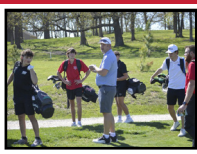


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Bring On The Summer! Twin Lakes Area Hosts Big Crowds Over Holiday Weekend

By Anita Campbell
County Reporter

Nearly perfect weather brought thousands of people to the twin lakes area during the three-day Memorial Day weekend.

Osage Bluff Marina manager Jason Reynolds reported a great weekend.

"We have a great new staff this season and we were very busy," said Reynolds. "The weather drove some people off the water on Saturday evening, but the rest of the time we were packed with visitors."

Reynolds plans to have the annual Fourth of July celebration on July 5 in memory of his mother Emily who died this past year.

"I had to hire five people to replace Mom," he said. "She had been here since the very beginning and she is missed."

Reynolds also reported that the Osage Bluff staff opened the restaurant during the three-day weekend and hope to add to the menu as the season progresses.

Beth Drake at Beth's Osage Mini-Mart reported a great weekend as well, despite the bad weather on Saturday evening.

"We had a lot of traffic this weekend and I predict a very busy summer," said Drake.

Osage Mini Mart sold 32,000 minnows over the



THE MEANING OF MEMORIAL DAY was not lost over the long holiday weekend as thousands of visitors descended on the twin-lakes area. Sharon Karr decorated the grave of her late husband Ralph at Riverside Cemetery on Monday. Karr told the Enterprise that she and her sister Karen Powell spent the day decorating family graves at Riverside, Shawnee, Shiloh, Turkey Creek, Davis and Hastain cemeteries that include 69 relatives.

Memorial Day weekend. Beyond Marine at Sterett Creek was packed with visitors over the three-day weekend according to employee Kay Boyer.

"All our boat slips, motel rooms and campground sites were full," said Boyer. "In fact, we only have a few of the seasonal slips left to rent and we are quickly filling up for the Fourth of July."

The Drunken Minnow was busy all weekend with the

staff working hard to keep up with food and drink orders.

Beyond plans to open Chompy's Restaurant by mid-June. Chompy's will be located in the old Li'l Papa Joe's building and will offer breakfast and lunch. Special menu items will include biscuits and gravy, waffles, pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon and breakfast burritos.

Other special areas

at Beyond include a pickleball court, basketball, sand volleyball courts, a gaga ball pit and a playground.

There is also additional golf cart rentals, as well as more golf cat rentals, both 4 seaters and 6 seaters.

"We were completely packed this weekend and we expect the same every weekend this summer," said Boyer. "We have some amazing people working

for us this summer and we want everyone to have a great time."

Shannon Schmidt, manager at Long Shoal Marina, also reported a great weekend.

"All of our boats and jet skis were rented out all weekend," said Schmidt. "As soon as one came back, it was rented out again."

A new item this year for Long Shoal is Hunt's Brothers Pizza. According

Activities Abound For Warsaw Alumni Reunion Weekend

By Judy Kinkead
Contributing Reporter

There will be an abundance of activities for Warsaw Alumni to attend while in Warsaw for the 36th all-school reunion to be held on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at John Boise Middle School.

Social hour begins at 2:00 PM. There is a \$2.00 entry fee, if you have not made reservations for the dinner at 6:00 PM. Classes being honored are 1998/99 for 25th anniversary, 1973/74 for 50th anniversary, and 1948/49 for 75th anniversary.

Alumni can visit the Warsaw Boonslick Library and check out the alumni display. The display will run until June, if you can't make it over the weekend.

Jubilee Days will be having a free concert by Clay Clear Band on Friday, June 7, at 8:00 PM in front of the Post Office. On Saturday, June 8, alumni can take part in the 5K Run/Walk, view the car show, and watch the Jubilee Days parade at 11:00 AM, followed by The Piano Man on the Courthouse lawn at noon.

That evening, Eastern Heights will play a free concert at 8:00 PM in front of the Warsaw Post Office.

Alumni can visit the "Best Kept Secret in Warsaw," the Benton County Museum. While there, they can visit the expanded gunstock room showing why Warsaw

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Patriotic Pups Strut Their Stuff During First Annual Dog Parade

By Alyssa Alcantara
County Reporter

Memorial Day weekend kicked off with talented canines when Stacey and Charlie McGann began the 1st Annual Dog Parade in Warsaw, which began at 10:00 am Saturday. It was sponsored by the Deer Rest Campgrounds and put on by the owners of the Train Station. Michael Pierce led the National Anthem and oversaw the music for the event. The parade route was located behind Beth's Mini Mart and the Train Station at the rodeo grounds. Stacey said that the idea came due to the number of dog-loving campers on the holiday weekend. The event was to honor fallen veterans, and as such the furry contestants were



COMPETITIVE CANINES and their owners took center stage during a Pet Parade in Warsaw on Saturday. Attendees included Bonnie Guier, Ken McCracken and Marbles, Dr. Ray Alcantara and Sherry DeGraffenreid with Ginger.

encouraged to wear patriotic garb for the competition.

