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South Henry County To South Africa: Rucker Family Takes Aim For Big Game

BY JENNIFER JACKSON
Staff Reporter

In 1993, Mark Rucker decided to add elk to the mix on his ranch in Henry County, south of Brownington, where he raises crops and cattle and whitetail deer for hunting.

He and his father, Laverne Rucker, had started the game farm in 1989, and Mark set his sights on raising the biggest trophy elk possible on his ranch.

"I bred two cows and got one calf," Mark said of paying \$5,000 for artificial insemination from a world-record elk.

The bull calf grew to become 900 pounds with a 31-point rack, scoring 502 points on the Pope and Young scale in its prime, out-scoring its sire. A hunter from Georgia took the trophy elk 13 years later, Mark said.

"It was the biggest one he had ever harvested," Mark said.

Mark now has a herd of nine female elk and one bull elk, and 80 whitetail on the property, which offers 1,100 acres of prime hunting. Called the Otter Creek Trophy Ranch, it is leased out to a group of hunters from Georgia who travel 15 hours one way several times a year for the trophy hunting.

The hunters stay in Clinton, and have been to the



RELIVING THEIR ADVENTURES through a magnificent trophy room, Mark Rucker and his father Laverne enjoy a purpose built building to display big game taken in Africa with a reserve bow and arrow.

ranch once this year, Mark said, and are coming back, he said.

"It isn't an easy hunt," Mark said.

"Fair chase" is not issue on the Rucker Ranch, which is large enough for the elk and deer to evade hunters. Last year, there were five hunters, Mark said, so he let six bull elk out a week or so before the hunt.

The hunters harvested

five of the elk.

Despite search parties of experienced trackers looking for it, nobody could find the sixth elk.

"We looked everywhere and didn't even find a track," Mark said. "We have trophy bucks (white-tail) on the ranch that we've only seen one time, because they are so smart and hunter-wary.

"We have game cams, but

don't even have pictures of them."

Three months later, on Christmas Day, Mark caught a glimpse of the sixth elk when he was out on a farm road, he said.

There's more big game down the road at the ranch where Mark grew up.

For Mark's parents' 50th wedding anniversary, his father built a 30-by-40 foot

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City Council Hears Concerns From Citizens



MAKING his voice heard before the Clinton City Council, Don Palmgren cited his concern regarding a billiard and ale establishment being located near his home and a new playground.

BY LUKE EDWARDS
Staff Reporter

The Clinton City Council met in open session November 21 at City Hall.

Councilman Daniel Wilson was absent. Following roll call and the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance, the previous meeting's minutes were approved.

Two personal appearances were held: Stephanie City Council Page 3

What Would JW Do? Methodists Regroup



THE BENSON CENTER set the scene for folks to discuss the possibilities to form a new United Methodist Church in Clinton.

BY JENNIFER JACKSON
Staff Reporter

In the 1700s, an Anglican minister named John Wesley shook up the status quo by taking the church outside the walls and preaching on the hillsides to coal miners and factory

workers, reaching thousands of new believers.

Two centuries later, the church that grew out of Wesley's heartfelt but methodical approach to the practice of faith, called Methodism, had 40 mil-

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It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Clinton: Artist Creates Second Set Of Holiday Cards

BY JENNIFER JACKSON
Staff Reporter

Ask artist Maddie Yosch what Clinton landmark is her favorite, and she'll tell you the Delozier Building. The former Henry County Bank, at 201 W. Franklin, was built in 1887 and also served as the post office. In 1994, it was donated by the Delozier family to become part of the Henry County Museum and Performing Arts Complex.

The Delozier Building is one of the local landmarks featured in the second set of the greeting cards Maddie has created as a fundraiser for the Henry County Museum.

"I did the first set two years ago," she said. "This year's set has different buildings, except for the Dorman House, which is a different perspective."

Also a favorite of Maddie's is the ante-bellum Dorman House, the oldest two-story brick residence in Clinton. The other buildings illustrated on this year's cards are the former bank building at Main and



A STUNNING SET OF holiday cards depicting historic buildings in Clinton have been designed by 2007 CHS graduate Maddie Yosch. The cards are available at the Henry County Museum where Linda Hill showed one of her favorites on Tuesday.

Franklin, now the home of Glasscock Jewelry Corner, and the Henry County Courthouse, depicted with its original third-floor tower.

"The courthouse was the most challenging for me," Maddie said, "because I had never seen it with the tower, and I was working from black and white pho-

tographs."

The courthouse, completed in 1893, originally had a third floor, which consisted of one room topped with a 40-foot tower. Built of stucco and copper, the tower began leaking only a few months after it was completed, and in 1969, the whole third floor of the courthouse had to be re-

moved.

The daughter of Debbie and Nathan Bettencourt, Maddie moved to Clinton when she started first grade, about 25 years after the third floor of the courthouse was removed. She graduated from Clinton High School in 2007 and attended Central Mis-

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Have I Got A Line For You!

By James Mahlon White



Ran across a program on religious intrigue last night and found that it has garnered a lot of protest. That's because it's about Jesus and Mary Magdalene and the belief by some that they were married and may even have had a child. It was titled, "Jesus, Mary and Da Vinci." This theory has been bouncing around for a long, long time, but kept quiet. If you'd like to know a fascinating, but wild story about secret places, hidden treasures, the Knights Templar, Columbus, Henry the Navigator, monarchs of Europe.... get on the internet and check Cathars and Merovingian and see what was going on.

If the above isn't enough to rock our boats, how about the White House saying they lowered the cost of Thanksgiving dinner for everyone. What reality do they live in? Prices this year were higher than 2022! Only in D.C. is a decrease in the rate of increase a cut. There's more than this insanity though. In New York two jailed Gambino mobsters were granted bond in time for the holidays by a Brooklyn judge. He said, "The current crop of mobsters aren't as violent as their predecessors." These New York courts are a scene right out of Tammany Hall with more corruption today than during the Boss Tweed days. There is no justice, no common sense, just a mess of deals and favors.

I see quotes from others current and past, that I like to keep and here are two that winged my way: "Ronnie's long journey has finally taken him to a distant place where I can no longer reach him." Nancy Reagan "It's a damn poor mind

that can think of only one way to spell a word." Andrew Jackson "God always answers prayers. Sometimes it's "yes." Sometimes the answer is "no." Sometime's it's "you gotta be kidding." Jimmy Carter

Read an article that some little towns in Missouri have the highest sales tax rates in the state. Clinton's sales tax sounds good, compared to Saint Ann City. It's a small suburb of Saint Louis and the tax rate is 11.99%. Clinton's tax is 8.1%. In Warsaw, it's 9.1%. I remember years ago when voters approved a half-cent sales tax to pay for new paved roads to Wal-Mart. They apparently, just couldn't afford the paving bill.

I've exhausted my supply of knowledge for the day and wish you well Old Buddy.

Til Next Week: J.M.W.

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lion members world-wide. That number is down a few in the United States, where more than 6,100 United Methodist congregations —100 in Missouri alone —voted to disassociate from the United Methodist Church (UMC). Among them was Clinton UMC, leaving members who wished to remain associated with the United Methodist Church without a church home.

On the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, a group of 30 people met with UMC District Superintendent David Gilmore at the Benson Center to discuss options for forming a UMC Church in Clinton.

The split in the United Methodist Church started appearing along ideological lines more than decade ago between churches in urban areas on the East and West coasts, and that of conservative congregations, mostly in the Bible Belt.

The breaking point was the pending removal of negative language from UMC regulations regarding the rights of all United Methodists to marriage and ordination in the church, regardless of who they choose to marry. Methodist bishops tried to avoid the split by delaying the decision as long as possible, a decision further postponed by the COVID pandemic, which cancelled the 2020 General Conference.

But by last spring, the handwriting was on the wall, and conservative congregations started bailing in expectation of the new ruling passing at the 2024 General Conference, scheduled for the end of April in Charlotte, N.C.

Disaffiliation requires a two-thirds vote of the congregation, plus is contingent on the church paying its apportionment for the next year. The apportionment is an amount levied by the administrative area the UMC church is in, and covers the pension fund of the ministers in that conference, among other costs. Each conference is divided into districts.

Clinton is in the northwest district of the state-wide Missouri Annual Conference, which is based in Columbia. Last Tuesday, District Superintendent Gilmore opened the meeting with a prayer and a brief devotional.

Also present at Tuesday's meeting were Rev. Jeremy Vickers and Rev. Rocky Kloth of Grace UMC. Since



Get to Know Clinton, MO. Business

BIRTHPLACE: Clinton
YEARS IN CLINTON: 34
FAMILY: Arthur, Debbie and Scott Eberting.
THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN CLINTON IS: The Community and how family friendly it is!
OCCUPATION: Clinic Manager at Eberting Chiropractic & Acupuncture Clinic.
WHAT I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP: All thanks to Steve Irwin (RIP) - I wanted to milk venomous snakes for professionals who would help create anti-venom for bite victims. Would have been a cool job history on a resumé, right?
FIRST JOB: Arby's
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: Visiting the Kennedy Space Center (NASA)
THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN: Now! Seeing my Dad (Dr. Arthur Eberting) help care for thousands of patients. He's treated so many who were suffering from pain and injury, some with little hope of ever getting better. But because of him, they received the care they needed and can now enjoy life again. Congratulations on 40 years of giving Chiropractic healing and wellness to the community, Dr. Eberting!
MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT: When my parents brought my baby brother home from the hospital, they wanted to give me the chance to

"meet" him. Obviously, they didn't leave us alone, so they went around the corner and watched us. I walked straight up to him, bent over and poked him right in the eye. They've never let me live it down.
WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS: My best friend Kelly, she is the example of how a person should treat their closest friend(s); strength, loving, involved and trustworthy. ("Hi, Kelly!")
Extended family shout-out - Kitty, Chuck and Andy. You guys are the best.
YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS: Poking my brother in the eye...again.
I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO: Fight zombies.
I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO: Fold a fitted sheet. Even after watching tutorials....
IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD: Open an Owl/Raptor Rehabilitation and Education Facility. Surrounding schools and organizations could bring youth and adults to help educate them about the animals, environment and care they need. Animals too injured to return to the wild would "retire" to our facility and live out their best life!
MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE TO: Snorkel around the great barrier reef.
HOBBIES: Reading, exercise, art, camping and occasional fly fishing.
FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICIAN: Definitely



80s/90s music! I can't single one out.
FAVORITE MOVIE: Oh man, Avatar?
FAVORITE DRINK: Water. BTW, have you drank your water today?
FAVORITE SNACK: Charcuterie board!
FAVORITE CANDY: Dots.
FUTURE GOAL: Travel the United States to see all the awesome State Parks.
WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST: My brother, Scott Eberting. He's a Guardian in the Space Force. And my mom, she's a warrior. Additionally: You! (the reader) Look at everything you've accomplished and survived through. I hope whoever is reading this knows how absolutely awesome they are!
ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF: Be proud of being, "weird"! And definitely don't hide it.
WORDS TO LIVE BY: "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing's going to get better. It's not." The Lorax

