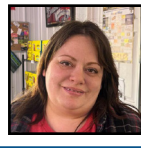


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## Warsaw Football Takes Dynasty Era Into Missouri Sports Hall Of Fame!

By  
**Adam Howe**  
Editor

From 1988 to 1995, Warsaw Wildcats football was arguably the top Class 2 program in the state, winning state championships in 1990 and 1993, and reaching the MSHSAA Final Four five other times throughout those eight seasons.

For those reasons, that era for the program was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame as members of its 2024 enshrinement class at a ceremony and banquet held at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds E-Plex in Springfield on Sunday afternoon.

The Warsaw contingent was led by Randy Morrow, former 'Cats boss and already a Hall of Famer himself after being inducted with the Class of 2011.

"I was so excited to hear that our athletes and coaches were being honored for their accomplishments," Morrow said. "They were so deserving of this honor."

Other coaches making their own appearance included: Bill Ramsey, Loren Burke, Randy Bloess, Tony Berry, Brent Depee, Matt Bohanon and Steve Miller.

"This was well deserved," Berry said. "It was truly one of the most iconic runs of a program in Missouri."

In addition to coaches, other staff members and their spouses, 54 former



**AN HONOR WELL DESERVED**, the Warsaw Wildcats football 1988-95 program era was part of the Enshrinement Class of 2024 into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame at a ceremony held on Sunday. On behalf of himself and many other coaches, staff and players in attendance, former coach Randy Morrow received the award from CEO/Executive Director of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame, Byron Shive.

Wildcats players and several of their brides and significant others made the trek from the likes of Washington, D.C., Cincinnati, Los Angeles and Dallas to be part of the special, once-in-a-lifetime event.

Donny Van Natta, '97 said, "It probably should've

happened sooner." Others also viewed the announcement as somewhat surprising. "30 years later is a long time," said Rick Branson, '94. "I had no idea that the program from those years would be considered for another honor."

Some players just hoped they made "the cut." "I had to do the math to make sure that I was included," Josh Noland, '98, said with a laugh. In 1986, the first under Morrow, Warsaw went 1-9. In 1987, the Wildcats improved slightly to 3-7.

The turnaround came in 1988 when the Green and Black reached the state playoffs and advanced to the state semifinals before bowing out with a 14-0 loss to John Burroughs (St. Louis). That year, they finished 11-2.

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## Warsaw Okays Plans For More Major Infrastructure Improvements

By  
**Homer May**  
County  
Reporter

In late session Monday eve, Warsaw aldermen okayed a resolution which would bring a 75 percent federal grant to the city for improvements to its Drake Harbor rest rooms, parking lot, a bicycle route connecting to the Rock Island Rail Trail and some Polk Street updating. He added that Co-Mo Electric will provide part of the funds and the city will have other non-local monies to complete the project.

The meeting opened at 6:00 PM on February 5, with aldermen Rob Coskey, Eric Flores, Lou Breshears and Adam Howe present. Aldermen Reba Slavens was absent. The meeting was chaired by Mayor Eddie Simons and recorded by Clerk Jessica Kendall.

First business conducted was to approve the evening's revised agenda and January 2 meeting minutes, then agree to pay bills presented.

In early moments, interim Chamber of Commerce Director Megan Peterson outlined a February 20 "State of the Chamber" event from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM in the Warsaw Community Building, at which beer and wine will be served. Her plan was approved by the group.

There was no old business. Under new business, the group approved two annual

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## Love Stories That Will Warm Your Heart As Valentine's Day Approaches

By  
**Anita Campbell**  
County  
Reporter

Love is in the air as Valentine's Day approaches. Most young men will be buying flowers, chocolates

and cards. It is also the day that most marriage proposals are made but what happens after the proposal when the two start a life together? How does that love keep two people together for 5 years or 10 or 20 or 50?

WHS teacher Amy Spunaugle met her true love

at a baseball game. "Marc and I met after a Clarinda A's baseball game," she said. "I went to the game with my college roommate during the summer. After the game, we went out to dinner with some of the baseball players. Marc was there with his co-workers from the Clarinda Academy. I told my roommate that I thought he was really funny. She got excited because he was friends with her older brother. Kody, my roommate, made sure we met each other that night. A few days after that night, he asked me on a date. I said 'yes' but got cold feet and tried to avoid the date. Marc persisted and showed up on our door step. We sat that entire night on our front porch talking. When the sun was coming up, he decided he better get home. I ran upstairs woke

my roommates up and told them I was going to marry him someday."

Warsaw's Crystal and Daryl Boyd met in high school. "Daryl and I have known each other since we were teenagers, but didn't start dating till I was 21 and he was 26 years old," she said. "After dating for one year we married in 2006. When we wed, I had two children already and Daryl didn't have any children of his own. We decided to start the foster care journey in hopes of adopting one baby and then our family would be complete. Little did we know that God had a different plan. We went on to foster 23 children over the thirteen years. Out of our 23 foster children we adopted six of them. Daryl and I now have 8 children ranging from age 23 to age 4. God has truly blessed us in our

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## State Treasurer Malek Meets Treasurer Renno



**ON THE ROAD**, Missouri State Treasurer Vivek Malek met with Benton County Treasurer Rick Renno at the Benton County Courthouse on Friday afternoon.

Missouri State Treasurer Vivek Malek visited Benton County Treasurer Rick Renno today to raise awareness of Missouri's \$1 billion in unclaimed assets, on National Unclaimed Property Day.

In Benton County, there is currently \$2 million in unclaimed property for over 23,000 accounts. One in ten Missourians have unclaimed property,

and the average return is nearly \$300.

Treasurer Malek hopes that local efforts to raise awareness of unclaimed property will encourage Benton County residents to check the database and see if there is money that belongs to them.

"Whether it's from an uncashed check, unused gift certificate or forgotten

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**LOVE IS LIMITLESS** for Benton County couples, including Marc and Amy Spunaugle who have been married for 29 years.

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## Community Calendar

**FEBRUARY 8, 2024:** The Pomme de Terre Beekeepers Association will meet on February 8, 2024, at 6:00 PM at the Galmeay Fire Station, 21208 RT-254, Hermitage. The program for the meeting will be - Winter Management and Feeding, may also discuss purchasing bees.

**FEBRUARY 11, 2024:** You're invited to Hopewell's Sunday Funday Souper Bowl Game Day Watch Party, Sunday, February 11 at 5:00 PM. Bring your football spirit, shareable finger foods, lawn chairs and a can of soup for the St. Clair County Food Bank. Hopewell Baptist Church, 40380 Shiloh Ave, Warsaw, MO 65355.

**FEBRUARY 12, 2024:** at 5:00 pm will be the next monthly meeting of the Friends of the Benton County Sheriff's Office. The meeting will be held in the training room of the Sheriff's facility. Please come and help us support those who go into harm's way for our benefit. If you have any questions about this group contact Tom Gee at (816) 520-7027.

**FEBRUARY 13, 2024:** Benton County Retired Teachers and Support Staff Breakfast meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024, at 8:30 AM at the German Table in Cole Camp. All retired school personnel are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact Judy Kinkead at (660) 438-5978.

**FEBRUARY 13, 2024:** Join us at the Cole Camp Boonslick Library for stories, crafts and more! Bring your little ones for a fun, learning & social experience! Weekly Tuesday mornings at 10:30 AM, for ages 2-5, (660) 827-READ option 2, 701 W. Main St. Cole Camp, MO

**FEBRUARY 14, 2024:** Stepping Stones Garden Club will meet at the Boonslick Regional Library in Warsaw on Wednesday, February 14, at 10:00 AM. Eric Mozingo, owner of Plant Shack and past president of the KC Iris Society, is the featured speaker. Everyone is welcome to attend and to celebrate the club's 70th anniversary.

**FEBRUARY 17, 2024:** Truman Lake Eagle Day, 9:30 AM-4:00 PM, Harry S. Truman Visitor Center, Live Eagle Programs, Snakes Alive, Edible Insects, Wildlife Information, Leave No Trace Information and many other activities!

**FEBRUARY 24, 2024:** at 5:00 PM, Soup Tasting Soup Off! Bring a pot of your best homemade soup to share, and vote for your new favorite! There are two prize categories: Chef's Choice & Crowd Favorite. You must register and submit your recipe by February 17 to compete. This is a FREE event hosted by the Cole Camp Branch of the Boonslick Regional Library, (660) 827-READ option 2, 701 W. Main St. Cole Camp, MO

**FEBRUARY 28, 2024:** Save the Date! The Benton County Economic Development Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 28, 4:15 PM, at Lincoln City Hall. The public is invited to attend. For more information, please contact Amie Breshears at (660) 438-5012 or abreshears@missouri.edu.

**MARCH 16, 2024:** Beginning Beekeeping Workshop hosted by Pomme de Terre Beekeepers Association, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, doors open at 8:30 AM at the McCarty Senior Center at 19482 US 54 in Wheatland, Workshop is \$35 registration per household and includes the full day workshop, First Lessons in Beekeeping book, lunch and one year's membership to the association, pre-registration is required and closes on March 8, 2024, please register at <https://forms.gle/A8ZuJrVo1rApenEW7>, questions may be directed to the association secretary at [pdtbeekeeper@gmail.com](mailto:pdtbeekeeper@gmail.com) or the Hermitage Extension office at (417) 745-6767.

**APRIL 5, 2024:** Come and see our new exhibit, "Fashion through the 20th Century" when the Benton County Museum opens for a new season on Friday, April 5, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Museum hours are Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Sundays from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

**JUNE 8, 2024:** SAVE THE DATE! 35th Biennial Warsaw All School Reunion at John Boise Middle School, Watch for further information and invitations, Check out Alumni Association on Warsaw School District website (<http://www.warsaw12.org>), Alumni information is on the left hand side of the page.

## NEWSbriefs

**FREE MEAL FOR ALL,** 4:30 PM-5:30 PM, Thursdays at Warsaw Methodist Church. No one turned away. Bring your appetite and your neighbor.

**GLORY SINGERS** invite men and women singers to join them Mondays at 10:30 AM. We joyfully sing hymns and other tunes at Warsaw Health and Rehab and Lincoln Community Care Center on alternating weeks. For information, contact Cynthia Bolinger at (660) 438-2774.

**INTERESTED IN END TIME REVIVAL?** Come join us, "The Benton County Prayer Warriors" for prayer and fasting for Souls for God's Kingdom. We meet at Shirley's Cafe every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 5:00 PM in Lincoln, MO on Hwy 65. For more information, please call Betty at (660) 438-6466 or Donna at (660) 723-0356.



at the grocery store are a terrific help to cooks short on time. Here, the rounds of biscuit dough steam over a simmering stew making perfect, puffy dumplings.