Dr. Ray Alcantara and Bonnie Guier were the judges for the parade. Dr. Alcantara has had fourteen years of experience as a veterinarian in the Warsaw area and owns Alcantara Veterinary Hospital in town. Bonnie Guier is the owner of Gentle Souls Dog Training, in which

she has experience training for the past thirteen years. Guier offers both classes and private lessons. She hosts the Canine Fun Club at 2 pm every Sunday at the Rodeo grounds.

The event consisted of a small course, in which the owners and their pet went between two cones and around another before

the pet performed a "sit" and passed by the judges for the final stretch of the competition. The breeds in attendance ranged from a French bulldog to a Maltese and everything in between. Many of the costumes sported colorful motifs of red, white, and blue, with tutus, American flag bandanas, and Uncle Samesque hats. Many of these costumes were homemade, such as a cereal bowl made out of a dog cone and plastic scrubbers forming fruit loops.

Coming in second place was Sherry DeGraffenreid and her dog Ginger. Ginger is a long-haired Chihuahua. The pet was festooned in Memorial Day attire, featuring a tutu decked in patriotic colors. Ginger was trained through the Puppies for Parole program, where prisoners

Cole Camp's Class Of 2024 Builds Future With Scholarships & Awards



READY TO MAKE THEIR MARK on the world, Cole Camp High School seniors held their graduation ceremony on May 10.

By Anita Campbell
County Reporter

Cole Camp High School held graduation on May 10 with many seniors being awarded various scholarships to continue their education.

Jerra Allen graduated Summa Cum Laude and received an A+

Scholarship. Ekaterina Boychuk received an A+ Scholarship and Sedalia Symphony Society Scholarship.

Matthew Bright graduated Summa Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship and a George Washington Carver Award.

Emily Burdick graduated Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship; CCHS Page 3

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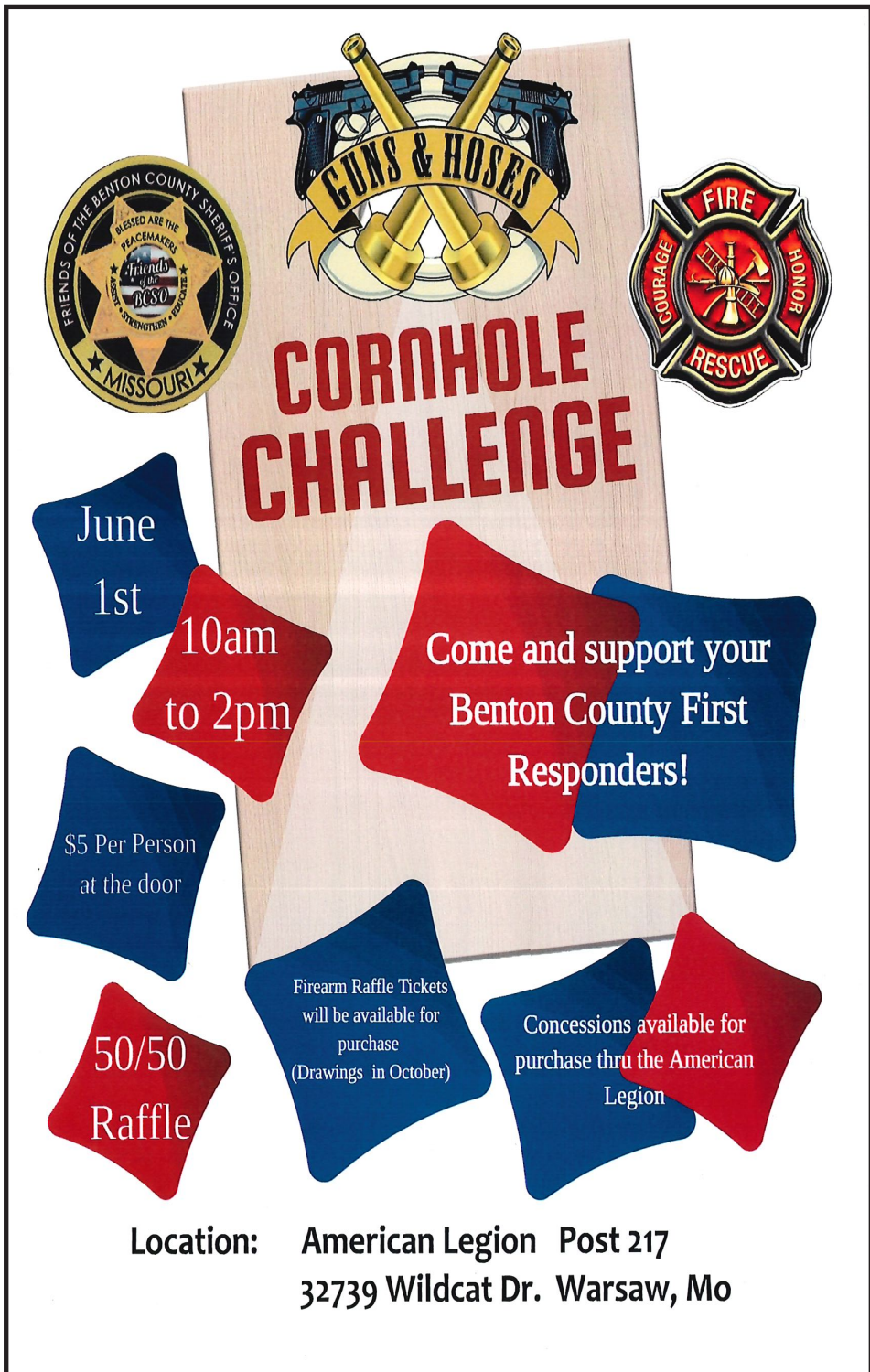
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Community Calendar

