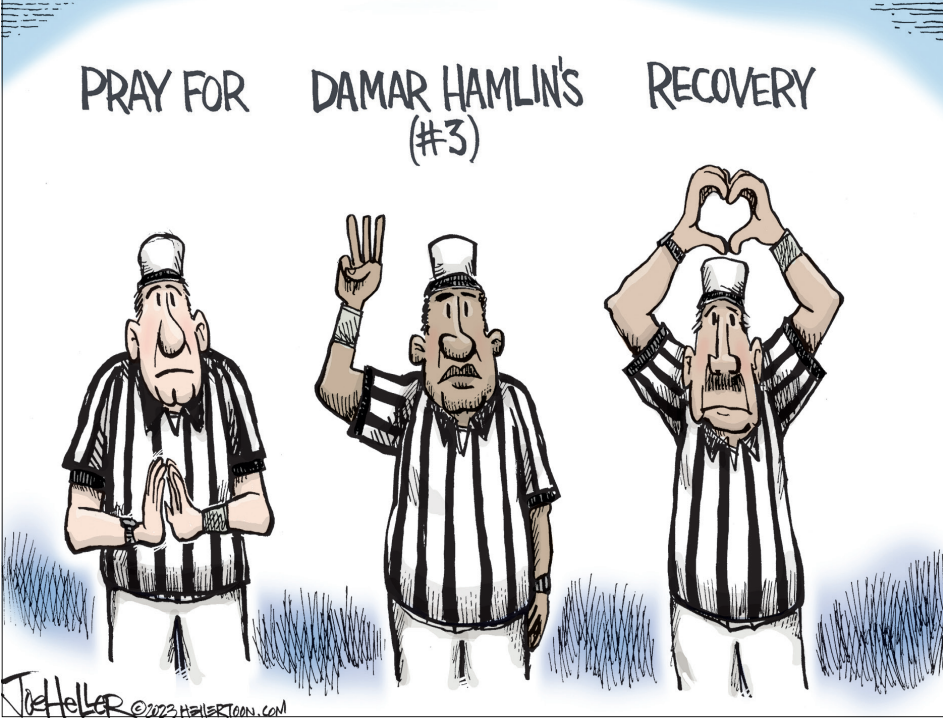
"Local residents to support and shop local."  
- Pam Hargrave (Bloomer's Flower Shop)



"Adapt to the times, a friendly personality, and traffic"  
- Brad Combs (Clinton Parks & Rec)



"Visible in the community, and willing to be innovative in business ideas and adapt."  
- Mark Dawson (Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Director)



# Get to Know Clinton, MO

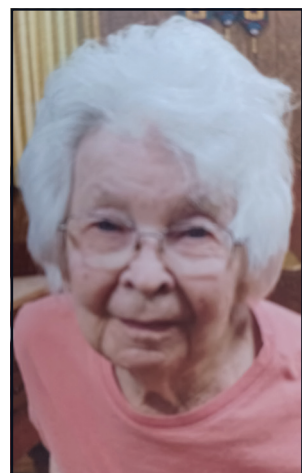
NAME: Alex (AD) Michael Johnson  
 BIRTHPLACE: Wichita, KS  
 YEARS IN CLINTON: 1.5  
 FAMILY: Wife Kelsey, Son Jacoby (7), Son Amador (5), Daughter Gwennie (2)  
 THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN CLINTON IS: There are so many great people here who support me, my family, Clinton Schools, and the Activities Department.  
 OCCUPATION: Clinton School District Activities Director  
 WHAT I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP: Teacher/Coach or Youth Pastor  
 FIRST JOB: K-12 Physical Education Teacher/Coach; Mountainair, NM  
 FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: Playing sports/spending time with my Dad  
 THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN: Now; I genuinely love what I do for a living and being a husband, father, and leader in Clinton is a responsibility I cherish and do not take for granted.  
 MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT: Last year at Homecoming, I was asked to participate in a FG Kicking contest. I was extremely confident as I coached special teams in my previous position. In front of the entire student body, I completely whiffed at my attempt and I know I will never live it down. Shout-out to Coach Mowery for nailing every kick he attempted!  
 WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS: Connection. God built us for relationship and service, so if I can do anything to build others up serve

those I am close to, I try my best to do so.  
 YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS: Losing my family.  
 I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO: Can't think of anything. I'm honestly very open to change and new opportunities, and I never want to put God's plan for me in a "box."  
 I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO: Play an instrument.  
 IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD: Pay off any debts I owed and build an Aux Gym, a turf baseball and softball field, a field house for our sports programs, and upgrade our football facility.  
 MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE TO: Anywhere my wife would want to travel with me.  
 HOBBIES: Working out, spending time with my family and watching our Cardinals compete!  
 FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICALIAN: Ben Rector  
 FAVORITE MOVIE: Miracle  
 FAVORITE DRINK: Water  
 FAVORITE SNACK: Wasabi Soy Almonds & Popcorn  
 FAVORITE CANDY: Snickers  
 FUTURE GOAL: Transform the culture of Clinton Ath-



letics and Activities be the best AD I can be right where God has me!  
 WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST: My wife. She is someone who I truly admire and I don't deserve her.  
 ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF: Trust the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. It's going to work out. TRUST THE PROCESS.  
 WORDS TO LIVE BY: A wise person once told me that while you can learn from any person and situation, "If you're not in the arena with the rest of us, fighting and getting your butt kicked on occasion, I'm not interested in your feedback."

# Card Shower for 103rd Birthday



FERN KELSAY

Fern Kelsay will be celebrating her 103rd birthday on January 18th. Please help us celebrate her birthday by sending a card to Fern at:  
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town of Lee's Summit to the railroad depot in Clinton, where he works with Chamber of Commerce director David Lee.

More good news: when a vacancy on the Square occurs, it's filled, sooner or later. The Newsroom Bar and Grill, on South Washington, which sported a "For Sale" sign for years, sold recently, Mark said. Across the street, the pink two-story building on the corner of the square, formerly Bev's Beauty School, sold last year. The building left vacant by the business moving to the Mercantile space has been purchased, and an announcement pending on the owner.

Both Mark and David Lee said they thought that Marolf's Tire Store, on Main and Ohio, would sit empty, but it wasn't a week before it was sold and transformed into Total Auto Repair.

"I heard they even have plans for the white building on the corner," David said.

Three storefronts in the Burnham-Ortner Building, along the block of 300 South Main, were bought by Mike and Dana McIntyre, and filled by Mid-MO Antiques and Matilda McIntyre's Photography and Design Studio.

Another storefront on South Main, the one that has been gutted on the main floor, is being renovated by a local entrepreneur. Even the infamous hole on the east side of the Square, created when a building collapsed last February, is drawing interest from investors who would like to build, Mark said.

There are currently seven empty storefronts on the Square, but most are owned by investors who are undecided about what to do with them, Mark said. He receives a half-dozen inquiries per space for the places on the Square sitting empty, he said.

"You have to have places to put them," he explained of bringing new businesses to town.

New on the Square are Clinton Candle Co. and EMoreBe Emporium, which bought two buildings in town and developed one for offices, David said. Silhouettes, a lingerie and clothing store that opened in 2021, had to move next door in 2022 after the building next to their original storefront collapsed, owner Andi Schmidt said.

More space is always needed by existing retail businesses who are looking for ways to expand, Mark said.

"There are things moving around," he said. "You don't see it, but it's happening."

Three new gyms—TR Fitness, Bear Down Fitness and Blush Boot Camp — bring the total of private gyms in town to four. Bear Down Fitness joins a healthy variety of businesses around the Clinton Square, a list that includes 11 financial services, six restaurants, four clothing stores, four law firms, three beauty salons and two paint stores. There are also gift and arts/crafts stores, two clubs, a quilt store, a furniture store, a spa, a physical therapy center, a community services office, an optician and a jeweler.

Blush Boot Camp opened in the shopping center on the east end of town. Also new at the shopping center is Burkes Outlet, a department store that sells clothes, shoes and housewares. Burger King and Scooter's Coffee are additions to the business landscape of East Ohio.

People get excited about a new retailer in town, Mark said, but economies need both retail and industrial growth. Get ready for a big announcement of expansion from one of Clinton's key industries, David said.

Room for new industries is also at a premium—Gerrhart Business Park on the north side of town is only three or four deals away from being full, Mark said, and "we're filling it up as fast as we can." Developing property outside the city for industrial development is prohibitive because of the cost of installing infrastructure, he said. On Mark's wish list by next Christmas:

"We need another business park," he said.

Mark has two pieces of advice for small business owners. The first is to have an exit strategy — a plan for who is going to take over when you want to retire. Otherwise you're stuck working, or losing everything you worked for all your life. Of several businesses in town that faced this predicament last year, only one is still open.

The other advice: do what you can to keep workers. It's a tricky balance between paying employees more and staying open longer each day versus closing early because of lack of employees, he said, a dilemma restaurant owners are facing.

"It's a workers' market," Mark said. "People will come to work if the pay is good."

People often ask him why certain retailers don't locate to Clinton, but for a retail company to choose to move here requires three things: a place to put them and two other factors.

"You gotta have a market, and you have to have workers," Mark said.

Calculating if there is a strong enough market for the business to survive in Clinton is part of his job. The formula takes the population of a town and surrounding area, and factors in average household incomes. Then comparisons are made with other communities to determine whether a certain class of business can make a profit here, he said. Certain business classes, of which there are 27 in all — such as service stations and big-box stores rate well in our area, he said.

Also on Mark's wish list: space for senior housing. There is currently a need for about 400 units in Clinton, Mark said, which would be in the form of a three-story apartment building with a courtyard and dining room, possibly surrounded by a campus of individual houses.

"I'm excited if we can make that happen," Mark said.