1991, Grace UMC has established satellite campuses in Independence, Oak Grove and El Dorado Springs, and is in the process of starting a fourth, Vickers said. Becoming a satellite campus of Grace UMC is one option for the local UMC members.
 The UMC church in El Dorado, which requested help after the membership dropped, was launched in 2014, and now has 120 members, he said.
 Grace UMC recently had a training session for 50 church planters, he said. A church planter starts a church by recruiting a leadership team, which recruits new members, plans preview worship services and holds a big "launch" service for the new church community.
 Forming a new faith group is an opportunity to define and focus on the needs that should be addressed in the community and find new ways to meet them.
 Depending on what direction the Clinton group wants to go, the district will supply a church planter or a grant to fund a full-time minister, with the goal of growing a new church community. A UMC minister is working to start a church in Joplin, in what is called a "parachute

drop."
 "We want to help you go where you want to go," asked Mark Sheets, director of the "New Places for New People" program in the Missouri Conference.
 Another option is to form an emerging faith community, which is more locally directed, like the people in Bernie, Mo., did, he said. First Presbyterian Church in Clinton has offered the UMC to affiliate with their church. Another suggestion is to partner with the St. Paul's Episcopal Church, part of the world-wide Anglican communion, taking the Methodist church full circle.
 At the Nov. 14 meeting, the discussion centered on how to reach groups in Clinton that are "missing" from church, and where the church might be located to have the greatest possible impact. One answer was to reach out to the 30 to 50 age group, many of whom don't have a church home.
 "What is your church trying to become? What do you want it to be known for?" Sheets asked.
 A meeting with Gilmore is planned for Dec. 19 at 6 p.m. to let the district know how the group will proceed. Jim Johns is coordinating the continuing discussion as the designat-

ed point person in Clinton. Johns is an attorney with Johns, Mitchell, Duncan and Lowe on the Clinton Square.
 The denomination John Wesley started has survived other divisions. Clinton once had both a Methodist Episcopal Church North and Methodist Episcopal Church South, reflecting divided loyalties in Missouri before, during and after the Civil War.
 In 1968, the Methodist Church joined with the Evangelical United Brethren to become the United Methodist Church. The red flame logo on church buildings throughout the world designates a meeting place of a UMC congregation.
 As a result of the recent schism, an umbrella organization called the Global Methodist Church has emerged to connect churches seeking to uphold what it calls "historic Methodist praxis." Negative wording regarding same-sex relationships was added in the 1950s to the UMC Book of Discipline, as the church regulations are called, so calling the restrictions "historic" is part of the spin that is being used by the disaffiliating faction about the split.

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Word on the Street

When does your family put up the Christmas tree?



"Just after Halloween as soon as the families together."

-Kylie Bateman



"Black Friday."

-Dawna Reynolds



"The day after Halloween."

-Amber Vanwinkle

WILD GAME
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building next to their house and moved all his mounts out of the living room of his house into the building, called the Trophy Room. Laverne Rucker has made two big-game hunting trips to South Africa and five to Alaska. Trophies on more than half of the walls were shot with a recurve bow, Laverne said, including the lion and the Kodiak bear.

When asked how close he was to the lion when he shot it with a bow and arrow, he replied "Closer than I wanted to be."

Laverne said he was seven paces away from the lion, who wasn't aware he was there. He was even closer to the Kodiak, which was looking up at him in a tree stand. Kodiak, which are larger than grizzly bears, stand eight to ten feet tall and have large, curved claws that allow them to climb trees.

"I could have reached down and hit it with the bow," he said.

Laverne switched to hunting with a crossbow in the last couple of years, due to arthritis, he said.

In 2014, Mark and Shirley Rucker made a big-game hunting trip to New Zealand, where they both got a red deer. Jim Smika wrote about their trip in his "What's Your Story?" column in the Clinton Daily Democrat. The red deer mounts are in a trophy room the Ruckers added to their house, which was previously owned by the Ackley's, who gave their name to the lake on the front of the property.

When they first added elk to the ranch, the Ruckers didn't raise them for hunting, Mark said.

"In those days, you could sell the critters' horns," he said. "You could get \$1,000 per elk horn in the Asian market."

The job of harvesting elk horns entailed cutting off the horns in the sum-

mer time, when the horns were just appearing, and had velvet on them. Mark and Shirley recall having to funnel the elk through a squeeze chute, then put a blanket over the head of the elk before lopping off the horns. The market for elk horns eventually dropped off, he said.

Mark said he doesn't have any elk ready to be hunted this year. The Ruckers developed their whitetail deer herd with the help of Shirley's twin daughters.

"We once had eight or nine fawns that we were bottle-feeding," Shirley said.

Hunters buy their deer tags from Mark, who keeps records for the Missouri Department of Conservation. He had to take a course and become certified in testing for Chronic Wasting Disease, he said.

He also has to maintain five and half miles of fencing. Automatic deer feeders spread grain, and there are ponds on the ranch, although he had to add a water tank this year.

The Rucker family continues the family tradition of hunting. Mark and Shirley's young great-nephews, Crew and Coy, got their deer, as did grandson Matthew. LaVerne's grown granddaughter also got a deer.

On holidays, the extended family gathers in the Trophy Room for dinner, surrounded on four sides by trophies from several continents.

Even though Mark grew up on a ranch where they raised cattle and chickens, the family ate venison and fish, he said. He and Shirley have a freezer of venison, he said. They have wild turkeys on the ranch, but don't shoot them for Thanksgiving dinner.

"We could but we don't," Mark said. "Shirley buys one in town."

For more information about the Otter Creek Trophy Ranch, go to their Facebook page.

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souri University, where she earned a degree in interior design.

She lived for a short time in St. Louis after college, she said, then moved to Osage Beach, where she used her interior design skills to sell flooring at Menard's. That's where she met Jim Yosch, who was the cabinets and appliances department manager. They married eight years ago and moved to Omaha, Neb., when Jim was promoted to a general manager.

In Omaha, Maddie works at Nebraska Furniture Mart, where she started in visual merchandising. She is now an event planner, making arrangements for corporate and off-site events. The couple's son, Seeley, turned 6 in September. Maddie's mother, Debbie, is from Omaha, Maddie said, so she has family there as well as in Clinton, whom she was visiting last weekend for Thanksgiving.

Maddie also does furniture refinishing and upholstery, and DIYs projects at home. Her taste leans towards Arts and Crafts in residential architecture, she said, and Art Deco and Art Nouveau in commercial buildings.

To recreate the classic Clinton landmarks for the cards, Maddie used rendering markers on tracing paper, which gives the effect of water-color. Then she goes over the markers with a black ink pen, adding outlines and shadowing, and paints in the snow, giving the cards a holiday look. The cards have no message inside, so can be used for holidays or for other occasions, and especially fitting for sending well-wishes to former Clinton residents or classmates. Each card has information about the building's history on the back.

The original depictions of the buildings are 8" by 10." Maddie photographs the artwork, crops the pictures, and emails them to Suzanne Bush, the Henry County Museum director, who sends them to Adkins Printing, where the cards are produced.

"I enjoy doing them," Maddie said. "I hope I can keep doing this as long as it's needed. It's for a great cause."

In addition to donating her talents to create art for the cards, Maddie is donating the originals to the museum, which will be sold at a silent auction next summer.

Last September, Maddie got a tour of the Dorman House, which is undergoing a three-stage renovation, plus a private tour of the museum. The exterior of the Delozier Building has also had a facelift by a stone mason.

Saving the Dorman House, which had serious structural issues, has put a major dent in the HC Historical Society's reserves in the past year. The HCHS also owns and maintains the 1887 Anheuser-Busch Building next to the Delozier Building, the adjacent Adair Annex, with its art exhibits and 1900-era walk-through village, the Exchange Building, and across the street, a dog-trot log cabin, a one-room schoolhouse and other buildings on the Homestead, which replicates a mid-1800s Missouri farmstead and is used for children's programs, hosts school groups studying Missouri History, and for Old Settlers Day.

The museum is not underwritten by the county, but is funded by membership fees in the Henry County Historical Society, which operates the museum, and by museum entrance fees, donations, corporate sponsorships, building rentals and fundraisers. The next fundraising event for the Dorman House is a three-course Valentine's Day

Dinner on Feb. 14 in the Delozier Building. Tickets are \$25 a person, \$45 a couple, with a cash bar.

To see a photograph of the Henry County Courthouse, surrounded by horse and buggies, with its third story intact, go to the Henry County Museum's website, hcmomuseum.org website. A set of 12 cards, three of each historic building plus envelopes, is \$20, is available in the Henry County Museum gift shop, in the Annex at 203 W. Franklin. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL
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Nichols, a resident on North Gaines Drive, expressed concern about the placement of a road which is part of the park plan in that area. "I love the idea of walking trails," said Nichols. "But I would rather see the parking lot, where it is, change and the trail head start at the bridge." Nichols said she was concerned about the heavy use of the park – especially youth – and increased vehicle traffic.

The next personal appearance was that of Don Palmgren. Palmgren expressed concern about the new Billiards and Ale business which is scheduled to open near his residence (Price Lane). "I will have a beer-joint five blocks away," he said. "Is there any remedy?"

Palmgren said he cares a lot about kids (the location of the new business will be near a park) and the value of his property. City Administrator Christy Maggi responded to his concerns by affirming the city would ensure it was properly zoned and verify liquor licenses, etc.

Councilwoman Shelley Nelson gave the Public Works report. The first item on her report was to address the Artesian Park pool house issues.

A deadline will be established to make sure the construction company completes the unfinished items and/or repairs some of the issues addressed at the recent walk-thru.

The city will begin looking at a sponsor policy in regards to the naming rights for ball fields. She also reported an amendment on the first two phases of the grant agreement for the parking lot and road for the Antioch Park project.

Other quotes for the non-proprietary system at Waste Water are being sought. Also, it was discovered the Montgomery Pump Station generation was undersized. Work continues on the rotors as well: "They are updating and getting things done economically," said Councilwoman Nelson of

the work at the plant. Also updated was the incubator system (an additional incubator bottle and incubator were needed to be purchased) to be in compliance with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Parts have been ordered to address an air exchange switch and heater for the sludge-press building.

Westbridge Inn's building, which covered a manhole, will be required to be removed. This was determined after testing indicated there is more than one service location from the manhole. Also, a collapsed sewer line at 702 S. Washington was repaired after it was discovered during a dig-rite request. The city attorney will be reviewing the Waste Water Treatment Plant improvement project contract addendums after it was discovered they were more complicated than anticipated.

Bid packets for the improvement contracts should be ready by December, however.

The first reading of Bill No. 2023-37 (regarding the final plat for The Refuge at Sycamore Acres) was held and approved by the council.

Also, Whitehead Consultants has scheduled a survey of the right-of-way at the 400 Block of West Allen as requested by Community Development Director Chuck Bailey.

The Public Safety report was given by Councilman Gene Henry. The 911 Board elected to place the new repeater at the 911 Emergency Call Center (this is in response to the police department's recent equipment upgrades). Resolution 21-2023 was approved by the council.

The resolution updated the language in the original resolution regarding tow services in Clinton (removing "loopholes"). Councilman Henry updated the council on the recent grant application the Clinton Fire Department submitted for the purpose of constructing a Fire Training Center. This is a matching grant opportunity and, if successful, could lead to the city not having to put any "hard dollars" toward the construction. The training center would hopefully be used to train other department personnel and bring in some revenue of its own.

