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# A Henry County Triple Play! Turkeys, Crappies & Morels

Staff Reporter

Shortly after the redbuds bloom, people start heading outside. They're not chasing turkeys or looking for a new place to fish for crappies. They're after morels, a mushroom that makes its annual appearance each spring when conditions are right.

Morel hunting is pretty serious in Missouri—just witness the orel statue beside Interstate 49 just north of Nevada. And hunting for morels is a spring-time rite because this relatively easy-to-identify mushroom is prevalent in Missouri's woods-- and it's delicious. In fact, morels are often used in gourmet dishes at high-end restaurants.

One reason that morels are a favorite is because they are easy to find, harvest, clean and cook, and they are one of the first mushrooms to appear in the spring.

The challenge comes finding them. Morels don't grow everywhere, according to mycologist Mike Sny-

"Morels like to grow in low areas with a water source," says Missouri mycologist Snyder. He and his wife own WildWise Botanicals of Edgar Springs, Mo. The business sells a wide variety of products such as



A RIGHT OF SPRING, Cara Snyder along with Bo Brown and Mike Snyder display a fine collection of morels.

salves, tinctures, teas and other products they grow or harvest from the woods. Education also is a big part of WildWise, considering that it offers workshops, guided walks, private hikes and fungi identification classes.

Snyder notes that part of disease. Sycamores, easi-

finding morels is being able to identify trees, not a necessarily easy task when the leaves haven't popped out in the spring. "Morels can often be found near American elm trees, but the bad news is that a lot of elms have died from Dutch elm

ly identified by the white appearance of the bark on the upper branches are another tree to look for when on the search for morels

However, hunters have found morels under cedars as well, although that counterintuitive seems

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## **Could Next American Picker Come From The Clinton Area?**



**SMALL TOWN BIG PICKING**, the highly popular American Pickers documentary is coming to Missouri in June and is looking for individuals with great antiques and a story.

The American Pickers are excited to return to Missouri! They plan to film episodes of The History Channel hit television series throughout your area in June 2024.

AMERICAN PICKERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique "picking" on The History Channel. The hit show follows skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques.

They are always excited to find historically significant or rare items, in addition to unforgettable Characters and their collections.

As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, the Pickers are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics.

Along the way, they want to meet characters with amazing stories and fun Pickers Page 9

## **Benson Center Sees A** Switched Up Fly-Show



BIGGER AND BETTER than last year, the Fly-Fishing Show saw a record crowd with attendees who included Tri-Lakes' Chris Diggons who helped Nash Riley tie a fly.

If you walked into the Fishing Expo put on by the fly-fishing show just like the one last year or the year before, you'd have been surprised. It wasn't the same—it was bigger and better and there were a lot more people.

According to club president Sandy Halteman of Osceola, the 2024 Fly

Benson Center last Satur- Tri-Lakes Fly Fishers was day, expecting the same a big success. "The show is so much bigger than last year," Halteman said. "There were 25 percent more of everything." There were more vendors, more fly tyers demonstrating their skills and more people coming in the door. In fact, after the lunch hour,

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# Calhoun Methodist Finds New Focus As Community Church

BY JENNIFER JACKSON Staff Reporter

When it was entering its second century, the wood-frame, white-steepled Methodist church on the Calhoun Square, built in 1904, was starting to show its age. By 2010, the church's stained glass windows had so many pieces of glass missing, that according to Tom Colwell, when the wind blew, the drapes moved. Tom, a local historian and church member, said the drapes over the windows also made the sanctuary dark.

So the congregation commissioned local artist Shirley Rucker to make new stained-glass windows, replicating the diamond pattern from the original windows and adding medallions of Christian symbols. Each family adopted a window, and church members also took out the old double-hung windows, Tom said, which were painted pink and gold, and replaced them with double-pane windows.

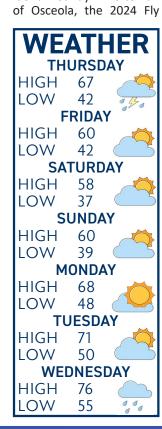


"MY HOPE IS BUILT" is a hymn that Tom Colwell has led and is testament to the congregations outlook on their church. Colwell along with others have painstakingly restored the facility including its many stained glass pieces.

Then came the next setback: the Covid epidemic put such a dent in attendance that the members who were left were faced

with a decision: to close the church or keep it open. They voted to keep it open in a new incarnation, a non-denominational church called Calhoun Community Church. It has since then continued to grow steadily, Tom said.

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# OPINION \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4/18/24

## Have I Got A Line For You!

By James Mahlon White



President Biden can say is,

"Don't." Ah well, don't wor-

ry about nuclear war, Uncle

Joe probably can't remem-

ber the codes.

I heard someone on the news say, "Once the Presidential Election is over, we can get back to normal." Is there really any "Normal" anymore? We haven't been normal in this country since before 9/11. Speaking of that infamous date, the House passed a two year extension of the FBI's foreign surveillance tool. It's not supposed to be used against Americans, but they've "Accidentally" done it 278,000 times. Yet another tool to slowly herd us all into the coral. How much freedom have we surrendered in the name of safety? Now we have secret courts and secret warrants. The headline ought to be, "The do-nothing House actually does something." What about the budget and the border?

Ran across a special on the Titanic last night. It sank 110 years ago on April 14, 1912. Part of the cargo was a jeweled copy of the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam. The only verse I can recall is from the middle of that poem. It started out with, "Up to the 7th Gate I Rose." The documentary featured a chef who re-created menu items that were served onboard. One of them was Chicken Ala Maryland. Something I'd never heard of and I asked Kim Hanson in the Clinton Office if she had. "You've come to the right place!" she said. Her sister Brenda has fixed this dish at family gatherings in Connecticut. Its fried chicken cooked in a

## Word on the **Street**

Do you mow your own lawn or hire someone?



"It's a provided service.



"I do it all myself along with a couple other peoples."

-Bill Smith

use to, now I have someone do it for me." -Herbert Kinsley

cast iron skillet with a small amount of grease. After it's browned, the chicken is covered so it steams as well as fry's. Milk or cream is then added to the pan juices to make gravy. Sounds good, doesn't it?

The morning wanders on aimlessly. It's better than one nearing stroke proportions, though I do enjoy those and am pleased when I get everything done. Despite it all, have a perfectly swell day Old Buddy.

> Til Next Week: J.M.W.



To the Editor,

On Tuesday, April 2, 2024, I voted in my first municipal election. I had never voted in a city election before, although I had voted in a couple of general elections. To be honest, I wasn't sure I should vote in this one, as I had failed to remember to research the propositions and the candidates for office beforehand.

I decided at the last minute, after reading a bit about propositions—what was in the local paper, anyway—that I would at least vote on them. I wasn't even sure if that was allowed, but I figured I would ask if it was okay to do that.

I noticed right away that there were no signs out by the road—as there were in the general election—that even indicated the polling location for my city. I was glad that I had read the paper just the day before, or I might have forgotten. I also found it strange and decided to ask about it when I got

I was told by the election worker that there are visible signs on the door-which I had noticed—but that "they" (meaning the election board, I guess?) were not "in charge" of the polling location's signage and whether or not they decided to use it to "advertise" the voting spot publicly.

As she took my Government Issued ID and checked my registration, I quipped that it just seemed to me that more people might actually vote if they saw the sign near the road to remind them (you cannot see the signs on the door from the road), and although another poll worker agreed with me, this particular one said, "You wouldn't want some people to vote!"

Her attitude, which seemed at the very least to be undesirable for a public worker, prompted me to reply, "As long as they are US citizens, I think it would be great if everyone voted."

As she handed me a ballot, she responded that "you just don't know; some of these people's behavior!" I grabbed a pen, and left her with, "Sometimes I don't agree with the behavior of a lot of these people we've voted for."

As I looked over the ballot, I realized that I forgot to ask about only voting for the propositions, so I just raised my voice a bit and asked if that was ok (I was pretty close to the poll workers' table), and I was told that "whatever I wanted to do with my ballot was my

choice." I left, feeling good about having voted, hoping that I would be able to do a better job of it in the future, but I also felt a bit saddened by the poll worker's attitude. It made me feel that she, like some others, consider voting to be better left to the upper crust—those who know "how to behave." Is that right?

Barbara Gay Clinton, MO





NAME: Ray Mace BIRTHPLACE: Chulavista, CA YEARS IN CLINTON: 32 FAMILY: Across the states. THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN CLINTON IS: Community functions. OCCUPATION: Retired. WHAT I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP: Truck

FIRST JOB: McDonalds. FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: Going to the

THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN: My children were born.

WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS:

**Announces** 

**Candidacy** 

MARK LARSON

My name is Mark Lar-

son, and I am running for

Northside Commissioner of

Henry County. I am a lifelong

who cares deeply about our

Country and where we are

headed. I have lived in Hen-

ry County, specifically rural

Calhoun, since 1998, having

moved here with my family

from the Kansas City area.

We deliberately chose this

area because of what it of-

fers: local community, small

town values, the beautiful

mix of woods and pastures

and farmland. The oppor-

tunity to live and work with

very little government intru-

sion and the belief that we

had chosen an area immune

from much of the craziness

of the city and the suburbs.

My wife, Wendy and I have

5 children, all grown with

families of their own. We

have 15 grandchildren with

After graduating from Cen-

ter High School in 1975, I

joined the Painters Union,

local Union #9 in Kansas City

and went to work for Subco

Industries. I have been for-

tunate to have had the op-

portunity to work for some

great Commercial Paint Con-

tractors through the years.

I continued to commute for

several years after moving

here but we eventually made

the decision to go into busi-

ness here in Henry County

and Craftsman Painting was

established and has grown

significantly since then. We

are fortunate to have some

remarkable employees and

operate with strong empha-

sis on family. Starting and

running a small business, I

bring the perspective and

experience needed to man-

age the County and to be a

faithful steward of your tax

another due in August.

Republican

conservative

YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS:

**Roller Coasters** 

**EMBARRASSING** MOST MOMENT: Forgetting my I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO:

Bury a child. I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO:

Whistle IF I WON THE LOTTERY I WOULD: Travel.

MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE TO: Sail in Greece.

HOBBIES: Fishing & Hunt-FAVORITE BAND OR MUSI-

CIAN: The Beach Boys. FAVORITE MOVIES: Westerns.

FAVORITE DRINK: Ice cold

FAVORITE SNACK: Jerky **FAVORITE CANDY: Snickers** 

dollars.

I have been privileged to be involved with Youth sports when our kids were younger, coaching basketball, football, and baseball. I have been on the Windsor Special Road District for the last 9 years, having served the last 6 years as President, successfully executing the ties and the challenges local road districts face.

In truth, I would be more than happy to keep my status as a private citizen, pretty much minding my own business. But I find it impossible to ignore what I believe to be the injustice

FUTURE GOAL: To Not have to go back to work. ADMIRE MOST: My grand-

WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE

YOUR YOUNGER SELF: Do it before you can't.

WORDS TO LIVE BY: Nothing is impossible with a little effort.

being done to citizens of this County, without their knowledge, up until just recently for most people in the County, except for a select few. The issue of Corporate Solar Power and Wind Turbines. I believe, should have been made known to residents in a big way; public hearings held to discuss the pros and cons, residents given the opportunity to make their voices heard, a deep dive into researching the environmental impact of these corporate entities both short term and long term and the possible tax ramifications to and for the County. Being available to provide information to local communities as to what power they have, or do Larson 3



Welcome New Chamber Member: Team Traci @ Jim Falk Motors

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If you've ever thought about your business becoming a Chamber member, now would be a good time. Read below:

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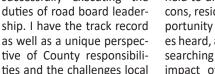
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# **DEMOCRAT**

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given cedar's resistance to rot and fungus. Morels are a fungus, with the bulk of the organism living underground as mycelium. The mushroom itself is a temporary reproductive structure (fruiting body) whose main purpose is to disperse spreads its spores into the environment.

With harvest, timing is everything, or course. If the weather and soil is warm enough, and if there is enough rain, you can find the first morels showing up when the redbuds start to bloom. Other experts say the peak of the morel harvest season coincides with the bloom of wild dogwood trees.

As the season advances, daytime temperatures rise (generally, but this is Missouri), and the soil becomes warmer. The early season spots on south-facing slopes are less productive, and morel hunters should start looking on the cooler, north-facing slopes.

The key to identifying morels is to look for mushrooms that have the light-colored ridges and darker colored pits on the cap. Morels only grow on the ground-not trees or wood.

While it's a good idea to have an expert identify the mushrooms you've harvested, there is one key characteristic: when the morel is sliced open, it is hollow inside. That isn't the case with the false morel, a different mushroom that sort of resembles the mo-

The false morel isn't hollow like the morel, and the cap bulges outward rather than inward, and looks a bit like brain tissue. The real morel has inward-facing pits.

False morels have a sketchy history in regards to their edibility. And beginning mushroom hunters weould be advised to stay away from them until they get more experience.

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"Last June we had six people." he said. "On Easter Sunday, we had 32.

On the Sunday after Easter, the sanctuary glowed with sunlight streaming through the rebuilt stained glass windows onto the curved oak pews, filled with couples, grandparents, children and grandchildren. Tom leads the singing of the opening hymn, "My Hope is Built," noting that he is glad his voice is not the only one he hears.

Then the minister, Jackson Short, steps up to the podium and says "There is joy here in this room. It must be left over from last week."

The 10 a.m. service at Calhoun Community Church is preceded by coffee and social time in the back of the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. Members exchange news, share photos of their families or or a recent trip. Today, it is Caroline Lane who has brought peanut butter cookies to go with the cof-

"I'm the cookie baker," Caroline said. "I used to have a bakery, Nana B's."

Rev. Short, in a collared shirt, slacks and lace-up shoes, is the most formally dressed person there. Everyone else is in casual attire —tee shirts and jeans or overalls.