It's a win-win situation, he said, because senior housing would allow older residents to stay in town, and open up houses for sale to people moving here, he said.

"If you built 400 senior housing units and half of them are taken by Clinton residents, you'd put 200 homes on the market," he said.

"I feel that if I can help a few families with kids stay in town and make a good living, I've done my job."

Potential home buyers include people who want to live in Clinton, and don't don't mind commuting to work in other communities. Whiteman Air Force Base is expected to employ more people in the future, he said.

The population of Clinton did drop by 300 between 2000 and 2010, from a high of 9,300, but is now on the rise. An affordable housing market helps offset a community's lower income levels, making the town more attractive to retailers.

Golden Valley Memorial Healthcare is a tremendous asset to Clinton, David said, and its latest expansion project, offering radiology oncology treatment, is a strong investment in the town's future. Clinton's parks, the community recreation center, aquatic

facilities with indoor and outdoor pools, the Henry County Library and churches all add to Clinton's attractiveness to potential employers and employees.

Other good news: The housing market has remained healthy, with the average sales price of a house rising from \$136,318 to \$175,541 in the past two years. People investing in real estate, whether it's business or residential, see that the economic tide rising in nearby towns is lapping closer and closer to Clinton. Clinton appeals to people who don't mind commuting to work, Mark said, in order to have outdoor recreation opportunities at the back door—hiking, boating, fishing and hunting.

Making the city slogan, "Great People, By Nature" a draw for future employers and residents.

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then give it some slack and shake it."

And if that doesn't work, a direct pull can straighten the hook, which can be reshaped with a pair of needle-nose pliers.

For fishermen, the quality of the lure and the way it fishes is enough, but the Jelifish story is much more than a better angling mousetrap.

Bailey Jelinek is the inventor and founder of the company, but it's his brother, Brad, and his mother, Jennifer Snyder, who are running the company now.

Bailey was killed in a crash caused by a driver in the wrong lane on March 14, 2021.

After the accident, the two decided to continue the company in Bailey's memory but also because the products were selling well. "We even had an order for 40,000 Crappie Bombs just before the accident," Jennifer said.

"We are getting orders and signing up new stores. In fact, we recently added a store in McCordsville, Indiana, the first in that state. We have 20 stores in Missouri and some in Illinois, Texas and Arkansas."

She also added that they are getting orders from their website from New York and California.

Clinton's Everharts Outdoor Store and Warsaw's Cody's Bait and Tackle both stock the Jelifish products. "We sell a lot of the Crappie Bombs," said Cody Vannatt. "They are really popular."

Currently, two finishes are out of stock on the Jelifish website, due to shipping delays and other Covid-related situations. The company imports the packaged Crappie Bombs, and normally the time from order placement to receiving the products is four-to-six weeks.

However, the clothing and hat line are locally produced, so shipping isn't an issue. The Minnow Man bait bucket and holder also are available on the website.

As for the company name, "It started when the kids were little," Jennifer Snyder said. "They would go visit their dad, and it helped me get through the day thinking of them, and I just started calling them 'my Jelifish'. It seemed natural that Bailey would name the company that."

Both Brad Jelinek and Jennifer Snyder are the only employees, blending their other jobs with company responsibilities. Snyder is a real estate agent based in Lee's Summit, and Jelinek is a fishing guide and professional bass fisherman based in Warsaw. "Brad is going to run the company," his mother said, "and I'll handle the marketing and social media side of things."

The result is that the company has office addresses in both Lee's Summit and Warsaw.

As for the future of the company, the plans are to add more finishes of the Crappie Bomb in the near term and look at the future product offerings that Bailey had considered.

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Following roll call and the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance, the previous meeting's minutes were adopted with a correction. Councilman Danial Wislon noticed that, in the minutes, the vote for an enclosure at the Clinton Animal Shelter was not in the minutes and asked they be added. City Clerk Wendee Seaton said the minutes would be amended.

A personal appearance was made by Nick Smith, who in previous council meetings has brought up the matter of the Sweeney Cemetery — located south of Englewood Cemetery. He has previously requested that the city incorporate the Sweeney Cemetery into Englewood's property area. Upon research, he did uncover a burial referred to the Sweeney cemetery plots as "Englewood" therefore suggesting it may have been understood the area was already considered part of Englewood Cemetery at that time (1944). Smith also pointed out that he had uncovered research that there were veterans buried in the Sweeney plot and that the Sweeney lineage can be traced back to the Revolutionary War.

City Administrator Christy Maggi said the matter, although previously researched (the older property descriptions were hard to read), had been pushed down the list of things needed to be addressed, but promised a renewed effort in the matter. City Clerk Wendee Seaton took Mr. Smith's contact information.

The Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce update was given by David Lee. He reported there were five board members leaving and being replaced on the Chamber Board. The incoming president is Adam Cummings.

Lee highlighted some new businesses and ribbon cuttings (such as the Dalton House — a lighthouse for trauma, grief and loss — and a ribbon cutting for Legacy

Memorials). He also alluded to an event which will be coming to the Katy Trail in 2023: a run from Clinton to St. Charles (well, as far as a person can run, anyway). The event will start at the Katy Trail head in Clinton and participants are to run as much of the 223 miles of the trail as they can. It is expected to have 50 to 80 participants minus Councilman Daniel Wilson, who David Lee tried to convince should participate as well.

Economic Director Mark Dawson reported to the council that project activity is relatively flat at this time — which is normal for this time of year. He did report the need for large area sites is still a concern. He also reported that, after visiting with the Henry County Commission, the county agreed to contribute \$100,000 towards the Commerce Drive road project — if the grant for that project were awarded.

Dawson said a submission with GLS Consulting turned up some interesting data for Clinton. GLS Consulting is a site-review organization that measures a community's economic viability for site project attractiveness on a scale of various metrics. Some of the detracting metrics were: rail service sites, easements, distance to interstates, and the ability to handle large (very large) waste water and electric demands. Clinton scored near the "low cost, high quality" bubble of a graph depicting the various measurements. But, one of the biggest areas of detracting was that of "workforce" (it being too small).

At any rate, Dawson said it was a useful tool to know "how we [Clinton] stacks up" to other communities and that it was important to do the analysis: "We are doing the analysis with these things and have to do it," he told the council.

Following the economic director's report the council held the second readings of Bills Nos. 2022-27 and 28, both concerning ordinances surrounding the recent legalization of marijuana. Both were unanimously passed by the council and adopted.

There was no Public Works report, however, it was noted that the Franklin Street

Bridge is now open.

The Public Safety report was given by Councilwoman Debbie Smith. She reported that 58 units of fire hose (brought to the council's attention at the previous meeting) will be declared as surplus property and all of the units be available to sell, and the council approved the measure. Originally, the cost per unit was \$100, and it has been decided that \$50 be the unit price. The excess hose was determined by the Clinton Fire Department to be of better use to the surrounding small communities with volunteer fire departments rather than sitting in storage. Fire Chief Mark Manuel said that any money made off of the selling of the excess equipment will go towards purchasing equipment for the new fire truck.

The deadline for the application (to fill a recent vacancy) for engineer/driver at the Clinton Fire Department is fast approaching (January 11). Thus far one application has been received.

Councilwoman Smith updated the council concerning the animal shelter outdoor area — which has caused some grief for a few area residents lately. She reported they are looking into a sound-proof tarp as an option to reduce the unwanted noise at odd hours from the outdoor enclosures when the animals are moved for cleaning purposes at the shelter. Also: she reported that the recent complaints regarding 702 East Lincoln will be turned over to the city attorney for guidance on how to proceed.

There was no finance committee report.

Mayor Carla Moberly commented on the recently reopened bridge on Franklin Street: "It looks great," she said. She said she had an opportunity to drive across it and was pleased with the work. City Administrator Christy Maggi said a walk-through would take place the next day (January 4) — a standard procedure following the completion of a project to check and make sure the work accomplished what was paid for.

Having no further business, the council adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1) Bag with plenty of room
5) Gloomy atmospheres
10) Sealing material
14) Purposefully overlook
15) Freeze over, as a windshield
16) Yemen neighbor
17) Small fractional unit
20) "Gandhi" role
21) Kind of rug
22) Stunning aquarium fish
25) With cunning
26) Handled clumsily
30) As yet
33) Shah of Iran, once
34) Samovar's cousin
35) Socrates' T
38) Fruits and vegetables, e.g.

DOWN

- 1) Zenith
2) Writing on the wall
3) Firestone item
4) Delineate
5) Cheesecake picture
6) It may be hard to follow
7) Meadow
8) Carries a heavy load
9) On \_\_\_ (without a guaranteed sale)
10) Play a piccolo
11) "Jaws" resort
12) Game show group
13) Webster's listing
18) Creates naturally, as a gorge
19) "Present" and "future" partner
23) "Relax, soldier!"
24) Nevertheless, archaically
26) \_\_\_ up (invigorates)
27) Gives the heave-ho
28) Send money, in a way
29) Yale student
31) FDR's middle name
32) "\_\_\_ you out of your mind?"
35) A heck of a lot

ON WHOSE WORD?

By Timothy E. Parker

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbered squares.

- 37) Finds a purpose for
39) Used to own
40) Biological subdivisions
41) Metallic rock
45) Previous
46) Showstopper for a diva
48) Broods
49) In plain sight
50) Bones below the tibia
52) Certain ballroom dance
54) Common connections
55) Salamander family member
57) Ruffles one's feathers
58) Card game for three
59) Slithery and slimy
61) Society column word
62) Perfect score, sometimes
63) "Oedipus \_\_\_"

**MARTIN LEE O'DELL**

Martin Lee O'Dell was born November 5, 1943 in Orrick, Missouri, Ray County, to Delbert D O'Dell and Alice Jane (Wright) O'Dell, the oldest of two sons. He attended Orrick Schools and graduated in 1961. After high school, he attended the University of Missouri in Columbia, studying agriculture, and graduating with an Animal Husbandry degree in 1965. Martin often spoke of hitchhiking between Orrick and Columbia for transportation to and from college on breaks. Shortly after graduation he started working for John Deere in the Kansas City area. The Deere company would provide employment in Missouri, Kansas, and Colorado for about 19 years. In 1966, Martin joined the Air National Guard and served for 6 years.