3 cups chicken broth  
1 pound of frozen mixed stew vegetables  
1-pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts  
1-1/2 teaspoons poultry seasoning  
Freshly ground pepper to taste  
1 tube (10 ounces) refrigerated biscuit dough

a boil over high heat. Meanwhile, cut the chicken into 1-inch chunks, season with the poultry seasoning and pepper, then add to the broth and vegetables.

Peel off 8 rounds of dough and place on top of simmering stew, trying to allow about 1/2 inch between each biscuit. Reduce the heat to medium-low, cover and cook for 10 minutes. The dumplings will have risen as they steam and should be cooked through. Serve in shallow bowls with the dumplings on top.

I love homemade biscuits but the tubes of dough found

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## HALL OF FAME

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In 1989, the Wildcats produced a 12-1 record, but once again saw their season end in the semifinals with a loss to the Bombers of John Burroughs.

After coming close twice, Morrow's Marauder's finally had their championship moment in 1990, avenging losses from the prior two years with an overtime win at home over Burroughs.

The next week, the Wildcats rolled past South Shelby, 42-7, earning the program's first state championship.

Warsaw went back to the playoffs in 1991 and 1992, again reaching the semis in '92. The 1993 season culminated with a 13-12 win over Lutheran North (St. Louis) in the title game, cementing the Wildcats perfect 13-0 season and the program's second championship in four years.

In 1994 and 1995, both squads went on to reach the state playoffs, with the '94 team reaching the finals before losing an 18-13 heartbreaker against Monroe City.

Some players and coaches recounted memories from those days.

"Usually going to practice on Thanksgiving, and loving every minute of it," Berry exclaimed!

(Because that meant that you were playing in the state championship.)

Others recalled more specific instances.

"My first year was 1992," former coach Matt Bohanon said. "In the district final, we played 9-0 Versailles. The temps were freezing and there were burn barrels on both sidelines. It was hyped as the game of the century... We won, 62-0."

"My freshman year, I was lined up across from Cory Brandt, a senior on the offensive line," Noland said. "I didn't want to make him mad, so when the ball was snapped, I lazily reached up and put my hands on him. He promptly shoved me to the ground and, infuriated, said, 'that's not making me better!'. For the rest of the practice, I gave him everything I had. That kind of mindset made Warsaw football different."

Other remembrances were more general.

Van Natta commented, "I remember the full stands and fans lined up all around the track. We had the best cheerleaders, the best fans,

and the community really supported us."

Perhaps most importantly were the comments received when players were asked about coaches.

"My coaches (Morrow, Burke and Ramsey) have been a huge influence on football, and life in general," said Dwayne Davis, '89. "They truly are the best. When you go from winning one game our first year to the Final Four, the lessons learned are many. They taught us how to work as a team, be accountable to each other, stay focused, dedicated, disciplined, and most of all, how to work your butt off if you want to change the current situation. They say that every loss is a lesson; and those first couple years, we had way too many lessons. But with our Final Four appearance my senior year, it's safe to say that they taught us well. I am forever thankful!"

"We were expected to do the right thing, on and off the field, and we always appreciated that because it made us better in the long run," stated Joe Hilty, '93.

"The coaches that we played for had a profound effect on our lives," Van Natta said. "They taught us how to work hard and act as young men. They were great men themselves and we still have the utmost respect for them."

Noland agreed. "I absolutely would not be the person I am today without their guidance," he said.

Through those now Hall of Fame years, friendships were established for players and coaches alike, and for those, all are grateful.

"The bond that is formed when you literally bleed with another person in pursuit of a goal is unbreakable," said Berry.

"I hadn't talked to a few of the guys in years, but when we got together, it doesn't feel like much time has passed at all," said Branson. "My time at Warsaw gave me life-long friends," said former coach Brent Depee. "Warsaw football gave me a good measuring stick."

Nathan Parks, '96, summed things up.

"Since I have graduated, I have not found anyone else who comes close to having the life experience that we did in Warsaw," he said. "The coaching staff saw in us what no one else did and that belief was contagious. Once we started believing

in each other, the rest is now part of Missouri history."

Dynasties come in all shapes and sizes. But one of the greatest football dynasties in Missouri high school sports history comes from the Benton County town of Warsaw.

And they now have another plaque to prove it.

## VALENTINES

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LOVE story."

Many of the couples in Benton County met while in high school. Jodi and Heath Karr started dating while in high school although Jodi was a student at Cole Camp and Heath was a student at Warsaw High School.

"Grant, Heath's brother, was dating my best friend and since Grant couldn't drive yet, Heath would bring him to Cole Camp and my friend suggested that Heath and I go on a double date with them. Well, Grant didn't date my friend very long but Heath and I dated for six and a half years before we were married," she said.

The Karrs were married on New Year's Eve and have been married for 35 years. They are the parents of three children and one grandchild with another on the way.

Warren and Vicki Schroder were also high school sweethearts.

"We knew each other because WHS was a small school but we started dating after going on a double date with two of our friends," she recalled. "We started talking and we ended up dating each other instead of the person we went on a date with."

The Schroders have been married 68 years in March and are the parents of four daughters.

Ron and Janice Jenkins have been married for over 50 years.

"Ron and I attended WHS together but we really did not know one another. When he was a senior, I was just a sophomore. I knew who he was because he was a basketball star but I was just a farm girl from Frisco," she said.

"We got acquainted when we both attended UCM in Warrensburg. Ron was dating my best friend and I was dating his roommate. One summer afternoon in 1963 Ron called to see if I wanted to go to the drive-in movie in Warsaw. I really didn't want to go because I was dating someone else

at that time but I went with him anyway and as they say the rest is history. We were married in June of 1964."

"Ron is my best friend and we make all our decisions together. We don't disagree much because Ron is easygoing and very understanding of my faults. He never gets mad. We are active in our church and put God first in our lives which is probably the best advice I can give for a happy marriage," she concluded.

Another couple who started dating in high school was Jim and Shawn Reser Miller. According to Shawn, her younger sister LuAnn set them up on a date for Echoes way back in 1968.

"Jim didn't like to dance so it was not the best night for him but as a couple we hit it off," she said.

Shawn and Jim recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and have spent most of their lives together since they worked together at the local funeral home.

"Jim always wanted to fly so after he received his pilot's license, we decided to take a weekend trip to O'Fallon," she commented. "My dad said it was fine for Jim to go, but he didn't want me in that little plane. I went anyway."

The Millers are the parents of two sons and grandparents of five grandsons and one granddaughter.

"All marriages have their ups and downs, however, we have been happy all these 50 years," she concluded.

Katy Trail dental hygienist Jessica Burdick fell in love with her tutor.

"Drew was my math tutor in college and we hit it off! We have been together for 20 years and married 19 years! We got married on the beach in Maui, Hawaii," she exclaimed!

WHS English teacher Amanda Adler met her husband on the internet.

"My mother signed me up on a dating page and Stan sent me a message," she said. "She didn't tell Stan that she had signed me up until after we were married. I always listen to my mother; she always gives good advice."

The Adler's have been married 14 years and are the parents of three.

"Luckily, Stan likes my mother since we live right next door now," she commented.

Dr. Amber Campbell met her husband on a dating site as well.

"I was a resident at Research Hospital in Kansas City and I signed up just for fun," she said. "As a resident you don't meet many guys unless they need medical attention, but I was surprised when Gary asked to meet me out for dinner. It was a snowy evening and we stayed at the restaurant for a long time talking. We both drove there so I drove home very carefully. Gary slid off the road and wrecked his car, but he didn't let that discourage him."

Amber and Gary have been

married for 15 years and are the parents of two children.

So young lovers, there is a great deal of good advice from some people who have kept their love alive for many years. Have a great Valentine's Day and remember guys, just a little card on February 14 will bring a smile to her face.

## MALEK

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## WARSAW

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contracts with Warsaw Leathernecks and the Benton County Historical Society, the first for small financial assistance, the Leathernecks for a

minimal rental fee. Under consideration but not acted on were contributions to the Warsaw Area Chamber of Commerce and Benton County Tourism, which brought forth questions about their current services. That matter will be brought to an upcoming meeting. Another agreement by the group was to amend the 2023 budget to agree with the city's actual ending balance in all accounts. City Administrator Randy Pogue commented that the amended 2023 budget was not a "budget buster."

In late session, the group appointed Francis Gatlin, Wendy Pute and Meghan Phillips to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. They also adopted an ordinance between the city and the MO Department of Conservation Community Assistance Program to adopt CAT's Program. They then adopted a resolution that could bring federal assistance in developing the city's Smart Trail program with lights, Wi-Fi and a security system.

The group went into executive session about 6:40 PM. The public is welcome to its open meetings, usually held on 1st and 3rd Monday eves.

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## WHS Will Crown Royalty At This Friday's Courtwarming Ceremony



WHS COURTWARMING will be held on Friday night. Royalty will be crowned at halftime of the Boys Varsity game. Candidates include: (front row) princess candidates, juniors Keira Mostaffa, Tatum Bohl and Sonia Lasseigne, queen candidates seniors Grace Drake, Angela Konopasek and Abbi Flinn; (back row) prince candidates juniors Bradley Watson, Jaxson Deckard and Logan Gemes, king candidates seniors Zane Huffman, Dylan Elmer and Devon Boul. Courtwarming is Friday, Feb. 9 at WHS.



A FANTASTIC FOOTBALL ERA in Warsaw was celebrated by over 50 players and a slew of coaches from the 1988-95 teams who were in attendance for their induction into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame as part of the Class of 2024. The group gathered on Saturday evening in Springfield to tell old stories from "the glory days" and enjoyed a cordial ceremony on Sunday at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds E-Plex.

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## Lincoln, Cole Camp Come Up Empty At Kaysinger Tourney

By  
**Johnnie Logue**  
Sports Reporter

Three Benton County basketball teams were eliminated back-to-back-to-back in the annual Kaysinger Conference Tournament on Thursday night in Sedalia on the campus of State Fair Community College.

The Lincoln girls won a play-in game on Monday and were hammered by the number one seed Tipton Lady Cardinal, 61-6 on Tuesday in first round action.

On Thursday, Lincoln faltered in the fourth quarter and lost to Green Ridge 30-26. It was tied at seven after one and Lincoln trailed 13-10 at the half. In the third, Lincoln took the lead 21-19.

**GREEN RIDGE (30):** S. Rivas, 16; K. Box, 8; K. Box, 4; Devoss, 2.

**LINCOLN (26):** Helland, 11; Harvey, 5; Gillespie, 2; Mellen, 8.

\* \* \*

The Lincoln boys were up next against a well-balanced Northwest team, who had a height advantage at every position. Northwest clogged up the middle and prevented Lincoln to pass or drive in the paint in the 39-25 loss.

Free throw shooting killed the Cardinals as they were just 3 for 11 from the line and Northwest went 13 for 16. Jason Boss was 9 of 10 from the charity stripe and had 14 points to lead Northwest.