MAY 29-JUNE 1, 2024: Brush Arbor Revival, Fristoe Pentecostal Lighthouse, Fristoe, MO, Wednesday, May 29-Saturday, June 1, 7:00 PM nightly, For more information, call (785) 640-4378.

MAY 31, 2024: Special Pizza and Game Night Summer Kick Off, Boonslick Regional Library-Cole Camp Branch, 6:00 PM, Table Top Gaming and Pizza, Also early Registration for Summer Programs, All Ages Free Event

JUNE 1, 2024: Registration opens for Boonslick Regional Library Cole Camp Summer Programs, Weekly Story Times in the Park, Weekly Adventure Oriented Programs, Various activities and reading challenges to earn great prizes! Questions? Call our staff at (660) 827-7323 Ext 2.

JUNE 1, 2024: Adventure Begins At Your Library, Come join the Boonslick Regional Library of Warsaw for their Summer Reading Program! Starts June 1-July 31, Sign up, Read and Win prizes! Ages 0-18, Must have library card to participate.

JUNE 1, 2024: Fun for the whole family at Benton County (MO) Artsfest, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, Downtown Warsaw-Main Street and Community Building, Artisan Vendor Marketplace, Chalk Walk, Workshops/Classes, Artist Swap and Shop, Make and Take/Make and Make Projects, Live Demonstrations, Live Performances, Community Building Lower Level-Competition and Exhibition, Drake Harbor Trading Company, 12:00 PM-3:00 PM Open Mic, Visit www.bentoncountyarts.com or www.visitbentoncomo.com/events for more information.

JUNE 1, 2024: The Guns and Hoses Cornhole Tournament will be held at the Warsaw American Legion on Wildcat Drive, The event will run from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM and is a fundraiser for our local first responders, \$5/person donation at the door, Come and show support for our brave public safety men and women.

JUNE 3, 2024: The Benton County Republican Women's Club will meet at the First Baptist Church of Lincoln, 121 Locust St. Our speaker is Judge Brandon Baker of the 27th Judicial Circuit Court. Doors open at 6:30 PM, the meeting begins at 7:00 PM.

JUNE 4, 2024: The Benton County Youth Coalition will be meeting at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at the United Methodist Church. Come, join in the planning and share your visions.

JUNE 8, 2024: SAVE THE DATE! 35th Biennial Warsaw All School Reunion at John Boise Middle School, Watch for further information and invitations, Check out Alumni Association on Warsaw School District website (http://www.warsawk12.org), Alumni information is on the lefthand side of the page.

JUNE 10, 2024: Monthly meeting of the Friends of the Benton County Sheriff's office, 6:00 PM, We will meet in the training room of the Sheriff's facility, For information on the Friends group please visit https://friendsbcsos.org.

JUNE 10-14, 2024: Vacation Bible School, "The Great Jungle Journey" at Poplar Baptist Church, 2:00 PM-5:00 PM on Monday thru Thursday, 2:00 PM-7:00 PM on Friday, Located halfway between Warsaw and Lincoln off of Highway 65 North at 25819 Poplar Church Avenue, Warsaw, MO, 65355, For children ages 3 thru 6th grade, Call (660) 438-3050 if you have questions or would like to pre-register for VBS.

JUNE 15, 2024: The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament on June 15 to benefit the Warsaw Drake Harbor Playground Expansion project which will triple the size of the current play area with additional equipment and add a new, much needed restroom facility to the park. The tournament starts at 5:30 PM. Come early and come hungry because the event committee is cooking up dinner with pulled pork sandwiches, cole slaw, and chips for a suggested donation of \$5. Non-players are welcome to eat as well. The buy-in for the tournament is \$40 with add-ons and re-buys available. There's a chance at the 'bad beat' bonus pot too. The Knights of Columbus hall offers a full cash bar. Mark your calendar and come out and support the playground expansion project. Visit the City of Warsaw, Missouri facebook page or WelcomeToWarsaw.com for more information.

JUNE 28, 2024: Cross Timbers Blackberry Pickin' Days, 11:00 AM-Dark, Antique Car Show, Cornhole Tournament, Kid's games, Bounce House, Water Slide, Food, Vendors, Hibachi Ice Cream, Cake Walk, Concession Stand, Band and Fireworks, Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the fun!

JULY 13, 2024: Golfers may register now for the "Play Golf for the Playground" tournament on July 13 at Shawnee Bend Golf Course. The co-ed 4-person scramble will raise money for the new playground equipment at Drake Harbor as well as contribute to the new flushing restrooms. The \$75 entry fee includes 18 holes, cart, lunch and cash prizes. Space is limited so register at the Shawnee Bend Golf Course soon.