The sermon is also informal: Short asks questions, which people in the congregation answer. A retired Methodist minister and retired military, Short talks about prayer, specifically about the privilege and freedom to pray at any time, under all circumstances and about anything and everything. He illustrates his point by telling a story about being a civilian worker during Desert Storm, where he was in

"Morels are really delicious," says Snyder. And that may be part of what Snyder calls the "shroom boom" a rapidly increasing interest in mushrooms by the public.

He warns, though, that there are warnings about eating wild mushrooms, even including morels.

"It's important, I think," Snyder says, "that the first time you eat a wild mushroom, you eat only a little bit of a fully cooked one. Wait and see if you have a reaction to the new mushroom."

While morels are generally considered safe mushrooms to identify and eat, they must be fully cooked to eliminate the toxins that can affect humans. It's also a good idea to avoid cooking with or drinking alcohol when eating wild mushrooms. People can react differently to the combination, and bad results can lead to vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain and neurological problems.

While morels can be found in a wide variety of places, it's important to note that morel hunters should get permission to search on woodlands. Private lands require permission.



MYCOLOGIST Mike Snyder of Edgar Springs, Mo. with a day's harvest of this spring's morels. Morels are one of the first mushrooms to appear in the spring. Snyder says to look for the morels near elm and sycamore trees in areas with water nearby.

charge of evacuating 2,200 non-combatants.

Suddenly there was a loud explosion outside his workplace, he said, prompting Short and an employee, who was Muslim, to hide under their desks.

"We looked at each other and smiled," Rev. Short said. "We knew we were praying to the same God." Short is one of only 10 civilians who received both the Desert Shield and Desert Storm medals.

Calhoun Community church draws together people from Sedalia, Warrensburg and Clinton. One of the newer members, Shirley Cardwell, invited her granddaughter, Chevenne McNeely, from Clinton to the church, along with Shirley's grandchildren, Savannah 12, Tucker,

7, and Mason, 5. Tucker and Savannah serve as acolytes, lighting the candles on the altar. Tucker also enjoys ringing the church bell in the steeple before the service starts, ushers people to their pews and hands out programs, and passes the

collection plate. Shirley, who lives near Calhoun, said she had known about the church all her life, and knew most of the people who attended.

"I needed to go to church and thought one day I'd try it," she said, "and I love it." Caroline Lane's son, Shelby Bicknell, provides special music for the services. Jeremy Reed, who lives across the street from the church, runs the tech desk. His father, Jerry Reed, also attends the church.

For Debbie Joy, the church on the Calhoun Square has been a constant. Her grandparents, Sy and Bennie Goodrich, were members, Debbie said, and she was married in the church, as were her sisters and aunts. The family funerals were held there, and a great-aunt, Beth Goodrich, was the pianist.

"And now I do the Children's Class," Debbie said. "We have so much fun."

Sunday School is held during the sermon. Debbie has up to 10 children in class, she said, ages 4 through 12. They talk about current events and listen to stories from the Bible — they've covered the ones in Genesis, she said.

Debbie also has crafts planned, to make gifts for May Day and Mother's Day. Calhoun Community Church members incorporate fun into church life, ringing in the New Year at a party at church and working on their recycled glass sculptures. The group meets in the basement whenever they want to get together.

To add to the Calhoun community, church members hosted an outdoor movie night on the Square behind City Hall, showing a Halloween movie last fall that drew 50 people. A Gospel Fest drew 75 people, Tom said, and sold cinnamon rolls during the Calhoun Colt Show.

"We'd like to have a movie night once a month on the Square," Debbie said, "and do another Gospel Fest."

Calhoun Community Church used to be part of the United Methodist Church, but when attendance dropped, had the option of disassociating from the international denomination. The deal: the church would get the church and the property if they paid the apportionment, which supports the

**UMC** ministry and missions beyond the local church, owed for the coming year.

"We had the money," Tom said of making the onetime payment. "Now we just have to cover utilities." Calhoun Community Church continues to anchor a corner of the Square, providing a welcome to anyone who is looking for a friendly church family. On the outside of the building is a heart, symbol of the welcome and acceptance found inside. Despite the obstacles, Calhoun Community Church has survived the lean years and is flourishing.

"In all things God is with us," Tom said. "All things happen for a reason."

For more information, go to the Calhoun Community Church Facebook page.



**DEBBIE JOY, the Chil**dren's Class teacher at Calhoun Community Church, stands in front of the Cross and Flame stained-glass window dedicated to the memory of her family.



THE CHURCH FAMILY at Calhoun Community Church are all smiles as they gather on the porch after the April 7 Sunday service. At back row, right, is the minister, Jackson

#### **CHAMBER**

works show. Many contracts were signed last fall for this year's celebration. Musical acts this year include Delisa Dawn and Route 66 Reunion Show... Eastern Heights... Brass Rewind... The Rock Gods... Richard Holmgren's Flying Debris Show... Kevin Horner Ventriloquist... and the Fishin' Magicians. Activities will include badges with the chance to win prizes... the carnival... Gospelfest... Kaboom the mascot... office olympics... the parade... t-shirts and caps... toddler tent and bounce house... vendors... and sooo much more from the past and new

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items for this year. We just wanted to let you know that the dates have been set, the committee has met, many contracts have been signed and a lot of people will continue to work hard over the next four months to bring you another great Olde Glory Days. 2024 will be our 31st year! More information will be released as the days, weeks and months go by.

Did you know that Clinton had a nine-hole disc golf course at one time? Well, it still does, but as of spring of 2022, nine more baskets were added and Clinton is home to an 18-hole disc golf course in the Artesian Park! If you know of a group, club, organization, etc. that would like to hold a fund-raising tournament on this course, just call the Clinton Chamber and Tourism and we can help get you started. 660-885-8166.

Clinton Animal Shelter-We are looking for people who can help us out on Mondays transporting a shelter pet or two to their vet appointments. If you wouldn't mind being on a list for us to call the week before to see if you are available and can spare a little bit of time please let us know. Call 660-885-7999 or email clintonanimalshelter@yahoo.com and ask to be put on the list. If you are available other days please let us know that also. These would be to local Clinton vets and possibly to Appleton City. Just let us know what you could help with. This is a huge help to us and we appreciate any assistance we can get. Thank you

#### **MARK LARSON** Continued from page 2

not have, to determine for themselves what their local community wants. That is the beauty of local governmental bodies, it should reflect the local citizens' wish-

I pledge that if elected, I will do whatever is within my power to do, as Commissioner, to make known the workings of the Commissioner's office so that citizens of Henry County have complete transparency on decisions being made that will affect us all. The meeting minutes available online do not, I believe, provide the transparency needed. Nor is it practical to expect hardworking citizens to be able to attend these meetings during normal working hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I will push for recorded live streaming of the meetings and push to have a Facebook page with constant updates so residents may stay informed according to their schedule and to hear the full meetings, not just notes on what was discussed.

I support strong law enforcement efforts and want to make sure they have the resources needed to do their job safely. I believe that we must clean up the drugs and crime in this County, with tough on crime law enforcement in every area of the Henry County justice system. We, Henry County, are facing a shrinking population and must prioritize providing a safe community that is known to be tough on crime, so that people and families will want to make this home.

My overall vision for Henry County is to see productive economic growth in the private sector, empowering and supporting local road districts to be able to service the areas' they are responsible to maintain and also, I am a huge proponent of the State legislation passed to allow for local County Commissioners to adopt Missouri Senate Bill 190, which allows for freezes for property tax rates on owner-occupied real estate for senior citizens. The aim is to provide relief to senior residents facing escalating property taxes.

If you support these ideals, I would appreciate your vote on August 6th. 2024. for Mark Larson in the Republican Pri-

## **HIS WEEK'S PUZZLE**

- 1) Theater curtain fabric
- 6) VIP's ride
- 10) Speed-of-sound word 14) First lady after Hillary
- 15) Evidence of decay
- 16) Big Apple tennis stadium
- 17) Dairy item threatened with violence?
- 20) Like fresh paint
- 21) Off one's rocker
- 22) Jam or jelly
- 23) Use a kiln
- 24) Bases of civil lawsuits
- 25) What you eat
- 28) Lawgiver of Athens
- 31) Waffler's word
- 32) Seemingly hopeless
- tai cocktail 36) Vegetables challenged in
- court?

- 40) Long March leader
- 41) Self-assembly retail chain
- 42) Like Stephen King novels
- 43) Made a pick
- 45) Missouri River tributary
- 46) In la-la land
- 49) React to a haymaker
- 50) Be a snitch 52) Pervasive glow
- 53) Air pump letters
- 56) Seafood on a pedestal?
- 59) Tiny bit
- 60) "Just the facts, !"
- 61) Atelier stand
- 62) Some bunts, for short
- 63) Team with a mule mascot 64) Big name in fine china
- **AFFAIR PLAY** By Fred Piscop

## DOWN -

- 1) Side with a burger
- 2) Item on a docket 3) Tin Woodman's woe
- 4) Tax-deferred plan, briefly
- 5) Dormant volcano of Hawaii
- 6) Lenya of "Cabaret"
- 7) Bad day for Caesar 8) Chic, in the '60s
- 9) Planets, to poets
- 10) Women's prison head 11) Daisy look-alike
- 12) Palm an ace, say
- 13) Does a cowboy's job
- 18) Skywalker of sci-fi
- 19) Not exceeding
- 23) Blue ox of folklore
- 25) Mosque leader 26) California wine valley
- 27) Errata item
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- 38) Lets loose 39) Honest-to-goodness
- 43) Largish combos
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- 46) Crockpot creations
- 47) Turkish bigwig of old 48) Often-cobwebbed room
- 49) Melding game
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## **Hosts Annual Employee Banquet**



**JEFF COLGAN** 



**EARLENE PIPES** 



**PATTY PAGE** 

Golden Valley Memorial Healthcare (GVMH) recently held its annual Employee Banquet to show its appreciation for staff and their dedication throughout the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

The event included a dinner, service awards and awards for Employee of the Year and Leader of the Year.

In addition, Patty Page was recognized for 50 years of service at GVMH.

This year, Jeff Colgan, Intravenous Access Registered Nurse in the Outpatient Treatment Center, was named Employee of the Year. Colgan has held several roles throughout his employment at GVMH including Home Health RN, House Supervisor, Staff RN and Inservice RN. His colleagues say that he is an integral part of GVMH and the epitome of kindness, compassion and positivity. Colgan is extremely patient-minded, eager to share his expertise with others and happily agrees to help his peers

when they need assistance. Earlene Pipes, Executive Director of Nursing, was named Leader of the Year. Pipes has been a GVMH employee since 2015. She has worked in various roles with increasing levels of responsibility such as a staff nurse, charge nurse, house supervisor and director prior to moving into her current role as Executive Director of Nursing in 2022. Her colleagues say that she is a high-performing, trusted leader who can collaborate across multiple disciplines and departments. Pipes is laser focused on creating solutions that will improve workflows, create a positive patient experience and ensure the highest quality of

Patty Page was also recognized for 50 years at GVMH. Throughout her career, Page has worn many hats. She has been an Admissions Clerk, Cashier, worked in Insurance, and even worked in the Café when it opened in 1973. Currently, Patty is a Data Processing Coordi-

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nator. "We truly appreciate all her hard work, dedication and humor," said Craig Thompson, Chief Executive Officer. "She is a very special

For more information on GVMH, visit gvmh.org and follow on social media @ chooseGVMH.

## Retirement Celebration



**MARGIE GRAHAM** 

After more than two decades of dedication and hard work, Margie Graham bids farewell to Thom Knott Agency. Her retirement marks the end of an era for the agency, as well as a heartfelt goodbye to a colleague who has left an indelible mark on all those she worked with.

Margie Graham's journey with Thom Knott Agency has been nothing short of exemplary. Over the years, she has been a pillar of support, showcasing unwavering commitment and professionalism. Working alongside Thom Knott and Michelle Johnson, Margie has been an integral part of the agency's success story, contributing her expertise and dedication to every task she undertook.

As Margie transitions into retirement, her absence will undoubtedly be felt by colleagues and clients alike. Her wealth of experience, coupled with her warm and welcoming demeanor, has made her a beloved figure within the agency and beyond. Thom Knott Agency extends its heartfelt gratitude to Margie for her years of service and wishes her all the best in this new chapter of her life.

To honor Margie's incredible contributions, Thom Knott Agency invites friends, colleagues, and well-wishers to join in a retirement celebration on April 26th. 2024, during office hours. The event will be held at the agency's office located at 152 Wemor St, Clinton, MO 64735. Attendees will have the opportunity to reminisce and share fond memories with Margie as they enjoy delicious cupcakes, cookies, and refreshing drinks.

For those interested in attending this special occasion and bidding farewell to Margie in person, please feel free to drop by the office on April 26th. If you have any inquiries or would like to RSVP, please contact







tirement is all about.

Michelle Johnson at 660-885-6719.

Let us come together to celebrate Margie Graham's remarkable career and wish her a joyous and fulfilling retirement. Her legacy will continue to inspire us all as we carry forward the values of dedication, professionalism, and kindness that she exemplified throughout her tenure at Thom Knott Agen-

Wishing Margie Graham a Happy Retirement!

## Chapter EN Notified of Grant Award, **Pediatric Place Open House**

At their April 11 meeting, members of Chapter EN, P.E.O., learned that the woman the chapter sponsored for a Continuing Education Grant had been selected to receive \$4,000 towards her completion of a degree in certified nursing home administration. Kristi Kenney helped the applicant complete the application for the grant, and will present the check to her at a future meeting.

For the program, Carmen Rather, Jessica Frencken and Brittany Pickens spoke about the Pediatric Place, which started with three child therapists in a small office on Ohio and now occupies an entire building on 2nd Street in Clinton and as well as a clinic in Knob Noster. The Autism Center being built next to the Clinton clinic is scheduled to open in a few months, with the public invited to an open house on June 21.