On September 22, 1970, he married Carol Kathleen Maynard Conroy. To this union three children were born, Craig Martin O'Dell, Brandon Lee O'Dell and Lesley Carol O'Dell. They were divorced in September 1988.

In 1986, Martin purchased about 39 acres on 7 highway west of Warsaw, Missouri and started and operated Oak Springs Boat Storage until he sold it in January 2021. Martin also became a licensed Real Estate Broker and developed about 30 of the acres into a small subdivision for weekenders and retirees. In his spare time he built and sold treated lumber yard furniture. Later, he mowed the Shawnee Cemetery for about 7 years; and raised and sold produce for farmer markets.

On February 29, 1992, Martin was married to Kathy Sue (Mantonya) Shinn at Cedar Grove Baptist Church in Warsaw, Missouri. He taught Adult Sunday School for several years at Cedar Grove and contin-

ued his education by taking Seminary classes. He had previously served as a Deacon for a church in Kansas. Martin and Kathy moved to a small farm outside of Calhoun, MO, in August 2002. There they raised an assortment of livestock, Belted Galloway cattle, American Paint Horses, Oberhasli goats, Hair sheep, Hereford pigs, and a wide variety of poultry.

Martin enjoyed all things tractors and trains and had a small collection of scale models of both. He made it a point to attend the Missouri State Fair multiple days each year to enjoy the tractor shows and displays and livestock shows. He enjoyed watching football, and college basketball, especially the KC Chiefs and MU; and watching Kathy with her horses even though he said he didn't like horses!

Martin was preceded in death by both his parents. He is survived by all three children and their families; his wife, Kathy O'Dell of the home; Joshua Shinn, wife Natalie Shinn, and children Jamison and Presley, of Blue Springs, Missouri. His in-laws, Edward & Helen Mantonya, Deepwater, Missouri; Vicky Church, Clinton, Missouri; Michael Mantonya, Deepwater, Missouri. His brother, James D O'Dell, and wife, Shirley O'Dell, Warsaw, Missouri. Along with nephews, nieces, great nephews and great nieces; cousins, and many friends.

Martin passed away December 27, 2022, at Overland Park Regional Hospital, Overland Park, Kansas.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, January 5, 2023, at 11:00 am at the Northeast Baptist Church, Clinton, Missouri; with visitation at 10:00 am, and Wednesday prior to the service, and Wednesday, January 4, 2023, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, also at the church. Interment will be

in the Calhoun Cemetery, Calhoun, Missouri. Funeral services provided by Bradley and Hadley Funeral Home, Clinton. The family suggests memorial donations be made in Martin's memory to the City Union Mission-Opportunity Farm program, 13478 MO-7, Warsaw, MO 65355, and these donations may be left in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be left online at [www.bradleyhadley.com](http://www.bradleyhadley.com).

**SANDRA SUSAN BRADLEY**

Sandra Susan Bradley, age 73, passed away on Saturday, December 31, 2022 at her home in Deepwater, Missouri.

Sandra Susan Bradley was born on June 3, 1949 in Clinton, Missouri to Theodore and Dorothy Criss.

Sandra worked in the molding department at Rival Manufacture and later worked for Elite Laundry until her retirement. Sandra loved to watch Soap Operas with General Hospital being her favorite. She also loved spending time with her family and friends.

Sandra was preceded in death by her parents, and her son John Hodge.

Survivors include her husband Joe Bradley of the home, and two grandchildren, John "JJ" W. Hodge and Josh Hodge and a host of family and friends.

Graveside services were held January 6, 2023 at Maplewood Cemetery, Brownington, MO.

Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home, Clinton, MO.

**RAYMOND E. BIGLER**  
Raymond E. Bigler, age 91, of Clinton, Missouri passed away on Thursday, January 5, 2023 at Golden Valley Memorial Hospital in Clinton, Missouri.

Raymond E. Bigler was born on January 23, 1931 to Fred Carson and Lucy Lee (Hammonds) Bigler he was the baby boy of 12 children.

Raymond served his country in the U.S. Army from 1949 - 1953. He married Cecile Stotts on June 16, 1956. He worked with Hallmark Cards for 42 years and with the Clinton School District as a custodian.

Raymond loved to trout fish with his secret bait and spent many days crappie fishing. He loved spending time with the grandkids, always a floor full of kids. They loved going Honky Tonkin with their Grandpa, Gramps, Pappy, Happy, Pop pop. They all had their own special names for Raymond.

Raymond is preceded in death by his wife Cecile L. Bigler, his parents, his granddaughter Crystal Cox, and siblings; Russel Bigler, Hazel Bigler, Juanita Cox, Pauline Bartholomew, Opal Sartin, Peggy Howard, Harriet Knifogg, Henry Bigler, Howard Bigler, and Julia Bigler.

Survivors include his children; Fred (Scherr) Bigler, Susan Bigler, Vivian (Kenney) Kasper, and Jody Cox, his sister, Mildred Hager, his grandchildren; Jamey Vogel, Mathew Cox, Ben

Cox, Jeremy Cox, Racheal Cox, Jamie Cox, Tim Bigler, Joshua Bigler, Quade Bigler, Jackie Hughes, Nicole Collins, Brandon McGinnis, Kristen Dunaway, along with numerous great and great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held January 10, 2023 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel, Clinton with Pastor Alan Anzalone officiating. Special music included "How Great Thou Art and Go Rest High." The casket bearers were Tim Bigler, Quade Bigler, Zach Wells, Joshua Bigler, Brandon McGinnis and Aden Bigler. Jamie Cox, Jim Wells, Matt Hughes and Jay Collins were honorary bearers. Interment followed in Deepwater Cemetery, Deepwater, MO. Military honors were under the direction of VFW Post #1894 and the US Army.

Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

**EDWARD DALE PARKS**

Edward Dale Parks of Urich, MO went home to be with the Lord on December 29, 2022 at Clinton Healthcare and Rehab surrounded by his family. He was 88 years old.

Known to many from his youth as "Rose," Dale was born in Leeton, MO and was raised and lived the vast majority of his life on the family farm in Henry County, MO. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean War and was a member of Fairview Baptist Church in Ballard, MO. His favorite pastime was telling stories. When he wasn't telling stories about his time in the military, he could be found sitting on his tractor in the field, sitting in his easy chair in the house, or sitting in pretty much any place where there was coffee and conversation. Dale also loved spending time with his family and grandkids on the family farm.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Rosco and Ninnie (Whitaker) Parks, three siblings (Gilbert Lee Parks, Louise Johnson, and Charlene Wetzel), and his wife of nearly 60 years, Bettie Lois (Campbell) Parks. He is survived by two sons: Brian (Eileen) Parks of Urich, MO and Randy Parks of Clinton, MO; one daughter, Jenifer (Kevin) Anderson of Lowry City, MO; five grandchildren (or "little rascals"): Leslie Neal, Michael Urton, Brooke (Travis) Shepherd, Matthew (Amelia) Parks and Brandon Parks, and ten great-grandchildren: Lexi Judy; Josie, Priscilla, Clara, Solomon and Bliss Parks; Lillian, Evalynn and Guy Shepherd; and Axel Parks; and many other extended family members and friends.

Memorial services were held Monday, January 2, 2023 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel, Clinton with Pastor Matthew Parks officiating. Special music included "In the Garden and Amazing Grace," sung by vocalists, Matthew Parks and Brooke Shepherd. Military honors were under the direction

of VFW Post #1894 and the US Army. Interment will be in White Oak Cemetery, Urich, MO.

Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

**GERALD DUANE BYE**

Gerald Duane Bye passed away on Sunday, January 1, 2023 at his home in Lowry City, Missouri after a battle with Alzheimer's at the age of 78 years.

Gerald Duane Bye "Jerry" was born on August 6, 1944 in Northwood, North Dakota to Harold and Laverne Bye.

Gerald started teaching music in 1976 at Lakeland Consolidated School District in Missouri. He also proudly drove the school bus as well as doing repairs and maintenance. He had a long and successful career as a teacher taking many vocal groups to state contests. He put on great vocal concerts every year and was always proud of his students. He taught in Belfry, Montana from 1990-2000 and later at McClusky, North Dakota from 2000-2007 he later moved back home to Lowry City in 2015 to be closer to his family.

Jerry was always active, working summer jobs, working on cars and around the house. He loved fishing. In the 80's he started going to Montana every year to fish with his good friend Glen Sell, eventually guiding some fly fishing groups as well. He also loved trout fishing at Bennet Springs and bass fishing on Truman Lake. Jerry loved his kids and would do anything he could to help them.

Gerald is survived by his wife Susan Bye, his three children; Mark Timothy Bye, Cresinda Beth Michael, Mindy Jo Davis and two stepchildren; Edward and Joanne, 11 grandchildren; Danielle, Devin, Kristin, Leah, Kim, Jordan, Dalton, Hunter, Makayla, Dilia and Kyle, 4 great grandchildren; Aislyn, Peyton, Taylor and Karsyn, his sister, Beverly Brown and nieces, Kayleen and Melissa.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 6, 2023 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel, Clinton with Pastor Tom Renfro officiating. Interment was in Lowry City Cemetery, Lowry City, MO.

Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

**Death Notices**

**Terry L. Blackwell**, age 66, passed away on Wednesday, January 4, 2023. Terry's wishes were to be cremated. There are no services at this time. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, Missouri.

**Richard Jacobson**, age 66, of Blairstown, Missouri passed away on Monday, December 26, 2022. There are no services at this time. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton,

Missouri.

**Sandra Kay Veatch**, age 77, of Windsor, Missouri passed away on Sunday, January 8, 2023. Sandra's wishes were for cremation with no services. Fond memories and condolences can be left online at [www.vansant-millsfuneralhome.com](http://www.vansant-millsfuneralhome.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, Missouri.

**Robert Lee Allen Jr "Bub"**, age 46, left us on Thursday, January 5th, 2023. A visitation service will be held from 6 PM - 8 PM on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at Consalus Funeral Home in Clinton, Missouri.

His ashes will be laid to rest next to his father Robert Lee Allen Sr, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be left in the care of the funeral home to help the family cover funeral expenses. Fond memories and condolences can be left online at [www.consalusfuneralhome.com](http://www.consalusfuneralhome.com).

**Yvette Sims**, 89, of Windsor, Missouri, died Saturday evening, January 7, 2023. Graveside funeral services were 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery, Higginsville, Mo., with Pastor Mike Brown officiating. The family suggests contributions to the Windsor High School Master Scholarship Endowment Fund (WHS MSELF) in care of the Hadley Funeral Home, Windsor. Condolences may be left online at [www.hadleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.hadleyfuneralhome.com).


**Stacie Marek**, 31, of Windsor, Missouri, died Sunday, December 25, 2022. Funeral services were 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 7, 2023, at the Hadley Funeral Home, Windsor, with Pastor Larry Hill officiating. Burial will take place in the Englewood Cemetery, Clinton, at a later date. A memorial fund has been established to help with funeral expenses and can be made in care of the Hadley Funeral Home, Windsor. Condolences may be left online at [www.hadleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.hadleyfuneralhome.com).

**Katie White**, 98, of Windsor, Missouri, passed peacefully December 25, 2022. Graveside services were 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at the Mineral Creek Cemetery, Leeton, Mo., with Pastor Harvey Beach officiating. Condolences may be left online at [www.hadleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.hadleyfuneralhome.com).

**Clifford Lee Miller**, 65, of Windsor, Missouri, died Saturday evening, December 24, 2022, at his home in Windsor.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. A memorial fund has been established to help with funeral expenses. Contributions may be left in care of the Hadley Funeral Home, Windsor. Condolences may be left online at [www.hadleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.hadleyfuneralhome.com).

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THURSDAY • JANUARY 12, 2023 Evening

Table with 11 columns (Time slots: 7 PM, 7:30, 8 PM, 8:30, 9 PM, 9:30, 10 PM, 10:30, 11 PM, 11:30) and 12 rows of TV listings for Thursday, January 12, 2023.

FRIDAY • JANUARY 13, 2023 Evening

Table with 11 columns (Time slots: 7 PM, 7:30, 8 PM, 8:30, 9 PM, 9:30, 10 PM, 10:30, 11 PM, 11:30) and 12 rows of TV listings for Friday, January 13, 2023.

SATURDAY • JANUARY 14, 2023 Evening

Table with 11 columns (Time slots: 7 PM, 7:30, 8 PM, 8:30, 9 PM, 9:30, 10 PM, 10:30, 11 PM, 11:30) and 12 rows of TV listings for Saturday, January 14, 2023.

SUNDAY • JANUARY 15, 2023 Evening

Table with 11 columns (Time slots: 7 PM, 7:30, 8 PM, 8:30, 9 PM, 9:30, 10 PM, 10:30, 11 PM, 11:30) and 12 rows of TV listings for Sunday, January 15, 2023.

MONDAY • JANUARY 16, 2023 Evening

Table with 11 columns (Time slots: 7 PM, 7:30, 8 PM, 8:30, 9 PM, 9:30, 10 PM, 10:30, 11 PM, 11:30) and 12 rows of TV listings for Monday, January 16, 2023.

TUESDAY • JANUARY 17, 2023 Evening

Table with 11 columns (Time slots: 7 PM, 7:30, 8 PM, 8:30, 9 PM, 9:30, 10 PM, 10:30, 11 PM, 11:30) and 12 rows of TV listings for Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

WEDNESDAY • JANUARY 18, 2023 Evening

Table with 11 columns (Time slots: 7 PM, 7:30, 8 PM, 8:30, 9 PM, 9:30, 10 PM, 10:30, 11 PM, 11:30) and 12 rows of TV listings for Wednesday, January 18, 2023.

DAY ONE

By Jill Pepper

13x13 crossword puzzle grid with words filled in. Words include: LAMB, TESTS, AREA, ALOHA, BRAT, FIRST, FEBRUARY, FLEER, ABRADED, DAUB, EACH, MBA, USES, SKATER, ARP, MERIT, BONE, JANUARY, THE FIRST, OVEN, LARGO, CUR, REALMS, REAR, HEY, OAHU, EDAM, TWOTONE, GUARD, FIRST, DECEMBER, TREE, TIGER, PINE, PENN, STENO, STOW.

WEEK OF JANUARY 16



WEEKLY HOROSCOPE

Capricorn 12/22-1/19: Simmering conflicts with loved ones over old emotional wounds and a lack of progress on projects around the house could feel stressful in the beginning of the week. You'll do well to reprioritize and, within your intimate relationships, keep hashing it out until you see eye to eye (or as close to it as possible). Later, you might also begin to see real results as a result of those exciting, big picture dreams you've had floating around in the back of your head. Don't hold back from pursuing any passion project that simply feels right. You have what it takes to turn it into a concrete, rewarding reality.
Aquarius 1/20-2/18: Keeping social plans or seeing a brainstorm through to an actionable plan might prove challenging at the start of the week. While it might not suit your M.O., finding a way to embrace and adapt to this less predictable vibe can help you maintain productivity. Later, finding a way to get on the same page as a loved one, especially when it comes to money, could feel particularly challenging. The issue is that facts are evasive and confusion is running rampant. For those reasons, you might do well to wait until the dust settles before plowing forward.
Pisces 2/19-3/20: Making major strides on moneymaking endeavors might feel challenging at the beginning of the week. Instead of pushing forward on projects that don't resonate, try to preserve your energy and narrow your focus on plans that you truly feel passionate about. This could ultimately help you to streamline and get ahead on professional goals. Later, you might feel like it's tough to get on the same page as your significant other, colleague, or a dear friend. This could cause you to feel nervous about what the future holds, but you'll do best to stay in the present and stick with what you know.
Aries 3/21-4/19: You might be frustrated if it feels like creating solid momentum on your personal goals is more like walking through thick mud than sprinting ahead at the beginning of the week. When it feels like the roadblocks just keep piling up, see this as an opportunity to reflect, revise, and slow down in order to perfect your game plan. You might also take heart in the fact that you're not alone! Later, you'll see more visible expansion in terms of your professional path thanks to the cosmos. You might find that any plays for more recognition from higher-ups might begin to pay off now.
Taurus 4/20-5/20: You might feel a bit lost if your current big ideas and dreams begin to feel unrealistic or as though they aren't set up to come to fruition in the way you had hoped at the start of the week. You might do best to hit pause on definitive game plans and see where the moment takes you. Taking a more hands-off, organic approach to achieving your deepest-rooted aspirations serves you best right now. Later, the cosmos fires up your confidence, especially around relationships, fun, creativity, and making future plans to get out of your comfort zone and broaden your horizons. Channel this enthusiasm into whatever personal endeavor you're most invested in.
Gemini 5/21-6/20: When the week starts, it might be difficult to get ahead on group projects. This challenging moment might lead you to believe that your colleagues and friends are at fault for the snail's pace, but the fact of the matter is that everyone is being urged to take more time and ensure that the actions they're taking are thoughtful and deliberate as opposed to hair-trigger. Recognizing this can help everyone get on the same page. Later, the cosmos helps to magnify your deepest relationships in a more external, visible way.
Cancer 6/21-7/22: In the beginning of the week, you might feel like it's a downright slog to get ahead on the job, get recognized by higher-ups, or see forward movement related to looking for new opportunities. This could prove frustrating, to be sure, but doing your best to avoid getting extra competitive can help, as can using this slower time to brush up your resume or hone a new skill set that will help you get even more noticed in the long run. Later, the cosmos gives you the green light to create real, tangible results on one-on-one goals.
Leo 7/23-8/22: If you've been hoping to travel or sign up for an online course in order to make progress in some way professionally or personally—or both—you might find it tough to move forward at the start of the week. Your best bet is to use this time to soak up knowledge and potentially revise, or at least perfect, your game plan so that when you do finally get a clear runway, you'll have no trouble taking off and knowing exactly where you're headed. Later, you can enjoy more work and wellness opportunities.
Virgo 8/23-9/22: Watch out for confusion and misunderstandings, especially within your closest one-on-one relationships (think a partner, dear friend, loved one, or close colleague) when the week gets underway. Feeling like it's nearly impossible to get a handle on all the facts right now can create insecurity and affect your morale. Just know that this moment will pass, and you'll soon have the info you need to move forward. Later, you can look forward to enjoying the organically flowing flirtation and pleasurable moments that you've been dreaming of.
Libra 9/23-10/22: It might feel as though it's challenging to get ahead on goals you've been working toward with your significant other, close friend, or business partner at the start of the week. It's almost like no matter what you do, you'll struggle to get on the same page in terms of a game plan, and at times it could feel like you're actually stepping on one another's toes or getting in one another's way. Do your best to see this as a time to slow down and make sure that the goals you've set are exactly what you want to work toward as a team. Later, the cosmos makes it easy to enthusiastically express deep-rooted needs to loved ones.
Scorpio 10/23-11/21: You might find it challenging to create momentum with your fitness or general health plan at the start of the week. Pushing too hard right now could only serve to set you up for more aggravation, so you might do best to take a pause and recall the pragmatic measures that have worked best for you in the past. Simple moves like drinking enough water and taking daily walks can go far to keeping you firing on all cylinders. Later, the cosmos causes lines to cross with colleagues and/or your significant other. Breathe deep and trust that clarity is around the bend.
Sagittarius 11/22-12/21: You'll be feeling psyched and self-assured when it comes to pursuing a major professional goal when the week starts. Taking your big ideas to higher-ups could not only feel empowering right now but also help you lay the groundwork for some well-deserved rewards. Later, the cosmos slows down your efforts related to art, pleasure, and fun-loving relationships. Still, this can be a beneficial time for you to go back to the drawing board on a creative passion project. You might also do well to approach loving relationships with a mellow, go-with-the-flow vibe.