Councilwoman Martha Nichols gave the Finance Committee report: Resolution 20-2023 was approved by the council regarding the lease agreement between the City of Clinton and the Clinton Airport Association. The resolution increases the funding from \$105,000 annually to \$150,000. There has been no increase in the past decade for the associa-

Mayor Carla Moberly said she was excited to see the Fire Department Training Center come to (hopefully) fruition. She also had positive comments about the groundbreaking ceremony at the Clinton Airport last week. "It is a landmark [improvement] for Clinton and the region," she said. She further commented on the help to the economy the airport provides – especially in regards to economic development. Potential businesses do not drive into towns much anymore – they fly.

City Administrator Christy Maggi reminded the council of a public hearing on Thursday (November 29) about the enhanced enterprise zone at Gerhart Industrial Park.

Unfinished business for the council included accepting the intergovernmental agreement with Henry County regarding funding for the extension of Commerce Drive. (Resolution 17-2023; approved by the council). Also approved by the council was Resolution 18-2023 regarding the approval of the agreement with Do-Rite Construction for roadway and drainage improvements on Commerce Drive.

New Business: The council approved Resolution 19-2023 certifying the November 7 election results (the extensions of the Parks and Transportation ¼ cent sales taxes.

The Clinton City Council entered closed session at 6:29 pm and did not return to open session.

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MARK RUCKER KEPT A SET OF HORNS shed by the trophy elk he raised on the Otter Creek Trophy Ranch near Brownington.



SURROUNDED BY ELK and red deer mounts in an in-house trophy room, Mark Rucker holds a photo of the trophy elk raised on the ranch.



AFRICAN GAME in Laverne Rucker's Trophy Room.



BIG-HORN SHEEP and other trophies in Laverne Rucker's Trophy Room.

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE

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Wallace Recognized By Missouri State Fair Foundation



DAN WALLACE RECEIVED the "Outstanding Fair-Time Volunteer Award" from Karri Wilson (left) Executive Director of the Missouri State Fair Foundation and Megan Parks, Executive Assistant/Volunteer Coordinator.

Dan Wallace was recognized as the "Outstanding Fair-Time Volunteer" at the recent Missouri State Fair Foundation Annual Banquet. The Foundation has only two paid staff members, so volunteers like Wallace are crucial to the success of the organization's services and activities.

Missouri State Fair Foundation Executive Director,

Karri Wilson, recalled Wallace's outstanding service at the fair this August. "I'm not sure we could have made it through the fair this year without Dan," she commented. "He volunteered in the Foundation office from sun-up until long after sunset every day of the fair. He set up the system for counting and handling money (and we have a LOT to count) and

he made many rounds daily to the eight water stands, the museum, two souvenir stands and the VIP parking lot to do scheduled money pick-ups. He stayed until the last penny was counted and the books were balanced for the day – which was never before 9pm and often closer to midnight. In addition, he pitched in as needed, from doing laun-

dry, running errands and filling in as needed."

Wallace believes in the Missouri State Fair as a showcase for Missouri agriculture and is an active member of the Missouri State Fair Foundation. He has been volunteering with the Foundation during the fair since 2017. He takes vacation from his role as an Ag & Commercial loan offi-

cer with Hawthorn Bank in Clinton to stay on the fairgrounds and volunteer for the Missouri State Fair Foundation the entire fair. This year, Show Me RV in Clinton graciously provided an RV for his use while on the fairgrounds in August. Be sure to mark your calendar for the next Missouri State Fair scheduled for August 8-18, 2024 in Sedalia!

ones. Keep in mind that the holidays can, in fact, provide unique opportunities to seek better communication, connection and support from family and friends.

Create a calm, safe place. Make sure to avoid safety hazards. It is best to avoid decorations and clutter that will create the need to rearrange familiar rooms. Play your loved one's favorite music, either holiday or familiar.

Holiday Activities. Give the person with dementia a job they can complete safely. This will help keep them occupied and might help you as well. Make sure the person with dementia has a familiar place they can retreat to if the noise and activity become overwhelming. Keep your loved one's routine as consistent as you can.

Preparing Others. Special occasions and holidays are full of emotion, so it can help to let family and friends know ahead of time about a loved one's changes in behavior and appearance. Preparing others with an honest appraisal of the person's condition can help avoid uncomfortable situations.

Take care of yourself. Self-care is crucial. Pick and choose important activities and traditions and don't try to accomplish everything. Give yourself permission to say no. Family and friends often want to help, they just don't know what to offer. Allow someone to stay with your loved one so you can take a break, even if just for an hour to get an errand done.

Applications for assistance are available if you or someone you know is battling with Alzheimer's or dementia. For more information you may contact Ranae Walrath, 660-890-7294 or Christa Atchison, 660-525-1338.

Interested in donating to the fund? Donations can be made online at <http://cfzarks.org/donate>. At the bottom of the page, type Henry County Memory Fund into the box and select the name when it shows in the list. It will take you to a new page to donate. If you would like to donate by writing a check, please make it payable to Henry County Memory Fund and mailed to PO Box 741, Clinton, MO 64735.

Donates To Christmas Cheer



OAKSTAR BANK IS HONORED to once again donate to Christmas Cheer this Holiday Season. The bank donated \$1,000 which will be used to purchase personal hygiene items that are desperately needed for all ages in our community. Our community is blessed by many hard working individuals that keep Christmas Cheer alive and running each year! Pictured from left to right is Jim Smith (OakStar Bank President), Susan Mosley (Loan Officer) Susie Wetzels, and Kim Daugherty who are both co-chairs of Christmas Cheer.



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Caregiving And The Holidays – How To Cope

For many caregivers the holiday season gives rise to stress, frustration and anger, instead of peace and good will.

Caregivers may feel resentful towards other family members who they feel have not offered enough assistance. Managing care for someone who has a cognitive impairment may leave caregivers feeling that they will not be able to participate as fully as they would like in family gatherings. Already feeling overwhelmed with caregiving tasks, stressed-out caregivers may view traditional holiday preparations as more of a drain of precious energy than a joy.

Here are some suggestions that may help make the holidays more enjoyable for you and your loved

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Directed by Rob Hills



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Operation Christmas Child



JUNIOR AND SENIOR CLASSES of Clinton Christian Academy went to the First Baptist Church on the 20th of November and helped load shoe boxes. They are shipped to the Processing Center in North Carolina for Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse: Operation Christmas Child is an organization that seeks to demonstrate God's love to children around the world. Samaritan's Purse coordinates with many different churches worldwide to share the Gospel and make disciples. Every year for Christmas, the Samaritan's Purse collects these shoe boxes that have been filled with presents, personal hygiene items, and school supplies. Since its inception in 1993, these shoe boxes have been given to over 209 million children in more than 170 countries and territories. The CCA students helped load 16,031 shoe boxes onto three trailers. It was a great opportunity to serve our community locally and globally. By- Kennedy Vaughn



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GFWC Lorna Kemper Club Met

GFWC Lorna Kemper Club met Nov 20 at the Clinton Methodist Church.

The meeting was opened with pledges to the American and Mo flags.

Kara Entrop from the Mo Department of Conservation was guest speaker. She gave a program on the common trees of Mo and wild edibles.

From nuts, wild berries and tree bark she served persimmon pudding, paw-paw bread, shagbark hickory syrup, candied pecans and thumbprint cookies filled with wild plum jelly. The delicious treats were enjoyed by all.

After the business meeting, it was closed with the Club Collect and refreshments were served by hostess Deanie Burk.



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Death Notices

Leonard Dean Gordon, 76, died Sun, Oct. 29, 2023. Funeral service with burial were held at 1pm Tues, Nov. 28, 2023 at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Higginsville, MO.

Patsy Crabtree, 74, died Wed, Nov. 22, 2023. Patsy's wishes were to be cremated. A Celebration of Life service will be at 2pm at the Vansant-Mills Chapel in Clinton, MO on Friday, December 8, 2023 with a visitation from 1-2pm prior to the service.

James "Jamie" Allen Clason, 44, died Nov. 21, 2023. A Celebration of Life Visitation will be held on Thur, Nov. 30, 2023 from 1-3pm at the Vansant-Mills Chapel in Clinton, MO.

ri and are pending at this time.

James H. "Jim" Briggs, 77, died Wed, Nov. 22, 2023. Memorial services will be at 3p.m. Sun, Dec.3, 2023 at the Bradley & Hadley Funeral Home, Clinton. The family will receive friends from 2-3 p.m., just prior to the memorial service.

Clarence "Tut" Holyfield. A Celebration of Life will be at 11 a.m. Sat, Dec. 2, 2023 at the Bradley & Hadley Funeral Home, Clinton. The family will receive friends from 10-11 a.m., just prior to the celebration.

Robert E. Barrett, 91, died Mon, Nov. 27, 2023. Roberts wishes were to be cremated with no services. Arrangements have been entrusted with Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, Missouri.

Drakes Chapel UMC

On this Sunday following Thanksgiving we gathered giving thank for our church family and the blessings of the past week. Sharing stories of family get-togethers and time with our friends.

We were pleased to have Trevor Hickman and his family from Columbia, Mo. with us for worship. Master Lane Hickman assisted with lighting the candles and ringing the church bell.

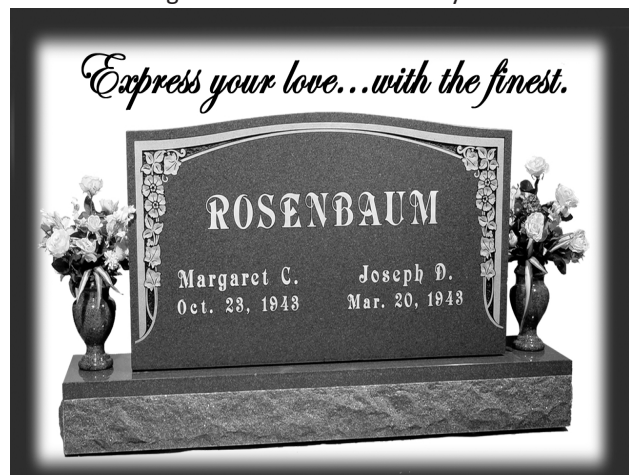
Pastor Margie's message "Sheep or Goats" gave us pause to take a look at ourselves and to analyze where we are in our walk with Jesus. Both the sheep and the goats were viewed differently in biblical times.

We are busy planning events for this holiday season. A cookie exchange will be a fun time for sharing fellowship and filling our trays with dozens of others favorite cookies.

We hope that you will join us and see what it like to experience worship and hear God's word with our church family. Our service begins at 9:00. If you can't be with us in person, join us on Facebook Live, look for Margie Briggs.

First Baptist

On Sunday, Pastor Pat Findley delivered the final message of his fall sermon series, 'Weakness is Greater than Strength' titled "Looking Up for a Hero". Referring to Judges 8:22-35, Pastor Pat described how seeing others battle weaknesses can often give us hope for our own.



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impress our love for Jesus on the hearts of our children because the responsibility of shaping our kids and grand-kids is ours. We have the primary spiritual influence in our family, so we must do what we can in leading our families to Jesus.

Celebrate Recovery is on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 pm at the Vansant location for anyone with hurts, habits, or hangups. Worship service times are 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and Sunday School is offered at 8:15 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

We invite those without a church home to join us in worship of our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ. First Baptist Church exists to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) by loving people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

First Presbyterian

Thanksgiving is behind us and our thoughts now turn to the Christmas season. As the hustle and bustle begins, remember "the reason for the season". Don't forget to take time to worship the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Rev. Nancy Gillard finished the sermon series "Love and Faith". Using Jeremiah 23: 5 - 6 she delivered the message Stepping Into the New Year. Gay Smith played our anthem "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel".