The chapter's 2024-25 yearbooks, with President Nancy Gillard's theme, "The Future's So Bright" on the cover, were distributed. At the April meeting, Nancy and Chapter EN officers initiated Shirley Mincey into the chapter, bringing the number of current members to 46.

Social events on the chapter calendar include a spring luncheon prior to the May 9 meeting, a Bunko Party at Clinton Country Club in June, and an outing to Vaile Mansion and lunch in Independence in August. A patio party with spouses is planned for September, and a Christmas luncheon will be held in December.

Linda Wilson, corresponding secretary, read letters from P.E.O. International acknowledging Chapter EN's donations of \$500



EN, P.E.O. APRIL 2024: The cover of Chapter EN's 2024-25 yearbook reflects the optimistic outlook of the group, which was organized in Clinton in 1925 and is approaching its centennial year.

each, for a total of \$2,000, to Cottey College and three P.E.O. projects: STAR Scholarships for graduating high school seniors, Program for Continuing Education grants for women and International Peace Scholarships for women from other countries to study in the U.S. and Canada.

After the meeting, Adele Bernard and Dana Street served cake and cookies decorated like daisies.

Cottey College, a women's college in Nevada, Mo., is owned and supported by P.E.O., which has chapters through the United States and Canada. In support of higher education opportunities for women, P.E.O. also awards \$20,000 merit-based scholarships to women completing doctoral degrees, and offers low-interest loans to women to pay for college or trade school expenses. Applicants must be sponsored for projects by a P.E.O. chapter in their area. Organized in 1925, Chapter EN meets on the second Thursday of the month at First Presbyterian Church.

## Dancing with Daddy "Dance with me Daddy!"

I take him by the hand, Like a prima ballerina, atop his shoes I stand. With my first and across the floor, By the sparkle in his eves, I know I'm loved and adored. He is charming and funny, he is big and



favorite partner, we glide

We laugh, I twirl and



## **American Family Insurance Agency Owner Receives Community Impact Award**



The American Family Insurance Dreams Foundation recently recognized agency owner Carla Moberly, Clinton, MO as the Community Impact Award recipient for Missouri. These award winners are recognized by American Family peers, staff and leadership for dedication to their community through fundraising, volunteerism, board service and advocacy.

Moberly's work spans numerous organizations and causes. She serves on the boards of The Education Foundation for Clinton Students, Bright Futures, Clinton, The Clinton Arts Council and is a Clinton Rotary Club past president. Among the causes she supports are the **GVMH** Foundation and Clinton Animal Rescue Endeavor. She also currently serves as the mayor of Clinton, MO.

"I am thankful for the opportunity to connect with other individuals, families, businessowners and nonprofits that care about supporting our communities," said Moberly "I am proud to receive this award and happy to send much needed funds to C.A.R.E.

In recognition, the American Family Insurance Dreams Foundation will be making a \$1,500 donation in her honor to an organization she specified, Clinton Animal Rescue Endeavor.



CARLA MOBERLY, Agent, Clinton, MO.

Terri Williams, C.A.R.E board member " Clinton Animal Rescue Endeavor wants to sincerely thank the American Family Insurance Dreams Foundation for the generous donation of \$1,500. Also, our deepest gratitude goes to Carla Moberly and American Family Insurance of Clinton for choosing us as the recipient. Our financial daily struggle caring for homeless pets will benefit so much from this wonderful donation."

About the American Family Insurance group: Based in Madison, Wisconsin, American Family Insurance has been serving customers since 1927. We inspire, protect and restore dreams through our insurance products, exceptional service from our agency owners and employees, community investment and creative partnerships to address societal challenges. We act on our belief in diversity and inclusion by constantly evolving to meet customer needs and preferences. American Family Insurance group is the nation's 13th-largest property/casualty insurance group and is a Fortune 500 company. The group sells American Family-brand products, primarily through exclusive agency owners in 19 states.

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## To Host Young **Author Visit**





COPIES of Wyatt's Big Adventures with Shriners will be available for purchase at the event.

Please join the Henry County Library in welcoming young author, Wyatt Shield for a special storytime event on Thursday, April 18th at 10:00 a.m. The event will be held at the library's Clinton location as well as being livestreamed on the Henry County Library Facebook page. Wyatt will be sharing his unique story and reading his book Wyatt's Big Adventures with Shri-

Wyatt was born with 12 fingers, two thumbs on each hand. He will be sharing adventures throughout his multiple surgeries and treatments at Shriner's Children's Hospital in St. Louis and expressing what the Shriner's organization means to his family.

In the words of his parents, "Wyatt is an extraordinary kid with a servant's heart, who is wise beyond his years. He has been on some BIG adventures in his first 6 years and wants to share his experience with others. He is driven to do so in order to help others know that it is okay to be different, pay tribute to everyone who has helped him, and prove that "Little kids can do big things!" To say we are proud of his gracious heart, big goals, and determination is an understatement. Astonished is more fitting."

Copies of Wyatt's Big Adventures with Shriners will be available for purchase at the event. The cost is \$20.00, and cash, check, or credit/debit card payments will be accepted. more information, please contact the library at (660)885-2612.

Have a news tip/story idea? clintondaily democrat@ gmail.com

## 2nd Annual **Brunch & Bubbly**



The Clinton Mid-Day Optimist club is now selling tickets for their 2nd annual Brunch and Bubbly event on May 4th. They are also taking donations. The fundraising organization helps close to 1,000 children & families with this

event every year! When - Saturday May 4th, 2024 starting at 10AM

Where - Clinton Country Club 114 NE 2191 P Lane, Clinton, MO 64735

What - Brunch, mimosas, Rider Smith Entertainment, Silent Auction, Raffle Items, ELLO Links and comedian Nick Lacer is our MC again this year!

Why - To help raise funds for school supplies to be given out at the annual Back to School Fair. What better way to celebrate the moms in our community while helping the kids in our community?

Cost is \$40 per ticket -limited tickets so please get your tickets now!

How to purchase tickets - visit our Clinton Mid-Day

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Optimist Facebook page and learn about our club and what we do! You can purchase from any Mid-Day Optimist member or you may contact the following members below: Shauna Smith 660-351-0359

## Státe Fair **Community College**

### Haselhorst Wins The Javelin At The **Outdoor Mule Relays**

The State Fair Community College (SFCC) Lady Roadrunners track and field team competed in the Outdoor Mule Relays at the University of Central Missouri at Walton Stadium/ Kennedy Field in Warrensburg on Friday, April 12.

Freshman Bailey Haselhorst captured the event title in the iavelin with a throw of 42.74 meters. It was the second win in the iavelin for Haselhorst during the outdoor season.

"It was a beautiful day for a track meet." said Head Coach Brad Hagedorn. "We started the meet off hot with personal records in three of our first four events and just kept rolling after that. Bailey winning the javelin was certainly a highlight, but I thought the performance of Tanner Maggard in the 1500 was just outstanding. We head

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next week. The weather doesn't look as promising, but that really hasn't affected us much this year."

**Henry County Memory Fund** 

## Big Purple **Party Is Coming Up**

On May 4, 2024, the Henry County Memory Fund will host their 10th Annual Big Purple Party! It will be held in Hawthorn Bank's parking lot at Old Country Club Park

giveaways during the ceremony to honor our friends, family and loved ones that are currently struggling with or have lost to Alzheimer's and Dementia.

All money raised will now be distributed locally to caregivers or to those with Alzheimer's or dementia. Money is provided through an application process for living expenses, medication, medical equipment, respite stays and other uses. We also send a percentage each year for research.

with registration at 9:00 am

and the ceremony at 9:30

am. All contributors will be

on site with information and

We want to remember and honor those families that have chosen to leave their loved one's funeral memorial to the fund. Each year those individuals' will be recognized in the "Hall of Remembrance" along walk route of the Big Purple Party. We want to help remem-

ber all those that are gone but never forgotten.

We also ask that you bring a homemade sign to put along the walk that will honor and remember your loved one. These signs will pay tribute to those that have been affected by these diseases.

Please contact hcmemoryfund@gmail.com, Christa Atchison 660-525-1338 or Ranae Walrath at GVMH at 660-890-7294 for applications or questions.

Are you interested in supporting this worthy cause? Donations can be made online at http://cfozarks. org/donate, at the bottom of the page, type Henry County Memory fund into the box and select it when it pops up. It will take you to a new page to donate. If you would like to donate by check please make it payable to Henry County Memory Fund and mailed to PO Box 741, Clinton, MO 64735.







## **Show Your Why!**

Why do you participate in the Big Purple Party? Join the other walkers and bring a decorated sign to show who you walk in memory of, in honor of, or in support of! Leave your sign at the registration table, and committee members will place it along the walk route to show the impact Alzheimer's disease and dementia has on many families.

## Hall of Remembrance

The Henry County Memory Fund created "The Hall of Remembrance" in 2021 to honor and remember those whose loved one's left funeral memorials to help others with Alzheimer's and dementia. Each year we continue to add names. Please join us in recognizing their contributions and honoring their memory.





Henry County Memory Fund PO Box 741 Clinton, MO 64735 For more information, please contact Crystal Norris at 816-878-7372 or by email HCMemoryFund@gmail.com

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## 2024 43RD FINE ARTS SHOW



Saturday, May 4, 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 5, 12:30-4 p.m. Warrensburg Community Center 445 E. Gay Street

Open to the public -A Free public event Sunday afternoon music by the Sunday Jammers

ARTIST: BONNIE SHELTON

FEATURED



Entries accepted through Thursday, April 25 (late entries accepted with \$5 additional fee at check-in)

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Marion Angel, age 80, passed away Sunday, March 3, 2024 at Truman Lake Manor, Lowry City, Missouri. Marion's Aunt Hazel organized a meeting between Marion and Geraldine Cardwell. Geraldine was in need of a ride and Marion was a Sedalia cab driver. History was made during that cab ride. Geraldine must have taken a shine to ol' Marion because they were married on September 28,1963. They were blessed in 1964 with twin boys, Rick and Richard.

**MARION ANGEL** 

Marion was a great provider for his family. He worked as a cab driver in Sedalia. He then moved to Clinton where he worked as a supervisor at the Clearfield Cheese plant. After the closing of the Clearfield plant, he delivered LP Gas with Empire Gas. He then moved on to driving an End Dump Truck with Clinton Readi Mix in Clinton, Missouri. He retired from Clinton Readi Mix and spent his time tending to cattle on his small farm outside of Deepwater. He spent many summer months either on or under a tractor putting up hay. His incredible work ethic was passed on to his sons and grandchildren.

Marion is survived by his brother John Angel (Tammy), his sister Kathy Stone (Denver), his daughter in laws Sherry Angel and Carol Angel. His grandchildren Stephanie Neuenschwander (Jim), Joedie Delozier (Trevor), Corey Angel (Lisa). His 5 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his wife Geraldine, his two sons Rick and Richard, his 3 brothers Albert, David, and Keith.

Funeral services were held March 8, 2024 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel, Clinton with Rev. David Mills officiating. Special music included "Silver Wings, Mirror Mirror and Grandpa." The casket bearers were Corey Angel, Steven Cardwell, Jim Neuenschwander, Roy Cardwell, Rob Angel and David Bayless. Interment followed in Deepwater Cemetery, Deep-

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

### FREDA ENGELHART

Freda Engelhart, age 84, of Clinton Missouri, passed away peacefully, Wednesday, April 3rd, 2024 at her

Freda Areline (Cornell) Engelhart was born on January 26, 1940 in Bolivar, Missouri. The daughter of Fred Raymond Cornell and Hazel Alice (Fahnestock) Cornell. Freda attended school in Clinton, MO and graduated in May 1957.

On September 21, 1958, Freda was united in marriage to Norman Joseph Engelhart, who preceded her in death on December 30, 2010 after 52 years of marriage. To this union two children were born: Bruce W. and Mark A. Engelhart all from Clinton, MO.

Freda was baptized at an early age at the Butler, MO Baptist Church. She was an active member of the Christion Church (DOC), Clinton, MO, where she served as board member, church clerk. several committees and belonged to the Phoebes Women Church Group.

Freda worked as Deputy City Clerk, bookkeeper and payroll clerk for twenty years for the City of Clinton, serving five different mayors, before moving to Moberly and Macon, MO area because of her husband's work for Associated Electric Mining Company.

In Moberly she worked at the Moberly Area Junior College in the registration and records department. Later they moved to Macon, MO where Freda worked for District 2 Missouri Department of Transportation in the accounting and credit union departments until the mine closed. She transferred to District 4 Missouri Department of Transportation in Kansas City, MO. She worked in the accounting department and back up for the District 4 Credit Union. The last 5 years she was one of the first customer service representatives for MODOT for the State of Missouri.

Because of her husband's health she retired September 1, 2000 and moved back to Clinton, MO to be near her family and friends.

She loved being around her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren close friends. She belonged to three bridge clubs until Covid hit the community. She currently belonged to long time canasta club, bunco, Wednesday pitch at the Senior Center, Lorna Kemper Club, and a member of the Henry County Historical Society and volunteered as a docent. She enjoyed traveling with her friends and the Hawthorn Elite travel club.

Her parents, husband, and two sisters, Marie Wilson and Joann Good preceded her in death.

Surviving are her two sons, Bruce (Nancy), and Mark (Tara), all of Clinton, MO. Freda had six grandchildren, Andrew (fiancé, Anna Edmonson), Eric (Stephanie), Kyle all of Clinton, MO. Aaron (Amber) of Lee's Summit, MO, Tyler (Maegan) of Altoona, Iowa, and Jennifer Engelhart of Clinton, MO. She has 8 great-grandchildren; Gloria Chaney, Ellie and Reagan Bettencourt, Kacie and Carly Engelhart, Lanie, Easton, Kenzie Engelhart. Freda is also survived by her sister Betty Blumhost and (Ray Mayes) of Vinita, Oklahoma, her brother Richard Dale (Laura Lee) Cornell of Harrisonville, MO and sister Connie (Gary) Sanchez of Sparta, Nevada, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held April 8, 2024 at the Clinton Christian Church with Pastor Tim Wessley officiating. Special music included selections performed by vocalist, Megan Johson, guitarist, Matthew Jones, and pianist, Debbie Reith. A special poem, "I'm Free," was read by Amber Engelhart. The casket bearers were Andrew Engelhart, Aaron Engelhart, Tyler Engelhart, Eric Engelhart, Kyle Engelhart and Jennifer Engelhart. Interment followed in Englewood Cemetery, Clinton, MO.