NEWSbriefs

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

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WEEKEND

(Continued from Page 1) to Schmidt the pizza was a big hit.

"Our restaurant is serving a full breakfast buffet as well as lunch and a special dinner buffet on weekends," said Schmidt.

Long Shoal has four new pontoons to rent as well as their other boats.

Long Shoal is open seven days a week from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM on Friday and Saturday and 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM Sunday through Thursday.

Truman State Park Marina also reported a wonderful weekend.

According to marina staff, all the rentals were out the whole weekend and that all slips were full.

Truman State Park Marina is open from 6:00 AM until 6:30 PM seven days a week until October 31.

In downtown Warsaw, Mary Langewisch was extremely busy at Statuary Gardens.

"This was one of the biggest crowds we have had over the Memorial Day weekend," said Langewisch.

In addition to her store on Main Street, Langewisch also has a garden store at 34479 Highway M, near Edwards.

"We have plants, garden décor, gardening supplies, wind chimes, gardening gloves and all kinds of outdoor decorations," said Langewisch. "I wasn't sure I could keep both businesses going but my customers encouraged me to continue with both so I am trying."

According to the Transportation Safety Administration, around 7.7 million people traveled by air over the weekend with more than 43.8 million traveling by car.

NewsNation reported that due to the bad weather, "roughly thirty flights were delayed as of late Monday morning, but only one appeared to have been canceled, reflecting some delays facing travelers across the nation".

The TSA reported a staggering 2.9 million travelers for Friday, a single-day record. Over the three days that Memorial Day weekend makes up, there were over half a million more passengers taking to the air than the same period of time in 2023.

Further figures published

show that there were 43.8 million families on the road over the holiday weekend, which comes extraordinarily close to the 44 million record set back in 2005.

PARADE

(Continued from Page 1) help train rescued dogs and puppies. According to DeGraffenreid, Ginger's favorite trick is to sit and lie down.

First place this year went to Ken McCracken and his dog, Marbles. McCracken and his pet are from Warsaw, Missouri. Marbles is a one-year-old Great Pyrenees-Aussie mix. When asked about his dog, McCracken said that if his pet gets lost, "I can always say that I lost my Marbles." Even though Marbles is only a year old, Marbles can do up to fifteen different tricks, a few of which were displayed after the parade route.

In addition to the parade, there was a raffle drawing that gave door prizes as well as a patriotic photo booth where pets and their families could have their pictures taken.

CCHS

(Continued from Page 1) Cole Camp R-1 Alumni Association Scholarship; Citizens Farmers Bank Scholarship; SFCC Goppert Foundation Scholarship.

Kennlee Cooper graduated Magna Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship; SFCC Alan Schnakenberg Scholarship; Cole Camp Educational Foundation Scholarship; Hunefeldt Scholarship.

Ava Cruise received an A+ Scholarship; CTC Certificate of Achievement; Mo Child Abuse and Neglect Mandated Reporter Training Certificate; National Career Readiness Certificate Gold; Child Development Associate Credential Completion Certificate; Heartsaver First Aid CPR and AED Certificate.

Ashlynn Degraffenreid graduated Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship.

Cody Demitt received an A+ Scholarship.

Genrty Dieckman graduated Summa Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship, a George Washington Carver award; University of Missouri Donald and Majorie Holloway Scholarship;

University of Missouri Curators Scholars Award; Benton County Extension Council Scholarship; Main Street Mutual Scholarship; Cole Camp National Honor Society Scholarship; Citizens Farmers Bank Scholarship; Central Missouri Electric Cooperative Scholarship. Elijah Gare received an A+ Scholarship.

Amber Goodpasture received the Josh Eberting Scholarship.

Reid Harrison graduated Summa Cum Laude, received an A+ Scholarship; Missouri Citizenship Award; George Washington Carver award; Heisman Scholarship; Southwest Baptist University Track and Field Performance Scholarship; Southwest Baptist University Dutille Scholars Award; Southwest Baptist University Presidential Distinguished Scholars award; Southwest Baptist Residence grant; Cole Camp Educational Foundation Scholarship; Hunefeldt Scholarship; Dueber Scholarship; American Legion Post #305 and Auxiliary Unit #305 Scholarship; Cole Camp R-1 Student Council Scholarship.

Tyler Howard graduated Summa Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship; Lincoln Hunting Club Scholarship; Orange Co. Community Foundation Scholarship; MFA Foundation Scholarship; Benton County Elks Lodge #2783 Scholarship; FFA Future Leaders by TSC-Trade Scholarship; Warsaw Leathernecks Scholarship; BDL Scholarship; Citizens Farmers Bank Scholarship; Cole Camp R-1 Alumni Association Scholarship; Centra Missouri Electric Cooperative Scholarship; Cole Camp Educational Foundation Scholarship; Robert Marshall Stratton-Vira Rule Stratton Scholarship; Dueber Scholarship; American Legion Post #305 Scholarship.

Gunner Johnson received an A+ Scholarship. Samuel Jones received a CTC Certificate of achievement; National Career Readiness Certificate-Bronze; CTC Automotive Service Excellence Student Certification; CTC Career Passport.