The collection of cake mixes to be given to the Samaritan Center in support of Christmas Cheer has ended with a sizable amount in a variety of flavors. The ladies of PW appreciate the generosity of the congregation.

The Presbyterian Women will meet on Friday, December 1 at 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall for their monthly meeting. The lesson will be "Mary and Martha Encounter Jesus".

Plans are made for decorating the church building for the Christmas season. Adorning the sanctuary once again will be the gorgeous poinsettias given in memory or honor of loved ones. Monetary donations for these flowers may be mailed to the church or placed in the offering plate.

The Advent Event will begin Wednesday evening, November 29 at 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Waiting Here for You by bestselling author Louie Giglio will lead you through the season of Advent.

Tai Chi classes continue to meet here each Monday and Wednesday at 10:00 am. If you're looking for something to help strengthen your core and improve balance then Tai Chi is the right fit.

Are you looking for a church home? Please come join us and be a part of our friendly congregation. If unable to attend in person, broadcasts are also available online at our website: fpccintonmo.net or Facebook First Presbyterian Clinton MO.

Mt. Calvary Apostolic Pentecostal

"911, What is Your Emergency"

1 Corinthians 10:13.

There is a state of emergency in our church, cities, and around the world. For those of us who continue to struggle being Christians, we are in a state of emergency when we continue to yield to temptations.

Emergency: is a critical situation that needs immediate attention. If it is ignored it can have catastrophic results, that could lead to death.

Temptation: is a desire to do something, especially when it is wrong or ill-advised.

God is merciful and is aware of our situation. If we remain diligent in our struggles to call out to him, he will answer.

There is always a way of escape from our situation. We do not have to fall down the rabbit hole. We should not be chasing after everything shiny because it can us in trouble.

If you are steadfast in the Lord, there will always be an escape route. The devil cannot overtake us in temptation, he can put the idea in our head, but we fall to the temptation when we give in to it.

Whether we chase temptation or it chases us. It cannot overtake us. Have a plan of escape, get out, and get away from it. It doesn't matter if others laugh at you for walking away, "Chicken Route".

We need to have an escape route before temptation comes our way. Stay ready by praying, fasting, and reading God's word. Guard your heart against what you watch, and what you are around.

Knowing the word of God we will know how to be prepared. It will keep us from falling into quicksand. It is hard to get out of quicksand, if you panic you will sink deeper

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and suffocate.

The goal is to be as still as possible and think, look for something you might grab onto. We can avoid falling into the quicksand if we pay attention to the Lord's prompt.

Pay attention to what is going on around you, and look for warning signs. We do not have to be caught off guard because the Holy Spirit will forewarn us.

We should not be caught off guard because he forewarns us. If we are having trouble hearing him, then we need to seek his face through prayer and fasting.

Sometimes we are in the midst of a situation beyond our control. We panic and our senses leave us. We need to prepare so our brain automatically knows what to do. It may be a test or it may be the real thing.

Jesus is our panic button he will show up, we only need to wait for him. Remember, trouble is what we find because we are led away by our lusts. Don't go looking for it, close the door on it when it comes looking for you.

We may find ourselves in an emergency, but when we call on Jesus he hears us. The enemy has no power over us. God is faithful and we should always seek him. God Bless.

Urich Baptist

11/19/23 Service

Joy filled our hearts as we gathered to worship the Lord. Clint Keeney rang the church bell. Mrs. Julia Klinefelter led in the congregational singing with Mrs. Dixie Collins playing piano.

The title of interim Pastor Steve Sowell's sermon was "Jesus is the God Who Shows Up." The scripture passage from his sermon was from John 20:19-30. In tis passage Jesus appears to the Disciples after His resurrection in a locked room. Jesus then breathed the Holy Spirit within them.

Valley Center United

What a wonderful day to come and worship here on the brow of the hill! The beautiful prairie that surrounds our church changes with the seasons and never disappoints!

We are an open and affirming church and welcome all to come and worship with us next Sunday morning at 9 am. We continue our prayers for our loved members and friends who are facing some serious health issues.

The message this morning tells us that the prophet Elisha sent his servant to give Naaman the Lord's instructions on how to heal his leprosy. But when his instructions simply said that he was go and wash in the Jordan River seven times, Naaman was angry and complained. He had his own idea of how he was to be healed.

This is a lesson meant for all of us. Many times we also let our preconceived notions and even our pride guide us on how we think things should be done.

All too often we think that we are strong enough to do everything on our own. We want things done on our terms. When we pray to God with our concerns, do we just expect the answer to be just we want to hear or do we ask for the blessings that only he can give?

We need to understand that there is a simple solution. When we come to the Lord with honest and open hearts, it is only God who has the real answers. Our faith helps us let go of our own preconceived notions and lets God show us the simple solutions that are there right in front of us.

Advertisement for 'The Shepherd Calls' by Dr. H. Wade Paris featuring a photo of Dr. Paris and the text: IMMANUEL

Immanuel is a beautiful name. I wonder why more people fail to name their sons Immanuel. Perhaps it assumes too much. Yet, in my lifetime I've had some friends whose parents were brave enough to name a son Immanuel.

Emmanuel McCall was serving on our Home Mission Board. As an African American, his assignment was to bridge the racial gap in our churches. I invited him to lead a weekend revival in our church. As we did with all revivals, I sent his picture and a brief article to the local newspaper inviting folk to participate with us.

Prior to his election as a congressional representative from Kansas City, Emmanuel Cleaver and I were pastoral colleagues. To gain approval of a building our church planned, I made multiple trips to the state capital to meet with committees. One legislator told me he questioned a statement I made and consulted Representative Cleaver about it.

The Immanuel I hope to know best is Jesus. Remember the angel of the Lord told Joseph Mary would give birth to a child. The angel even named the gender, a son, and gave the child a name---Immanuel, God with us. (Matthew 1:20ff) That is what I need, God be with me. That is what I want, God with me. I pray for it every day.

Brother Lawrence, a seventeenth century French monk, speaking of "God with us" called it practicing the presence of God. He said he had learned to be aware of God's presence in all that he did---"When I am in the kitchen washing pots and pans, and people are shouting, 'Lawrence, do this; Lawrence, do that,' I feel just as much in the presence of God as I do when I am on my knees at the Blessed Sacrament."

I cannot claim Brother Lawrence's success; but I am trying to be conscious of God's presence in everything--great and small.

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Public Record cont.....

2023.

One traffic fatality occurred on Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2023. Victor J. Hezel, 93, of St. Louis, MO, died when he failed to stop at a stop light and the front of his vehicle struck the front of a vehicle making a left turn. Hezel's vehicle traveled off the right side of the road and struck a traffic signal post. He was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The crash occurred on Missouri 141, at the Interstate 64 intersection, in St. Louis County. Hezel was pronounced deceased by Dr. R. Sharma at St. Louis Mercy Hospital. The driver of the other vehicle sustained minor injuries; he was wearing a seat belt. The Patrol's Major Crash Investigation Team #2 investigated the crash.

One traffic fatality occurred on November 24, 2023. Nakieta C. Sarzana, 36, of St. Charles, MO, a pedestrian, died when she was struck by a vehicle on Interstate 70, west of Zumbuhl Road, in St. Charles County. Sarzana was walking in the roadway when she was struck. She was pronounced deceased at the scene by EMS personnel. The driver of the vehicle was not injured; she was wearing a seat belt. The Patrol's Major Crash Investigation Team #2 investigated the crash.

There were no traffic fatalities on November 25, 2023.

Two traffic fatalities occurred on November 26, 2023. Felicia S. Fitzgerald, 29, of Rich Hill, MO, died when the vehicle she was driving traveled off the right side of the road and struck a vehicle parked on the shoulder. Her vehicle then overturned and struck a tree. Fitzgerald was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash and was ejected from the vehicle. Fitzgerald was pronounced deceased at the scene by Medical Examiner Loretta Parker. The crash occurred on Interstate 49, at mile marker 148, in Cass County. The driver of the other vehicle was not injured in the crash; she was not wearing a seat belt. The Patrol's Major Crash Investigation Team #1 investigated the crash. The Cass County Sheriff's Office assisted at the scene.

Mark A Fields, 63, of Independence, MO, died when the vehicle he was driving was struck on the passenger side by a vehicle that failed to yield the right-of-way. Fields' vehicle then struck the front of a third vehicle and then overturned. The crash occurred on Missouri 7, at the east junction of Missouri 150, in Jackson County. Fields was pronounced deceased at the scene by Jackson County Medical Examiner Dominic Bressi. He was wearing a seat belt. The driver of the vehicle that struck Fields' vehicle sustained serious injuries in the crash; she was wearing a seat belt. The driver of the third vehicle sustained serious injuries; she was wearing a seat belt. A male and female occupant of the third vehicle also sustained serious injuries; both were wearing seat belts. The Patrol's Major Crash Investigation Team #1 investigated the crash. The Greenwood Police Department, Lake Lotawana Police Department, Lone Jack Police Department, and Pleasant Hill Police Department assisted at the scene.

There were zero boating crashes, zero boating fatalities, zero drownings, and zero boating while intoxicated arrests reported during the 2023 Thanksgiving holiday counting period.

NOTE: The fatality statistics in this news release could change if late deaths occur, or if other departments report fatal traffic

crashes after this news release is sent out.

H.C. Commission

OCTOBER 31, 2023

The Henry County Commission met pursuant to adjournment at the courthouse in Clinton, Missouri.

Those members present were: Jim Stone - Presiding Commissioner, Rick Fosnow - North District Commissioner, Dale Lawler - South District Commissioner, Rick Watson - County Clerk

At 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Stone brought the meeting to order.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the Thursday, October 26th, 2023 meeting were read; Commissioner Fosnow made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Lawler seconded the motion, motion carried.

Expenditures from the following were approved to be paid: County Payroll, Buildings and Grounds, November Elections, Inmate Security, General County Government, Coroner, Law Enforcement Department, Law Enforcement Fund, Road and Bridge, Court Administration, 27th Circuit Treatment Court, Juvenile, Assessor, Prosecuting Attorney, Recorder of Deeds, Juror Pay

At 10:00 the Commission conducted a public hearing for the 2023 Amended Budget. Changes include line-item adjustments in the ARPA Fund, changes to the Court Administration Budget, and adding the Trial Expenses of \$90,000.00, for the McCarthy trial, to the Law Enforcement Department budget. After review, Commissioner Fosnow made a motion to amend the 2023 Budget, Commissioner Lawler seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote of Fosnow – yes, Lawler – yes, and Stone – yes.

Dennis Bowers, the Road and Bridge Supervisor, met with the Commission. He shared that work done on NW 800, in Bogard Township was done on an abandoned road, not on private land. He presented an order for metal and ADS pipe for the Commission to approve, which they did. He updated the progress on encasing pilings in the Windsor Special Road District. He shared that the arm mower is in Leesville Township, and the brush hog is beginning its second cut.

The group discussed the bridge on SW 351 Rd in Fairview Township, between 600 and 700 roads. Dennis shared that he has been informed that the replacement would have to be engineered, even if the replacement would be with culverts in lieu of a bridge. Dennis continued, by sharing that he thought the estimate to engineer the replacement would be about \$10,000.00. It was decided to contact Lindsay Chaffin, of Great River Engineering to have the project engineered.

Dennis shared that there is nothing new to report on the BRO bridges.

The group had discussion on PTO benefits and the 2024 Budget.