**LINCOLN (25):** Everhart, 3; Sanders, 4; Smith, 6; Kriesler, 1; Eckhoff, 6; Parrott, 5.

**NORTHWEST (39):** Boss, 14; Nieters, 8; Caton, 13; Johnson, 4.

Lincoln won a play-in game over LaMonte on Friday and on Saturday lost to number one seed Cole Camp.

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The Cole Camp girls came up next and completed the Benton County sweep with a 47-41 loss to Smithton. The Lady Bluebirds trailed by 11 after three but made a run in the fourth. They cut the lead to five but couldn't complete the rally as turnovers and missed three throws spelled curtains for the girls in blue.

**COLE CAMP (41):** Degraffenteid, 8; Thayer, 4; Carl, 10; Shoemaker, 7; Moellman, 2; Hesse, 4; Wentworth, 4; Timocschuk, 4.

**SMITHTON (47):** Houston, 3; K. Simmons, 9; Goss, 16; Tripp, 8;



**JUST HANGIN' AROUND** Cole Camp's Gentry Dieckman dunked in the fourth quarter before fouling out against Stover. The number one seeded Bluebirds took fourth place after a controversial 57-55 loss on Saturday.

Simmons, 11.

The Lady Bluebirds won a play-in game over Otterville on Friday and lost on Saturday to Northwest.

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Then on the next Saturday, the Cole Camp boys lost to Stover 57-55 in the third place game with a controversial ending.

Cole Camp's Reid Harrison was surrounded by three players in an attempt to get off a last second shot and no foul was called. The referees ran off the court as the buzzer sounded.

Gentry Dieckman had 29 points before fouling out in the final minutes. Cole Camp trailed 18-14 after one and 34-24 at the half. Stover bombed from the outside and Cole Camp made adjustments after the half and trailed 46-40 after three and tied the game briefly at 46-46 in the fourth.

**COLE CAMP (55):** G. Dieckman, 29; Bright, 4; Harrison, 11; Strathman, 3; C. Dieckman, 2; Howard, 6; **STOVER (57):** Moon, 6; Belt, 11; Mosher, 19; Welpman, 7; Edinger, 6; Viebrock, 6; Nordi, 2.

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Tipton won the girls championship over Northwest, 61-32. Tipton

## Ladycats Get Good Win Over Buffalo

By  
*Adam Howe, Sports*

For as far back as the MSHSAA website currently indicates, which is the 2005-06 season, the Ladycats had never beaten Buffalo, but that changed last Tuesday night when Warsaw earned a big, and much needed win over the visiting Lady Bison, 58-49, improving their record to 8-12 as they near the final stretch of their regular season.

Buffalo came in with a short bench but a clear size advantage, but the relentlessness of the Ladycats could not be denied on Senior Night as they fought and clawed their way to the win.

Warsaw led 13-11 at the end of the first quarter, but the Lady Bison took the lead into the locker room at the break, 30-24, much thanks to the hot hand of Kenzie Wilson who netted 13 of her team high 27 points in the period.

The defense of the Ladycats turned up the heat in the second half and sophomore guard Tanna Howe caught fire, knocking down bucket after bucket for her game high 28 points.

Warsaw used a 34-19 margin in the second half to nail down the 58-49 victory.

Howe's 28 points set a new career high while Rachel Henderson and Keira Mostaffa dropped 12 and 10 points on the Lady Bison.

**WARSAW (58):** A. Konopasek, 0; K. Mostaffa, 10; H. Ferguson, 2; J. Bilderback, 0; R. Henderson, 12; M. Reimund, 0; T. Howe, 28; S. Miller, 3; M. Slavens, 0; G. Drake, 3; A. Smith, 0; H. Newell, 0; J. Gerken, 0; J. Dove, 0.

**BUFFALO (49):** M. Johnson, 0; L. White, 13; A. Armstrong, 7; K. Wilson, 27; N. Hardy, 2; B. Rodriguez, 0.

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In the nightcap, the Wilcats had no answer for Buffalo's Blair Abraham, who tallied 26 points to lead the Bison to a 65-30 win.

Buffalo led 17-5 after the first and then used a 12-5 margin in the second for a 29-10 halftime lead.

A 17-14 third quarter margin in favor of the Bison kept things in check at 46-24 before the visitor's rattled off a 19-6 advantage in the fourth and cruised to the 65-30 win.

The Wilcats failed to put a single player in double digits while Buffalo had 3.

"We've struggled scoring this season and tonight was no exception," Warsaw

coach Matt Brownsberger said. "I thought our kids attacked the basket well, but we didn't get to the free throw line. Buffalo had size that could really change the game at the rim."

**WARSAW (30):** S. Poyser, 6; G. Ferguson, 7; L. Henderson, 6; B. Slavens, 2; B. Henderson, 0; L. Bilderback, 0; C. Davis, 0; L. Gemes, 0; L. Gemes, 5; R. Reser, 0; N. Siebert, 2; A. Burdick, 0; J. Newell, 2; J.C. Minks, 0.

**BUFFALO (65):** L. Mota, 11; T. Aven, 4; B. McGregor, 15; B. McGregor, 0; I. Young, 0; B. Abraham, 26; M. Skinner, 0; C. Shepperly, 0; D. Bennett, 9; J. Roofff, 0; O. Phillips, 0; L. Jones, 0; D. Hodge, 0.

## Warsaw Swept By Eldorado Springs On The Road

By  
*Adam Howe, Sports*

It was a long night for both Warsaw squads when they went on the road last Thursday night and came both home with handy defeats at the hands of Eldorado Springs.

The Ladycats were up first and the only thing that stood between them and their ninth win of the season was the number one ranked team in Class 3 in the state of Missouri.

Warsaw got on the board first with a Tanna Howe 3-point shot and actually led 5-0 to start the game but it was all Lady Bulldogs from there as they led 40-16 at the half and then cruised in the second, whipping the Ladycats with a 67-24 final.

**WARSAW (24):** A. Konopasek, 2; K.

Mostaffa, 0; H. Ferguson, 2; J. Bilderback, 0; R. Henderson, 8; M. Reimund, 2; T. Howe, 5; S. Miller, 3; M. Slavens, 0; G. Drake, 0; A. Smith, 0; H. Newell, 0; J. Gerken, 2; J. Dove, 0; A. Yoder, 0; B. Schwartz, 0.

**ELDORADO SPRINGS (67):** A. Collins, 17; T. Steward, 7; A. Thompson, 0; S. McCullough, 5; K. Daniels, 0; M. Mays, 4; K. Strauch, 0; G. Mead, 2; N. Schaaf, 18; B. Steward, 8; A. Schmitt, 0.

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In their late night matchup, the Wilcats hung tight throughout the first half and only trailed by a 29-21 score at halftime but being on the wrong end of a 25-6 margin in the third quarter helped Eldorado Springs put things away in the second half as they handed Warsaw a 68-41 loss.

Only four players found the scoring column for the Wildcats. Logan Gemes led Warsaw with 14. Noah Siebert and Shane Poyser contributed 11 and 10 points, respectively, and Garrett Ferguson tossed in 6.

**WARSAW (41):** S. Poyser, 10; G. Ferguson, 6; L. Henderson, 0; B. Slavens, 0; B. Henderson, 0; L. Bilderback, 0; C. Davis, 0; L. Gemes, 0; L. Gemes, 14; N. Siebert, 11; A. Burdick, 0; J. Newell, 0; J.C. Minks, 0.

**ELDORADO SPRINGS (68):** L. Murry, 19; P. Heitz, 0; R. Ferguson, 18; A. Rotert, 0; J. Gordon, 2; G. Wolfe, 2; D. Whitesell, 0; M. Mossman, 1; R. McCullough, 4; K. Burley, 22; D. Burchett, 0.

## Warsaw Wrestling Takes Second As Team At James Booher Memorial



Warsaw Wildcats wrestlers traveled over three hours away to Albany on Saturday for their 18 team invitational James Booher Memorial Wrestling Tournament on Saturday and, after a great day on the mat, came away with a runner-up finish as a team.

Individual results for the event are as follows:

Sean Reinertsen, 3-1, *3rd Place*

Owen Miskell, 0-2

Mason Gollihar, 0-2

Sonny Garrett, 2-2, *4th Place*

D'Angelo Ramirez, 0-2

Drake Murrell, 4-0, *Champion*

Urijah Phillips, 3-1, *3rd Place*

Josh Harvath, 4-0, *Champion*

Jayce Depriest, 2-2, *4th Place*

Peyton Painter, 1-2

This was the final regular season event for the Wildcats. Their attention now turns to the Class 11 District 2 Tournament which will be held at Butler High School on February 16 and 17.

The 2024 Missouri State Wrestling Championships will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, February 21 and 22 in Columbia at Mizzou Arena, on the campus of the University of Missouri.

## Warsaw Archery Hosts Annual State Qualifier Tournament



**WARSAW ARCHERY** hosted their annual Warsaw State Qualifying Tournament with over 650 archers from more than 15 schools participating. WHS placed third in the Bullseye Tournament with a score of 3160 and placed fourth in the 3D Tournament with a score of 1589.



## Rodriguez: The Next Big Thing For Cole Camp Bluebirds?



**COLE CAMP** sophomore Grant Rodriguez had his hand raised at a recent wrestling tournament in Lone Jack. Rodriguez was an All-Conference and All-District running back for the Bluebirds in the fall and will take over at QB for Coach Shearer next season.

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## Warsaw Mathletes Compete At Smith-Cotton Contest



**THE WARSAW MATH CLUB** took second place in their division at Smith-Cotton on Saturday. Attending the contest were, front row (L to R): Brayden Henderson, Lovlie Haidusek, Sarah Gilbert; middle row: Michael Schliefert, Hannah Wooldridge, Levi Bilderback, Jaxson Deckard, Wesley Jackson, Henry Breshears, Ashlynn Adams, Erin Goodpaster, Elsie Hughes and back row: Logan Gemes, Jasmin Myers, Drake Murrell.

The Warsaw High School mathletes traveled to Smith-Cotton in Sedalia for a math competition last Saturday, January 27. The team consisted of Sarah Gilbert, Erin Goodpaster, Lovlie Haidusek, Hannah Wooldridge, Ashlynn Adams, Jaxson Deckard, Logan Gemes, Drake Murrell, Michael Schliefert, Henry Breshears, Brayden Henderson, Elsie Hughes, Wesley Jackson, Levi Bilderback and Jasmin Myers. The team finished the day in second place overall when competing against other schools in the blue division. The blue division consisted of Warsaw, Stover, Cole Camp, Smithton, Father Tolton and Holden.