## Announces January Employee of the Month



**CHRISTINE HOOD**

We are pleased to announce that Christine Hood is the January Employee of the Month.

Hood has been an employee of GVMH since October 2020 and currently works as a Social Worker in the Social Services department.

Her nomination stated that Hood is an extremely compassionate professional who is dedicated to helping her patients and co-workers. She makes it her priority to provide patients with the safest discharge plan possible, is frequently finding ways to assist others with workload and often helps nursing staff with tasks so they can focus on direct patient care.

As the Employee of the Month, Hood received a GVMH gift and her name will be engraved on a plaque to be permanently displayed in the hospital. She is also one of 12 finalists for the 2022-2023 Employee of the Year award.

For more information about GVMH, visit [gvmh.org](http://gvmh.org) and follow on social media @choosegvmh.

## Provides Show Me Healthy Women Program

Golden Valley Memorial Healthcare (GVMH) is a proud provider of the Show Me Healthy Women program that offers free cervical and breast cancer screenings to women who meet age, income and insurance guidelines.

To qualify for the program, women must have an income at or below 250 percent of the federal poverty level for household income, be ages 35 to 64 or older if they do not receive Medicare Part B and have no insurance.

"Show Me Healthy Women serves about 10,000 women each year across Missouri," said Laura Noble, FNP-BC. "The screenings have found more than 200 breast cancers and 70 to 90 cervical cancers. Free

tests include clinical breast exams, mammograms based on age or need, pap tests and pelvic exams. To learn more about Show Me Healthy Women, call 660.890.7300."

For more information about GVMH, visit [gvmh.org](http://gvmh.org) and follow on social media @choosegvmh.

## Invited To Speak At Luncheon



**LEANN BAUGHMAN**

The new year has begun and we are all hoping for good things to come. The CWC Luncheon committee has been making plans and has launched the year by inviting Leann Baughman to speak at our January luncheon. Leann and her husband, Scott, a MO Highway Patrolman, have lived here in Clinton for almost ten years. They have two sons, a daughter and 3 dogs. You may meet them on occasion out for a walk, or with roller blades on. Leann is a certified Mental Health Coach. She has a heart for ministry and a passion for music. She and a friend will bring a guitar and share some time in music. Leanne's speaking topic is "Birthright".

The Christian Women's Committee would like to invite area ladies to join us for lunch on Tuesday, January 17th at 11:45 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall of First Assembly, 1506 E. Ohio, (the junction of highway 7 & 13). For reservations call Debra Dolly at (660)885-5918 or e-mail her at [debdolly30@gmail.com](mailto:debdolly30@gmail.com). Please call and cancel your reservation if you find you cannot attend. This is important for our meal count. The cost is \$12. The weather is somewhat unpredictable in the winter and we care about your safety, so if the Clinton Public Schools are canceled, then the Luncheon is also cancelled.

A big thanks goes to First Assembly for the use of the Fellowship Hall and a hearty thank you to our caterer for supplying the meals.

## Mark Your Calendars

January 23rd & 24th the Heartland Community Theah-e will be holding Auditions for the Spring Play, "The Cemetery Club",

written by Ivan Menchell. Auditions will be held at 6pm both days at the Heartland Pavilion, 108 N Washington. This is a great play about a group of friends. Come be a part of Heartland Theah-e. We need actors and helpers of all kinds. Join us for a rewarding experience! Any Question?? Call 660-351-5288

## Private Pesticide Applicator Training Dates Set

The private pesticide applicator license issued by the Missouri Department of Agriculture is required for producers wanting to purchase and apply restricted use pesticides. Agricultural producers needing to obtain or renew certification of this license must take this pesticide safety training every five years. You must be 18 years of age and directly involved in the production of agricultural commodities to obtain this license.

Each farm is encouraged but not required to have a copy of the M87 Private Pesticide Applicator Training Manual, which can be ordered for \$25 plus shipping at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/m87> Allow time for shipping. Your local Extension Center may have a few copies for sale. Or you can bring your previously purchased 2007 manual with you.

This class does not include the annual training required to apply synthetic auxin herbicides (i.e. dicamba) given by the registrants. See <https://agriculture.mo.gov/plants/pesticides/dicamba-facts.php> for more information.

This training also does not include the supplemental training required to apply paraquat dichloride. For more information see <https://agriculture.mo.gov/plants/pesticides/paraquat.php>.

Please register using the specific link for your class or by contacting your respective Extension center.

**Pettis County** - February 3 @ 9am. Mathewson Exhibition Center. 2503 W 16th St. Sedalia. (660)827-0591

Online registration at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/private-pesticide-applicator-training-sedalia>

**Pettis County** - February 4 @ 12pm. Mathewson Exhibition Center. 2503 W 16th St. Sedalia. (660)827-0591

Online registration at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/private-pesticide-applicator-training-sedalia-1672859263>

**Benton County** - February 10 @ 10am. Warsaw Ambulance District Building. 1206 Medic Dr. Warsaw. (660)438-5012.

Online registration at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/private-pesticide-applicator-training-warsaw>

**Johnson County** - February 15 @ 2pm. Johnson County Extension Center. 135 W Market St. Warrensburg. (660)747-3193

Online registration at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/private-pesticide-applicator-training-warrensburg-afternoon>

**Johnson County** - February 15 @ 6pm. Johnson County Extension Center. 135 W Market St. Warrensburg. (660)747-3193

Online registration at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/private-pesticide-applicator-training-warrensburg-evening>

**Henry County** - February 20 @ 2pm. Henry County Extension Center. 120 E Lincoln St. Clinton. (660)885-5556.

Online registration at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/private-pesticide-applicator-training-clinton-afternoon>

**Henry County** - February 20 @ 6pm. Henry County Extension Center. 120 E Lincoln St. Clinton. (660)885-5556.

Online registration at: <https://extension.missouri.edu/events/private-pesticide-applicator-training-clinton-evening>

**Lafayette County** - February 23 @ 10am. Lafayette County Extension Center. 14th E 19th St. Higginsville. (660)584-3658.

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**Ray County** - February 23 @ 2pm. Ray County Extension Center. 1015 W Royle St. Richmond. (816)776-6961.

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### LOOKING BACK

with Guest Sports Reporter **TIM KOMER**



**THE 2021-22 LADY CARDINALS** basketball team provided one of many highlight moments for the Clinton community last year when they won the district championship.

#### Looking Back: Sports in 2022

This is my yearly review of big sporting events, and a few not-so-big events, from last year. This review includes everything from the Super Bowl to the Little League World Series, the Masters' golf tournament to UCM, the Kentucky Derby to Wimbledon, and our local Cardinal sports. I love the LL World Series. I think it is great when Major Leaguers drop by and spend time with the kids at Williamsport, PA. Thanks to Title IX and Billie Jean King, the ladies are well represented in this review. If this was written in the '30s-'60s it would look a lot shorter. The soon-to-be 2023 Super Bowl winner should be an easy pick, am I right? I'll go with the Chiefs. Enough talk, here is the summary of 2022. Please note, I am aware very big 'world' events, like Rugby, Cricket, Lacrosse, and Field Hockey championships are not included.

#### (Professional Championships)

Super Bowl: LA Rams 23 Bengals 20 \*\*\* World Series (WS): Houston over Phillie - 4 games to 2 \*\*\* Stanley Cup: Columbia 4 Lighting 2 \*\*\* MLS Cup: LAFC 3 Phil. Union 3 (PK) \*\*\*NBA Title: Warriors 4 Celtics 2 \*\*\* WNBA Title: Las Vegas Aces 4 Sun 2 \*\*\* NWSL Title: Portland 2 KC Current 0 \*\*\* NASCAR Cup Series: Joey Logano, R. Chastain (2nd) \*\*\* Kentucky Derby: Rich Strike, Epicenter (2nd) \*\*\* Tour-de-France: Denmark's Jonas Vingegaard \*\*\* World Cup (soccer): Argentina over France (PKs) \*\*\* Crappie Nationals: Hayden and Dan Jeffries \*\*\* Wimbledon (M): Novak Djokovic, (W): Elena Rybakina (Kaz.) \*\*\* Masters Golf: Scottie Scheffler (USA) \*\*\* US Open (Golf): (M) Matt Fitzpatrick (2.6 mil.), (W) Minjee Lee (1.8 mil.)- 2nd-Mina Harigae \*\*\* (Almost pro) March Madness (M): KU 72 N. Carolina 69, (W): S. Carolina 64 Conn. 49.

#### (Youth)

Little League WS: Honolulu 13 Curacao 3. **(D1 College Champs)**

**Football:** Georgia Bulldogs over Alabama 33-18, Baseball WS: Old Miss over OK \*\*\*Softball Champs: OK over Florida St.\*\*\* Soccer Champs (M): Syracuse, (W): UCLA \*\*\* Golf Champs (M): TX Longhorns, (W): Stanford.