At 11:17 Kendal Dishman, with Liberty National / Globe Life met with the Commission for a solicitation.

Commissioners adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

The Henry County Commission met pursuant to adjournment at the courthouse in Clinton, Missouri.

Those members present were: Jim Stone - Presiding Commissioner, Rick Fosnow - North District Commissioner, Dale Lawler - South District Commissioner, Rick Watson - County Clerk

At 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Stone brought the meeting to order.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the Tuesday, October 31st, 2023 meeting were read; Commissioner Lawler made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Fosnow seconded the motion, motion carried.

Expenditures from the following were approved to be paid: General County Government, Assessor, Law Enforcement Fund, Court Administration, Treasurer, Records Records Preservation Fund, ARPA Funds, Employee Benefits, Road and Bridge, LEPC

Commissioner Lawler shared of a constituent call regarding mowing on the shared roads along the Village of Tightwad and Leesville Township Road. Dennis Bowers, Road and Bridge Supervisor was called to discuss.

Abstract of fees collected by the Sheriff's Office and the Recorder of Deeds Office for the month of October were reviewed.

Dennis Bowers, Road and Bridge Supervisor, shared of work done by the Road and Bridge crew. He received a request from Bear Creek Township to do some ditch work. The group discussed the Village of Tightwad boundary roads. Dennis shared that the Village of Brownington has had to pay for mowing so he felt that all Villages should be treated the same. Dale shared that the difference is that the county has always mowed the shared Tightwad/Leesville Township Roads. After discussion Commissioner Lawler made a motion to continue mowing the roads for Tightwad. Commissioner Fosnow stated that Brownington should be included to be fair. A call was made to Bill Collins a Trustee for the Village of Tightwad. He was asked if the Village was willing to pay for the county to have their roads mowed. Bill stated "no" and that the County could no longer park on the roads of the Village. After the call Commissioner Lawler stated that he disagreed for not continuing to mow the roads in the Village of Tightwad for free.

Dennis shared that Great River has been contacted to engineer SW 351 Rd in Bear Creek Township.

Sheriff Kent Oberkrom visited with the commission. Discussed was recent legislation regarding the Sheriff's salary. Also discussed were state ARPA grants available for Law Enforcement. Kent also shared that he has applied for a LLEBG Grant for helmets. There was brief discussion about transferring the armored vehicle. Also briefly discussed was outfitting one of the patrol cars with the Thunder Struck deer guard.

Commissioner Lawler discussed mowing in the county, Tightwad, and Brownington. He stated that mowing in Tightwad has occurred since the 80's and stated that the county should continue. The group had a long discussion on this topic.

County Clerk Rick Watson distributed 2024 budget worksheets to Commissioners. Commissioners discussed the 2024 CART rock program for Townships and Special Road Districts.

Brad Wright, Emergency Management Director, met with the commission. He shared of a grant awarded to the County in the amount of \$10,000 for Election Security. There was much discussion regarding security at the polls for the upcoming Presidential Election. After discussion it was agreed to accept the grant and proceed with the project.

Commissioners adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 7, 2023

The Henry County Commission met pursuant to adjournment at the courthouse in Clinton, Missouri.

Those members present were: Jim Stone - Presiding Commissioner, Rick Fosnow - North District Commissioner, Dale Lawler - South District Commissioner, Rick Watson - County Clerk

At 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Stone brought the meeting to order.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the Thursday, November 2, 2023 meeting were read; Commissioner Lawler made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Fosnow seconded the motion, motion carried.

Expenditures from the following were approved to be paid: November Election, Court Administration, Law Enforcement Dept, Buildings and Grounds, Commission, Road and Bridge, Deputy Supplemental Salary Fund, Tri County Child Support, Inmate Security, Sheriff's Civil Fund, 27th Circuit Treatment Ct, Law Enforcement Fund

Stanley Nold, Walker Township Board Member, called into the Commission to discuss a conversation he had with Ranger Power over their Planning and Zoning ordinance. A copy of the ordinance was provided.

Clerk Rick shared that there are only 2 active businesses, in the county, that have not renewed their County Liquor License, Primitive Old Crow & Winery, off of AA Hwy, and Tan Ur Bunz, on 2nd Street, in Clinton. He also shared that 2nd notices were sent out. He stated that he would send the information to Prosecutor Gray's Office if the licenses were not renewed by Tuesday.

Clerk Rick provided a copy of a resignation letter from Karl Monard from the Deepwater Township Board. He also shared that he would confirm the individual the remaining board members recommend for his replacement.

Christy Maggi, City Administrator for the City of Clinton, met with the Commission. She provided a cooperative agreement, between the city and county to financially assist with road construction at the Gerhart Industrial Park. The county had previously committed \$100,000.00 to the project. Included in the documentation was the bid tabulation for the project. After brief discussion, Commissioner Fosnow made a motion to sign the agreement. Commissioner Lawler seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote of Fosnow – yes, Lawler – yes, and Stone – yes.

Christy gave an update on the bidding out for the downtown Clinton square resurfacing project would occur after the city's 2024 Olde Glory Days celebration. The county has agreed to pay its proportional share to resurface both the Courthouse and Emergency Management parking lots.

Dennis Bowers, Road and Bridge Supervisor, shared that concrete trucks will be onsite for the piling encasement in Windsor Special Road District in a few days. He also shared that the crew is preparing to bury culverts on SW 250 Rd in Walker Township. He shared that he has studied maps and think it best to mow all village and city boarder roads if a county road shares its border. He also commented that Montrose, Windsor, and portions of Clinton would be excluded, as they are all in Special Road Districts. Bill Collins, of the Village of Tightwad, was in attendance. He stated that

he was prepared to sign a contract for the mowing service.

The group discussed private road mowing service. Commissioner Lawler stated that the county should provide the service, for a fee, if the private road leads to an agricultural purpose. There was much discussion and debate.

It was agreed that the county will mow the shared border roads of the villages and cities, if it is not in a Special Road District. Mowing service inside the village and city limits would be provided for a fee.

There was lengthy discussion on Road and Bridge procedures and communication between the Commission and Road and Bridge personnel.

The debate of mowing private lanes and driveways continued. Commissioner Fosnow stated that the county should not mow private property.

Commissioner Lawler left at 11:00 for a personal matter.

Commissioners adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Clinton

Police Dept.

10/13/2023 - ARRESTS
Wendegatz, Cheyenne Leigh, 31, Clinton, Citation, Trespassing

10/14/2023 - ARRESTS
Johnson, Dustin Eugene, 40, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Assault 3rd Deg - Special Victim -Simple Assault; Assault 4th Deg - Pursuant To Subdivisions (3), (6) - Special Victims; Sexual Misconduct - 1 St Deg - 1 St Offense; Resisting / Interfering W/ Arrest/Detention/Stop - Resisting Officer; Burglary 2nd Deg - Burglary; Property Damage 2nd Deg - Damage Property

10/17/2023 - ARRESTS
Johnson, Roy E Jr, 49, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Warrant Arrest - Clinton

10/18/2023 - ARRESTS
Wright, James Jay, 51, Edwards, Warrant, Warrant Arrest -Other Jurisdiction -Misd.

10/19/2023 - ARRESTS
Flegler, Michael Maurice, 44, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Domestic Assault 3rd Deg - 1 St 12nd Offense -Aggrv Assl T -Non-Family -Strng Arm

10/20/2023 - ARRESTS
Robinson, Caruso Deandre, 27, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest -Other Jurisdiction -Felony

Hoyt, John R, 54, Clinton, Warrant, Failure To Appear Morgan, Hunter Talmadge Wayne, 19, Clinton, Citation, Assault

10/21/2023 - ARRESTS
Wendegatz, Cheyenne Leigh, 31, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Driving While Intoxicated -Alcohol

Funk, Michelle Renee, 47, Leeton, Taken Into Custody, Burglary 1st Deg -Burgl - No Forced Entry -Non-Resid; Stealing -Larc -From Bldg

Gray, Max, 69, Osceola, Warrant, Warrant Arrest -Clinton

10/22/2023 - ARRESTS
Devries, Wendy Laverne, 49, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Assault 4th Deg -Pursuant To Subdivisions (3), (6) -Special Victims - Aggr Assl T -Pol Off -Strng Arm

10/23/2023 - ARRESTS
Allen, Krista Gayle, 41, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Warrant Arrest - Clinton

10/25/2023 - ARRESTS
Erwin, Melissa Ann, 40, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest-Other Jurisdiction -Felony 2

Shoemaker, Michael Aaron, 45, California, Mo, Citation, Stealing - Shoplifting Erwin, John Clifton, 52, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest -Other Jurisdiction -Felony

Harris, Grace Ann, 21, Kansas City, Ks, Taken Into Custody, Driving While Intoxicated - Drgs; Illegal Passing On Right; Speeding (20-25 Mph Over)- State Speed Laws; Warrant

Arrest - Clinton

Harris, Stephen Scott, 37, Garden City, Warrant, Warrant Arrest - Clinton

10/26/2023 - ARRESTS
Foley, Joshua Matthew, 40, Appleton City, Taken Into Custody, Resisting/Interfering Wi Arrest For A Felony; Warrant Arrest - Other Jurisdiction - Felony; Counterfeiting - Passing - (Use "Pass" For "Utter" And/Or "Distribute")

Champlain, Megan E, 27, Clinton, Citation, Stealing - Shoplifting

Brown, Nicholas Joe, 39, Joplin, Warrant, Warrant Arrest - Clinton

10/27/2023 - ARRESTS
Stinson, Gabrielle Leanna, 27, Clinton, Taken Into Custody, Tampering With Motor Vehicle 1st Deg - Damage Property

10/28/2023 - ARRESTS
Cain, David Edward, 66, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest - Clinton

10/29/2023 - ARRESTS
Gage, Daniel Levar, 39, Clinton, Warrant, Warrant Arrest - Other Jurisdiction - Felony

Blankenship, Bryan Christopher, 34, Clinton, Citation, No-Turn Signal Violation; Improper Registration; Fail To Obey, Obstruct. Resist; Fail To Obey Traf. Control Device; Fail To Obey Traf. Control Device; Careless & Imprudent Driving

Village of Brownington

OCTOBER 13, 2023

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brownington met on October 13, 2023, at the Brownington Community Building for the scheduled regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. Trustees present were Chairman Steve Schraml, Trustee Ian Burton, Trustee Sylvania "Jody" Eversole. and Joyce Tullis Clerk. Trustee Joe Bradley was absent. Visitors present were Brad Wright, Whitney Wright, and Mike Tullis.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Steve Schraml. Brad Wright, Director of Henry County Emergency Management was introduced to the Board and presented the Board with his plans to form a partnership with the Village of Brownington for Emergency Management Services. The Board Members had several questions regarding the plan and agreement, in which Mr. Wright answered for them. The Board decided to take some time and read the proposed agreement over and table making a decision until next month's meeting. The Board thanked Brad for coming to tonight's meeting and sharing of the information. The Board told him that they would in touch regarding the Partnership Plan. After presentation by Mr. Wright, Chairman Schraml proceeded with the regular meeting. Chairman Schraml requested the minutes from the last meeting be read. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Trustee Sylvania "Jody" Eversole second by Trustee Ian Burton with all board members voting in favor 3-0. Chairman Schraml then requested the financial report be read. Motion to approve the financial report was made by Trustee Ian Burton second by Trustee Sylvania "Jody" Eversole with all board members voting in favor 3-0. The bills were presented to the board for approval of payment. Motion to pay all due bills was made by Trustee Ian Burton second by Trustee Sylvania "Jody" Eversole, with all board members voting in favor 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Schraml brought discussion before the Board regarding annual Insurance premium will be coming due in

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Lady Cardinals Beat Neosho, Roll Past Lincoln At Warsaw Tourney



THE LADY CARDS Ava Potter was a force down low for Clinton in a lopsided 58-8 win over Lincoln in the opening round of the 36th Annual Warsaw Invitational Girls Basketball Tournament on Monday.