Team 10 consisting of Levi Bilderback, Henry Breshears, Elsie Hughes, and Wesley Jackson ended up in 3rd place. Team 11 finished in 2nd place with team members being Ashlynn Adams, Jaxson Deckard, Drake Murrell, Michael Schliefer. Another 3rd place finish was Team 12 being Sarah Gilbert, Erin Goodpaster, and Hannah Wooldridge. Finishing with a strong 1st place medal was the Mixed Team of freshman Jasmin Myers, sophomore Brayden Henderson, junior Logan Gemes, and senior Lovlie Haidusek.

The following is a list of individual awards: Word Problems 9, Levi Bilderback (9th) Jasmin Myers (10th); Word Problems 10, Wesley Jackson (4th); Word Problems 11, Jaxson Deckard (3rd), Logan Gemes (8th); Word Problems 12, Hannah Wooldridge (8th), Sarah Gilbert (10th); Find a Place Challenge, Henry Breshears (1st), Drake Murrell (2nd),

Ashlynn Adams (5th); Algebra 9, Levi Bilderback (5th); Algebra 10, Henry Breshears (3rd), Brayden Henderson (5th), Wesley Jackson (8th), Elsie Hughes (10th); Algebra 11, Logan Gemes (4th), Ashlynn Adams (5th), Jaxson Deckard (7th), Drake Murrell (8th); Algebra 12, Erin Goodpaster (2nd), Hannah Wooldridge (4th); Calculus, Lovlie Haidusek (4th), Michael Schliefert (6th); Geometry 9, Levi Bilderback (7th), Jasmin Myers (10th); Geometry 10, Elsie Hughes (7th), Brayden Henderson (9th); Right Triangle Trigonometry, Jaxson Deckard (5th), Ashlynn Adams (6th), Drake Murrell (7th), Logan Gemes (10th); Trigonometry, Wesley Jackson (2nd), Lovlie Haidusek (5th), Henry Breshears (6th); Probability and Statistics, Erin

Goodpaster (1st), Hannah Wooldridge (5th), Micheal Schliefert (10th); Hodge Podge, Jaxson Deckard (2nd), Wesley Jackson (3rd), Logan Gemes (5th); Random Science, Drake Murrell (3rd), Hannah Wooldridge (4th), Henry Breshears (9th); Logic, Michael Schliefert (7th), Levi Bilderback (8th); Power Point Timed Test 9/10, Elsie Hughes (9th); Power Point Timed Test 11/12, Erin Goodpaster (2nd), Ashlynn Adams (3rd), Sarah Gilbert (8th).

In the top competitors, Wesley Jackson was the 2nd place sophomore. Jaxson Deckard was the 4th place junior. Erin Goodpaster was the 3rd place senior.

"I am very proud of these students, sponsor Amy Spunaugle said. "There were a few brand new competitors at this competition. The basketball tournament took out some of our competitors this round, so I was afraid we would not have enough to make a team. We were short two freshmen, but Warsaw came around to fill the spots in the upper grades. Their second place finish is a solid showing! Wesley, Jaxson and Erin being top competitors is always great to see. Congratulations to the Mixed Team's 1st place, too."

"I also want to thank Mrs. Amelia Smith for taking the students to this competition when I had a prior engagement," said Spunaugle. "Having a strong math team of teachers helps these students out a lot."



## Lincoln FBLA Takes On District Contest



Congratulations to the following FBLA students who placed at District Contest! Best of luck to those students who advanced to state! Go Cards!

- 1st Entrepreneurship-Taylor Botteron, Audrey Campbell
- Organizational Leadership-Rebekah Helland
- 2nd Supply Chain Management-Myles Harms
- Networking Infrastructure-Taylor Botteron
- Supply Chain Management-Myles Harms
- 3rd Marketing-Thomas Rose, Lance Stevenson
- International Business-Noah Eckhoff, Thomas Rose
- Business Ethics-Rebekah Helland, Taylor Botteron
- 4th Economics-Noah Eckhoff
- 5th Securities and Investments-Ashton Wolfe
- Introduction to Event Planning-Cadence Harvey, Rebekah Helland
- Business Management-Ben Eckhoff, Ethan Goosen, Dawson Parrott

- 6th Insurance and Risk Management-Danika Gillespie
- Help Desk-Ella Biggerstaff
- 8th Sports and Entertainment Marketing-Danika Gillespie, Sydney Spry
- Introduction to Social Media Strategies-Eden Eichler, Addison Monteer
- Introduction to Business Concepts-Ben Eckhoff
- Computer Problem Solving-Joe Kauffman
- Business Calculations-Myles Harms
- 9th Public Speaking-Lance Stevenson
- Introduction to Public Speaking
- Impromptu Speaking-Audrey Campbell

## Deadline Nears For Annual Warsaw Alumni Scholarship

By *Judy Kinhead*  
Warsaw High School seniors, time is running out to apply for the Warsaw School Alumni Scholarship. Applications should be turned in by March 24, 2024.

The Warsaw School Alumni Association awards two \$1,400 scholarships to two graduating WHS seniors each year. Any senior with a GPA of 2.5 or

above planning to attend a two-or four-year accredited college, university, or vocational school should consider applying for this scholarship.

Some former scholarship recipients have included: Sterling Karr, a Biology graduate at Missouri Valley College, now serving active duty in the Air Force; Monica Grace working on her Doctorate in Psychology at St. Louis University; Riley Karr, a Hospitality Management graduate at Ozark Technical College, working in the day care business; Thane Henderson, a University of Central Missouri graduate in Ag Finance, now working for Rural First in Louisville, KY; and Alyssa Alcantara, a sophomore Bio-medical major at Northwest Missouri State.

It is very important for the Alumni Association to keep this scholarship continuing. If you would like to donate to the Warsaw School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, please mail a check to Warsaw School Alumni Association, PO Box 1528, Warsaw, MO 65355. All donations are greatly appreciated.

The 36th Warsaw All-School reunion will be Saturday, June 8, 2024, at the John Boise Middle School. We hope to see a lot of alumni there!

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**THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN:** I'm living it now!  
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**WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS:** Their blunt honesty  
**MY GREATEST FEAR IS:** Drowning.  
**I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO:** Bury a child.  
**I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO:** Do a handstand.  
**IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD:** Buy an island and take everyone I like with me.  
**MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE TO:** Italy.  
**HOBBIES:** Coloring with toddlers  
**FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICIAN:** Willie Nelson

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** *Fried Green Tomatoes*  
**FAVORITE DRINK:** Black Russian  
**FAVORITE SNACK:** Chips and Queso  
**FAVORITE CANDY:** Andes Mints  
**FUTURE GOAL:** To start a hobby farm  
**WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST:** My Momma  
**ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF:** Breathe, and take it all in.  
**WORDS TO LIVE BY:** Let it be.



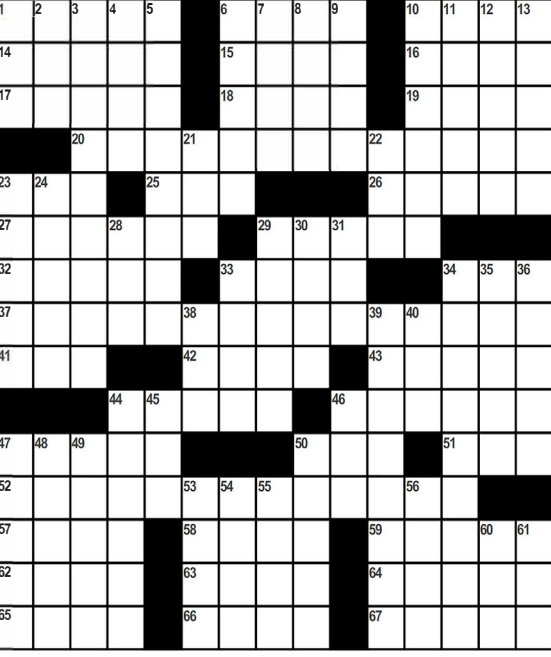
### ACROSS

- 1) Ziti or cannelloni
- 2) Laborer
- 10) Many Monopoly props.
- 14) Have a home-cooked meal
- 15) Pro \_\_\_ (in proportion)
- 16) Landlocked African country
- 17) Sweater letter
- 18) Cow-headed Egyptian goddess
- 19) Everyman
- 20) Required course for fathers-to-be?
- 23) Lawyers' org.
- 25) That fella
- 26) Aquamarine or emerald
- 27) Filmed a scene again
- 29) Waking up
- 32) More apt to deceive
- 33) "Wheel of Fortune" option
- 34) Words from the sponsors
- 37) Hemingway book, with "The"
- 41) Born as, for women
- 42) On the sheltered side
- 43) Character set for computers
- 44) Largest ray
- 46) Most fitting
- 47) Time's partner
- 50) European mountain
- 51) Degree in mathematics?
- 52) Spiderlike bug
- 57) Throughout the course of
- 58) Yachting to Hawaii, e.g.
- 59) Water nymph of Greek myth
- 62) Orange rind, e.g.
- 63) Czech, Serb or Croat
- 64) Run away and get married
- 65) Tried's partner
- 66) Tender to the touch
- 67) Supergiant in Cygnus

### DOWN

- 1) Animal kept for companionship
- 2) "That feels g-o-o-o-d!"
- 3) Get out of the way
- 4) Michael Jackson backer, once
- 5) Poet's repetition for effect
- 6) Light reflector
- 7) Far from hard
- 8) "Narc" ending
- 9) Old Rambler manufacturer
- 10) Comparatively plenty
- 11) Courage under fire
- 12) Nostalgic work
- 13) Greek and Roman female oracle
- 21) "The \_\_\_ and the Pendulum"
- 22) \_\_\_-Wan Kenobi
- 23) Fire-setting crime
- 24) The beauty of "Beauty and the Beast"
- 28) Clothes line?
- 29) Certain sleep problem
- 30) "Them" or "us"
- 31) Dynamite stuff
- 33) Shaker's contents
- 34) A movement upward
- 35) Certain worshipper
- 36) Doh speak
- 38) A Bobbsey twin
- 39) Came to pass
- 40) "To the max" suffix
- 44) Word with East or Ages
- 45) "\_\_\_ ideas?"
- 46) Nothing's opposite
- 47) Learn to fit in
- 48) Dungeons & Dragons player
- 49) Bye, in France
- 50) Spiny-leaved plant
- 53) Dundee miss
- 54) Nobel Institute city
- 55) Word with miss or catastrophe
- 56) "The Wizard of Oz" family name
- 60) Hairy copier
- 61) Society-page newcomer

### FATHER TIME



## Fristoe

NEWS

By Pat Arnett  
Contributing Reporter

The weather has been really good for the past week, enough for Dean Arnett to put some of his granddaughter Maddie's onion plants in the ground. She loves the sweet Texas Sweet onions when they begin to make bottoms in the spring. He will be making a trip to Barnett to pick up some garden supplies one day soon.