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

## **DAVID DOUGLAS**

## **MARTI**

David Douglas Marti, 81, of Clinton, Missouri passed away Tuesday morning, March 26, 2024 at Adair Village in Clinton. He was born April 9, 1942 in Windsor,

Mo., the son of Everette William Marti and Mary Frances (Poage) Marti.

The family moved to Clinton in 1950. He was a member of the Boy Scouts of America as a young man. Following graduation from Clinton High School in 1960, David went to Drury College for a short while. He joined the United States Air Force and served proudly for 20 years. While in the service he married Mary Lou Schmidt of Holden, Mo., in 1964, and his military service took him and Mary Lou to Italy, Japan and several places in the United States. He also spent a vear in Vietnam. Following his retirement from the service he and Mary Lou purchased the M & M Book Store from his parents. David also worked for the United States Postal Service in Kansas City and managed the Super 8 and Parkfield Inn motels in Clinton.

He was a devoted member of the First Presbyterian Church, where he served as an Elder and a Deacon, as well as singing in the church choir. He was also a past president of the Clinton Rotary Club. David and Mary Lou were avid square dancers and traveled to other clubs and danced with the Golden Valley Squares for 30 years. His other hobbies were skeet shooting, golf, fishing, Barber Shop singing, RVing, following blue grass music, and we can't forget watching anything sports on

television. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou Marti of the home; and several cousins and friends. David was preceded in death by his parents; and uncle and aunt, Jess and Hel-

en Scrogham. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 29, 2024 at the First Presbyterian Church. Interment was in the Englewood Cemetery. Military services were provided by the Missouri Honors Team and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 1894, Clinton. The family suggests memorial contributions to a charity of the donor's choice. Services were under the direction of the Bradley & Hadley Funeral Home, Clinton. Condolences may be left online at www. bradleyhadley.com.

### **EMMA JOSEPHINE** "JO" MOREE

Josephine "Jo" Moree, age 79, of Deepwater, Missouri went to her heavenly home on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

She was born on October 27, 1944, in Jefferson City, Missouri. Jo was a beloved mother and grandmother, and she will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Jo had a strong faith and was an active member of the Allen Street Baptist Church in Clinton, Missouri. She also enjoyed reading scripture, puzzling, shopping, the beach and spending time with her family and friends and watching the occasional western.

Jo married Christopher Dee Moree on May 11, 2011, and they had a loving and supportive marriage. They enjoyed motorcycle road trips and being members of the Christian Motorcycle Association where Jo served as secretary for many years.

Jo had three daughters from a previous marriage and is survived by her spouse, Christopher Moree of Deepwater, Missouri.

Jo was predeceased by her parents, her daughter Pamula Jo Golden, sonin-law James David Golden and brother Michael Thomas Baxter. She is survived by children, Donna Marie Son (David Beidel), and Vicki Sue Schrick (Robert). Grandchildren, Jamie Jo Golden (John Mehling), Jessica Dawn Golden (Blake Snyder), Derrik Mitchele Wiggins, Nicholas Giles Wiggins, and Dalton Gregory Son (Tina); great-grandchildren Jack Bennett Mehling, Joella James Mehling, Reina Rae Cagle, and Beckett Marie Snyder; sibling Russell Edward Baxter. Other family members include stepchildren Christopher Moree Jr. (Christy) and Jason Moree; step-grandchildren Zachary Beidel, Katherine Beidel, Philip Beidel, Noah Moree, Owen Moree, and Courtney Squire; step-great grandchildren Bentley Squire and Leo Squire. Life-long friends Denna Davis, Mary Thompson and Sheryl Seevers.

Funeral services were held March 25, 2024 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel, Clinton with Pastor Bob Dennis officiating. The casket bearers were Jason Moree, Noah Moree, Philip Beidel, Christopher Moree, Jr., Dalton Son and David Beidel. Special music included "Old Rugged Cross, Precious Memories, Amazing Grace and At the Cross." Interment followed in Maplewood Cemetery, Brownington, MO.

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

### **EVERETT EARL AUSTIN**

Everett Earl Austin, age 94, of Clinton, Missouri passed away on Monday, March 25, 2024. at Clinton Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Clinton, Missouri.

Everett was born in Montserrat, Missouri on September 9, 1929, to Everett W. and Eva Valentine (Drinkwater) Austin. His family moved to the Clinton area when Everett was a young child.

On Wednesday, August 25, 1948, Everett married the love of his life, Wilma Fern Miller. They were married by Rev. Hugh Sperry at the Sperry's home in Clinton. Everett took \$18 on their honeymoon to Branson, Missouri and returned with enough money to take Wilma to the State Fair. The newlyweds returned to Clinton to make their home. As was the custom of the day, they were surprised when their friends gave them a chivaree. First, Everett pushed Wilma around the Clinton square in a wheelbarrow. Then, they returned home to find their friends had poured salt in their bed. They settled into married life and the following year Ernie was born and three years later, Rocky.

In 1956 Everett began working at Osage Valley Electric Coop and retired in 1988 after 31 years of service. Everett and Wilma spent their retirement years traveling to Bluegrass festivals with their camper club. They enjoyed spending their winters in Arizona and Texas. He and Wilma particularly enjoyed playing cards.

In 1960, while living in the Coal community, Everett was baptized and was an active member of Tebo Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon. In 1968, the Austin Family moved into Clinton, they attended Northeast Baptist Church where he

again served as a Deacon. Everett always enjoyed his free time. His younger years were spent playing on a men's hardball league in Tightwad, Missouri. In his later years, he managed a men's softball team for B&L Electric. He also enjoyed archery, croquet, shooting pool and golf. He enjoyed playing his guitar and singing gospel and bluegrass music.

On August 25, 2023, Everett and Wilma celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary. Everett was a good Christian man, who dearly loved his family and friends. Everett was preceded in death by his parents, and infant sister.

Everett is survived by his wife, Wilma, sons, Ernie (Vicky) Austin, Rocky (Kathi) Austin all of Clinton, his grandchildren, Jamie (Kim) Austin, Jason (Kristi) Austin, Casey (Dustin) Rodgers, and Lance Austin. He is also survived by thirteen great grandchildren, sister-in-law, Hazel (Julian) Shoemyer of Monroe City, MO., brothers-in-law, Bob Yamamoto of Charleston, IL., and Billy Miller of Sullivan, IL

Memorial services were held March 28, 2024 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel, Clinton, MO with Rev. David Mills officiating. Special music included "In the Garden." Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

#### **JO WASHBURN**

Jo Washburn, 87, of Holts Summit, passed away on April 6, 2024 surrounded by loved ones. Born to Thaddeous and Viola (Harrelson) Mead on June 25, 1936 in Clinton, she worked at Kreisler Drugstore for several years and eventually met her husband-to-be there, Ragene "Gene" Washburn. He said he liked her immediately because she was a spitfire despite her small stature. They married on Jo's birthday in 1959 and later welcomed three children: Tammy, Michael and Cindy.

Jo and Gene owned and operated G & J Aircraft in Boonville for many years, but her heart was fulfilled by being a devoted mother and wife. She loved her family deeply, and when it expanded to include grandchildren great-grandchildren, Jo's love only multiplied.

In addition to her parents, Jo was preceded in death by her beloved husband Gene in 2008

Survivors include her three children: Tammy (Doug) Tice, Michael (Layne) Washburn, Cindy (Mike) Malone; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Private family services were held at Memorial Park Cemetery in Columbia.

### **DAVID KYLE** KEMPKER,

David Kyle Kempker, beloved husband of Rhonda Raylene Norcross Kempker and much loved Dad to Ella, Grayson, and Violet, passed away unexpectedly at the age of 53 on March 17, 2024. Kyle was born on August 21, 1970, in Clinton, Missouri. Kyle attended Holy Rosary School in Clinton through 8th grade and was a 1988 graduate of Clinton High School. Kyle was actively involved in Boy Scouts, attending Philmont Scout Camp in 1986, and attained the rank of Eagle Scout. During high school, Kyle played tennis and ran cross country and track. the beginning of a life-long dedication to running. Kyle was a competitive swimmer and swim coach during the summers. In his hometown, Kyle spent a lot of time on the Clinton square, walking there from his Dad's office to get a hot dog and chocolate shake at Diamond Drug, cruising the square on the weekend with friends or Rhonda, and infamously rocking for 52 hours and earning a 4th place finish in the Clinton Sesquicentennial Rocking Chair Marathon, showing a penchant for endurance that served him well later in life as a marathon runner. Kyle earned an Associate's Degree in Computer Aided Drafting and Design in 1991 from Missouri Southern State University in Joplin, Missouri. He then obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Film in1993 from Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, Missouri.

Kyle met Rhonda in high school and started dating her at age 16. During college, Kyle and Rhonda stayed together, even when attending different schools, and ended up in the same place for good when Kyle moved to Kansas City, Missouri, to begin his film career while Rhonda was in law school. On December 30, 1995, at age 25, Kyle married Rhonda Raylene Norcross, age 24. Kyle and Rhonda lived the early years after marriage in the Waldo area of Kansas City. Kyle and Rhonda had three children, Ella, Grayson, and Violet and moved to Olathe, Kansas, in 2001, shortly after Ella was born. They raised their kids on Summit Street in Parkwood Hills, alongside a great group of neighbors. Kyle was frequently around the house, hosting and joking around with the kids and their friends, throwing birthday parties, and building bonds that turned schoolmates and

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neighbors into life-long relationships. In 2011, Kyle and Rhonda moved a short distance to the next neighborhood over, near running trails where Kyle logged thousands of miles, and backing up to a park, creek, and lake where Kyle and the family spent many hours together. The kids grew into teenagers and young adults and Kyle was the Dad who was always there, including putting his career on hold for several years to stay at home with the kids. Kyle was renowned for making Friday night pizza for any and everyone who showed up and for teasing and joking with the teenagers, sometimes even heartwarmingly acting a little like one himself. Kyle was always ready to talk about pop culture, movies, and music and could lighten the spirit in any room, especially with his quick wit or a joke. Kyle was a Cub Scout leader for Grayson's troop, wrangling kids through meetings and campouts and building Pinewood Derby cars. Kyle assisted with the Blue Valley West band and guard shows for Ella and Violet, especially as a props schlepper.

Kyle had a long career in the

Kansas City film and video

industry, beginning with an internship with Take 2 Productions in 1994. He started freelancing as a Production Assistant, working his way up to become a Production Coordinator and eventually a film and video Producer and Assistant Director. Kyle was on staff as an Executive Producer at Third Eye Productions from 2002 to 2008. Kyle had the opportunity to work on hundreds of commercials, print ad campaigns, and web-based media for national, regional, and local clients, including Wal-Mart, McDonald's, Children's Mercy, Price Chopper, Sonic, the Buckle, Hallmark, T-Mobile and Sprint, Build-A-Bear, Kansas Lottery, Missouri Lottery, Gordmans, and many more. Kyle was the one who made everything happen on a professional set. His colleagues remember him not only for being organized and calm under pressure at work, but also for his great sense of humor. Clients, advertising agency executives, and creatives loved Kyle for his easy-going style and approachability. Kyle always had interesting stories to share, including about being on set with iconic characters and celebrities ranging from Darth Vader and Chewbacca to Chiefs and Royals players. A recent highlight was working as Line Producer for a 2023 Wall Street Journal photo shoot with a Chiefs player who garnered enough attention that Kyle experienced preventing paparazzi from gaining access to the set, alongside his daughter Ella who was on the shoot as a Production Assistant, the position in which Kyle started

Kyle was a strong, competitive runner throughout his life, finishing in more than 50 events total. Kyle completed 4 marathons, qualifying for Boston during the Chicago Marathon in 2010, and most recently running the Disney World Marathon in 2022. He ran 23 half-marathons. He completed the Heartland 39.3 Series in 2013, 2014, and 2015. Kyle completed more than 10 triathlons, combining his love for swimming with running. He also ran many 10Ks and 5Ks, and organized teams for the Brew to Brew relay.

Kyle was a talented artist and, sparked by a stint at Johnson County Community College, began crafting wood sculptures mixed with metals at the college and in his garage workshop. He created many striking pieces from plywood, a medium symbolic for its ordinary function of being covered up or even discarded, with a grain and beauty that could be coaxed out from the wood underneath. Kyle admired the imagery of wood and trees, and all the things a tree can represent in our lives.

Kyle was an adventurous free-spirit who enjoyed trav-

eling, hiking, and being outdoors. In 1991, he adventured around Europe with friends. Work took Kyle to many locations as well. For 20 years, Kyle regularly vacationed with Rhonda and the kids at Rocky Mountain National Park. Kyle initially carried Ella, Grayson, and Violet in hiking backpacks until they took to hiking on their own two feet. Hiking trips continued until the kids became young adults walking the same trails side-by-side with him where he once carried them. The family eventually summited Twin Sisters in 2022. Kyle enjoyed many trips with family and friends with favorites being Hawaii, Cozumel, Colorado, New York City, Disney World, California, and Branson. He also took time out for roads trips and side adventures with each of the kids. At Custer State Park in South Dakota, Kyle and Violet took an early morning hike together when both of them had energy that the rest of us were lacking. Kyle made a long road trip with Ella, moving her halfway across the country after a semester at the Disney College Program in Orlando. Recently, Kyle returned from a Spring Break trip with Grayson to Zion National Park and Antelope Canyon, where they hiked and kayaked through canyons and forged through a blizzard while listening to hours of music in the car.