Clinton girls basketball tipped off their season last Tuesday night, November 21, when they took on the Neosho Lady Tigers. The Lady Cards led the game for most of the first half, then the Tigers began to catch up. After returning from the locker room at the halftime break, Clinton fired the offense back up and went home with their first win of the 2023-24 campaign, 46-40.

The Clinton offense was led by Briley Wishard with 21 points. Skyte Wilson was also in double digits with 14. Garrett led the scoring for Neosho with 12 points while Washington added 10. **CLINTON (46):** Little, 8; Wilson, 14; Potter, 3; Wishard, 21. **NEOSHO (40):** Smith, 8; Thompson, 4; Washington, 10; Williams, 6; Garrett, 12.

* * * The Clinton Cardinals opened the 36th Annual Warsaw Invitational Girls Basketball Tournament on Monday night, November 27, with a more than decisive 58-8 win over Lincoln. The Lady Cards played well for their second game of the season. The offense got off to a fast start and never looked back while the defense was suffocating throughout the entire

contest. Skyte Wilson led all scorers with 18 points while Briley Wishard tossed in 13. Vyla Brown also reached double figures with 10 for the Lady Cards. **CLINTON (58):** Little, 4; Brown, 10; Schaffer, 5; Wilson, 18; Potter, 6; Wishard, 13. **LINCOLN (8):** Helland, 1; Yearout, 1; Gillespie, 3; Mellen, 3.

MDC Reports Hunters Harvested 11,705 Deer During New CWD Portion

The new portion of firearms deer season will increase harvest in the CWD Management Zone to help slow the spread of the deadly deer disease.

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that hunters harvested 11,705 deer during the state's new chronic wasting disease (CWD) portion of the firearms deer-hunting season, Nov. 22-26, in CWD Management Zone counties. Of the 11,705 deer harvested, 4,707 were antlered bucks, 1,074 were button bucks, and 5,924 were does. Get harvest numbers for the new CWD Portion by county at extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest-table/

According to MDC, the CWD portion was timed to occur during the end of the primary rut when deer movement is typically good and hunter interest remains high. Hunters were allowed to use any unfilled firearms deer hunting permits during the CWD portion and had to abide by the statewide limit of one antlered deer during the firearms deer season, all portions combined. Hunters also had to abide by county-specific firearms antlerless permit numbers. CWD testing was not required during the CWD portion, but voluntary CWD testing is available through the entire deer season. Learn more at mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/deer/chronic-wasting-disease/voluntary-cwd-sampling.

MDC initiated the new portion to increase deer harvest in the CWD Management Zone to help slow the spread of the disease. The CWD Management Zone consists of the following counties in or near



where CWD has been found: Adair, Barry, Barton, Bollinger, Caldwell, Camden, Carroll, Cedar, Chariton, Christian, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, Dallas, Franklin, Gasconade, Greene, Grundy, Hickory, Howell, Jasper, Jefferson, Knox, Laclede, Linn, Livingston, Macon, Madison, McDonald, Mercer, Montgomery, Oregon, Ozark, Pemiscot, Perry, Polk, Pulaski, Putnam, Ray, Ripley, Schuyler, St. Charles, St. Clair, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Stone, Sullivan, Taney, Vernon, Warren, and Washington. Learn more about CWD at mdc.mo.gov/cwd.

Archery deer hunting continues through Jan. 15, 2024. The late antlerless portion of firearms deer season runs Dec. 2-10 in open counties and the alternative methods portion will occur Dec. 23 through Jan. 2, 2024.

Get more information on Missouri deer hunting from MDC's 2023 Fall Deer and Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet, available where hunting permits are sold and online at mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/deer.

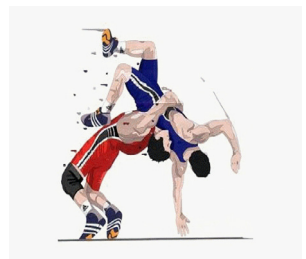
Cards Grapplers Find Wins And Pins In First Time On Mat

Clinton (CLINTON) versus Osage (OSAGE) results are as follows: 106: Lucas McMenemy (CLINTON) over Nic Groll (OSAGE) (TF 15-0 0:00) 113: Zachary Green (OSAGE) over Evan Dubina (CLINTON) (Fall 2:21) 120: Garrett Faulstich (OSAGE) over (CLINTON) (For.) 126: Brock Arrowood (OSAGE) over Connor Bramell (CLINTON) (Dec 9-6) 132: Drake Cannon (CLINTON) over Dylan Zelle (OSAGE) (Fall 6:52) 138: Dawson Wyrick (OSAGE) over Donovan Pack (CLINTON) (Fall 5:48) 144: Brody Barnhart (CLINTON) over George Long

(OSAGE) (Fall 8:00) 150: Payton Goth (CLINTON) over Mikie Pitnick (OSAGE) (Fall 3:01) 157: Triston Switzer (CLINTON) over Amos Mundy (OSAGE) (MD 13-4) 165: Will Golder (CLINTON) over Levi Hart (OSAGE) (Fall 0:40) 175: Cayden Long (OSAGE) over Ryan Custer (CLINTON) (Fall 3:58) 190: Levi Purk (OSAGE) over (CLINTON) (For.) 215: Ezekiel Velazquez (CLINTON) over Alek Torres (OSAGE) (Fall 1:17) 285: Alek Torres (OSAGE) over (CLINTON) (For.) Clinton (CLINTON) versus St. James (STJAMES) results are as follows:

106: Lucas McMenemy (CLINTON) over Owen Jackson (STJAMES) (Fall 0:45) 113: Evan Dubina (CLINTON) over (STJAMES) (For.) 126: Connor Bramell (CLINTON) over (STJAMES) (For.) 132: Luke Marlatt (STJAMES) over Drake Cannon (CLINTON) (Fall 3:00) 138: Donovan Pack (CLINTON) over (STJAMES) (For.) 144: Brody Barnhart (CLINTON) over Beau Hancock (STJAMES) (Fall 1:11) 150: Blaine Noakes (STJAMES) over Payton Goth (CLINTON) (MD 10-0) 157: Triston Switzer (CLINTON) over (STJAMES) (For.) 165: Will Golder (CLINTON) over Da-

vid Burns (STJAMES) (MD 10-2) 175: Zane Achterberg (STJAMES) over Ryan Custer (CLINTON) (Fall 5:51) 190: Maxwell Burns (STJAMES) over (CLINTON) (For.) 215: Joshua Carpenter (STJAMES) over Ezekiel Velazquez (CLINTON) (Fall 1:51) 285: Gavin Romine (STJAMES) over (CLINTON) (For.)



11/27

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BOYS vs OSAGE 39 vs 33	GIRLS vs OSAGE 39 vs 18
BOYS vs ST. JAMES 40 vs 25	GIRLS vs ST. JAMES 54 vs 6



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UMC
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From the time when Wesley abandoned the formal cloisters of the Episcopal church to take the Word of God to the people, the Methodist Church has moved forward on social issues. Wesley also moved the church westward, across the Atlantic Ocean, defying Anglican leadership by ordaining ministers to go to America, where they became circuit riders, traveling trails through the wilderness on horseback to establish churches in remote areas.

At his death in 1791, Wesley had 120,000 adherents in England and America.

The UMC extended ordination to women in 1956, overcoming biblical strictures against women speaking in church. In 1968, when some church congregations were literally circling their sanctuaries to keep people out, Methodists were welcoming people of color to Sunday services, and the separate administration for AME —African Methodist Episcopal —churches was abolished.

Removing negative language in the Book of Discipline regarding same-sex relationships removes another cultural bias to full participation in the UMC for all members, regardless of race or gender.

People interested in following the example of John Wesley and continuing to have a Wesleyan presence in Clinton through the United Methodist Church are invited to future meetings, Gilmore said.

Public Record cont.....

November. The Premium gets higher every year regardless of claim status. The Clerk reported to the Board that she received a phone call regarding Ordinance for Camper installed to live in on one of the Properties. Information was given to the Board for discussion. Chairman Schraml will call and address the issues with parties concerned.

OLD BUSINESS: Chairman Schraml brought discussion before the Board regarding the collapsed culvert repair in front of the Community Building at the corner of 812 Road and BB Highway. MoDot promised over a year ago to come down and take care of the problem, but the work is still pending. The Board can't repair the broken sidewalk in front of the Community Building until MoDot completes the culvert work. The Clerk was told by MoDot Supervisor some time ago, that they had come down and looked at the situation, and the culvert repairs were put on the work schedule. Chairman Schraml is going to stop by the Office and see if he can find out what is holding up the promised repair work. The Board also discussed the large Cedar Tree on BB Highway that was damaged and left hanging by the last wind storm. Hopefully it does not fall onto the highway and hit a passing car.

Chairman Schraml brought discussion before the Board regarding promised brush cutting by the County that still has not been taken care of. The property in question is County responsibility for half of the street and has not been maintained for several years. It is now to the point where the Village cannot maintain the streets in question.

The board discussed a street light request on 844 Road.

Chairman Schraml and the Board discussed the status of repairs to the Community Building. Some paint scraping has been done, but slow progress.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no Public Comments.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Ian Burton, Second by Trustee Sylvania "Jody" Eversole with all Board members voting in favor 3-0.

Chairman Schraml adjourned the meeting at pm.

City of Montrose

NOVEMBER 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Westhusing at 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: John Engeman, Kent Schussler, Russell Bracher, Amber Volmer and Andy Westhusing.

Staff Present: Dale Bailey, Donald Lamb, Sheriff's Office-Deputy West and Sherri Richter.

A motion was made by John Engeman, 2nd by Russell Bracher to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0
A motion was made by Amber Volmer, 2nd by Kent Schussler to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 9, 2023.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0
A motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2nd by John Engeman to approve the Financial Statement for October 2023.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0
Communications:
Old Business:
Emergency Management Director agreement:

After discussion a motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2nd by John Engeman to approve the agreement with Henry County Emergency Management. With this agreement the County Emergency Management Director will be able to act as the Emergency Management Director for the City of Montrose. The assessment amount for the City of Montrose is \$1736.04 per year.

New business:
Adopt new budget:

After discussion a motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2nd by Amber Volmer to adopt the new budget for FY 2024.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0
Public Forum:
Mike Keith Insurance (Mike Keith & Logan Modlin)

Mr. Keith and Mr. Modlin presented the proposal for the insurance renewal for 2024. After discussion, there was some questions about additions or changes to the policy. Mr. Keith

will send the city an e-mail for review when they have gotten the changes made. This will be tabled until the December meeting.

Tim Kalwei
Sidewalks at St. Mary's School:

Mr. Kalwei is going to be replacing the sidewalk in front on St. Mary's School to 7th street. Requested a release from the city council for him to do this. A motion was made by Amber Volmer, 2nd by Russell Bracher to approve Mr. Kalwei's request.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0
Mr. Kalwei also wants the parking area for Immaculate Conception Church and St. Mary's School to be chip and sealed. He requested the city's help for this. After discussion, the city council decided to table this until Mr. Kalwei gets some quotes for the expense.