Happy birthday shout-outs to Amber First and Tina

Helmig Pratz on Friday, February 9; Brooklyn Jackman on Monday, the 12th; and Sam Scott on Tuesday, the 13th. You all have great birthdays!

Dean and I had a great week of watching local school's play basketball. Climax Springs had 7 girls listed on the team but as time went on it became a team with 5 girls on the team. Those girls are tough players. They lose some but they win some too and this past week Dean and I had the privilege of watching as they won three and lost one. A very enjoyable time we had.

Prayer list for this week: Jesse Crouch, Kathy First, Leland Brown, Lovely Henderson, Carolee Apperson, Lewis and Judy Retherford, Gladys Harris, Curtis Allen and Mary

Scarborough. The Fristoe Pentecostal Lighthouse Church had the opportunity to enjoy a wonderful church service today by providing a "Dedication Service". Lincoln and Victoria McGuire, Macks Creek, have been attending Fristoe Lighthouse Church nearly a year and became parents for the third time in late summer. Lincoln and Victoria were parents of two little girls and became parents of a boy they named Troy. Sunday, February 4, they joined in the dedication of their son provided by Pastor Tony Smith at the altar in the church, as they dedicated their son Toby to be raised to serve The Lord. Lincoln and Victoria, brought Toby to the front and were joined there by their daughters, Abby and Malea. The church feels very blessed to have this family in church attendance. Sunday had some regulars back in attendance but a few are out with illnesses. Sunday School lesson was based on Acts Chapter 2 and the teaching of the Holy Spirit. Claude and The Lighthouse Singers did a great "I'll Fly Away". DoBee and Ken did a great special "Jesus Loves Me" in honor of the dedication service and then Dave sang "God Paid A Ransom"! Br. Smith's message was from 1st Timothy Chapter 6.

Thought for the week: The wise will inherit glory: but shame will be the promotion of fools!  
 Hope as the days get a little bit longer each day good things happen to each!



### Lodge #2783

By Betty Mewszel  
Contributing Reporter

Members bring your friends and join us on February 8 for a night of Bunco. Yes, men are invited. Game starts at 6:00 PM. Cost is only \$5.00 and all the money will be used as prizes. Bring a light snack to share. If there is enough interest, a monthly Bunco group will be formed. Mark your calendar.

Also, mark your calendar for "Dining at the Lodge":  
 February 7, Tenderloin Sandwich/Dinner, Mushrooms, Onion Rings, French Fries, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, Tenderloin sandwich \$6/Dinner, \$12, Mushrooms \$4, Onion Rings \$4, French Fries \$3

February 13, Mardi Gras Party Dinner served 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, Cajun Food, \$12 per person, Party 6:00 PM-?, Show Me The Money game will be played

February 21, Tenderloin Sandwich/Dinner, Mushrooms, Onion Rings, French Fries, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, Tenderloin sandwich \$6/Dinner, \$12, Mushrooms \$4, Onion Rings \$4, French Fries \$3

February 23, International Night-Asian Buffet, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, \$12

All meals are open to our members and their guests.

Members enjoy playing Shuffleboard on Tuesdays at 1:00 PM and Darts at 6:00 PM on Wednesdays in

a non-smoking room.

Shuffleboard winners for January 30:

1st-Shirley/Doris

2nd-Trish/Dennis

Dart winners on January 31

1st-Dennis/Jerry

2nd-John/Brett

Stop by some night and enjoy watching the dart players. The Lodge Boys play on Thursdays at 1:00 PM. A light meal is served.

An awesome fundraiser has been planned for February 24. Hillbilly Bingo will start at 2:00 PM. Cost is 8 rounds for \$15.00. There will be food, auction items, bake sale and lots of fun! The proceeds will go towards ENF and BT. Baked goods, baskets, etc. will be welcomed to auction off.

Super Bowl Sunday! Mark your calendar and join us at the lodge for the Super Bowl. The game starts at 5:30 PM. Bring a snack and enjoy watching the Chiefs WIN! Wear your Chiefs attire to show your support.

Remember, if there is doubt if the Lodge is open, refer to Facebook or call the lodge at (660) 438-9498. If you are a member and want to get last minute announcements, please email your address to bettymewszel@gmail.com.

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## William Chester Parr



William Chester Parr, 82, of New Franklin passed away February 2, 2024, at the University of Missouri Hospital in Columbia.

He was born on August 7, 1941, in Spencer, IA to John and Millie Faulkner Parr. William (Bill) married Beverly June Stull on May 21, 1961. To this union two children were born, Deborah June Parr and William Steven Parr.

Bill was a member of the United Methodist Church in New Franklin. He was active with the Boy Scout Pack and Troop 63 for 25 years. He was Troop Scout Master for many of those years. Bill was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows joining Far West #4 Lodge on October 30, 1978. He was Past Grand Master for the Missouri Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Past Department Commander for Missouri Patriarch Militant and Past Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of Missouri. Bill retired in 2007 after being employed with Ameren for over 35 years.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly Stull Parr of the home; a daughter, Deborah Parr Laupp (Darren) of Columbia, MO; a son, Steven Parr (Alicia) of Fayette; grandchildren, Michael Wayne Laupp (Mari-Jean Louise), Rebekah Nicole Laupp and William Charles Parr; step-grandchildren, Staton Michael Zener, Emily Marie Zener and Christian James Zener; great-grandchild, Clark Hubert Laupp; siblings, Joan Purevich, Creighton and Lee Parr of Warsaw; sisters-in-law, Christine Howard and Wilma Keightley (George) and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Services honoring Bill's life will be held at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, February

7 at the United Methodist Church in New Franklin with Rev. Michael Keith officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday evening, February 6 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Markland-Yager Funeral Home in New Franklin.

Interment will follow the service at Shiloh Cemetery near Quincy, MO.

Memorial contributions are suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Condolences may be shared at [www.marklandyager.com](http://www.marklandyager.com).

## WARSAW CHRISTIAN CHURCH

*For it is by grace, you have been saved, through faith...*

-Ephesians 2:8

I recently read an article on entitlement and decided to return to a familiar verse. There are things we are entitled to possess. If you pay for a car or a home, you are entitled to use them for your benefit. If you buy a show ticket in Branson, you are entitled to watch the show.

Are we entitled to possess salvation? Does God owe us His blessings? The answer is an emphatic NO! Are we entitled to live a trouble-free life, free from tornados and cancer? What does God owe us? The only thing we are entitled to from God is an eternity in hell. That is what we have earned. That is what we deserve. Salvation is by grace. Grace is God giving to us what we don't deserve. He sent His Son to redeem us. He did this by taking the penalty to which we are entitled. When we trust in Jesus, we enter into the grace of God. God forgives us and grants us eternal life. Do we deserve it? NO! It is a gift from the grace of God given to the unworthy.

Yes, we are entitled to many things, but salvation is not one of them. Therefore, never think that God owes you anything. Instead, receive His grace with gratitude.

## LINCOLN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Hello everyone. It was a good day to be in the Lord's house. The ladies Sunday school class is studying the book of Genesis. Dana keeps the little ones on track with different lessons from the Bible. Bro. Jesse leads the youth class. Come and join in and learn more about Jesus and what He can do for you. The last two weeks we have had a large group for worship. We are glad to see some younger faces and some children in church with us. Bro. Jesse preached at the Lincoln Care Center this Sunday.

We will be going through a series from Daniel. Today's message was from Daniel 1. He told us the difference between the word God and god. God with a capital letter is talking about our God in Heaven. A little god is just a god of people who worship idols. Daniel renamed Belteshazzar, Hananiah renamed Shadrach, Mishael renamed Meshach and Azariah renamed Abednego was taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar in Jerusalem along with other young people. He had killed their parents and wanted to mold these young people into what he wanted them to be the educated people as they seen them. Daniel defied the king by not wanting to eat of the kings table. Daniel stayed true to who his God was. He wasn't willing to compromise his beliefs. God gave these young men their gifts.

What do you rely on? Turn it over to God. He will take care of His business then He will take care of yours. We have a choice of what we do. They were there to serve the king but their first service was to God. God has to call people to Him. Do you serve God? Don't be willing to compromise yourself. Don't do things that defile yourself.

GOD BLESS AND WE'LL SEE YOU NEXT WEEK. FIND A CHURCH TO WORSHIP THE LORD.

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

JOHNNIE J. LOGUE

### The Preacher

*Preach the Word, be instant in season and out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.*

-2 Timothy 4:2

Needless to say, these are my personal opinions that I have formed over the years. So to preachers, I say the following:

1. Get a suit. Preachers on social media look like they are going fishing or going on a date; certainly not to preach. There is nothing casual about standing before a congregation behind a pulpit to preach God's Word.
2. You are a pastor or a preacher and not a doctor. Pastor is the Biblical term. Doctor is a worldly term. You are not a medical doctor. Then again, you dress like the world so I suppose you need the world's terms and you need the crowd to make you think you are successful. So you dress like the world and you sing like the world.
3. Don't proselyte and tell your people not to proselyte. There are a lot of unchurched people out there.
4. Stop looking down on pastors with small churches. Some of the best pastors I know are in churches with under 50 members.
5. Stop changing the name of the church to fit the world. Yeah, you change it to get more people. I get that, but come on.
6. Preach the Word. Your stories and illustrations are nice but you leave the people with nothing to hang

the message on later on.

7. Be a pastor. Visit your people. Pray with them. Let them know you care about them.

8. If you see another pastor out and about, take a moment to chat with him. You can talk about things that others can't relate to like you can. Iron sharpen iron.

9. Don't snub the people who leave your church. If you see them, be kind and friendly.

10. You are a pastor 24/7. Enough said.

I am Johnie J. Logue pastor of Grace Baptist Church in Warsaw, MO, and I am not exempt from any of the previous statements.

## HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

In Matthew 14:1-14 John tells Herod it's not ok to steal your brother's wife and he needs to be held accountable. Herod wants to kill John but is concerned about how the people will react, so he puts John in prison.

On Herod's birthday, his stepdaughter dances and he is pleased and promises with an oath to give her whatever she wants. Prompted by her mother Herodias, she asks for the head of John the Baptist. Concerned for how it will look to his guests, Herod orders John beheaded, and his head brought on a platter and given to the girl, who carried it to her mother. John's disciples take his body and bury it, then they went and told Jesus. This is not just history, it's disgusting, and the important part is how we react to horrible things.

Jesus hears the news of His cousin's passing. He is deeply upset, and withdrew, just like when we learn of something that breaks us, we want alone time. Jesus wants quiet time with His twelve friends, but when they arrived, the people were already there, and Jesus saw the crowd, had compassion on them and healed their sick. Jesus' response is when the darkness shows it ugly head, show it the light. He does not let the circumstances dictate who He is. The worst thing we imagine destroy our ability to trust and care about those who hurt us, and our ability to see people with God's compassion and love, and we lose sight of who we were created to be.