#### (D2 Champs)

**Football:** Ferris State \*\*\* Basketball (M): NW Missouri St., (W): Greenville \*\*\* Baseball: N. Greenville \*\*\* Softball: Rogers State \*\*\* Soccer (M): Franklin Pierce, (W): West Washington.

**(How did UCM do?)** Football 4-7, Basketball (M) 13-14, (W) 19-11, Baseball 46-9 (wow!), Softball 17-36, Soccer (W) 19-2, Volleyball 19-11, Wrestling (M) 6-8.

**(How did MU do?)** Football 6-7, Basketball (M) 12-21, (W) 18-13, Baseball 28-23, Softball 38-22, Soccer (W) 5-8-4, Volleyball 9-19, Wrestling (M) 13-4.

#### (Clinton Cardinal Review)

**Fall:** Cardinal Football made strides forward and won two games, one in District play. The Softball team continued to gain ground and went 12-15. The Volleyball team had another strong year going 19-13. Cross Country sent six to State. The boys' Soccer team was young but improved and was able to capture six wins. The boys' Tennis team was very inexperienced but improved as a team and individually.

**Winter:** The CHS girls' Basketball kept going strong with a 17-11 record and becoming District Champs. The boys' Basketball team moved a step closer capturing seven wins and 2nd at Districts. Wrestling (boys and girls) had a lot of weight divisions open but did well and sent two to State.

**Spring:** Baseball won nine games (the most in four years) with one District win. The track team took 13 to State. The girls' soccer team worked hard and got 14 wins, a school record. Girls' tennis went 8-6 which was tied for the best since 2012. CHS Golf went 5-0 in duals and sent one to State. Go Cards in 2023.

## Cardinals Continue To Battle Through Grinding Season

It's been a season of ups and downs so far for the Cards this year as the team's road win at Lexington (3-8) last Thursday brought them to .500 and evened their record at 6-6.

The win was a big one for the Cardinals, who entered the matchup having dropped consecutive home contests to Nevada (63-32) and Summit Christian (70-54) on Tuesday and Wednesday of the same week.

However, the resilient Cardinals, in their third game in three days, prevailed on the road against the Minutemen with a 57-52 final.

Clinton struggled early to get their offense going and trailed at the first quarter buzzer, 10-9.

In the second period, the Cardinals began to find their rhythm behind Dom Jackson's 8 points as he led them to a slim halftime lead of 22-19.

The third period was a back-and-forth one but Lexington managed a slim margin of 18-15 and the game was tied entering the final frame, knotted up at 37-37.

Clinton owned the fourth as Jackson rained in 2 timely three-point shots and connected on 4-for-4 from the line in the period. The Cardinals took the quarter, 20-15 and eventually the game, 57-52.

Jackson paced the Cardinals offense with 27 points. Richie Brown and Brayden Ethridge added 7 points each while Emrie Neal and Mitchell Alexander both



**GOING FOR THE BLOCK**, the Cardinals Jake Balke (24) contested a baseline jumper by Summit Christian in last Tuesday's junior varsity game. Unfortunately, the JV squad fell by a final of 53-39. The Clinton varsity didn't fare much better as they lost their game by a 70-54 final.

tossed in 6 apiece. **CLINTON (57):** R. Brown, 7; D. Jackson, 27; E. Neal, 6; B. Ethridge, 7; M. Alexander, 6; J. Wilson, 0; G. Ethridge, 0; X. Ray, 4.

**LEXINGTON (52):** M. Gonzalez, 21; D. Moss, 21; P. Kaulen, 0; D. Reeves, 0; Z. Miller, 0; C. Grom, 0; C. Schieber, 0; C. Sawyer, 0; Z. Melvin, 1; C. Soendker, 1; C. Lichte, 0; D. Thompson, 8.

To cap their busy week, the Cardinals welcomed Odessa to town on Friday night but their stint at .500 was short-lived as they fell below that mark once again after absorbing a 68-60 loss to the visiting Bulldogs.

Odessa came out firing and led 16-6 at the end of the first and used a 20-5

advantage in the second to secure a comfortable 36-11 halftime lead.

But the same Cardinals, who overcame just a night before, came out in the second half, a different team.

Both teams battled but Clinton managed to squeak out a 20-13 advantage in the third period to peck their way back in, still trailing 49-31.

In the fourth, the talented backcourt of Richie Brown and Dom Jackson for Clinton combined for 25 of the Cardinals 29 points in the period. Clinton took the final frame with a 29-19 margin, but Odessa held on late, handing the Cardinals the 68-60 loss.

Brown and Jackson

matched each other with 19 points apiece to lead Clinton. Xzavier Ray was also in double-digits with 11.

**CLINTON (60):** R. Brown, 19; D. Jackson, 19; E. Neal, 4; B. Ethridge, 2; M. Alexander, 0; J. Wilson, 3; J. Balke, 0; G. Ethridge, 2; X. Ray, 11; K. Townsend, 0; S. Taylor, 0.

**ODESSA (68):** C. Bennett, 4; L. Linkhart, 0; N. Begemann, 0; H. Nye, 1; P. Mitchell, 11; Z. Miller, 8; J. Murray, 25; K. Crowder, 0; B. Petersen, 0; I. Sumy, 19; D. Cates, 0; A. Mitchell, 0; D. D'obron, 0.

The Cardinals will travel to Sedalia for their next game to take on Smith-Cotton on Wednesday night. They'll then be back at home to host Butler on Tuesday.

## Lady Cards Stay Hot, Win Sixth Straight

The Lady Cardinals continue to separate themselves from the rest of the pack and are proving to be a team to watch moving forward as they added two more W's to their total with wins over Lexington and Odessa last week.

In their first contest on Wednesday night, the Lady Cardinals jumped on Lexington from the tip and led 21-6 at the end of the first. A 21-4 margin in the second led to a 42-10 lead at half and Clinton would cruise from there.

With many substitutions already taking place early in the second half, the Lady Cardinals surrendered the third, 10-7, and the fourth, 11-8 but still rolled to a 57-31 win.

Mercedez Brown paved the way for Clinton with 17 points while Skyte Wilson and Vyla Brown were also in double figures with 12 and 10, respectively.

**CLINTON (57):** V. Brown, 11; A. Cardwell, 3; M.

Brown, 17; H. Campbell, 2; K. Schaffer, 0; S. Wilson, 12; A. Goucher, 3; A. Potter, 5; B. Wishard, 5.

**LEXINGTON (31):** A. Hamacher, 2; A. Ellison, 0; Z. Earnest, 11; R. Shaw, 0; M. Triplett, 4; A. Kidd, 0; S. Eads, 2; T. Emmerich, 4; L. Davis, 4; L. Harris, 0; E. Grosso, 0; S. Schumacher, 4.

After one night off, from a game anyway, the Lady Cardinals picked right back up where they left off on Wednesday when they hosted Odessa and powered their way to another MRVC win on Friday night, this time in lopsided fashion, 72-39 over the visiting Lady Bulldogs.

The hot hand of Skyte Wilson got the Lady Cardinals going early when she was responsible for 13 points herself as Clinton took the opening quarter with a 24-9 scoring margin.

With the gas firmly pressed, the Lady Cardinals



sped to a 27-11 advantage in the second to hold a 51-20 halftime lead.

Clinton won the second half, 21-19 and improved their record to 10-2 with the 72-39 final.

Wilson led the way for the Lady Cards with 22 points. Ava Potter tossed in 17 and Vyla Brown contributed 13 for Clinton.

**CLINTON (72):** V. Brown, 13; M. Brown, 9; H. Campbell, 0; K. Schaffer, 0; A. Cardwell, 4; S. Wilson, 22;

A. Goucher, 0; A. Potter, 17; L. Brauer, 0; B. Wishard, 7.

**ODESSA (39):** K. Thomas, 3; K. Byrd, 0; G. Harget, 3; R. Adams, 20; A. Guem, 3; B. Wade, 0; M. Lockhart, 0; B. Westerhold, 6; A. Bullcock, 0; E. Peterson, 0; B. Burns, 4; K. Smith, 0.

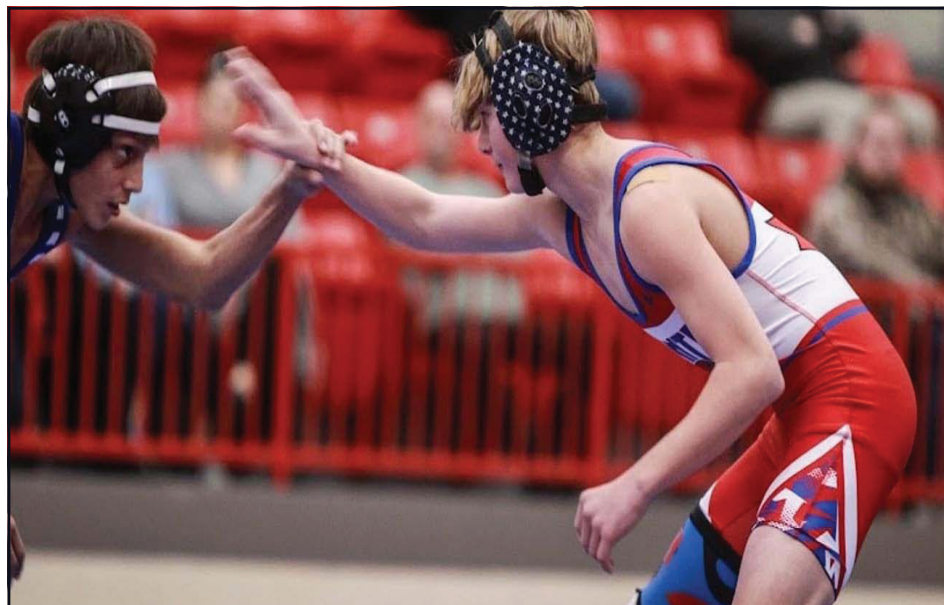
The Lady Cards will bring in Smith-Cotton on Wednesday night and will then play host to perennial Class 3 power, the Eldorado Springs Lady Bulldogs on Friday night.