Tori Luebbering graduated

Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship; MFA Oil Scholarship and Cole Camp FFA Scholarship.

James Matiychenco graduated Summa Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship.

Cora Oelrichs graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Cole Camp R-1 Honors Diploma and received an A+ Scholarship; a George Washington Carver Award; Missouri STEM Signing Day Scholarship; Missouri S & T Kummer Vanguard Scholarship; Missouri S & T Groundbreaker Scholarship; Missouri S & T Joan and James B. Woodard Jr. Endowed Scholarship; Community Blood Drive Scholarship; WARM House Scholarship; Countryside Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary Scholarship; Benton County Elks Lodge #2783 Scholarship; Citizens Farmers Bank Scholarship; Benton County Cattlemen's Association Scholarship; Central Missouri Electric Cooperative Scholarship; Cole Camp Educational Foundation Scholarship; West Central Missouri Music Educators Association Scholarship; American Legion Auxiliary Unit #305 Scholarship.

Connor Rodgers graduated Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship and Ozark Technical Community College Leadership Book Scholarship.

Camille Schear graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Cole Camp R-1 Honors Diploma; an A+ Scholarship; Missouri State University Scholarship; Missouri State A+ Recognition Scholarship; Lamine River Hunt Club Scholarship; Cole Camp FFA Scholarship.

Andrew Staus received a University of Central Missouri Black and Red Scholarship.

Chase Stone graduated Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship; Cole Camp

CRA Scholarship; Pettis County 4-H Foundation Scholarship; Missouri State Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year scholarship.

Grady Strathman graduated Summa Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship; George Washington Carver Award; SFCC Academic Achievement Scholarship; Leona Schenewark Larson and Pauline Schenewark Wheeler Scholarship; Gesund Health Occupations Scholarship; Citizens Farmers Bank Scholarship.

Gracie Thompson graduated Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship and Benton County Cattlemen's Association Scholarship.

Dalton Viebrock received a Missouri Welding Institute Scholarship.

Anthony Villegas received a SFCC Board of Trustees Scholarship and Benton County Community of the Ozarks Foundation Scholarship.

Isaac Vosmith graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Cole Camp R-1 Honors Diploma and received an A+ Scholarship and Citizens Farmers Bank Scholarship.

Shakota Wade received CT Certificate of Achievement; CTC Criminal Justice Academic Award; CTC Criminal Justice Physical Fitness Award; CTC Criminal Justice Leadership Award; CTC Criminal Justice Stackable Credentials Certificate; America Heart Association Basic life Support Certificate; 2 Police One Academy Certification-Fitness and Nutrition, Defense Tactics 7; National Career Readiness Certificate-Bronze; CareerSafe Certificate.

Morgan Wagner graduated Magna Cum Laude and received an A+ Scholarship; Benton County Health Department scholarship; Cole Camp FFA Scholarship.

Peyton Webb received an A+ Scholarship.

Ashton Whitson graduated Summa Cum Laude with an

A+ Scholarship.

Joseph Zimmer received an A+ Scholarship.

Cole Camp R-1 Honors Diploma is issued by the Cole Camp Board of Education to those who have completed a college prep curriculum and a final GPA of 3.00 or better.

The George Washington Carver Award is issued by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to the top 10% of the class.

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REUNION

(Continued from Page 1) was known as the "Gunstock Capital of the World," thanks to Marty Gardner Weaver's (1964) work. At the 2024 Special Exhibit, "Fashion Through the 20th Century," see the wonderful displays organized by Valorie Fauquier (1969) and Sally Pohl Williams (1963). The museum also has a military room, school room, country store and many more rooms full of exhibits. The museum is also home to Steve Hanson's extensive collection of Native American artifacts featuring arrowheads and primitive tools.

Located at 1660 Hilltop Drive, the museum is open 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Friday and Saturday and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Sunday. There's something of interest for everyone at the museum and recall life in Benton County.

Alumni should be ready for a fun-filled weekend in Warsaw meeting and greeting classmates and friends. Hope to see you at the all-school reunion.