Justice must exist with compassion. When Jesus hung on the cross, He saw who we could be and He stayed, because He believed we were worth dying for. Have we lost our compassion for other people? We've got to find a way to find the compassion Jesus has, and we'll find it at the cross of Jesus and no other place. When we are at our darkest and hardest, we need to lean into Jesus to rediscover the compassion Jesus created us with. This is love that man would lay down his life for others. Do we have that same compassion?

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AIMEE OERKE

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In her nomination, it stated Oerke is always supportive of her team members, is willing to take on new responsibilities and works additional hours on holidays and weekends to ensure the best care for patients.

As the Employee of the Month, Oerke received a GVMH gift and her name will be engraved on a plaque to be permanently displayed in the main campus. She is also one of 12 finalists for the 2023-2024 Employee of the Year award.

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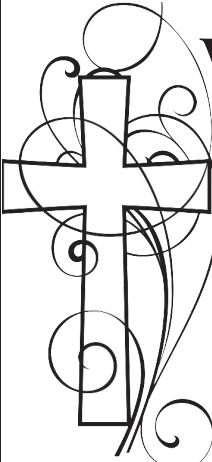
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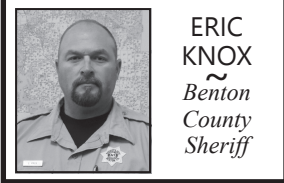
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## BENTON COUNTY Sheriff's Report



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Sheriff's Report  
1/29/2024-2/04/24

Marylynn Inez Miller of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-29-24 on a Benton County warrant for Failure to Appear/Failure to Register Vehicle. Bond is set at \$261.50 cash. Subject posted bond and was given a court date.

Brian Lee Birdsong of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-29-24 for Domestic Assault. Subject was booked and released with a court date.

Jennifer Anne Dewitt of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 1-29-24 for Defective Equipment. Bond is set \$134.50 cash only. Subject posted bond and was given a court date.

Lacey Renee Battles of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-30-24 on a Benton County warrant for Harassment 1st Degree. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility on a no bond status.

Brian J Habelitz of Independence, MO was arrested on 1-30-24 on a Benton County warrant for Possession of Controlled Substance, Possession of Firearm Unlawful Use of Weapon-Possess Weapon/Felony Controlled Substance and Operate Motorcycle when Drivers License Not Valid-2nd Offense. Warrant was withdrawn and subject was released with a court date.

Jeremy E Goff of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-30-24 on a Benton County warrant, a Moniteau County warrant and a Henry County warrant for Operate Vehicle on Highway Without Valid License-3rd and subsequent offense, Probation Violation and Failure to Appear/ Assault 4th Degree Bond is set at \$25,000.00 cash or surety. Subject posted bond and was given a court date.

Stacey G Martin of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-30-24 on 2 Pettis County warrants for Failure to Appear/Stealing; bond is set at \$10,000.00 cash

or surety. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Jordan David Steiner of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-31-24 for Driving While Intoxicated-Zero Tolerance. Subject was booked and released with a court date

Samantha Katherine Dobnikar of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 2-1-24 on 2 Benton County warrants and a Cooper County warrant for Trafficking Drugs-2nd Degree, Failure to Obey Judge's Order and probation violation. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility on a no bond status.

Cheyenne V Waggoner of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 2-1-24 for Driving While Intoxicated and Possession of Marijuana/Synthetic Cannabinoid of 11-35 grams, Subject was booked and released with a court date

Micah Carl O'Connell of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 2-1-24 for Possession of Controlled Substance. Subject was booked and released with a court date

Joshua Dean Pruitt of Eldon, MO was arrested on 2-1-24 on a Miller County warrant for Failure to Appear. Bond is set at \$1,000.00 cash or surety. Subject posted bond and was given a court date

James William Ruth of Warsaw, MO was sentenced on 2-3-24 to 5 days for Resisting/Interfering with arrest and assault. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Todd Christopher Streb of Ionia, MO was arrested on 2-3-24 on a Henry County warrant for Failure to Appear/No Insurance. Bond is set at \$1000.00 cash only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Nancy Mae Berry of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 2-3-24 for Driving While Intoxicated-1st offense and Failure to Drive Right Half of Roadway. Subject was placed on a 12 hour detox hold, upon completion of the detox, subject was released

Joseph G. Hagston of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 2-4-24 on 2 Benton County warrants and one Pettis County warrant for failure to appear on Resisting Arrest/Detention/ Stop by Fleeing-Creating A substantial Risk of Serious Injury/Death to Any Person, Failure to Maintain Proof of Financial Responsibility; Operating a Motor Vehicle in a Careless and Imprudent Manner, Failure to Register

Motor Vehicle, Possession of Controlled Substance, Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Failure to Register Motor Vehicle, Failure to Maintain Proof of Financial Responsibility, Displayed/Possessed Motor Vehicle/Trailer Plates of Another Person and Failure to Maintain Proof of Financial Responsibility. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility on \$25,000 cash or surety and \$10,150.00 cash only bonds.

## PROSECUTOR'S POST ROD RICHARDSON Prosecuting Attorney February 5, 2024

Greetings. Below are the cases that were resolved/ indicted in the Associate and Circuit Courts of Benton County from January 1-31, 2024.

**Joseph D. Bennett:** age 42, Warsaw, MO was sentenced to 4 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for Possession of a Controlled Substance - Amphetamine.

**Justin Bowlin:** age 51, Lincoln, MO, was sentenced to 10 days in the Benton County Detention Center for misdemeanor Resisting an Arrest.

**Ashley Colliver:** age 35, Lincoln, MO, was sentenced to 2 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for Possession of a Controlled Substance - Methamphetamine.

**Robert Daniels:** age 53, Warsaw, MO, was sentenced to 24 days in the Benton County Detention Center for Unlawful Possession of

Drug Paraphernalia. **Kyle Stephen Fraser:** age 36, Warsaw, MO, was indicted on the felony charges of Stealing - Greater than \$25,000, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Resisting Arrest for a Felony.

**Jonathon DeWayne Hamilton,** age 19, Warsaw, MO, was indicted on the felony charge of Receiving Stolen Property.

**Allen Eugene Peek,** age 35, Calhoun, MO, was indicted on the felony charge of Resisting Arrest by Fleeing - Creating a Substantial Risk.

**Donald Grove,** age 77, Warsaw, MO, was indicted on the felony charge of Unlawful Use of a Weapon.

**John Patrick Leach Jr.,** age 41, Cole Camp, MO, was sentenced to 81 days in the Benton County Detention Center for Assault - 4th Degree.

**Kyle Cooper,** age 27, Warsaw, was sentenced to 2, 2, and 2 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections on three separate matters (Domestic Assault 3rd Degree, Assault 3rd Degree - Special Victim, and Resisting an Arrest for a Felony).

**Brandon Brown,** age 38, Warsaw, MO, was sentenced to 30 days in the Benton County Detention Center for Resisting an Arrest for a Felony.

**Matthew Ryan Johnson,** age 33, Lincoln, MO, was sentenced to 5 and 4 year sentences in the Missouri Department of Corrections for Delivery of a Controlled Substance - Methamphetamine and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm.

**Carrie Galloway:** age 42, Sedalia, MO, was sentenced to 120 days in the

Benton County Detention Center for Possession of a Controlled Substance - Methamphetamine.

**Elechia Terry:** age 43, Louisburg, MO, was sentenced to 4 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections after her probation was revoked.

## Benton County Extension Council Announces Results

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During the month of January, the Benton County Extension Council held elections for 8 positions on the council. At the February 1, 2024 Extension Council meeting, election results were announced. Leland Burnett, Leslie Dickerson, Brian Harms and Josh Sater were re-elected for a second term. New members elected are: Holly Eierman, Rob Exendine, Dan Hagedorn and Tom Hare. Members serve two-year terms and can hold their seats for two consecutive terms.

According to Amie Breshears, Ag Business Specialist for Benton County, the purpose of the Benton County Extension Council is to be a forum through which county council members cooperate in providing effective educational program support for the county citizens. They do this by exchanging information and discussing issues of concern and need, making recommendations for educational programming on topics and issues related to concerns within the county, and promoting and supporting county program planning as appropriate

according to state laws and administrative guidelines. The council also has oversight for local funding support, budgeting, personnel, and other administrative duties.

Breshears added, "We appreciate the support of the citizens of Benton County in electing a solid group of representatives to the Extension Council. Without the support of local citizens, MU Extension would not be able to provide the type of educational programs needed to meet county needs. We appreciate the commitment people make to be part of the Extension Council."

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**Have I Got A Line For You!**  
By James Mahlon White

Ran across an article last night about absurd laws that have been passed over the years. In Arizona it's illegal for donkeys to sleep in bathtubs and in Utah you can't fish from horseback. Connecticut passed a law regulating the bounciness of pickles. In California big retail stores are required to offer gender neutral toy aisles. Our Federal Highway Administration wants to ban safety signs that both prevent crashes and help people feel better

on their daily commute. "No more signage indented to be humorous" the government has declared. The term, There ought to be a law" comes to mind. How about scaling our laws back to the Ten Commandments? You've got to admit they're good rules like, "Do unto others." In the meantime, it's 1984 and we're living on Animal Farm. Montag has come to burn the books.

Losing your dog gives you many anxious moments.

I know. I've been there. I remember as a kid when our dog Bozo suddenly disappeared. I also remember our worry about where he might be. We called all over town. This was over the 4th of July and Bozo was terrified of fireworks. Two days later a car stopped on Lay Avenue in front of our house. The passenger door was opened and out bounded Bozo. The man driving the car then drove on. Bozo seemed happy to be home again and we were happy too.

I bring this up because Mac Vorce had a scare Sunday when his dog took off down by the river and disappeared near the slough. He and his son Joseph searched for hours into the night with no luck until Monday. Titan was spotted curled up on the levy, a cold muddy mess but happy to be found.

Among emails this morning was from Chanelle King. She's asking someone to go back in time with her. I just need to wire \$10,000 to her account and bring my own weapons. Chanelle said she's only done this once before and my safety is not guaranteed. If we get back safely she'll return half of the money.

We've seen the past, wouldn't it be more fun to take a peek at the future?

It's a strange old world and big old world. There's an awful lot we don't know. Just as well Old Buddy.

'Til Next Week:  
J.M.W.

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When many people think about investing, the first thing that comes to mind is the stock market. And that's not surprising, as the rise and fall of stock prices is constantly in the news. But if you're going to achieve your financial goals, you may well need to look beyond stocks and include fixed-income investments in your portfolio.