## Clinton Wrestling Drops Dual At Harrisonville

Cardinals wrestling put up a strong fight in Harrisonville last Tuesday, leaving their mark on the event as they push deeper into the season.

While both varsity boys and girls lost in team scoring as open weight classes proved to be a difference, the teams each still managed to put together a respectable showing.

For their part, the Lady Cards cinched up a 5-1 record in their matches with Kylee Whalan, Mia Bagley, Amitria McNack, Rylee Cannon and Abby Jones each picking up strong wins. Rylee Canon impressed as she handled business in her first match of the season for a crucial



win. For the Varsity Boy's, the team went 5-6 at the

event with Lucas McMenemy, Drake Cannon, Payton Goth, Landon King, and

Triston Switzer all coming out on top.

## Back to the Land: Master Naturalists Lend Hand to Help Environment

BY JENNIFER JACKSON  
Staff Reporter

The turning of the calendar to a new year is a time when many people take stock of their lives and resolve to take a leap into a new interest, activity or hobby.

Some people literally take a leap on New Year's Day by participating in a Polar Bear Swim. Others take a leap by making resolutions — to reduce their waistline by getting outside for more exercise and fresh air, expand their mind by developing a new interest, or increase their impact by doing something to improve the environment.

Becoming a Missouri Master Naturalist encompasses all these resolutions.

Master Naturalists have a broad range of interests in the out-of-doors. The Hi Lonesome Chapter of Missouri Master Naturalists meets in Cole Camp, Mo., and includes people whose interests range from backyard bird counts to conducting prescribed burns to help maintain prairie ecosystems.

As one member said: "You can do whatever you are interested in."

The chapter was formed in 2008, and serves four counties — Henry, Benton, Johnson and Pettis, for the purpose of doing community projects, citizen science, nature interpretation and community nature education. The naturalists have built barn owl boxes, constructed a chimney swift tower, helped with a Prairie Chicken Restoration project, held a work day at Big Buffalo Creek Conservation Area, conducted a prescribed



**MASTER NATURALISTS:** Learning to identify birds and protect their environment is just one area of interest of Master Naturalists. The Hi Lonesome Chapter of Missouri Master Naturalists, based in Cole Camp, takes its name from the nearby Hi Lonesome Prairie Conservation Area, shown here.

burn at TurkeyFoot Prairie and participated in a beetle conservation project at Taberville Prairie. They also worked with the Missouri River Bird Observatory, based in Arrow Rock, Mo., to conduct grassland and prairie surveys.

Prairie conservation areas were established throughout Missouri and the United States to preserve grassland ecosystems, of which less than one-half of one percent of original prairie remains.

The chapter takes its name from the Hi Lonesome Prairie Conservation Area just west of Cole Camp. Hi Lonesome is a greeting used by cowboys who worked in isolated areas. The 655 acres were purchased in 1987 from cattle rancher Vaughn Lumpee, who had the greeting sign on his cabin, according to the conservation area's website on [mdc.mo.gov](http://mdc.mo.gov).

One of the largest remaining pieces of prairie in Central Missouri, Hi Lonesome Prairie Conservation Area is home to native plants and birds, including upland sandpipers

and loggerhead shrikes. Muzzle-loading and archery hunting for deer is allowed. You can also hunt for quail, rabbit and dove, fish in the ponds, and hunt, spear or net frogs. See the [mdc.mo.gov](http://mdc.mo.gov) website for seasons and current regulations.

Trapping fur-bearing animals is also allowed by special-use permit, with trappers working with the area manager to remedy a problem.

The Missouri Master Naturalist Program is sponsored by the MDC and University of Missouri Extension to support conservation efforts and natural resource education in local communities. Members take 11 weeks of training, and commit to a required number of service hours a year.

For more information, contact Ginger Miller, Hi Lonesome chapter advisor, at 660-885-8179 or email [Ginger.Miller@mdc.mo.gov](mailto:Ginger.Miller@mdc.mo.gov)

The Hi Lonesome chapter of Master Naturalists meet the first Tuesday of the month at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cole Camp, Mo. at 6 p.m., according to Melissa Zimmerschied.

## Fixing the Flame: UMC Symbol Burns Again

BY JENNIFER JACKSON  
Staff Reporter

More than 50 years ago, a metal sculpture of a cross and a flame was erected on the side of Clinton United Methodist Church. The sculpture, put up as a memorial to church members and friends who had joined the church eternal, was lit by neon tubes.

But after the neon tubes failed, no-one wanted to tackle the job of replacing them, and the flame no longer lit up. In fact, most people who attend the church now have never seen it lighted, office manager Kathy Garnett said.

So last fall, Clinton UMC, which had undergone a \$1.9 million addition and remodel, decided the church should do something about fixing the flame.

The trustees provided the funds, and the week before Christmas, David Garnett, Kathy's spouse and head of the building project, and Greg Hard, the church maintenance person, replaced the neon tubes with LED lights.

A symbol of the United Methodist Church all over the world, the cross and two-pronged flame was adopted after the Methodist and the Evangelical United Brethren churches merged in 1968, creating the United Methodist Church. The two parts of the flame represent the two denominations.

The flame is also a symbol of the Holy Spirit, a reminder of the tongues, as of fire, that appeared at Pentecost over the heads of the apostles, who were filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.



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From the Chamber Facebook page on Dec. 30th: The staff at the Greater Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the five on the Board of Directors that will be leaving this Board at the end of this year as their terms have expired: Courtney Banks from Banks Motors, Wes Hilton from Cover & Hilton Law, Lynn Lear with Clinton Abstract and Title Co., Clay Radford from KDKD/KXEA and Bill Wilson

with Champion Brands.

We are sorry to see these five individuals leave the Board, but at the same time, we are excited about the five that will be taking their place in 2023: Larry Dawson from Hawthorn Bank, Amber Hansen with Seeds of Faith Preschool, Sabrina Harris from TC Transcontinental, Jim Huenefeldt of A&K Railroad Materials and Jeff Stone from W&S Door.

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- Sites may be submitted by the following:
  - o Owner
  - o Realtor representing site
- Aerial photo of site with boundaries denoted. Google Earth, Henry County Assessor Map photos or other sources are acceptable.
- Asking price (per acre).

All sites for consideration must be received by Greater Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Department by Friday January 20, 2023. Please forward to: Mark Dawson, CECD Economic Development Director  
200 South Main Street Clinton, MO 64735  
(660) 492-6344  
[mark@clintonmo.com](mailto:mark@clintonmo.com)  
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13 Hwy South. 3.5 miles to east 450 Rd. Sparrow Foot Access. Thurs - Fri - Sat. 10am-4pm.  
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**CFD cont.....**

01/05 - 11:40am: Natural Gas Leak, Intersection of East Arcadia Dr. & South Stayton Dr.  
01/05 - 1:02pm: EMS Call, 100 Block of South Washington St.  
01/05 - 2:39pm: EMS

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01/07 - 6:34pm: Trash Fire, Cemetery Rd. near SE 31 Rd.  
01/08 - 9:47am: Medical Assist with GVMH Ambulance, 1400 Block of North DZF Rd.  
01/08 - 1:18pm: Medical Assist with GVMH Ambulance, 1700 Block of East Green St.  
01/09 - 8:35pm: EMS Call, 400 Block of South Third St.  
01/09 - 10:02am: EMS Call, 1200 Block of South Remington Cir.  
01/09 - 10:44am: Residential Automatic Fire Alarm (False Alarm, Canceled En Route), 244 Northwest 51 Rd.  
01/09 - 5:23pm: EMS Call, 500 Block of West Rogers St.  
01/09 - 8:52pm: Enforcement on Unauthorized Burning, 208 West Henry St.

**Clinton Police Dept.**

**12/13/2022 - ARRESTS**  
Smith, Jacob Thomas, 25, Urich, Taken Into Custody, Resisting/ Interfering W/ Arrest For A Felony - Resisting Officer, Tampering With Physical Evidence In Felony Prosecution • Obstruct, Unlawful Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia: Amphetamine/ Methamphetamine -Narcotic Equipment -Possess, Warrant Arrest - Other Jurisdiction - Felony  
Allen, Thomas J II, 37, Clinton, On View, Assault Whettam, Stephanie Ann, 44, Osceola, Citation, Stealing • Shoplifting  
Craven, Kimberely Dawn, 37, Osceola, Citation, Stealing • Shoplifting  
Victor, Timothy James, 33, Windsor, Warrant, Warrant Arrest-Other Jurisdiction • Felony  
Overbey, Mashele Marie, 44, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Stealing - All Othr Stealing  
Cook, Alexandra Shaye, 26, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest-Other Jurisdiction • Felony  
**1/4/2023 - ARRESTS**  
Osborne, Chanity Nicole, 28, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest- Clinton  
Vargas, Isaac N, 28, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest-Other Jurisdiction • Misd.  
**1/5/2023 - ARRESTS**  
Parks, Brandon Lynn, 29, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Excessive Blood Alcohol Content

**Clinton Monthly Building Reports**  
**DECEMBER 1-31**  
Permits: 5  
YTD: 176  
Permit Fees: \$1,399.00  
YTD: \$44,920.00  
Total Value YTD: \$37,372,644.00

**CHAMBER cont.....**  
saw Resort and Marina, Bruce Limpus from Schreiber Foods and Jim Smith with Oak Star Bank.  
Stacy Hinkle with Bernard Tax and Bookkeeping, Christy Maggi from the City of Clinton and Rick Pereles from the City Council will also continue to provide their services to the Chamber in 2023.  
Remember when Rocky use to train for his fights in an old, dirty, sweaty gym? BLUSH Boot Camp is 100% on the other end of the spectrum...and it's just for the ladies. The Clinton Chamber Ambassadors held a ribbon cutting today at BLUSH. They have room for you, but this facility has become very popular very quick. Congratulations! From their Facebook page: We are a Boot Camp studio for women in all stages of their fitness journey! 1832 E Ohio St, Clinton, MO [www.blushbootcamp.com](http://www.blushbootcamp.com)  
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**IN THE 27TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT,  
HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI  
PROBATE DIVISION**

In the Estate of THOMAS WALTER FOSTER, Deceased.  
Case No.: 22HE-PR00152

**NOTICE OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION GRANTED  
(Independent Administration)**

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of THOMAS WALTER FOSTER, Decedent:

On DECEMBER 29, 2022, the following individuals was appointed the personal representative of the estate of THOMAS WALTER FOSTER, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Henry County, Missouri. The personal representative's business address is:

JORDAN RILEY GREGORY, 804 SOUTH 6TH ST, CLINTON, MO 64735

The personal representative may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the court.