Amy Wagner and Nikki Swaters:
Ball Association update and budget:

Ms. Swaters stated that the Montrose Ball Association wants to replace the fencing surrounding the ball field and were requesting help from the city for the expense. She stated that they have only received one bid to date. After discussion, the council asked her to get more bids and present them at the next meeting.

Staff Reports:
Sheriff's Office:
Deputy West reported that total patrol for September was 62 hours and 15 minutes with 23 contacts, 2 reports taken, 3 traffic stops/violations with 3 warning, 0 arrests and 1 citation.

Dale Bailey:
Mr. Bailey stated there were 6 calls in October (4 EMS and 2 MVA). There were 40 man-hours of training for the month.

Mr. Bailey reported that the paperwork for the turnout gear grant has been completed and turned in. The MDC 50/50 grant application has also been completed.

Mr. Bailey advised that the letters were mailed out on 11-10-2023 for the 2024 rural fire dues.

Mr. Bailey presented the proposed budget for the Fire Department for FY 2023-2024.

Mr. Bailey stated that a scholarship fund has been set up at the Montrose Savings Bank for graduating Junior Firefighters. The 2023 scholarship was awarded to Mr. Bailey Carter, who has been a member since the start of the program. Anyone wishing to donate to the fund may do so at the Montrose Savings Bank or by mail (c/o Montrose Fire Department, 15563 SW Hwy H, Montrose, Mo. 64770). Please make all donations out to the Junior Firefighter Scholarship Fund.

Calendar
December
12/6/2023 Fire Meeting @ Fire Station @ 7:00 P.M.
12/10/2023 Junior Firefighter @ Fire Station @ 2:00 – 4:00 P.M.
12/20/2023 Fire Department Christmas Dinner at

the VFW Hall @ 6:00 P.M.

Water & Sewer Operations:

Water:
The city will be applying for a grant from Missouri Department of Natural Resources for lead service line funding. After discussion, a motion was made by Amber Volmer, 2nd by John Engeman to adopt the resolution for applying for \$100,000.00.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0
Sewer:

Mr. Engeman stated that the city needs to purchase another pump for the lift station. After discussion, the council asked Mr. Lamb to get quotes for pump servicing and replacement.

Donald Lamb:

Mr. Lamb stated that he has been reading the lift station numbers and checking the lagoon. He also stated that the smoke test has been rescheduled for next spring.

Mr. Lamb advised that he and an employee of MRWA checked 12 manholes for the Inflow and Infiltration report.

Mr. Lamb reported that the lift station generator worked as intended during the power outage.

Mr. Lamb stated that someone had turned on his water spicket without his knowledge and he had a major water usage. He requested that his bill be adjusted. A motion was made by John Engeman, 2nd by Russell Bracher to adjust as usual.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0
Sherri Richter:

Ms. Richter advised that the election filing will begin on Dec 5, 2023 and close on Dec 26, 2023 for the April 2, 2024 election.

Mayor Westhusing advised the next regular council meeting will be on December 11, 2023 at 7:30 P.M.

A motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2nd by Amber Volmer to adjourn at 9:40 P.M.

Ayes: 4 **Noes:** 0

City of Osceola

NOVEMBER 6, 2023

Mayor Gibbs called the board meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m. Following the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were Alderpersons Terry, Hudson, Dailey and Watson. Also present was Lila Foster and Police Chief Shumaker.

Aldersperson Dailey made the motion to approve the consent agenda and financial reports, Aldersperson Watson seconded his motion; roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes.

Citizen Input-None
Presentation(s) to the Board

Mike Keith Insurance will be here in December.

Gardner Family Rentals-Members of the Gardner Family Rentals presented an expansion proposal for the former Shady Acres Trailer Park, which would include approximately 11 additional units. They did not anticipate any issues including a need for a lift

station Discussion followed with the city agreeing to review their ordinances for determination of assistance.

Grant Updates-Aspen Williams representing Great River Engineering reported on the status of the grants currently in the process.

CDBG Street Repaving-shared the design for the project.

TAP Sidewalk Grant -- shared the design for the project.

NEW BUSINESS- Bill #2023-08 April 2024 Elections – The 2024 Election Calendar has been established and the municipal elections are scheduled for April 2, 2024. Aldersperson Watson read the bill by title only; Aldersperson Terry seconded her motion and roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes.

The second and final reading of Bill #2023-08 was made by Aldersperson Watson and seconded by Aldersperson Terry, roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. City Clerk Foster will proceed with the publication of the election announcement. Last day to file is December 26th. Ballot will be for one board of aldermen slot on north and south sides each.

OLD BUSINESS- FY-2024 Budget -- The 2024 Operating Budget was presented for review. Aldersperson Watson read the bill by title only approving the 2024 Budget; Aldersperson Dailey seconded her motion and motion carried following roll call vote. Second and final reading/motion approving the budget was made by Aldersperson Watson with Aldersperson Hudson seconding her motion.

Roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes; motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS INPUT- Teresa Heckenlively reported on the Trunk or Treat event and thanked the city crew for their assistance with road barricades.

UPDATES-None
Mayor Comments-none
Board of Aldermen- Aldersperson Hudson – inquired about derelict property on 5th Street near the water tower. Aldersperson Watson-none

Aldersperson Dailey-none
Aldersperson Terry- reported some of her neighbors had received internet through SAC OSAGE Electric.

St. Clair Co Economic Developer-

-Reported work would soon begin on the Business Continuity Grant

-Stated she had reviewed the MU Extension needs study and would be continuing to work with the students.

Staff- Police Chief Shumaker gave a report on recent police activity:

Reports-22
Arrests-13

Felony Drug Arrests - 6
meth, 1 fentanyl, and 1 controlled substance pills

Citations – 84
Stolen Vehicle - 1

Citizen Input –
Shane Colgan with Boy Scout Troop 437 introduced himself and explained he was working on his civics badge by attending the meeting.

Adjournment- Aldersperson Watson moved to adjourn; Aldersperson Terry seconded her motion and motion carried unanimously.

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LEGAL NOTICES

EXHIBIT "B"
NOTICE OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE'S SALE
 WHEREAS, Skylar Alan Wilson, a single person, by his Deed of Trust dated November 16, 2020, recorded in the Recorder's Office for Henry County, Missouri, in Book 2020, at Page 3489, conveyed to Wesley D. Hilton, Trustee, the following described property, to wit:
 All of Lot 42 in the Original Town of Clinton, Henry County, Missouri, except 55 feet off the East side of said Lot 42 and except 50 feet off the South end of the West 49.3 feet of said Lot 42.
 in trust to secure the payment of a certain note in said Deed of Trust described; and
 WHEREAS, the note holder has appointed Gary V. Cover as Successor Trustee;
 and
 WHEREAS, default was made and still continues in the payment of the principal and interest of said note;
 NOW, THEREFORE, at the request of the legal holders of said note, I, Gary V. Cover, the undersigned Successor Trustee, acting in pursuance of the powers to me given by said Deed of Trust, will sell the property above described at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the North door of the Henry County Courthouse, in the City of Clinton, County of Henry, State of Missouri, on **December 4, 2023** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.; specifically, **1:30 p.m.** for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the costs of executing this trust.
 COVER & HILTON LAW GROUP
 GARY V. COVER, Successor Trustee
 137 West Franklin
 Clinton, MO 64735
 Publication Dates: November 9, 2023, November 16, 2023, November 23, 2023 and November 30, 2023.

EXHIBIT "C"
APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
 COMES NOW Mooreindi, Inc, and hereby appoints Gary V. Cover as Successor Trustee, in the Deed of Trust dated November 16, 2020, recorded in the Recorder's Office for Henry County, Missouri, in Book 2020, at Page 3489.
 10-30-2023 DATE By Chuck Gray, President
 MOOREINDI, INC.
 STATE OF MISSOURI)
)§
 COUNTY OF HENRY)
 subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of October, 2023
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HELP WANTED

Leesville R-IX School District has an immediate opening for a school bus driver. We offer competitive pay and board-paid insurance benefits. The district provide for all required training. Must be able to successfully pass a background check. Applications may be found at www.leesville.k12.mo.us All materials may be emailed to Dr.Reid at mreid@leesville.k12.mo.us or mailed to 8229 E Hwy 7 Clinton, MO 64735. Positions will remain open until filled. Leesville R-IX is an equal-opportunity employer. n22x5c

NOTICES

NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING
 The Deepwater City Clerk will accept Candidate Filing for the April 2, 2024 General Municipal Election beginning on December 5, 2023 at 9:00 am thru December 26, 2023 at 12:00 pm at City Hall in Deepwater. Positions: One (1) seat for Mayor at- large. For a Two (2) year term. Two (2) seats for Alderperson at- large, for a two (2) year term. City Hall, 707 S. 8 th Street, 660-696-2310. n22x8p

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION IN COMMUNITY MEMORIAL

HOSPITAL DISTRICT dba ELLETT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL In compliance with RSMo 115.127.5, notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Community Memorial Hospital District dba Ellett Memorial Hospital that pursuant to an order duly made by the Board of Directors of Community Memorial Hospital District, the annual Municipal Election will be held April 2, 2024 for the purpose of electing one director to serve a term of 6 years.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI JUVENILE DIVISION

IN RE:) The Matter of:) L.D.S., Minor,) And) BRANDON R. JOLLEY and) JANELLE L. JOLLEY,) Petitioners.) And) MEGAN M. SCHNIEDERS,) Natural Mother) And) RAYMOND E. GUELZAU,) Natural Father,) Respondents)

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION The State of Missouri to Respondent: Raymond E. Guelztzau

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court for the County of Henry, State of Missouri, the object and general nature of which is: the adoption of L.D.S.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for Petitioners, is Audara L. Lutjen, 608 East Ohio Street, Clinton, MO 64735 and her phone number is (660) 885-2234.

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within forty-five (45) days after the 16TH day of NOVEMBER, 2023 judgment by default will be rendered.

It is ordered that a copy hereof be published according to the law in the Clinton Daily Democrat, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Henry, State of Missouri. A true copy from the record. WITNESS my hand and seal of the Circuit Court this 9th day of NOVEMBER, 2023.

Wendi McGhee by SD Circuit Clerk By SD Deputy Circuit Clerk

Dates of publication: Nov. 16th; Nov. 23rd; Nov. 30th & Dec. 7th n16x4c

IN THE 27TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

In the Estate of ASHLEY N POWELL, Deceased. Case No.: 23HE-PR00117

Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted (Independent Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of ASHLEY N POWELL, Decedent:

On OCTOBER 27, 2023, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of ASHLEY N POWELL, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of HENRY COUNTY Missouri. 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 name, business address of the personal representative is: TRAVIS POWELL JR, 329 NE 9 PVT RD, CLINTON, MO 64735

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is: GARY COVER, 137 W FRANKLIN, CLINTON, MO 64735, (660) 885-6914

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-APR-2023 Date of first publication: NOVEMBER 16, 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.

n16x4c

The Shawnee R-III School District will accept declarations of candidacy from any person interested in running for a position on the school board in the April 2, 2024 election. Persons interested may file at the Superintendent's Office located at 11913 N. Hwy 13, Chilhowee, MO 64733.