Fixed-income investments offer three important benefits:

• **Income** – When you invest in fixed-income vehicles, such as bonds, Treasury securities and certificates of deposit (CDs), you receive regular income in the form of interest payments. And you continue to receive this income until your investment matures or you sell it, no matter what's happening in the financial markets. Of course, the income you can receive from fixed-income investments will always depend on the interest rates at which these investments were issued. But if you own a mix of long-term and short-term fixed-income investments, you can gain some protection against fluctuating rates. When market rates are low, you can get greater income from your longer-term bonds, which typically — although not always — pay higher rates. And when market rates rise, you can benefit by reinvesting the proceeds from your shorter-term bonds.

• **Diversification** – If you were only to own stocks, or stock-based mutual funds, your portfolio would be susceptible to higher risks, especially with market downturns. But you may be able to reduce the impact of market volatility by adding fixed-income investments to your holdings. Bond prices often move in a different direction from stocks, so if stock prices are falling, you might find that the value of your bonds is rising. You can also diversify within the fixed-income portion of your portfolio by owning a mix of corporate and Treasury bonds, as well as CDs, just to name a few.

• **Stability** – As mentioned, you will always receive interest payments from your bonds if you hold them until maturity. But if you wanted to sell your bonds before they mature, you could get more, or less, than what you originally paid for them. When market interest rates rise, the price of your current bonds will likely fall, as no one will pay you the full price for them when they get newer ones that pay more — this is what's known as interest-rate risk. Conversely, when market rates fall, the prices of your current bonds will probably rise. But here's the key point to remember: Bond prices generally don't fluctuate as much as stock prices. In other words, bonds are typically less volatile than stocks. Consequently, owning bonds can add diversification to your portfolio. And to maximize the stabilizing effects of bonds, you may want to stick with high-quality bonds rated as "investment grade" by independent bond-rating agencies.

How much of your portfolio should consist of fixed-income investments? There's no one right answer for everyone. And over time, your interest in these types of investments may well change — for example, as you near retirement, you may want to consider shifting some of your growth-oriented investments into income-producing ones, though you'll still need some growth potential to keep up with inflation. In any case, the combination of income, diversification and stability provided by bonds and similar securities should be compelling enough for you to find a place for them in your investment mix.

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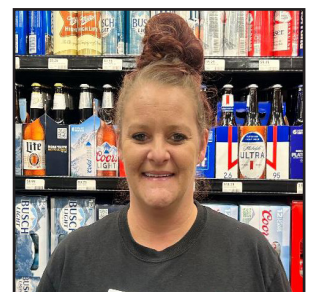
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What are your plans to watch the Chiefs in Super Bowl LVIII?



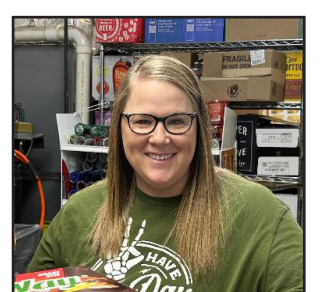
Eat lots of good food and hang out with friends and family.

-Faith Tharaldson



I'm going to pick up my pizza and wings at Casey and then watch with friends and family

-Kelli Stubblefield



Going over to a friend's house.

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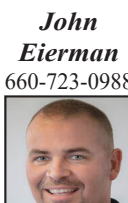
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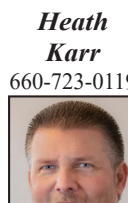
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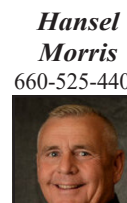
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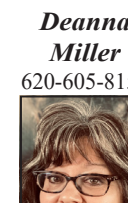
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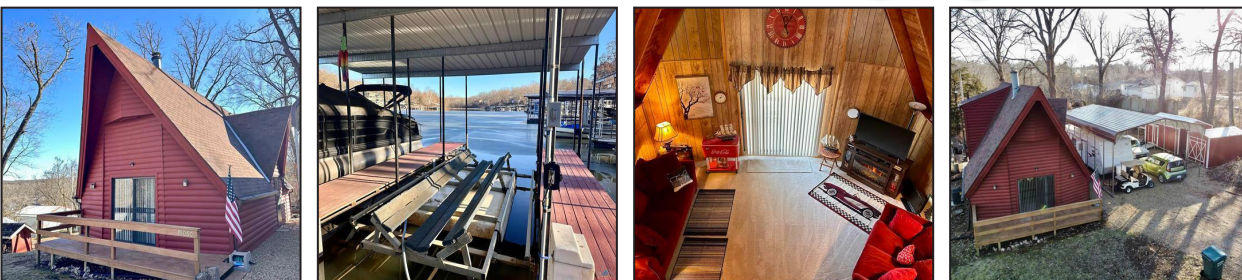


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**NOTICE TO BID**

Ionia Special Road District is requesting bids for transport of rock. This bid amount should be listed as a "per ton" price and should be good for a period of one (1) year. The rock will be picked up at the quarry and should be delivered per District instructions.

For more information, contact Mike Rambow or Matthew Hesse. Bids can be mailed to 302 N. Main St., Ionia, MO 65335. Bids will be accepted until the time of opening, on February 19, 2024, at 7 p.m., and will be opened at the Lincoln Fire House located at Ionia, MO.

Ionia Special Road District reserves the right to reject any and all bids or waive any irregularities contained in the bids, and to accept the bid most advantageous to the Road District.

**Date(s) of Publication:**  
**January 25, 2024;**  
**February 1, 2024;**  
**February 8, 2024**

**TRUSTEE'S SALE**

**IN RE: Angela C. Key, an unmarried person Trustee's Sale:**

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Angela C. Key, an unmarried person dated November 8, 2018 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Benton County, Missouri in Book 653, Page 2041 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Friday, February 16, 2024 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 10:00 AM), at the Northwest Front Door of the Court House, City of Warsaw, County of Benton, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Benton County, State of Missouri, to wit:

LOT 10, VINEYARD WOODS II, A SUBDIVISION IN WARSAW, BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

ALSO, THAT PART OF LOT 12, VINEYARD WOODS II, A SUBDIVISION IN WARSAW, BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 12; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 12 ON A RECORD BEARING OF S 88 DEGREES 34'55" E 10.00 FEET; THENCE LEAVING THE SAID NORTH LINE S 73 DEGREES 07'45" W 10.59 FEET TO A POINT ON A CIRCULAR CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 4 DEGREES 00'40"; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C.,  
Successor Trustee  
612 Spirit Drive  
St. Louis, MO 63005  
(636) 537-0110

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competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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**02/01/2024, 02/08/2024,**  
**02/15/2024**

**NOTICE OF ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS****Benton County SWCD Board Elections**

Let it be known that the Benton County Soil and Water Conservation District will hold an election for one supervisor in each of two different territories in the county. Territory [1] includes *Lincoln and White Township* and Territory [3] includes *Warsaw and the Lindsey and Cole Townships*. The election will take place from February 1st to February 20th. Ballots are available to print online at <https://mosoilandwater.land/benton>. Printed ballots may be returned to the district by mail and must be postmarked no later than February 20th. You may also vote in person from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the USDA office in Lincoln. Each eligible land representative in the district is allowed one vote. A land representative is defined as the owner or representative authorized by power of attorney of any farm lying within an area proposed to be established, and subsequently established, as a soil and water conservation district under Chapter 278, RSMo. Each farm is entitled to representation by a land representative: provided, however that the land representative is a taxpayer of the county within which the soil and water district is located.

**The following qualified candidates will be considered for election:**

**Territory [1] – Joe Reser**  
**Territory [3] – Joe Fitzpatrick OR Kris Burnett**

Supervisors manage the administration of district policies and programs, as well as district personnel and funds. The district is supported by the one-tenth-of-one-percent parks, soils and water sales tax. For additional information on the district election, contact the district office 660-547-2351 ext. 3, 535 N Hwy 65, Lincoln MO 65338 north of Estes Drive In. Ballots will also be available at our Annual Meeting Open House, on Friday Feb. 16th at the Baptist Church Foster Hall in Lincoln from 11:00 to 1:00.

**Date(s) of Publication:**  
**January 25, 2024;**  
**February 1, 8 & 15, 2024**

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

**WHEREAS, AARON WAGENKNECHT, a single person,** by Deed of Trust, dated October 27th, 2021, and recorded in the Recorder's office for Benton County, Missouri in Book 2021, at Page 5990, on October 27th, 2021, conveyed to JAMES KJAR, as Trustee, the following described property, situated in Benton County, Missouri, to wit:

**The East 53 feet of Lot 6, in Block 3, HIGH SCHOOL ZONE ADDITION, to the City of Cole Camp, a subdivision in Cole Camp, Benton County, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, EXCEPT 75 feet off the North end thereof.**

**ALSO, all of the South 151 feet of Lot 5, Block 3, HIGH SCHOOL ZONE ADDITION, to the City of Cole Camp, a subdivision in Cole Camp, Benton County, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof. Subject to easements, restrictions, reservations, and covenants of record,**

**if any,** which conveyance was made to the above trustee In Trust, to secure the payment of a certain note in said Deed of Trust described; and

**WHEREAS, JAMES KJAR, the named Trustee** in the above-described Deed of Trust has resigned and pursuant to the terms of said Deed of Trust the Holders have by their Appointment of Substitute Trustee dated January 24th, 2024, and recorded on January 24th, 2024, at Book 2024, Page 244, of the Deed Records of Benton County, Missouri, appointed the undersigned to serve as substitute trustee.

**WHEREAS, default** was made and still continues in the payment of said note;

**NOW THEREFORE,** at the request of the legal holder of said note, and in pursuance of the provisions of said Deed of Trust, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will sell the property above described at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the north front door of the Benton County Court House in the City of Warsaw, Missouri, on **FEBRUARY 23RD, 2024,** between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and five o'clock p.m., to-wit; **2:00 P.M.** for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the cost of executing this trust.

/s/Gable B. Dull,  
MO Bar No. 74639

**Gable B. Dull,**  
**Successor Trustee**  
**Dull & Heany, LLC.**  
220 W. Main St.  
PO Box 1495  
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

**WHEREAS, RITA F. COOPER, a single person,** by Deed of Trust, dated January 25th, 2021, and recorded in the Recorder's office for Benton County, Missouri in Book 2021, at Page 535, on February 1st, 2021, conveyed to JAMES KJAR, as Trustee, the following described property, situated in Benton County, Missouri, to wit:

**Lot 29, TIMBER LINE LAKE SUBDIVISION, a subdivision in Lincoln, Benton County, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof. Subject to any easements, restrictions, reservations, and covenants of record, if any,**

which conveyance was made to the above trustee In Trust, to secure the payment of a certain note in said Deed of Trust described; and

**WHEREAS, JAMES KJAR, the named Trustee** in the above-described Deed of Trust has resigned and pursuant to the terms of said Deed of Trust the Holders have by their Appointment of Substitute Trustee dated January 24th, 2024, and recorded on January 24th, 2024, at Book 2024, Page 243, of the Deed Records of Benton County, Missouri, appointed the undersigned to serve as substitute trustee.