The extended family has great memories of Kyle, spending time outdoors at the Norcross Farm, beginning from the time he was a teenager. Kyle was always up for tackling a chore, hopping on a 4-wheeler ride, or helping with finish work on a cabin for the extended family. He was there for holidays, including the 4th of July, where he was known for his annual less-than-graceful, but hilarious, lighting and release of a sky lantern where we always questioned what might go up in flames.

Kyle was active in church. He

was raised as a member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Clinton, Missouri, was a member of Red Bridge United Methodist Church in Kansas City, Missouri, from 1996 through 2004, and has been a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Olathe, Kansas, from 2004 to the present. Kyle was an active youth group leader at both Red Bridge and Grace, including traveling with the youth on mission trips, touching the lives of many with his personality and ability to connect with others. Steps of Faith, a small group from Grace, was an integral part of Kyle and Rhonda's life for many years. Kyle is survived by his wife of 28 years, Rhonda Raylene Norcross Kempker, his daughter Ella Jean Kempker, his son Grayson David Kempker, and his daughter Violet Olivia Kempker. He is also survived by his mother-in-law Donna Norcross, his sister-in-law Amy Norcross Wareham and brother-in-law Ryan Wareham, as well as his nephews Gavin and Corbin Wareham and extended Norcross and Hager family. Kyle is survived by his parents, David and Donna Kempker, sister Debbie Boeth and spouse Rick, sister Dana Poepsel and spouse Jack, niece and nephew Stephanie Willis and Nick Boeth, and many extended family members. He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Clara Velma (Chrisco) Siegrist, and his father-in-law, Wayne Norcross.

Kyle loved deeply and was loved by many in return. Kyle will be profoundly missed by Rhonda. The two of them were tennis partners, enjoyed painting and designing rooms in the house together, spent date nights at restaurants, concerts, or at a bed and breakfast, enjoyed hanging out with and hosting their circle of friends, spent hours taking walks, and enjoyed stolen moments at home together playing cards or talking late into the night after the kids were in bed. We loved Kyle because he was outwardly happy, made us laugh, had an

infectious smile and friendly

brown eyes, was the life of the party, and was the first to ask how you were doing and the last to leave any gathering. Kyle will also be deeply missed by many friends, the kids' friends, his church family, neighbors, and the Kansas City film and video communi-

The family suggests contributions to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, via a memorial page for Kyle, located at: https://supporting.afsp.org/campaign/ Kyle-Kempker-s-Memorial -Fund. Contributions may be made on GoFundMe, via the Kempker Family Memorial Fund, for the educational and other needs of Kyle's children as they grieve, heal, and begin to rebuild their lives, or by check to Bradley and Hadley Funeral Home, 1410 DZF Road, Clinton, MO 64735.

Kyle's memorial service will be at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 20, at Grace United Methodist Church, 11485 South Ridgeview Road, in Olathe, Kansas. Rhonda, Grayson, Ella, and Violet will receive friends from 12:30-2:00 p.m. Following the service, we are holding a reception from 3:00-5:00 p.m., also at the church. All are invited to celebrate Kyle's life through fellowship. Come ready to share your stories and memories. We will have a video highlighting his life and favorite music. The youth room will be open for pool, ping-pong, and foosball and the lawn will be set up with 9-Square and outdoor games as requested by Kyle's kids to honor their Dad's fun-loving

## ARLENE DOROTHY (COOK) GOTH

Arlene Dorothy (Cook) Goth, age 91, of Clinton, Mo passed away on March 15, 2024 at John Knox Village in Lee's Summit, MO.

Arlene was born April 19, 1932 in Germantown, Mo. She passed away on March 15, 2024 at the age of 91. She was the youngest of seven children born to William and Clara (Daldrup) Cook. She was a faithful member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Clinton. Arlene grew up in Germantown, Mo and attended St. Ludger's Catholic School there. She later graduated from St. Francis Academy in Nevada, Mo in 1949 as the valedictorian of her class.

Arlene married Ernest Edward Goth on April 27, 1953 in Germantown, Mo and they enjoyed 58 years of marriage prior to his death on November 20, 2011. During their marriage they lived for 35 years on their farm near Montrose, Mo, raising their four children. In 1988, they retired to Clinton, Mo

Arlene was an expert seamstress and quilter. Her family will always cherish the beautiful quilts that she made for them. She enjoyed spending time outdoors in her gardens, but her greatest love was spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Arlene was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one great grandson, John Edward Goth; and her six siblings and their spouses: Harold (Jean) Cook, Luella (Jack) Deibel, Leona (Jim) White, Emmet (Regina) Cook, Millard (Laverne) Cook, and Estle (Loretta) Cook.

Survivors include her children: Norman (Nancy) Goth of Springfield, Mo; Elaine Goth of Orlando, FL; Sandra (Lewis) Moreland of Clinton, Mo; and Brenda (Ed) Meaney of Sugar Land, TX. She is survived by five grandchildren: Matthew Moreland, Nolan (Jordan) Goth, Brian Meaney, Kerri Meaney, and Owen (Taylor) Meaney. And, one great grandchild: Jack Edward Goth.

Arlene will be greatly missed by those who knew her and loved her as her family celebrates her long and full life, well-lived.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held March 20, 2024 at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Clinton with Father James Taranto officiating. Interment followed in Englewood Cemetery, Clinton, MO. Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

# Death Notices

Stephen Parks, 74, died Sat, April 13, 2024. Visitation will be from 6-8pm on Thur, April 18, 2024 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel in Clinton, MO. Funeral service will be held at 1pm on Fri, April 19, 2024 also at the Chapel. Burial will follow in the Englewood Cemetery in Clinton, MO. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO.

John Pettinger, Jr., 81, died April 11, 2024. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO and are pending at this time.

AC Dines, 85, died Apr. 9, 2024. Services were 1pm, Fri., April 12, 2024 at Hill &

Son Funeral Home, Appleton City, MO, Visitation was 4-6pm, Thurs. April 11, 2024, Hill & Son Funeral Home, Appleton City, Mo. Arr. Hill & Son Funeral Home, Appleton City, MO 64724

Judy Cross, funeral service was held Sat., April 13, 2024 at 2pm at Hill & Son Funeral Home, Appleton City, MO. Visitation preceded the service. Burial was in Appleton City Cemetery. Web site location: www.hillandson.net Hill & Son Funeral Home, Appleton City, MO.

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Kris Vincent, 61, died Sat, April 13, 2024. Memorial service were held at 6:30pm on Wed, April 17, 2024 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel in Clinton, MO. There was a visitation from 5:30-6:30pm prior to the service. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral

Home in Clinton, MO.

## **Calhoun Community Church**

Welcome to the Good News from Calhoun Community Church. Our church family gathers at 9:30 a.m. for prechurch food and fellowship. We use this special time for visiting one with another, welcoming guests as they arrive for Worship, and signing cards of encouragement for our card ministry. Tom rang the church bell in Tuckers absents to call our church families to worship at 10:00.

Our prayer list includes: Patty Dump's Uncle Rick, Jerry Reed, and Dave Burson; our military men and women and their families, as well as others in service jobs that we depend upon daily. We pray for guidance as we continue to grow, here on the southeast corner of the Calhoun square.

Joys to celebrate: All were pleased for the peanut chocolate chip cookies shared by Carol Lane for prechurch fellowship this morning. Steve lit the altar candles and served as usher in Tuckers absents. We were pleased to sing happy birthday to Patty and Tawyna Conner with wishes for many more. Shelby Bicknell shared his talent with special music, "Give Your Heart and Soul to Jesus Christ." We thank him for sharing. Steve Siercks expressed his joy of spending time with his mother Verna Walters and eating at Frank's Fish Shack. Barbara Sales will soon be moving to Houston, Texas to be near her daughter. We wish her well. Harvesters was held Friday on the square, with the usual crowd. Debbie Joy and her friends had a great day yesterday helping Debbie in her yard. They along with Sue Lesmeister had a pleasant evening on the town in Sedalia.

Rev. Jackson Short's message title was "The Power of Prayer." The road of the faithful is hard and filled with challenges along the way. Sometimes we complain. Sometimes we take a different road. Sometimes we let others lead us astray. Our only recourse is prayer; as we ask for forgiveness, and the Lord's help to meet the challenges we face; restoring our faith that we might again be a blessing for our church and community.

We invite you to worship any Sunday morning at 10:00, come dressed as you are comfortable. Plan to receive a blessing for your effort, bring the youngsters and we will be blessed for your presence.

Thought for the week: "One can walk in any direction for exercise, but in life's walk it's good to have a path to follow."

## **First Baptist**

On Sunday, Pastor Pat Findley referred to Luke 5 in the 1st of a 5-message series titled "Called to Live on Mission". After describing 7 aspects of being a Christian, Pastor Pat challenged members and guests to pray daily over the list he provided, offering the following prayer example:

Father, thank You for another day to grow up in You. Thank You for another day to help those around me come to know You better. Lord, today would You help me be available to You? Would You help me to be sensitive to how You're already at work around me? Lord, help me trust You today. Help me to take You at Your Word and to adjust my life accordingly. Lord, help me to live today, not in my own strength, but in Your strength. I want to experience Your power in me, through me, and around me. Keep me humble, Lord. Forgive me when I fall short. Help me to be quick to repent when I do fall. Search my heart. Find pride and get it out. Keep me focused on living for Your glory above all else. Father, help me to live with a sense of amazement at who You are and what You do. Lord, I want to anticipate how You might show up in my life today. Break my heart for what breaks Yours. Help me to see the people around me as You see people. Help me to show love to everyone I meet today, as I look for opportunities to fish for souls. Above that Lord,

I surrender all to You right now, all over again. God, I surrender anew, all I know of me to all I know of You. So, here I am, Lord. Use me and everything You've entrusted to me for Your Glory. These things I pray in Jesus' name, Amen

Jesus calls His people to join His mission, inviting others to receive salvation. Jesus died to forgive our sins. To surrender means to use all we have to follow Him. We should do as Jesus did by loving others and casting His net, the Gospel. Today, pray to become someone who fishes for souls!

Celebrate Recovery is on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 pm at the Vansant location for anyone with hurts, habits, or hangups. GriefShare is offered every Thursday at 6 pm, for help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. Worship service times are 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and Sunday School is offered at 8:15 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. For more information and upcoming events, please visit www. firstbaptistclinton.church or find us on Facebook at 'First Baptist Church - Clinton, MO'.

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

## First Presbyterian

God has given us the greatest gift, His Son Jesus Christ. Celebrate the good news of His unfailing, compassionate love. Praise Him every day and not just on Sundays. Express your thankfulness by committing yourself to doing simple acts of kindness. Let others see Jesus in you.

Rev. Nancy Gillard's message this week was But God . . . She chose 1 Corinthians 1: 18 – 25 as her text. In this passage we read of the wisdom and power of God. We appreciate Ann McCoy as our pianist this week.

The ladies have completed their project of sewing hygiene products for young ladies in Africa. They will meet on Tuesday at 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall to "pin and pack", then these articles will be shipped off. Collecting diapers in sizes 3, 4 and 5 for the Samaritan Center continues through Sunday, April 25. Do you have any Best Choice labels? They are redeemable. Please turn them in to the designated basket on the foyer shelf. The yearly mission project of Dresses and Shorts for African Children has begun. Directions, fabric, trim and elastic are available for anyone interested in creating clothing for the youngsters.

You will not want to miss the performance of the The Clinton Community Choir, under the direction of Mark Smith and accompanied by Gay Smith, on Thursday, April 18 at the Clinton High **Church Page 13** 



# **DEMOCRAT**

## H.C. **Commission TUESDAY APRIL 2ND 2024. 1ST DAY OF THE APRIL**

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

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

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

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the Thursday, March 28, 2024 meeting was read; Commissioner Lawler made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Fosnow seconded the motion, motion carried

Expenditures from the following were approved to be paid: County Payroll, Road and Bridge, Court Administration, Juror Pay, Law Enforcement Fund, Inmate Security, Circuit Clerk, April Elections, ARPA Fund, Buildings and Grounds, General County Government, Law Enforcement Department, Assessor

The Commission approved CART contracts with White Oak, Fairview, and Big Creek Townships.

Dennis Bowers, Road and Bridge Supervisor met with the Commission. He shared how well the new ditcher worked. He also shared updates on the SW 700 and SW 701 Rd bridge builds in Bear Creek Township. The crew is busy working on culverts.

Clerk Rick presented a petition from Joe Hilty to close at the end of NW 700 Rd which is in both Honey Creek and Big Creek Townships.

At 10:00, the Commission met with Bill Houk, Lester Rufenacht, and Noel Fernandez of Osage Township, as they had questions regarding a petition to adopt planning and zoning in the township. The group discussed the petition, the adoption of an ordinance, officers of the planning and zoning board, and other topics in relation planning and zoning. The group also discussed the solar farm coming to the

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items. They hope to give historically significant objects a new lease on life while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way. The Pickers have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

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some of the aisles were crowded, and most tyers had two or three people watching them.

"Attendance really increased," Halteman said. "It is remarkable. And this year, we've seen a big jump in people from Clinton attending the show where last year there weren't as many. And what's really nice is that the all of the new people we signed up to join the club are under

The show, the Expo, has been around for 27 years with a two-year break during Covid. Before the show moved to Clinton, it was held in Bolivar. The main purpose of the Expo is to help the club make money to support its two main projects— The Mayfly Project and the fly fishing education classes the club holds at the Good Samaritan Boys Ranch in Bolivar.

The Mayfly Project is a national outreach program that works with foster children. The program's goal is to introduce the children to fly fishing and their local

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water ecosystems in order to have fun, build a connection with the outdoors and give them a hobby that can help build confidence.