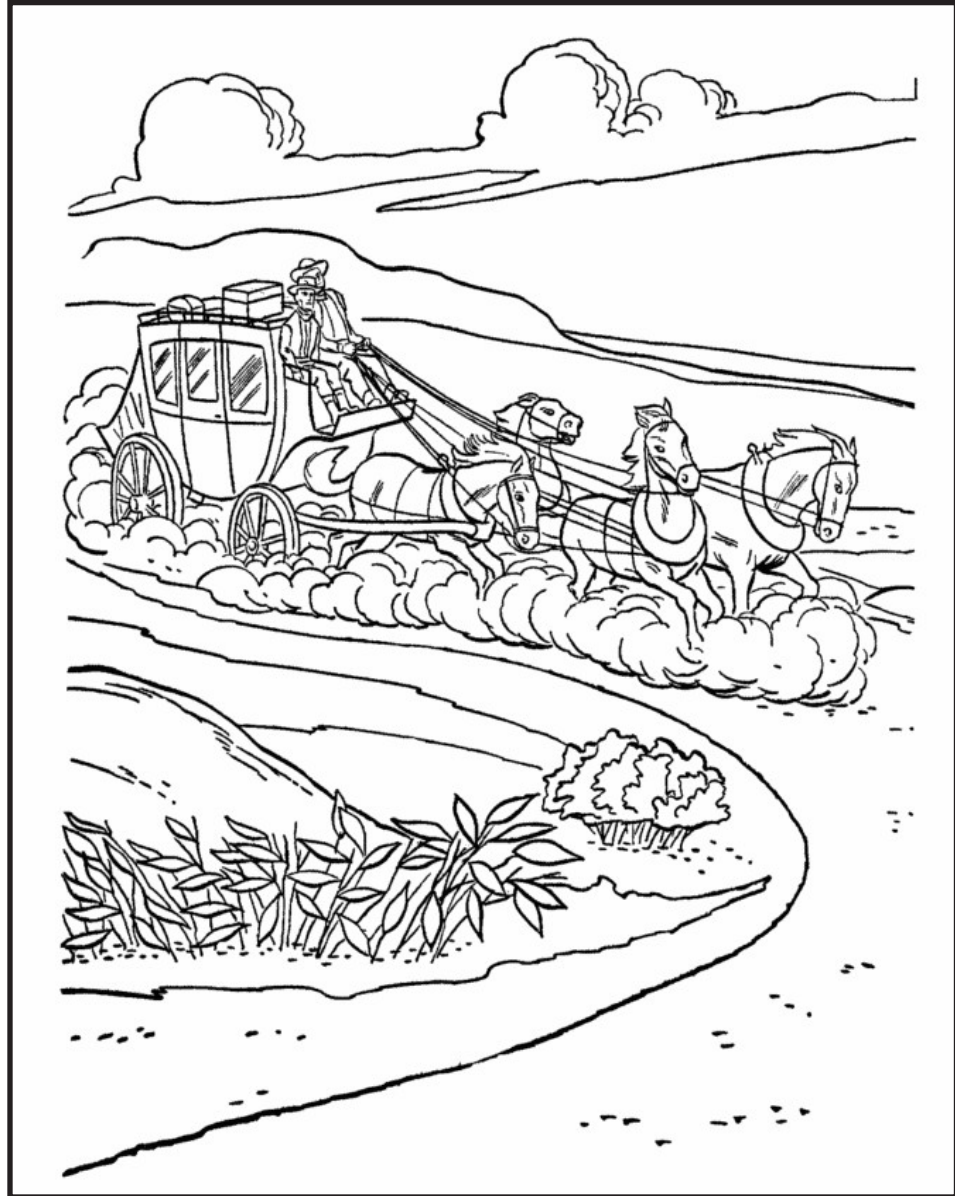


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Warm-Season Annual Forage Crops

by Gene Schmitz,

Field Livestock Specialist

Cool-season grass hay fields may not be producing the usual yields this year, so summer annual forage crops may be a reasonable alternative for some producers. Summer annuals can be effectively used for grazing or conserved as hay or haylage and can be an important forage source if abused pastures or hay fields are going to be re-seeded to cool-season grasses this fall. General production information below is taken from MU Guide G4661.

The first group of summer annuals are sudangrasses and sorghum-sudangrass hybrids. These can be seeded as late as June 30, but earlier seeding dates are preferred. Drilled seeding rates are 20 to 25 pounds per acre. Allow 45 to 60 days between seeding and first grazing. Grazing can begin when forage height reaches 24 inches. Haying should be delayed until height is 30 to 36 inches. Allow a 10-inch stubble after harvest. Apply 60 to 90 pounds of N at establishment and 40 to 60 pounds after each cutting or grazing. Phosphorus and potassium should be applied to soil test. Nitrates and prussic acid can be issues, but management and rainfall dictate if or when these will be of concern. In general, plants will accumulate nitrates during dry or drought conditions. Normal rainfall patterns should help reduce this concern. Prussic acid is present in new growth, so following the recommended harvest heights should avoid this problem. Quality can be very good if harvested before the plants get excessively tall and stemmy.

Pearlmillet is a second summer annual forage option for hay or grazing. It is typically drilled at 15 pounds per acre and can be planted through the

middle of June. Pearlmillet is tolerant of acidic soils and drought. Grazing can begin when it reaches 18 to 30 inches tall. Haying can be done when it reaches 36 inches tall. Leave 8 to 12 inches of stubble after harvest. Pearlmillet does not contain prussic acid but can accumulate nitrates. Days from seeding to first grazing and nitrogen fertilization recommendations are the same as mentioned above for the sorghums.

Harvest management is similar for sorghum-sudangrass and pearlmillet. Hay curing can be difficult with these forages, so mower-conditioners should be used to harvest these crops. Use more roller pressure than used on other hay crops for these forages. It is almost impossible to overcrush the stems.