**WHEREAS, default** was made and still continues in the payment of said note;

**NOW THEREFORE,** at the request of the legal holder of said note, and in pursuance of the provisions of said Deed of Trust, the undersigned Substitute

Trustee will sell the property above described at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the north front door of the Benton County Court House in the City of Warsaw, Missouri, on **FEBRUARY 23RD, 2024,** between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and five o'clock p.m., to-wit; **2:00 P.M.** for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the cost of executing this trust.

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

A default has accrued on a certain note secured by a deed of trust executed by,

**RYAN M. JONES** dated 8/1/2022 and recorded on 8/2/2022 in BOOK 2022 PAGE 3891, in the Recorder's office for Benton County, Missouri. The successor trustee will on **March 5, 2024** between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, more particularly at **10:30 AM**, at the Northwest Front Door of the Benton County Courthouse, 316 Van Buren Street, Warsaw, Missouri sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash (certified funds only), the following real estate:

**LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK 3, CEDAR LAKE ADDITION TO GREEN VALLEY ESTATES OF MISSOURI, INC., A SUBDIVISION IN BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.**

for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the costs of executing this trust.

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**02/22/2024, 02/29/2024**

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**NOTE: This office is a debt collector.**

**NOTICE OF PROJECT**

The City of Warsaw, Missouri, is requesting proposals for services to complete a lead service line inventory and/or provide lead service line replacement plan services. The full scope of required services and proposal requirements are available at the City Offices, 201 W Main, Warsaw, Missouri or can be requested via email from Randy Pogue, City Administrator and Planner, [r.pogue@welcometowarsaw.com](mailto:r.pogue@welcometowarsaw.com) or access it on the city website at [www.welcometowarsaw.com](http://www.welcometowarsaw.com) All proposals must be mailed to the City Clerk Jessica Kendall and received at 201 W, Main. Late proposals will not be considered. Electronic proposals will not be considered. Proposals must

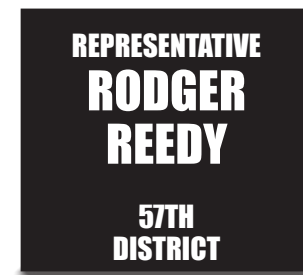
be sealed and clearly labeled with the entity's name and address on the outside of the envelope. Conditional proposals will not be accepted. Proposals will be opened and read publicly on March 8th, 2:00 at the City Offices, 201W. Main.

This project is being financed through the Missouri State Revolving Fund, by the Water and Wastewater Loan Revolving Fund and federal Capitalization Grants to Missouri.

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order Number 11246. Requirements for bidders and contractors under this order are further explained at the link provided below. The City of Warsaw is an Equal Opportunity Employer and invites the submission of proposals from Women and Minority Business Enterprises.

The appropriate state and federal wage rates are applicable to this project. Additional documentation and information regarding the federal funding requirements for each bidder to consider can be found at the following link under the "Resources" tab and are hereby considered incorporated by reference into this RFP: <https://dnr.mo.gov/water/what-were-doing/financial-assistance-opportunities/drinking-water-state-revolving-fund-dwsrf-lead-service-line>.

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**February 8, 2024**



Another busy week is in the books here at the Missouri State Capitol. House Committees are hard at work hearing and voting on legislation to send to the floor so that we as a body can begin debating it on the House Floor. My House Committee, Rural Community Development, met for the first time this session on Monday where we heard two bills, HB. 2069, which deals with state funds for regional planning commissions, and HB. 2170, which deals with rural economic development. We will continue to hold hearings as bills are sent to us for consideration.

The other committees I sit on remain hard at work as well considering other legislation. The House Elections and Elected Officials Committee has been hearing many of the bills in the House related to IP Reform in Missouri. The House Local Government Committee has heard a number of bills relating to transient guest taxes as well as bills concerning solid waste processing facility permits. The House Insurance Policy meets regularly to consider all manner of legislation related to insurance matters. My newest committee appointment, the House Special Committee on Property Tax Reform has hit the ground running since its formation. This

large committee rivals the House Budget Committee – 32 Representatives ready to consider legislation to help Missourians find relief with the recent increases in property taxes.

Below, you can find some notable news from the Capitol this week.

**Mourning the Loss of Jean Carnahan**

It is with heavy hearts that we mourn the passing of former U.S. Senator Jean Carnahan, who passed away at the age of 90 following a brief illness. Members of the House observed a moment of silence to honor the life and memory of the first female U.S. senator from Missouri on Wednesday, January 31st.

Carnahan, a Democrat, was appointed to the Senate after her husband, Gov. Mel Carnahan, posthumously won election to the Senate after he was killed in a plane crash 22 days before the 2000 election. Carnahan served until November 2002, losing a special election to Republican Jim Talent. Before her Senate tenure, she was the first lady of Missouri, advocating for issues like on-site day care, domestic abuse shelters, and support for seniors and working families. Carnahan, who assumed office after her husband's death in a plane crash, focused on education, national security, and military conditions during her Senate term, actively participating in the first Congressional delegation to Afghanistan after 9/11. Despite her unconventional entry into the Senate, she always emphasized a commitment to the nation's work and her passion for serving the state of Missouri.

**Improving Rural Economic Development**

The House Committee on Rural Community Development recently considered two bills aimed at enhancing rural economic development in Missouri. This endeavor is vital for rejuvenating and sustaining rural communities, tackling demographic challenges, fostering job creation, diversifying the economy, and enhancing overall quality of life.

HB 2170 introduces the "Missouri Rural Access to Capital Act," promoting economic development by offering tax credits to investors making capital investments in rural funds. The credits start at zero percent for the first two years and rise to 15% for the subsequent four years, with an annual cap of \$16 million. Rural funds must undergo an approval process, adhere to investment criteria, and could face credit recapture for non-compliance. Eligible businesses must meet specific criteria, and rural funds are required to submit annual reports. The program sunsets on August 28, 2030.

Meanwhile, HB 2069 adjusts state funding for regional planning commissions, doubling the maximum funds for the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council and increasing the Mid-America Regional Council's limit. The bill also updates the list of planning commissions and adjusts maximum grants for all commissions with the consumer price index from July 1, 2026.

Legislative initiatives, such as these bills, aim to offer targeted support and resources to address the unique challenges faced by rural areas.

**Elections Committee Hears More Initiative Petition Proposals**

The House Committee on Elections and Elected Officials in Missouri, one week after hearing proposed changes to citizen-led initiative petitions, recently discussed three more bills aiming to modify the process of adopting Constitutional amendments. These bills seek to raise the standards for majority

votes, requiring approval in both legislative districts and statewide votes, while one bill proposes increasing the threshold from a simple majority. The goal is to improve the process of citizen-initiated ballot measures by increasing transparency, improving accountability, creating stricter deadlines and rules to ensure verified, legal signatures, and curb outside influence from special interest groups.

HJR 86: Requires any measure referred to the people to get a majority of votes statewide and in most state Senate districts upon voter approval. This aligns with HCS HJR 19 (2023), emphasizing the need for broader geographic support.

HJR 76: Upon voter approval, demands that any constitutional amendment secure a majority of votes both statewide and in most state congressional districts. It specifies that only U.S. citizens who are legal residents of Missouri can vote on these changes, highlighting the importance of both geography and citizenship.

HJR 119: Introduces significant changes, raising the passage threshold for Constitutional amendments from a simple majority to 55 percent of votes cast. It allows voters in each Congressional district to review and comment on initiative petitions in a process administered by the Secretary of State. Moreover, it specifies that only U.S. citizens who are residents of Missouri and

registered to vote can be considered legal voters.

**Open Enrollment Legislation First Out of the Gate for the House**

The Missouri House has prioritized school choice and open enrollment this year, passing the first bill, HB 1989, immediately following National School Choice Week. This legislative measure, which has passed out of the House for the past three years, emphasizes the desire to offer Missourians educational options and empower families in deciding the best quality education for their children.

HB 1989 would allow K-12 public schools to decide whether students from neighboring districts can enroll in their schools. Dubbed the Public School Open Enrollment Act, the bill aims to improve educational quality, boost parental involvement, expand access to programs and classes, and align curriculum options with personal beliefs. The legislation placed a three percent cap on the number of students who can leave a district annually under open enrollment. Districts are not required to add staff or programs, such as special education, for the program. Currently, 43 states have some form of open enrollment.

The legislation also establishes the Parent Public School Choice Fund, with an additional \$80 million appropriation, to support transportation and special needs education

for qualifying students. Transportation would be the parents' responsibility, unless the child qualifies for free or reduced lunch or has transportation under an individualized education plan. The bill calls for a fund to pay for bussing these students.

The bill sponsor stressed that the district has the option to opt in to the open enrollment program, and stated that the state money follows the bill, while the local money stays in the local district. Ultimately, the decision-making process stays in the hands of the receiving district.

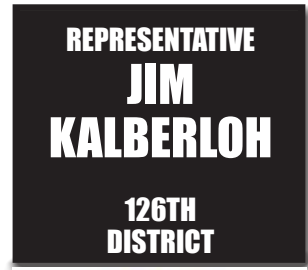
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The bill was passed out of the House on Wednesday with a vote of 86-73, and now heads to the Senate for consideration.

As usual, my legislative assistant Blake is available Monday through Thursdays from 8:30 - 5:00 and from 8:30 - Noon on Fridays. You can contact my office

by calling 573-751-3971 or emailing Rodger.Reedy@house.mo.gov. If you would like a courtesy resolution from the House of Representatives please contact my office. As always, it is an honor and privilege to serve the citizens of District 57.

-Rodger



To the Constituents of the 126th District,

The first few weeks may have seemed to be going a little slow and not a lot happening, but that all changed this week! Everyday has been booked full and this week has really been a blur! That is O.K., it

makes the days and the week go by quick! We heard the Open Enrollment bill this week on the house floor and it was Perfected and passed out of the house on Wednesday, so it is off to the Senate and hopefully they will take it up soon. This is a somewhat controversial bill, but I feel it will help children in failing districts while not affecting our rural district schools very much, if any, at all. I will highlight some of the bill below. Lots of committee hearings, with bills being executed out, so I expect more floor bill presentation and debate to ramp up quickly.

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I am honored to serve as your Representative in the Missouri House. If at any time, you have questions, concerns or ideas regarding state government, please feel free to contact me at 573-751-5388 or Jim.Kalberloh@house.mo.gov.



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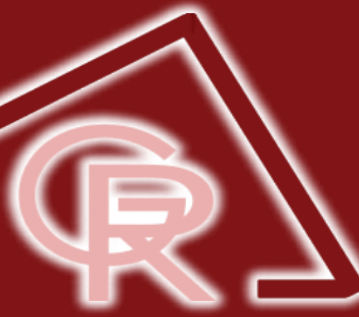
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