The Good Samaritan Boys Ranch in Brighton, Mo., with offices in Springfield, is another organization that provides help for atrisk children. The Tri-Lakes Fly Fishers hold bi-weekly classes there that introduces the children to fly fishing, conservation, as well as fishing trips to local ponds.

While the Expo does raise money for the club's supporting activities, it's basically a free ride for exhibitors, vendors and attendees. The bulk of the money comes from an auction that offers a wide variety of things, fishing gear obviously, plus trips, and non-fishing items. Many of the auction's prizes come from local Clinton businesses.

The major expense the club has is renting the hall at the Benson Center. "We're really lucky to have such good support," said Halteman. "If it wasn't for Mike Keith Insurance, Hawthorn Bank and our newest supporter, Cover & Hilton Law Group, we wouldn't be able to hold the Expo. But that's the thing; like our supporters, people in Clinton have been really friendly, helpful and supportive."

That same theme was echoed by several of the exhibitors. Henry Seay, working the Natural State Fly Shop (Cotter, Ark.) booth was very happy with the Expo. "It was very good, incredibly good," he said in response to a question "There has never been bad show in Clinton, though. The people are great, helpful and friendly. The facilities are excellent as well." The Natural State Fly Shop booth was tied in to the booth for Cotter's trout Lodge.

Surprisingly, there were quite a few vendors and exhibitors from out of the area. Arkansas was well represented because of its spectacular trout fishing a draw for fly fishermen. And there were plenty of exhibitors from Kansas demonstrating their tying skills. While most vendors were from the region, such as Weaver's Tackle Store from Bennett Springs, not all were. One vendor called New Mexico home.

A quick survey of the tyers who were busy at their vises, showed most were from Missouri, Arkansas and Kansas. But Marc Pinsel calls Hammond, La., home. "I really like this area," Pinsel says. "I was fishing here the other day and without moving from one spot, I caught largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, spotted bass and crappie. That's not something you can say about a lot of places. Southern Missouri is a great area for fly fishing."

There were several exhibitors worth noting. The American Museum of Fly Fishing had a display. That organization is located in Manchester, Vt., with a branch in Springfield. And one of the vendors was the Blue Bonefish Lodge from Belize. Both show the growing importance of the TLFF's Expo. Also, too, Healing Waters was present as was The Mayfly Project.

Next year's Expo, which will be at the Benson Center, will include a fly fishing education class put on by the Missouri Department of Conservation. "The MDC has been really good at supporting the Expo," said Halteman, "and we're looking forward to this new class. Perhaps the education session will include utilizing the lawns outside the center to give fly casting instruction, but that has yet to be decided.

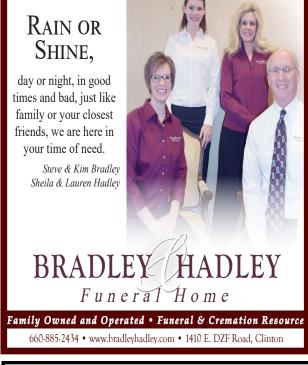


MARC PINSELS, of Hammond, La., likes visiting and fishing in southern Missouri. Here, he's working on tying a streamer.



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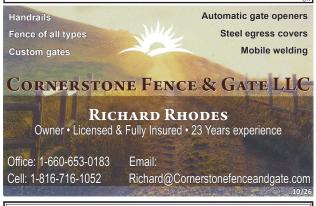
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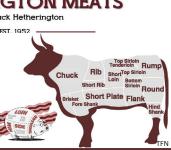
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4/18/24

## **Clinton Track & Field Continues To Take** Medals At Eldorado Springs, Jefferson City Area To Lead Marksmen





Last Tuesday, the Cardinals track and field squad competed at the Eldorado Springs Relays. The weather was perfect for a track meet and both rosters competed well.

The boys placed 1st overall and the girls placed 5th overall out of 25 teams; one of the larger events on the Cardinals regular season schedule.

Medals were awarded to the top 3 finishers in each event. Those from Clinton are below.

Girls

Vyla Brown, 3rd, 800m



Kiya Eshleman, 2nd, Triple

Leah Kenney, Chelsi Berry, Kat Cole, Vyla Brown, 3rd, 4x800m Relav

Jase Wilson, 2nd, 100m Jase Wilson, 2nd, 200m Payton Sales, 3rd, 400m Triston Switzer, 1st, Pole

Isaac Tennal, 1st, Discus Gage Crispi, Cameron Mertz, Payton Sales, Jase Wilson, 1st, 4x100m Relay Gage Ross, Gage Crispi, Gavin Tennal, Payton Sales, 3rd, 4x200m Relay Gavin Tennal, Gage Ross,

3rd, 4x400m Relay

On Saturday, the Cardinals competed at the Licklider Relays in Jefferson City. Unseasonably warm temperatures took their toll, however, the Cardinals kept that to a minimum, turning in some great numbers against even greater competition.

Though many medals were not garnered, there were several personal best times recorded.

Those medaling (top 4) at the event included:



**Boys** 

Triston Switzer, 3rd, Pole

Jase Wilson, 2nd, 100m Jase Wilson, 4th, 200m Isaac Tennal, 3rd, Discus Girls

Briley Wishard, 3rd, Jave-

Briley Wishard, 4th, Shot

The Cardinals are scheduled to host their Clinton Invitational this Saturday.



Sherwood High School would like to welcome their newest head football coach, Kasey Tittlemier.

Tittlemeier was born and raised in California, where he was a standout football player. He then played football at Missouri Western State University.

Coach Tittlemier has been an assistant coach at Clinton, Warsaw and Butler, as well as the head coach of East Bakersfield High

fornia.

He is currently the offensive line coach at Western New Mexico University.

In his spare time, Coach Tittlemier enjoys spending time with his wife Mary and his son Canton, age 6 and daughter Micki, age 3, as well as golfing.

The Sherwood community is excited to welcome Kasey and his family!



**Holden State Farm Classic** 

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 Clinton 1, Holden 4 Thursday, April 11, 2024 Clinton 5, Midway 0 Friday, April 12, 2024 Clinton 2, Adrian 3









MRVC WEST ACADEMIC ALL-CONFERENCE lists were announced last week and, from Clinton, they included (L to R): Katie Schaffer, Ava Potter, Allie Goucher, Lily Kenney, Skyte Wilson, Lyn Brauer, Briley Wishard and Chelsi Berry



12.6 PPG, 6.8 RPG, 2 SPG







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# **DEMOCRAT**

## **PUBLIC RECORD**

Continued from page 8 county. Rick shared that the cash balances of the county are up, as expected, compared to the first quarter of

Brittany Mitchell, MoDot's area engineer for Henry County, met with the Commission. She presented Mo-Dot's plans for highways in the county.

The Osage Township Board met with the group to discuss the number of traffic accidents and deaths that have occurred on a stretch of Z Highway. Brittany assured the group that MoDot would look into it.

A call was returned to Bill Harbstreet to discuss the road closure petition of NW 700 Rd. He is concerned and opposed to the closure of the road, as he is land locked already, but has a gentleman's agreement to gain access to his property.

Commissioners adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

#### THURSDAY APRIL 4TH **2024, 2ND DAY OF THE APRIL TERM**

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

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

At 9:04 a.m. Commissioner Stone brought the meeting to order.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the Tuesday, April 2nd, 2024 meeting was read; Commissioner Fosnow made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Lawler seconded the motion, motion carried.

Expenditures from the following were approved to be paid: April Election, Road and Bridge, Law Enforcement Fund, Commission, Assessor, Employee Benefits, 27th Circuit Treatment

The Commission approved CART contracts with Osage and Shawnee Townships.

At 9:30 the Commission met with Zak Berislavich and Chuck Kaiser, of Murphy Tractor for a solicitation.

Nick Smith with the C ton Police Officer's Association, met with the Commission to discuss hosting a beer garden on the grounds during the annual Olde Glory Days events. Commissioner Lawler shared of concerns citizens have expressed with having a beer garden during Olde Glory Days. They also discussed that there have not been any issues in relation to selling beer on the grounds. After discussion, the Commission agreed to allowing the CPOA to host the beer garden. Assessor Scott Largent

met with the Commission. The group discussed assessments on the former Montrose Power Plant and the amount of taxes assessed on solar if it were to become taxable.

A call was made to Ivan Schraeder, the county attorney. A message was left.

At 11:10, Commissioner Lawler left the meeting, as he had to attend a West Central Community Action Agency meeting.

Ivan Schraeder, the county attorney returned a call. The Commission discussed the Road Use Maintenace Agreement with Ranger Power.

Commissioners adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

#### **TUESDAY APRIL 9TH 2024, 3RD DAY OF THE APRIL TERM**

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

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

At 9:01 a.m. Commissioner Stone brought the meeting to order.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the Thursday, April 4th, 2024 meeting was read; Commissioner Fosnow made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Lawler seconded the motion, motion carried.

Expenditures from the following were approved to be paid: Court Administration, 27th Circuit Treatment Court, Inmate Security, Prosecuting Attorney, Local Emergency Planning Commission, Law Enforcement Fund, Victim Advocate, Administrative Handling Cost Fund, Capital Schools, Road and Bridge, Tri County Child Support, Coroner, Law Enforcement Department, General County Government, April Elections

The Commission approved CART contracts with Walker Township.

Clerk Rick presented the completed petition, from Joe Hilty, to close the end of NW 700 Rd in Big Creek and Honey Creek Townships.

An abstract of fees collected by the Recorder of Deeds Office was reviewed and ap-

Clerk Rick presented completed petitions from Shawnee, Deepwater, and Osage Townships to adopt a planning and zoning ordinance.

Dennis Bowers, Road and Bridge Supervisor, shared that the crew is finishing up on the SW 700 Rd bridge in Fairview. They are getting ready to install a culvert. He plans on opening the road back up early next week.

Dennis shared that the white straight truck is broken down due to a fuel pump issue. Also, the red dump truck is in the shop. He hopes to get both back on the road by Friday. Dennis stated that he feels the red dump truck needs to be replaced, as it continues to have problems.

The crew is making preparations to begin the SW 701 Rd bridge, in Bear Creek. He provided easement agreements from both Carl and Edward Jurgensmeyer for repairs to the bridge.

The group discussed district lines of the Commis-

The Commission returned a call to Jason Mathia. He shared his dissatisfaction on how he has been treated by Prosecutor Gray. He stated that he feels harassed. The Commission explained that they have no authority over any judicial proceedings or the Prosecutor's Office.

Commissioner Lawler shared of meetings of the Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission.

Commissioners adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

## H.C. L.E.P.C.

Quarterly meeting, 4/9/24, 12:00pm

Attendance: Bruce Dewsberry, Gary French, Brad Wright, Gloria Brandenburg, Kameren Huffman. Chuck Bailey, Lori Taber, Carolyn Graves, Christian Meier, Kent Oberkrom, Mark Manuel, John Scott

Announcements:

- Meeting called to order by Bruce Dewsberry.
- Motion to approve agenda made by Mark Manuel, seconded by Carolyn Graves. Approved by vote.
- Motion to approve minutes of 1/30/24 meeting made by Gary French, seconded by Kent Oberkrom. Approved by vote.
- Financial statement given by Bruce.

o Beginning balance \$17,944.45

o Misc. Revenues (Reimbursement) +\$13.24 o LEPC Supplies -\$200.03 o Grant Expenses / Oil Absorb -4,839.30

**Ending** Balance \$12,918.36

o Motion to approve financial statement made by Gary French, seconded by Mark Manuel. Approved by vote. Brad Wright has submitted for reimbursement for monitors and absorbents.

Old Business: • LEPC Grant status = \$33,483.00 - Missouri Department of Public Safety **New Business:** 

- MERC News, SERC-TERC Monthly Update, and RMP Fact Sheet are available.
- Gasoline Tank Truck Specialist Training information provided by Mark Manuel, scheduled for 6/22/24.
- LEPC By-Laws reviewed. Minor edits related to verbiage and clarification of community participating groups. Motion to approve amended By-Laws made by Kent Oberkrom, seconded by Mark Manuel. Approved
- Nomination and Election of Officers
- o Secretary Lori Taber, approved by vote.
- o Vice Chairman Christian Meier, approved by vote. o Treasurer and Chairman -

Bruce Dewsberry, approved

- by vote. Reviewed Contact information and Membership List for discrepancies and corrected information as needed. Motion to approve with corrections and additions made by Brad Wright, seconded by Chuck Bailey.
- Approved by vote. Adjournment: • Motion to dismiss made by Gary French, seconded by

Next meeting:

by vote.

• 7/9/24 at 12:00pm for regular quarterly meeting at the Benson Center Cummings room, 1008 Sedalia Ave., Clinton, MO.

Christian Meier. Approved

## City of Montrose

**APRIL 8, 2024** 

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

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

Staff Present: Donald Lamb, Sheriff's Office and Sherri Richter. Dale Bailey was absent.

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

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0

A motion was made by Amber Volmer, 2 nd by Kent Schussler to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 11, 2024

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0

A motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2 nd by John Engeman to approve the minutes of the Special meeting held on March 25, 2024.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 A motion was made by John Engeman , 2 nd by Kent Schussler to approve the Financial Statement for March, 2024.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 **Communications:** 

Mr. Schussler advised that he had received a request for the city to share the cost of rock to be placed in the small space between the VFW and City Hall. The council agreed to share the cost. Mr. Schussler advised that he has completed the LPA online basic training.

Old Business: None **New business:** 

**Installation of Officers:** 

Mayor, Andy Westhusing, North Ward Alderman, John Engeman and South Ward Alderman, Russell Bracher read the Oath of Office aloud and were sworn in by City Clerk Richter.

A motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2 nd by Russell Bracher for John Engeman to remain as

Mayor Pro-Tem. Ayes: 4 Noes: 0

A motion was made by John Engeman, 2 nd by Russell Bracher for Amber Volmer to serve as Board President.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0

A motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2 nd by Russell Bracher for John Engeman and Amber Volmer to serve as the Water/Sewer Committee.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0

A motion was by Amber Volmer, 2 nd by John Engeman for Kent Schussler and Russell Bracher to serve as the Streets Committee.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0

City Clerk Richter then distributed payments to the council members and thanked them for the past year's service.