A couple of years ago, a producer shared with me some harvest results for pearl millet. He harvested the crop for hay and left 4" to 5" inches of stubble height on part of the field. He added shoes and spacers to the mower/conditioner and raised the cutting height on the rest of the field to 10". Approximately 10 days after hay harvest, the 4"-5" stubble had 6" to 8" of regrowth. The 10" stubble height had over 2 feet of regrowth. Cutting

and grazing heights matter! Additional management information is provided in the publication G4661 available online at <https://extension.missouri.edu/publications/g4661> or by contacting your local MU Extension Center and asking for the publication. I can be contacted at schmitze@missouri.edu or by phone at (660) 827-0591 if additional information is required.



By
Anita Campbell
County Reporter

A man from Independence, Missouri, died in a two-vehicle crash in Benton County on Monday, May 27.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) crash report, the crash occurred as 89-year-old William Gorman was westbound, trying to cross US-65 from Balke Road in a 2024 Can-Am Spyder three-wheel motorcycle.

At 10:42 a.m., Gorman's vehicle was struck by a southbound 2018 GMC Terrain, totaling the motorcycle. Gorman was pronounced dead at the scene by a doctor at 11:34 a.m.



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

There are all kinds of spooky items in the news. Cuban officials toured secure areas in the Miami airport. Cuba is on the list of state sponsors of terrorism. They're also backed by Russia which is backed by China. Bet anything the Cubans learned in Miami went right back to Beijing. Too many suspicious things keep happening. Incursions into military bases, selling off our strategic oil supply, thousands of Chinese nationals crossing the border illegally and spy balloons traversing the country. I wouldn't be surprised if we had coordinated attacks right before the election. The term "Martial Law" comes to mind. During the

Cuban Missile Crisis the Communist were in Cuba. Now they're in the White House. UNBELIEVABLE!

I don't pay much too much attention to astrology, though I read the forecast for Cancer almost every day. Don't really know how astrology works and probably wouldn't understand it if somebody tried to tell me. I have read a great deal on predictions and hunches though and believe all of us have this ability to some extent. There's nothing weird about it, just part of our physical makeup. Ran across an article from an astrologer who said Election Day will happen with a waxing and

rescent moon in Capricorn. This symbolizes new beginnings. However, the stars suggest a new light will be thrown on societal structures which may prove challenging to political ideologies. She said, "This may signify a breaking off from the traditional dualities in American government." Good Lord, I thought this already happened.

Speaking of politics, my great-grandmother Lydia White was an ardent Democrat. When visiting her mother's relatives in Pittsburgh, PA she barely mentioned politics. That side of the family was filled with staunch Republicans with one being a Congressman and another Attorney General. This is the approach sister Julie takes when she visits my home. Politics is generally fun, though it can bring heartbreak at times. And waiting. Remember when it took weeks to learn whether Bush or Gore had won the White House?

Enough of this free flow fiasco. Hey, come to think of it, "Fiasco" is the title of a new book. Guess what it's about? Have a fine day Old Buddy.

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If you own a business and you offer a 401(k) or similar retirement plan to your employees, you'll want to stay current on the various changes affecting these types of accounts. And in 2024, you may find some interesting new developments to consider.

These changes are part of the SECURE 2.0 Act, enacted at the end of 2022. And while some parts of the law went into effect in 2023 — such as the new tax credit for employer contributions to start-up retirement plans with 100 or fewer employees — others were only enacted this year.

Here are some of these changes that may interest you:

- **New "starter" 401(k)/403(b)** – If you haven't already established a retirement plan, you can now offer a "starter" 401(k) or "safe harbor" 403(b) plan to employees who meet age and service requirements. These plans have lower contribution limits (\$6,000 per year, or \$7,000 for those 50 or older) than a typical 401(k) or 403(b) and employers can't make matching or nonselective contributions. These plans are low-cost and easy to administer but the credit for employer contributions doesn't apply, as these contributions aren't allowed, and since start-up costs are low, the tax credit for these costs will be correspondingly lower than they'd be for a full-scale 401(k) plan.

- **Matches for student loan payments** – It's not easy for young employees to save for retirement and pay back student loans. To help address this problem, Congress included a provision in Secure 2.0 that allows employers the option to provide matching contributions to employees' retirement plans (401(k), 403(b), 457(b) and SIMPLE IRAs) when these employees make qualified student loan payments. Of course, if you offer this match for student loan payments, your costs will likely increase, although these matching contributions are tax deductible. In any case, you may want to balance

any additional expense with the potential benefit of attracting and retaining employees, particularly those who have recently graduated from college.

- **401(k) eligibility for part-time employees** – Part-time employees who are at least 21 years old and have at least 500 hours of service in three consecutive years must now be eligible to contribute to an existing 401(k) plan. The inclusion of part-time employees could lead to higher business expenses for you, depending on the amount of contributions you may make to employees' plans. Again, though, you'd be offering a benefit that could be attractive to quality part-time employees.

- **Emergency savings account** – Many people, especially those who don't earn high incomes, have trouble building up emergency funds they can tap for unexpected costs, such as a major home or car repair or large medical expenses. Now, if you offer a 401(k), 403(b) or 457(b) plan, you can include a pension-linked emergency savings account (PLESA) that allows non-highly compensated employees to save up to \$2,500, a figure that will be indexed for inflation in the future. PLESA allows for tax-free monthly withdrawals without incurring a 10% tax penalty. PLESA contributions are made on an after-tax (Roth) basis and must be matched at the same rate as other employee contributions.