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:

JEFFERY T. ADAMS, 206 SOUTH BAIRD, PO BOX 226, CLINTON, MO 64735, (660) 885-2221

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after the decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo.

Date of the decedent's death: 04-DEC-2022

Date of first publication: JANUARY 12, 2023

Crissy Johnston  
Probate Clerk

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court.

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The City of Calhoun, MO is requesting qualifications for Engineer Services. The services required may include one or more of the following specialized services:

Drinking water and/or wastewater system engineering services which may include planning, design and/or construction phase services. Facility plans and engineering reports should adhere to 10 CSR 20-8.110 Engineering – Reports, Plans, and Specifications if appropriate. Funding for projects are through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Financial Assistance Center

Information provided in the response to the RFQ must include:

- (1) The specialized experience and technical competence of the firm with respect to the type of services required (0-20 points);
- (2) The capacity and capability of the firm to perform the work in question, including specialized services, within the time limitations fixed for the completion of the project (15 points);
- (3) The past record of performance of the firm with respect to such factors as control of costs, quality of work, and ability to meet schedules (0-15 points);
- (4) The firm's proximity to and familiarity with the area in which the project is located (5 points); and
- (5) The firm's professional experience in designing systems for the appropriate projects related to water and wastewater (20 points).

When submitting a proposal, please provide six (6) bound copies.

The above information should be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m. on January 30, 2023 to the attention of City Clerk Tina Redding at Calhoun City Hall, 201 E. Main Street, P.O. Box 97, Calhoun, MO 65323. Submittals may be delivered via mail or courier. Email submissions will not be accepted. Submittals received after the deadline may not be considered.

**Selection Process:** Once the most qualified firm is selected, an engineering agreement will be negotiated. The engineering agreement may include services other than planning, design, and/or construction management including, but not limited to, assistance with securing project financing, assistance with attaining easements or real property, user rate analysis, geotechnical analysis, surveying, or other services as needed.

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF  
ROSEMARY EVELYN BIRDSONG**

TO: All persons interested in the estate of Rosemary Evelyn Birdsong, decedent.

The undersigned is acting as Trustee under a trust the terms of which provide that the debts of the decedent may be paid by the Trustee upon receipt of proper proof thereof. The address of the Trustee is 608 E. Ohio Street, Clinton, Mo. 64735.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to present their claims to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred.

Michael X. Edgett, Trustee

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE**

**IN RE: Charles J. Branscombe and Annette L. Branscombe, Husband and Wife Trustee's Sale:**

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Charles J. Branscombe and Annette L. Branscombe, Husband and Wife dated January 16, 1998 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Henry County, Missouri in Book 616, Page 1416 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Friday, January 20, 2023 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 9:00 AM), at the North Front Door of the Court House, City of Clinton, County of Henry, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Henry County, State of Missouri, to wit:

ALL OF LOT THIRTY-ONE (31) IN HARMON GAINES SECOND SUBDIVISION TO THE CITY OF CLINTON, HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI.

to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C.,  
Successor Trustee  
612 Spirit Drive  
St. Louis, MO 63005  
(636) 537-0110  
File No: 139452.012023.427286 FC

**NOTICE**

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

PUBLISH ON: December 29, 2022 01/05/2023, 01/12/2023, 01/19/2023

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Board of Education  
Calhoun R-VIII School District  
Calhoun, Missouri

To The Members of the Board:

**Report on the Financial Statements**

**Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Calhoun R-VIII School District, Calhoun, Missouri (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash basis financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in modified cash basis financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General and Special Revenue Funds for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

**Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

**Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

**Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting**

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

**Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time. We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

**Other Matters**

**Other Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The capital projects budgetary schedule, schedule of revenues collected by source, schedule of expenditures paid by object, schedule of selected statistics, schedule of transportation costs eligible for state aid and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the capital projects budgetary schedule, schedule of revenues collected by source, schedule of expenditures paid by object, and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Legal Notices cont.....

Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the schedule of selected statistics and schedule of transportation costs eligible for state aid and we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the schedule of selected statistics and schedule of transportation costs eligible for state aid and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 15, 2022, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters.

December 15, 2022

Gerding, Korte & Chitwood, P.C. Certified Public Accountants Boonville, Missouri

CALHOUN R-VIII SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES COLLECTED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM MODIFIED CASH TRANSACTIONS - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Table with columns: Governmental Fund Types (General, Special Revenue, Capital Projects, Total Governmental Funds), REVENUES COLLECTED (Local, County, State, Federal, etc.), EXPENDITURES PAID (Regular instruction, Special instruction, etc.), and FUND BALANCES.

Table for DAVIS TOWNSHIP, HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023. Columns: FUNDS, Beginning Balance, Receipts, Disbursements, Ending Balance.

(1) Administration: All offices fees and Commissions, insurance, printing stationery Elections, etc. (2) Construction: New roads, bridges, Culverts, road tubes, etc. (3) Maintenance: All expenses for Maintaining roads

NOTICE OF SALE For default of payment, all items from the following storage units will be sold at auction on Saturday, January 21, 2023. Enrollment starts at 11:30 am inside the RE/MAX building 5 NE 91 Rd.

Deer Creek Township in Henry County, Missouri, is accepting bids for the hauling of road rock for 2023. Please bid hauling from Tightwad and Deepwater Quarries. Bids will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI IN RE: The Change of Name of ) Case No.: 22HE-AC00474 CIDNEE ANN ROGERS ) NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME You are hereby notified that the name of CIDNEE ANN ROGERS has been changed to CIDNEE ANN CHIPLEY by Judgment of the Circuit Court of Henry County, Missouri which was entered on the 20th day of December, 2022.

PRIEST Continued from page 1 schedule, serving as priest of the Truman Lake Parish, with its three churches, is one of his lighter assignments. Father Jim will tell you with a straight face that he is the oldest living priest in the diocese, having been ordained in 1881, a misprint in a publication. He is actually 68, and has been a priest for 42 years. He has no plans to retire.

to get some rest, it would be 2:30 or 3 a.m., he said. "I had to get up four hours later to celebrate Mass on Christmas Day," he said. Asked how he stayed awake at Midnight Mass at St. Mark, he joked "I didn't. I told people I was praying."

ing at St. Mark and in Clinton — at St. Mark, he had a staff of 12, he said. In Clinton, he's on his own. The advantage: staff meetings go so much more smoothly because everybody agrees."It's like, okay, we'll do that," he said, nodding his head as if conferring with the staff. His Easter schedule is similar to Christmas Eve, with three services back to back, only they start earlier, at 7 a.m. And next December, the schedule is even fuller because Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday. That means he'll be celebrating Sunday morning Mass in Clinton at 8:30 a.m. and in Windsor at 11 a.m., then head out to Osceola in the afternoon for the first of three Christmas Eve services. In all, he has put 100,000 miles on his car, a Ford Escape, in the past two years, and averages 3,000 miles a month. Since he was assigned to the Truman Lake Parish in July of 2016, he's put in a lot of miles on the road, but his spirit never flags.



January 4, 2023 Please license and register your pet at AC City Hall. The cost is \$5.00 per pet and you need proof of current rabies vaccination.

Ellett Memorial Hospital Appleton City offers outpatient specialist services for January, 2023. Call 660-476-2111 for appointments: Jan. 13 - Ortho-Dr. Gray, Jan. 18 - Upper GI, Colonoscopy-Dr. Namin, Jan 19 - Podiatry- Dr. Pace, Jan 23 - Rheumatology-Dr. John, Jan 25 - Ophthalmology - Dr. Soni

The Department of Economic Development (DED) encourages all Missourians to participate in the FCC's broadband map challenge opportunity as its Office of Broadband Development works to expand access to high-speed internet statewide. The challenge opportunity will identify errors in the new FCC maps that would prevent Missouri from receiving its full share of funding through the upcoming Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program.

Missouri ag producers who need to obtain or renew a private pesticide applicator license to purchase restricted-use pesticides can attend an on-line Zoom class or attend an in-person class, according to Pat Miller, University of Missouri Extension agronomist.

The third time they called, he said, they caught on that they were talking to the same person. Besides serving his current three churches, he receives requests to return to his former parishes to do funerals. Last week, he was in Raymore to conduct a funeral at St. Bernadette on Wednesday, and the next day, was in Independence conducting a funeral at St. Mark. He's also served at St. Ann in Independence, Nativity in Independence and Visitation Church on the Kansas City Plaza.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS Jan 9-14: 41st Annual Appleton City Invitational Basketball Tournament

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