### City-Wide Clean Up:

A motion was made by John Engeman, 2 nd by Amber Volmer for the City-Wide Clean Up dates to be held on May 10 th through 12th, 2024.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Public Forum: None **Staff Reports:** 

Sheriff's Office: Sheriff Kent Oberkrom reported that total patrol for March 2024 was 62 hrs and 30 minutes with 29 contacts, 1 report taken, 6 traffic stops/ violations with 6 warnings, 0 arrests and 0 citations.

Dale Bailey: Mr. Bailey was absent. No report given.

Water & Sewer Operations: The water loss of March 2024 was 17%. We are still installing new water

Grazing multiple species

of livestock (cattle, sheep,

or goats) on the same area

could be more profitable and

sustainable. Diversifying your

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grazing has potential to in-

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Benefits of Multispecies

Grazing - David Brown (MU

Native Grasses in Livestock

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tispecies Grazing - Andrew

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Pasture Management for

Sheep & Goats - David Hoff-

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Multispecies Grazing Suc-

cess Story - Robert Salmon

Venue: Rotary Club Building

of Clinton, 200 W Franklin St,

Date: Tues, April 30, 2024

Event sponsors: MU Exten-

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District, Clinton Chamber of

Commerce and Henry County

**REGISTRATION:** https://ex-

tension.missouri.edu/events/

multispecies-grazing-class

Cattlemen's Association

(Producer, Bobs Farm)

Time: 12noon - 4pm

Clinton, MO 64735

Small Ruminant Specialist)

**Topics and Speakers:** 

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meters. The new meter at the Public School will be installed after the school year ends.

Donald Lamb: Mr. Lamb stated that has been taking the readings at the lift station, checking the lagoon, reading meters and mowing. He has also been doing locates for digging. Enviro-Line will be here on April 9 th for the scheduled inspection. Mr. Lamb stated that he has been using a new de-greaser at the lift station.

Mr. Lamb also advised that the Farris lawnmower is working and is a good backup for the city.

Sherri Richter: Ms. Richter advised the council that she will be retiring in June 2024. Mayor Westhusing advised the next council meeting will be May 13, 2024 at 7:30 P.M. A motion was made by Kent Schussler, 2 nd by John Engeman to adjourn at 8:15

April 26 2024. Refreshments

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On My Own:

Workshop

Teaches Leasing,

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"I put this series together

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the number of calls I receive

from women who are wid-

owed, divorced or single and

are running their farms by

themselves for the first time,"

said Amie Breshears, MU Ex-

tension agricultural business

"I receive guestions that

range from 'How do I deter-

mine the value of my land?' to

'How do I know if I'm paying a

fair price for custom work on

my farm?"" Breshears said.

"This workshop is designed

to help these new operators

understand the basics and

where they can find resources

to help them make informed

The workshop will help par-

ticipants understand essen-

management decisions."

specialist in Benton County.

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will be provided.

or David Brown.

Extension

University of Missouri

**Multispecies Grazing** 

Workshop, Clinton Missouri

leases and resources that can be used to determine land values and rates for custom work, she said. Participants

- will learn: • The components and common types of agricultural
- lease arrangements. How to determine the approximate monetary value of leasing agricultural land.
- How to assess the approximate monetary value of agricultural land.
- How to determine the average rate for a variety of custom work activities (including land clearing, custom baling and more).

"On My Own" workshops are specifically designed for women who are first-time sole operators of their farm enterprises, but they are open to everyone, Breshears said. These workshops also allow networking and building connections with other participants in similar operator roles.

Sessions are 10 a.m. to noon in eight locations:

- June 13 Clinton, Henry County. (120 E. Lincoln Clinton, MO)
- June 18 Warrensburg, Johnson County.
- July 30 Harrisonville, Cass County.
- Aug. 6 Warsaw, Benton County.

Visit http://muext.us/On-MyOwn2024 to register online, or contact the county extension center in your area of interest. Cost is \$15 per

### National Library Week

In conjunction with National Library Week and National Library Outreach Day, the Henry County Library is pleased to announce an update to Book Express. This community outreach service was established to give patrons with mobility issues and lack of transportation the ability to access library materials.

Traditionally, homebound Book Express patrons have placed book requests via telephone with a designated individual picking up and returning the materials on their behalf. This process is "due" for a change!

Book Express will be expanding its outreach to further accommodate patrons by making home deliveries to those living in Henry County with accessibility issues. The library will soon begin making weekly material drop offs and pick ups to those enrolling in the service. An announcement will be made in the near future with program details and enrollment information.

The Henry County Library strives to meet the needs of all community members and fulfill its mission of enriching lives, promoting knowledge, and providing recreation. For questions regarding library services, please contact 660-

### tial elements of agricultural Deadline to Register: Friday, **Multi-Species Grazing Workshop**



Tuesday, April 30, 2024 **DATE:** 

TIME: 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**LOCATION: Rotary Building-200 West Franklin-Clinton** 

**COST:** FREE; Registration required

REGISTRATION: https://extension.missouri.edu/events/multispeciesgrazing-class; Deadline Friday, April 26.

**INFORMATION:** Topics and Speakers:

- Benefits of Multispecies Grazing- David Brown (Small Ruminant Specialist, MU)
- Native Grasses in Livestock Production- Travis Harper (Agronomy Specialist, MU) Fencing Options for Multispecies Grazing- Andrew Kientzy (Research Project
- Analyst, MU)
  - Multispecies Grazing Success Story: Robert Salmon (Producer, Bob Salmon Farms) Refreshments provided

Pasture Management for Sheep and Goats: David Hoffman (Livestock Specialist,

For more information or if you have a disability that requires special materials or service, please contact Henry County Extension at 660-885-5556 or David Brown at davidbrown@missouri.edu by April 26.





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# ELEGAL NOTICES 4/18/24

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI **CIRCUIT DIVISION**

In Re the Marriage of: KEVIN WAYNE SCOTT and DIANA MARIE SCOTT KEVIN WAYNE SCOTT, ) CASE NO. 24HE-DR00042 Petitioner, DIANA MARIE SCOTT, Respondent.

#### NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri to Respondent: Diana M. Scott You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court for Henry County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is: Dissolution of Marriage.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for Petitioner is James Race Leiber Baker Law Firm, L.L.C., P.O. Box 507, Clinton, MO 64735.

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within 45 days after the 11th day of April, 2024, Judgment by default will be rendered against you.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Circuit Court this 29th day of March, 2024.

> /S/ WENDI MCGHEE, Circuit Clerk BY SD Deputy

> > a11x2c

court.

Dates of Publication: April 11th; 18th; 25th & May 2nd a11x4c

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

In the Estate of JUDITH CAROL PEARSON, Deceased. Case Number: 24HE-PR00026

NOTICE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY GRANTED (Independent Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of JUDITH CAROL

**PEARSON, Decedent:** 

On MARCH 14, 2024, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of JUDITH CAROL PEARSON, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of HENRY COUNTY Missouri. The personal representative may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the

The name, business address of the personal representative is:

RONALD G PEARSON, 951 SE 350 RD, CLINTON, MO 64735 The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:

WILLIAM M ANGLE, 118 HOUT ST, STE D, PO BOX 1058, WARRENSBURG, MO 64093, (660)-747-8175

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

Date of the decedent's death: 16-NOV-2023 Date of first publication: MARCH 28, 2024

City of Urich, Missouri

General Fund

Street Fund

Parks Fund

Water Deposits

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Water Project 2022

Restricted and Non-Restricted Funds-Total

Combined Water/Sewer System Rev Bond

Pay-Off Date: 11/17/2050

Account

Name

Fire Department

/S/ CRISSY JOHNSTON PROBATE Clerk

Financial Statement

YTD

Revenue

6 mths

168.386.40

Actual

Expense

6 mths

\$ 53,540.72

\$ 16,692.60

11,883.59 \$ 23,457.52

13,297.00 | \$ 13,109.80 | \$

Inter-

Fund

**Transfers** 

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11/17/2015 \$ 1,200,000.00 Payments

Inc Interest \$

12/31/2023

142,765.46 \$

1,057,234.54

49,920.00

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court. m28x4c

Beginning

Balance

10/1/2023

595,528.48

The Leesville R-IX School District is seeking bids for the 2024-2025 school year for the following products/services: Diesel Fuel, Propane, Pest Control, Lunch Milk and Trash Removal. Please submit bids by May 31, 2024 at 3:00pm. Bids may be submitted by mail to 8229 E Hwy 7, Clinton MO 64735 or by email to cmccandless@leesville. k12.mo.us. Contact 660-477-3406 with any questions. a18x3c

#### **BID NOTICE**

The Henry County Library is accepting sealed bids for skylight system replacement. The address for this project is 123 E. Green Street, Clinton, Missouri, 64735. All materials used must be similar in nature to the existing materials. Bid packets are available at the address listed above. Bid packets may also be requested via email. The Missouri Prevailing Wage Law requires that all workers working on public works projects by or on behalf of state and local public bodies be paid the proper prevailing wage rate on projects valued at more than \$75,000.00. Any questions or clarifications concerning this bid request may be submitted to Debbie Jones, Library Director via email (preferred) at debbie.jones@henrycolib.org, by phone at 660-885-2612, or by mail at the address listed above. Sealed bids will be accepted at the Henry County Library until 4:00 pm April 30, 2024. No late bids will be accepted. All bids will be publicly opened at the Henry County Library Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for April 30th, 2024, at 4:00 pm. The Henry County Library Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all bids received, to waive any formalities or technicalities of the bid, or to reject any non-responsive bid in the interest of the Henry County Library.

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

In the Estate of PEGGY POAGUE BOLLIN, Deceased. Case Number: 23HE-PR00097

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

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of PEGGY POAG-**UE BOLLIN, Decedent:** 

On AUGUST 16, 2023, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individuals were appointed the personal representatives of the estate of PEGGY POAGUE BOLLIN, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of HENRY COUNTY Missouri. The personal representatives may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the

The names, business addresses of the personal representatives are:

JEFFERY ADAMS, 206 S BAIRD, PO BOX 226, CLINTON, MO 64735

RICHARD HENDRICH, 702 N VANSANT RD, CLINTON, MO 64735

The personal representative's attorney's names, busi-

ness address and phone number is: JEFFERY ADAMS, 206 S BAIRD, PO BOX 226, CLINTON, MO 64735, 660-885-2221

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

defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo. Date of the decedent's death: 12-MAY-2023 Date of first publication: APRIL 4, 2024

10/01/23-03/31/24

**Ending** 

Balance

3/31/2024

\$

276.728.39

(16,692.60)

(11,573.93)

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/S/ CRISSY JOHNSTON PROBATE Clerk

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court. a4x4c

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Maplewood Cemetery bi-annual meeting 04/25/24 630pm Brownington Community Bldg. a18x1c

#### **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

For default under the terms of the Deed of Trust executed by ADAM E BOYD AND HAYLEY K BOYD, dated June 19, 2009, recorded on June 19, 2009, in Book 686, Page 3655 as Instrument No. 1778, Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Henry County, Missouri. The undersigned Successor Trustee, between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, will on MAY 14, 2024, at 11:00 AM at 100 West Franklin Street, Clinton, sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash (certified funds only) the following real estate:

A TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUAR-TER (SE 1/4) OF SECTION ONE (1), TOWNSHIP FORTY-THREE (43), RANGE TWENTY-FOUR(24), THENCE SOUTH 186.56 FEET FOR THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE WEST 228.69 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 120 FEET, THENCE EAST 228.69 FEET, THENCE NORTH 120 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; IN HENRY COUNTY, MIS-**SOURI, EXCEPT ROADS.** 

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#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY **STATE OF MISSOURI**

LORA EDMISTON, Plaintiff, )CASE NO. 24HE-CC00024 **CHRIS BARRETT,** and DEVON BARRETT, Defendants.

### NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri to Defendant: Devon Barrett.

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court for Henry County, 100 W. Franklin Street, Clinton, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is: Petition for Partition.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for Petitioners is M. Blane Baker, Baker Law Firm, L.L.C., P.O. Box 507, Clinton, MO 64735. You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or

 $other pleading \, or shall \, otherwise \, appear \, and \, defend \, against$ the aforesaid petition within 45 days after the 18TH day of APRIL, 2024, judgment by default will be rendered against

Witness my hand and the seal of the Circuit Court this 10TH day of APRIL, 2024.

/S/ WENDI MCGHEE Circuit Clerk BY SD Deputy

Dates of Publication: April 18th; April 25th; May 2nd and May 9th A18x4c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI

**PROBATE DIVISION** In the Estate of: BARBARA CHENEY, ) Case No.: 23HE-PR00051 Deceased. NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

To all persons interested in the Estate of BARBARA CHENEY, deceased.

& PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION

You are hereby notified that the Personal Representative of the above estate will file a Final Settlement and Petition for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest to the property of the decedent and of the extent and character of their interest therein and for distribution of such property in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Henry County, Missouri, on April 23, 2024, or as may be continued by the Court, and that any objections or exceptions to such Final Settlement or Petition or any

item thereof must be in writing and filed within twenty

days after the filing of such Final Settlement. Elizabeth Cheney Brown, Personal Representative Cynthia Warner, Attorney for P.R. 1708 N Commercial St, Ste A Harrisonville, Mo 64701

816-591-9875.