You may want to consult with your tax and financial professionals to determine how these changes may affect what you want to do with your retirement plan. The more you know, the better your decisions likely will be.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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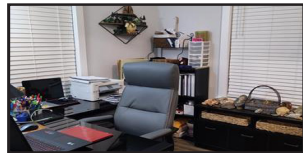
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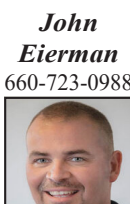
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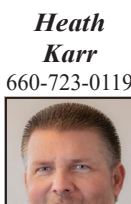
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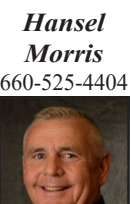
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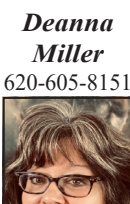
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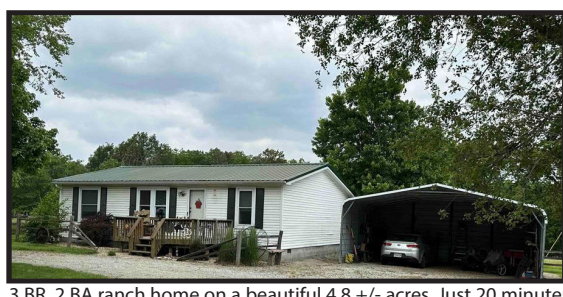


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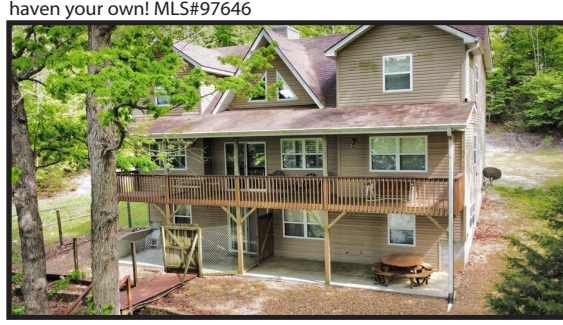
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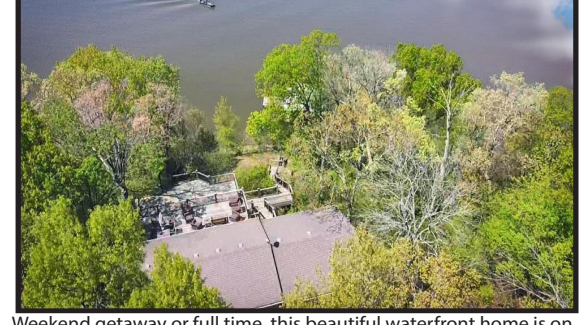
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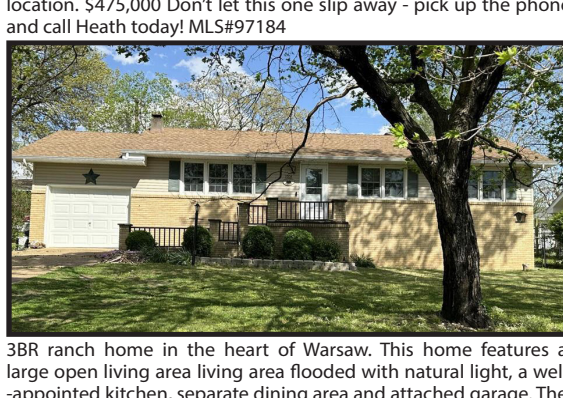
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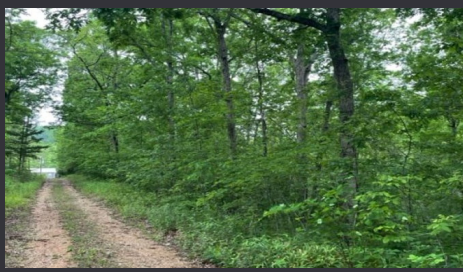


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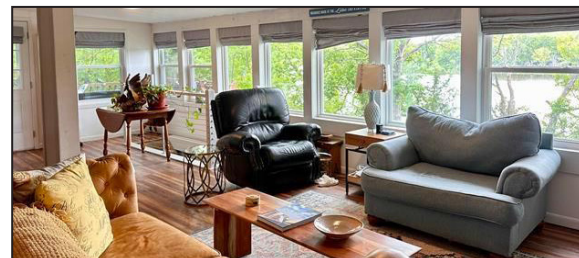
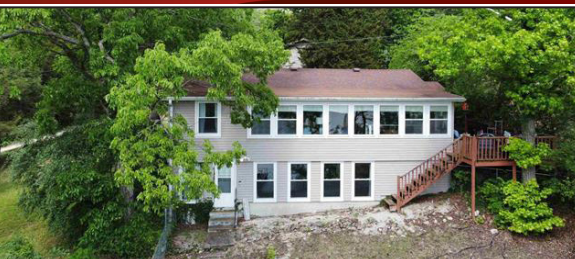
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