Filing will begin on December 5, 2023 at 7:45 a.m. and will continue during the district's regular business hours, which are Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Filing will not occur on days that the school district's office is closed due to inclement weather. Filing will also not occur on the following holidays when the school district's office is closed: December 19 at 1:00, December 20 through December 25th. Filing will end on December 26th. The office will be open from 3:00- 5:00 p.m. on December 26th.

There are three positions for three-year terms. n23x2c

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD FILING

The Lakeland R-III School District will accept declarations of candidacy from any person interested in running for a position on the School Board in the April 2, 2024, election. Persons interested may file at the superintendent's offices located at 12530 Lakeland School Drive, Deepwater, MO 64740 and will be put on the ballot on a first come first on the ballot basis.

Filing will begin on December 5, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. and will continue during the district's regular business hours, which are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Filing will not occur on days that the school district's offices are closed due to inclement weather. Filing will also not occur on the following holidays when the school district's offices are closed: December 20, 2023 after 3:15 p.m. until December 25, 2023. Filing will end on December 26, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., office will be open December 26th from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

There are two positions available with three-year terms. n30x2c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

(RSMo. Jan. 1981)

IN THE ESTATE OF:

JOHN R. ENGEL, Deceased Estate No. 21HE-PR00079 Dennis F. Benne and Mitchell Mills, Independent Co-Personal Representatives.

NOTICE OF FILING OF STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AND SCHEDULE OF ALL PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF: John R. Engel, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Independent Personal Representative will file a Statement of Account and Schedule of Proposed Distribution in the Circuit Court of Henry County, Missouri, Probate Division, on December 4, 2023, or as continued by the Court; that if no objections are filed in the Court within twenty days after the filing of the Statement of Account, the Independent Personal Representative will distribute in accordance with the Schedule of Proposed Distribution in the Statement of Account.

You are further notified that:

If no proceeding is commenced in the court within six months after the filing of the Statement of Account, the Independent Personal Representative is discharged from further claim or demand by any interested party.

1234 Kays Point

Dennis F. Benne, Lake Ozark, MO 65049 Independent Co-Personal Representative Address

P.O.Box 505

Mitchell Mills, Clinton, MO 64735 Independent Co-Personal Representative Address

Dates of Publication: November 9, 2023; November 16, 2023; November 23, 2023; November 30, 2023 n9x4c

IN THE 27TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

In the Estate of KENNETH LAVERNE POISAL JR, Deceased. Case No.: 23HE-PR00121

NOTICE OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION GRANTED (Independent Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of KENNETH LAVERNE POISAL JR, Decedent:

On OCTOBER 24, 2023, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of KENNETH LAVERNE POISAL JR, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of HENRY COUNTY, Missouri.

The personal representative's business address is: GEORGIA E MANDL, 40301 E 331ST ST, CREIGHTON, MO 64739

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: DAVID G WATKINS, 4600 MADISON, STE 600, KANSAS CITY, MO 64112, 816-410-4600

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 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: 17-MAY-2023 Date of first publication: NOVEMBER 9, 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.

n9x4c

Davis R-12 School District will be taking filings for the position of two Board of Education members. Filing will be taken at Davis R-12 School beginning weekdays on December 5, 2023 through December 26, 2023. Filing will be open from 8 am to 2:20 pm unless otherwise stated. No filing on December 22. December 14 and 19 from 8 am-7 pm, December 21 from 8 am to 12 pm and December 26 from 9 am to 10 am for the April 2, 2024 General Municipal Election. n30x1c

The City of Montrose General Municipal Election will be held April 2, 2024.

Positions available include: 1 (one) Mayor, 1 (one) South Ward Alderman, and 1 (one) North Ward Alderman. All positions are for a 2 (two) year term. Any qualified resident of the City of Montrose who desires to declare their candidacy for any of the above positions must file with the City Clerk from December 5, 2023 through December 26, 2023. Qualifications: Must be at least 21 years of age, citizen of the United States, inhabitant and resident of the wards from which elected, must have state and city taxes paid prior to filing. Filings will be accepted at City Hall, 317 Missouri Avenue, Montrose, from 8:00am to 12:00pm, Monday through Friday, and after hours by appointment (660-693-4838). n24x1c

LEESVILLE R-IX SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING

Leesville R-IX School District will be taking filings for the positions of two school board members. Filings will be taken at Leesville R-IX School District at 8229 E Highway 7, Clinton, MO 64735, beginning December 5, 2023 through December 26, 2023 for the April 2, 2024 General Municipal Election. Office hours will be 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on weekdays from December 5, 2023 through December 14, 2023, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on December 18, 2023, and 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on December 26, 2023. n23x3c

Notice of School Board Filing

The Sherwood Cass R-VIII School District will accept Declarations of Candidacy from persons interested in running for a position on the Sherwood Cass R-VIII Board of Education to be elected at the annual election on April 2, 2024. Persons interested may file at the Sherwood Central Office, 33300 South Sherwood Drive, Creighton, MO 64739, starting at 8:00 a.m. on December 5, 2023, and will continue during regular business hours, which are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Filing will not occur on days that the District Central Office is closed due to inclement weather. The District Central Office will be closed for filing December 21, 2023, from 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and will not be open December 22, 2023, through December 25, 2023, therefore district will not be accepting candidates filing on those dates. The District Central Office will be open on December 26, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for the last day of filing.

Ballot placement will be determined by Board Policy G-25-P, which states: "the names of qualified candidates shall be placed on the ballot in order of filing."

There are two (2) positions available with three-year terms. Candidates must be citizens of the United States and resident tax payers of the district, who have resided in the state for one year preceding their election or appointment, and who are at least twenty-four years of age. All board members initially elected or appointed in this succeeding election shall successfully complete 18.5 hours of orientation and training as required in Section 162.203 RSMo. n30x3c

Mt. Hope Special Road District will be taking filings for the position of Board Member. Filings will be taken at 1677 SW 1000 Rd. Montrose, MO. or by calling 660-492-7852 beginning December 5, 2023 through December 26, 2023 for the April 2, 2024 General Municipal Election. n30x2c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI CIRCUIT DIVISION

HARLEY CUMMINS,) Plaintiff,) vs.) Case No.23HE-CC00072 DONNA J. WEST;) ALL OF THE KNOWN AND) UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES,) GRANTEEES, ASSIGNS, DONEES,) GRANTEEES, ALIENEES,) LEGATEES, ADMINISTRATORS,) EXECUTORS, GUARDIANS,) MORTGAGEES, TRUSTEES,) LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES, ALL) OTHER PERSONS,) CORPORATIONS, OR) SUCCESSORS CLAIMING BY,) THROUGH, OR UNDER ANYONE) OR MORE OF THE) AFOREMENTIONED) DEFENDANTS AND ALL OTHER) PERSONS OR ENTITIES) UNKNOWN, IN THE REAL) PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS) PETITION ("UNKNOWN) DEFENDANTS"),) Defendants.)

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO DEFENDANTS DONNA J. WEST, ET AL:

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court for the County of Henry, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is: Petition to Quiet Title.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for Petitioners is Cover & Hilton Law, LLC, Attorney Benjamin C. Bellamy, 137 West Franklin, Clinton, Missouri 64735.

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within 45 days after the 9th day of October, 2023, Judgment by default will be rendered against you.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Circuit Court this 27th day of October, 2023.

WENDI MCGHEE, BY SD Circuit Clerk BY SD Deputy Circuit Clerk

Publication dates: Nov. 9th; Nov. 16th; Nov. 23rd; and Nov. 30th n9x4c

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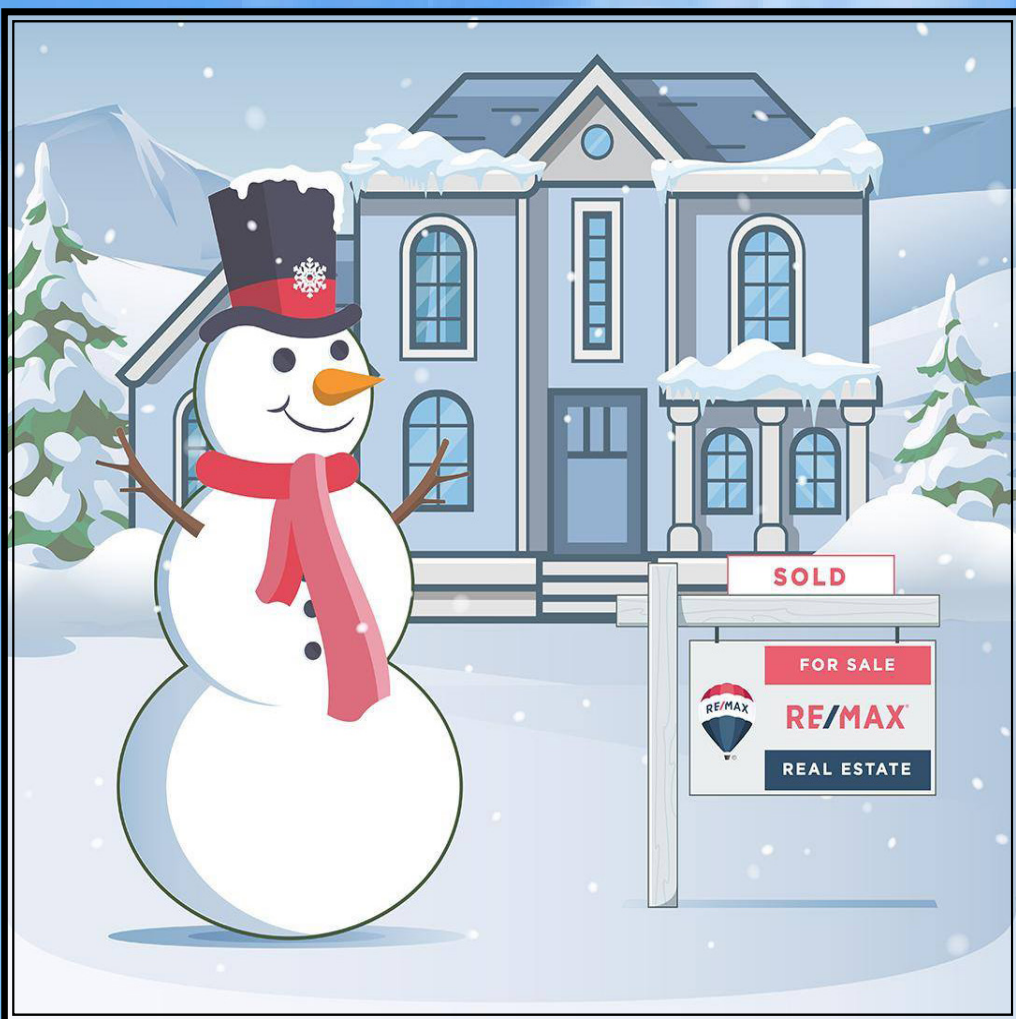
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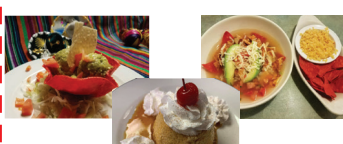


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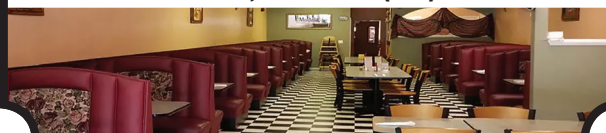
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