Dates of Publication: March 28, and April 4, 11, & 18, 2024 m28x4c

**CITY OF MONTROSE FINANCIAL STATEMENT** 6 Month: October 2023 - March 2024

#### Sewer Fund 16,143.47 64,914.19 \$ 56,229.47 95,711.00 77,498.12 \$ 70,525.45 \$ 155,071.00 \$ Water Fund 18,732.56 \$ 180,776.23 Anticipated Project-Pavilion \$ 175,000.00 | \$ 175,000.00 Capital Improvement Fund 59,731.55 3,351.70 \$ Project Funds ARPA 63,283.79 \$ 15.87 \$ 63,299.66 General Operations EE 91,121.20 \$ 91,121.20 107.86 Street Vehicle Depr (CD) 5,256.05 Debt Service Reserve (MM) 39,405.15 \$ 67.05 \$ 2,502.00 \$ 41,974.20 76.07 | \$ Replacement/Retention (MM) 44,706.13 \$ 2,838.00 47,620.20 5,252.32 \$ 24,960.00 USDA 2015 Sewer Project (MM) 1.55 \$ 24,960.00 5,253.87 Urich Vol Fire Dept Savings 10,194.39 \$ 10,200.08 5.69 \$ 10.755.49 10.80 S Water/Sewer Reserve (MM) 10,766.29 Water Deposits (MM) 6,047.43 \$ 6,050.45 3.02 \$ Water Project 2022 \$1,199,379.70 \$ 293.96 \$ 82,516.25 \$1,117,157.41 \$2,165,537.71 | \$ 371,029.79 | \$341,737.63 | \$ 25,787.93 | \$2,220,617.80 Totals Reconciled Bank Balance: 3/31/2024 Account 174,882.32 City Operating Account Checking City Money Market Account 549,332.16 City Debit Card Account 750.00 Checking ARPA Fund 63,299.66 Checking Operating Emergency EE Cert of Dep 91,121.20 Capital Improvement Fund 36,995.10 Checking Capital Improvement Fund Money Market 59,850.95 \$ 5,363.91 Cert of Dep Debt Service Reserve 41,974.20 Money Market Replacement/Retention Money Market 47,620.20 USDA 2015 Sewer Project 5,253.87 10,200.08 Urich Vol Fire Dept Savings Savings Water/Sewer Reserve Money Market 10.766.29

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Beginning:

Balance

Annual Pmt

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Anticipated

#### **Account Name Income Expense Profit (Loss)** -1,177.00 9,295.72 **Capital Improvement** 10,472.72 **Debt Service** 0.00 0.00 21,718.91 -456.81 Fire Fund -22,175.72 -58,969.23 **General Fund** 68,883.91 9,914.68 Law Fund 650.50 0.00 650.50 **Law Training Account** 8.50 0.00 8.50 **Sewer Fund** 21,899.90 -63,227.68 -41,327.78 **Street Fund** 17,345.24 -9,846.97 7,498.27 -74,064.36 Water Fund 36,108.07 -37,956.73 unclassified 0.00 0.00 **ARPA Funds** 0.00 -5,963.73 -5,963.73 177,087.75 -235,424.69 -58,336.94 **TOTAL** a18x1c

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Commercial Space for Rent in Clinton! Two Units Around 1,000 Sq Feet. Each (Could be combined if needed) Would suite multiple types of business such as Offices, Retail, Ect. Contact Emily (Call/text) @ 660-351-2382 f8tfn.c

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### **HELP WANTED**

The Clinton Daily Democrat is seeking free lance reporters to cover Clinton and the Henry County area. Ideal candidates will have a love for the written word and an interest in covering government, human interest and the events that impact the lives of citizens. Please contact the Clinton Daily Democrat at 660-885-2281 or send us an email to: clintondailydemocrat@gmail. com. We look forward to hearing from you! a18tfn

### **HELP WANTED**

The City of Montrose, Mo is now accepting applications for the position of part-time City Clerk. Must have computer skills (Microsoft Word and Excel, general usage), basic accounting knowledge and be available for occasional evening meetings. Applications are available at City Hall, 317 Missouri Avenue, Montrose, Mo, between 8:00am and 12:00pm, Monday through Friday. Submit resumes to City of Montrose, P O Box 72, Montrose, Mo. 64770. Applications must be received by May 10, 2024. The City of Montrose is An Equal Opportunity Employer. a18x1p

#### \*\*\*APPLETON CITY **MANOR IS HIRING! COME JOIN OUR** TEAM!\*\*\*

We are under new management and are currently accepting applications for Full-Time RN, LPN, CNA, and NA positions as well as a DON (sign on bonus for DON). We offer competitive pay and a friendly work environment.

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Please submit applications office@appletoncitymanor.net or apply within

the facility. Appleton City Manor LLC, 600 N Ohio St. Appleton City, MO 64724

Phone: 660-476-2128 Appleton City Manor LLC is an FOF n23tfn.c



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16.64 to \$23/hour.

To apply go directly to our website: TC Transcontinental Packaging/Careers/Clinton (location) or contact Ron Bradfish, HR Manager for Capri, at (660) 890-8814 or Ronald.bradfish@tc.tc

### **HELP WANTED**

Ellett Memorial Hospital are now excepting applications for the following. Benefit eligible, paid life insurance, 401K and much more!

Available Full Time: Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse & Rural Clinic Physician.

Available PRN positions: RN, LPN, CNA, Radiology Tech, Paramedic, EMT, Res. Therapy. au9xtfn

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### **GARAGE SALES**

Come on out to THE COUNTRY STORE

at Shawnee Mound. 11761 N Highway 13 Chilhowee, MO 64733. 660-525-2064. Open 9-5 Monday-Saturday, 1-5 on Sunday. We carry discount housewares, clothes, perfume, jewelry, furniture, and More! Don't forget we have Vendor booths with antiques and collectibles. We also offer outdoor vending \$ 25 for Friday and Saturday in our parking lot. Come on out and get your spot. jy19tfn

Lots of misc/treasures. 400 California Ave, Montrose Housing Community Building Sat 4/20 from 9-? a17x1p

Multi Family - 4746 NW Hwy 7 Old D&M sign, Saturday 20th 8-2 most everything is \$1.00 a17x1p

802 S 6th St. Terr Fri 8:30-6 Sat 8-4 kids & teachers books, Christmas, bunny cages, bunny, adult & kids clothes, toys, jewelry, toy organizer, stuffed animals, vases & much more. a18x1p

#### CHURCH Continued from page 7

School Performing Arts Center at 7:00 pm. The nearly 50-voice choir will perform a program of spiritual music, Broadway tunes, patriotic music, and a western music medley. You are sure to recognize several tunes. Included in the program will be CHS vocal students performing their District Music Contest solos.

Tai Chi will help you improve your balance and strength. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00 am in our Fellowship Hall.. An advanced class has been added to Mondays at 11:00 am.

We invite you to visit First Presbyterian Church. You will be greeted by a group of friendly, loving people. Worship with us at 10:30 am. A monthly newsletter and calendar of happenings is available on our website fpcclintonmo.net.

## Mt. Calvary **Apostolic** Pentecostal

"Are You Able To Maintain your Humbleness?"

Things of the world will happen if it is in God's plan. God wants us to be humble because the Devil will work through people who are

2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

We should seek the Lord's face, and he will hear from heaven and heal our land. God is in charge of everything.

God resist the proud. (James 4:6) and we should humble self in the sight of the Lord.(James 4:10).

Don't get involved with the world. We must be ready in season and out of season. We must be prepared for what God has for us to do.

No one wants to take the blame or apologize. God commanded Adam not to eat of the fruit from the tree before the snake started talking to him and before Eve was created.

Adam told Eve not to eat the fruit, Adam is to blame because he was told by God not to do it. (Genesis3:6, 11, &13)

We should not raise a false report.(Exodus 23) and avoid false accusers.(Leviticus 19:16)

Korah lost his life when he came against Moses and Aaron. Some of the congregation came against Moses and Aaron because of Korah and although Moses sent Aaron down to intercede on the people's behalf with the Lord, 14,000 still lost their lives. (Numbers 16:3, 26-35,

Jezebel plotted the death of Naboth by having him falsly accused and stoned to death. She will be taken care of during Judgement day. (1Kings 21:7-10, & 13).

We must sanctif yourselves (1Peter 3:15)

Satan is the accuser (Job 2:9) and (Revelation 12:9-10)

We must be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to wrath.(James 1:29-20) God

## Urich Baptist

Sunshine warmed our hearts as we gathered to worship the Lord. Clint Keeney rang the church bell. Mrs. Julia Klinefelter led in the congregational singing with Mrs. Dixie Collins playing piano. We rejoiced with Dixie Collins on her birthday. Randy Vogt and Clint Keeney collected the offering.

The title of interim Pastor Steve Sowell's sermon was "In Light of the Gospel We Shall Live for Christ." The scripture passage was from 1Peter 1: 1-25. Life is not perfect, but as believers in Christ we know God is always with us. We should abide in Christ and prepare our minds to focus on Him. We must be sober minded keeping our feelings under control. We must also be thankful for God's grace and mercy and set our hope in Christ alone. As we commit to reading the Bible, we learn to live according to His words and not worldly ones. Have a blessed week.

For All

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**APRIL 10, 2024** 

Golden Apples Senior Club will have a fundraiser garage sale in conjunction with the AC City Wide Garage Sale April 26 - 27. All proceeds help provide meals and activities for seniors 50 and over. The April 11 meeting is 5:00 p.m. at the AC Forest Park Building. The menu will be BBQ chicken with cheesy potato casserole. Please bring salads, sides, and desserts to go with the main dish. After dinner, stay for a few games of Bingo! Ellett Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will host a book fair

on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 in the Out Patient Hallway from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Book Fair Mike will have a variety of books, gifts and gadgets for all ages. Everyone is welcome to come shop! Call 660-476-5216 with any questions.

The AC Spring City Wide Garage Sale dates are set for April 26 - 27. Permits are \$5 and can be purchased at City Hall beginning Monday April 8 through Tuesday April 23. Permits to set up in the AC Park are \$25 for the pole shelter, \$15 for the stage, \$10 for lawn permits and these fees cover both days. Park permits can also be purchased at City Hall on a first come, first served basis and cannot be reserved by phone. Maps will be available at Food Fair, Casey's, Fika and Powell's True Value beginning Thursday afternoon, April 25. House of Joy Ministries is scheduled to be at the City Park, Saturday from 3:00-5:00 to pick up donations, but may leave earlier if full. For questions, please call Dianne Foster at 660-679-1125.

AC PTO presents a "Little Ladies Dance" 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. May 11 in the Elementary Gym. Preschool to 6th grade girls are invited to bring their best dancing partner to join them for an evening of dancing. The price of the dance is \$20 per couple and \$5 for each additional guest per family.

You are asked to please help the Appleton City FCCLA fund their trip to the National Leadership Conference in Seattle, WA this summer by signing up for their paint party 6:00-8:30 p.m. April 29 in the ACHS Commons Area. It is co-hosted with Mrs. Shelly Bales with Blended Spirits Paint Parties. They look forward to a night of family fun and creativity with you. Sign up today at https://forms.gle/AY5AF8vU9DaKaAXe6

Phil and Pam Morgan, Gospel music recording artists, will be performing at River of Life Fellowship in Rockville, MO, 6:00 p.m. Sunday, April 28 as part of their on-going "AMEN" Ministry Tour. The multimedia presentation combines close family harmony with accomplished instrumentals for a fun, motivational experience. A love offering will also be taken to bless the Morgan's ministry efforts. For more information, please contact James Damon (jdamon@rockvillechurch.org), at River of Life Fellowship. Check out the Morgans online at: www.PhilandPamMorgan.com

MU Extension, Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), and the MO Forage and Grasslands Council are cooperating to provide a Management Intensive Grazing School on May 7-9 at the Forest Park Building, 206 East 5th Street, Appleton City, MO 64724. Classes will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at approximately 4:30 p.m. daily. This program is required to receive MO SWCD cost share funding and may help in receiving NRCS cost share funding for grazing system development. Registration and payment are required to attend this event by May 2. Register online at https://shorturl.at/ afwQX. Cost to attend the event is \$200 per person and \$100 per additional person from the same farm not needing materials. Fee includes materials, lunches, and refreshments during the event. For all questions related to the event contact the St. Clair County MU Extension Center at (417) 646-2419 or Patrick Davis MU Extension Livestock Field Specialist by email at davismp@missouri.edu.

Ellett Memorial Hospital Appleton City offers outpatient specialist services for April 2024. Call 660-476-2111 for appointments: Apr 23 - Rheumatology-Dr. John, Apr 24 - Ortho-Dr. Gray, Apr 24 - Ophthalmology-Dr. Soni



## The Shephend Calls

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## **KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN**

An acquaintance had a wreck. A truck pulled out in front of her. I asked whether she saw the truck. "Yes," she replied, "I saw it, but I just closed my eyes."

Jesus pointed his listeners to an obvious truth---one does not turn on the light and put it where it cannot shine. Specifically, He said, "No one lights a lamp and puts it where it will be hidden . . . you put it on a stand so that those who come may see. Your eyes are the lamp of your body," Jesus continued. "When your eyes are good, your whole body is full of light." (Luke 11:33ff) Logically then, this means when we close our eyes our body is full of darkness.

When we turn on a light, we may see things we do not like such as the kids' toys on the floor or the dust on the table. I once fell during the night over my own shoes on the floor. Remaining in darkness will not change such things.

Closing our eyes to the world around us means we put the lights of our body, our eyes, under a basket. My friend who had been in the wreck closed her eyes; but the truck was still in her way. Most days my wife and I watch the evening news together. I seldom like what I see. Sometimes the news is so depressing I tell myself I will not watch it anymore. Then I think, "That would mean I was putting the light of my body under a basket."

Generally, there is little I can do about the wrong I see on the news. We Christians often throw up our hands shouting, "There is nothing I can do." Occasionally, however, there is some small matter I can personally address. May God help me do so.

The media principle goes as follows: tell the truth, tell the whole truth to as many people as possible. Hopefully, humanity is good enough and brave enough to correct its wrongs; but first, we must see them.

Regardless of how bad news depresses you and no matter how much you would like to hide from reality, it is in everyone's best interest for all of us to know "what is going on out there." Keep your eyes open!

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