

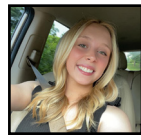


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'It Touches Your Heart': CPL Jones Honored At Memorial Wall Ceremony



By
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County
Reporter

In the heart of Missouri, the Warsaw community recently bid farewell to one of its most distinguished and beloved figures, Corporal David P. Jones. Passing away on April 28, 2022, Cpl. Jones left behind a legacy characterized by unwavering dedication to public service, a profound love for his family and a life filled with acts of kindness and mentorship.

A solemn procession to Warsaw by the Beyond The Call of Duty: End of Watch, Ride to Remember rolling memorial was led by the Benton County Sheriff's Department on Monday afternoon, with Richard Robert, driver of the rolling memorial in tow, and led by a motorcycle escort.

The dignified escort was not just a formality but a heartfelt homage, facilitating the journey of family members to a venue filled with respect, love and remembrance.

Among the attendees was Josie, Jones' widow, accompanied by Benton County Sheriff Eric Knox and Peggy Bevelot, known affectionately as "Mom"-in-law.

Bevelot, with a voice brimming with pride, shared stories of her son-in-law, whose career in Warsaw was both initiated and concluded



CELEBRATING A LIFE OF DEDICATED SERVICE, Josie Jones attended a ceremony honoring her late husband, Corporal David Jones on the Beyond The Call of Duty: End of Watch, Ride to Remember rolling memorial wall on Monday. The event took place in Warsaw. With Jones at the wall were Captain John Snyder and Richard Robert.

with distinction.

"David was more than an officer; he was a community patriarch, choosing to mentor rather than punish, to guide rather than detain," she said. "His leadership was characterized by a mandatory respect for all individuals, a policy that defined his team's approach to law enforcement."

David's approach to law enforcement transcended the

traditional duties of the role. He was a mentor to troubled teens, a mediator who preferred reasoning over punishment, and a protector whose care extended far beyond the badge he wore. His commitment to public service was paralleled by a passion for learning, with interests that ranged from military history to the intricacies of vintage cars.

Jones' journey began in the serene landscapes of Branson, Missouri, on May 29, 1956. His childhood, marked by relocations saw him grow from Reeds Spring to Cassville and Jacksonville, before finally finding a home in Warsaw. It was there, amidst the close-knit fabric of the Warsaw community, that Jones' true calling began to manifest.

After graduating from

Warsaw High School in 1974, Jones embarked on a career that would define much of his life's work.

Joining the Warsaw Police Department in 1977, he quickly distinguished himself as a dedicated officer, eventually retiring as Chief of Police in 2017. Retirement, however, was merely a transition. Just four days later, Jones joined the Benton County Sheriff's

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City Of Warsaw Gives Go For Third Annual Fall Kick-Off Party



By
Anita Campbell
County
Reporter

The City of Warsaw Board of Alderperson discussed an ordinance levying a special tax against property owners with abatement of nuisances within the city of Warsaw 2023, Warsaw, Missouri 65355 and authorizing the issuance on their property tax bill at their regular meeting on July 29.

Mayor Eddie Simons presided over the meeting.

The city incurred a cost of abatement and removal in the amount of \$14,806.02

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Commission Backs Prior Decision On Property Located In Grandview Beach



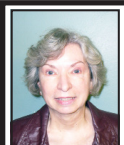
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Reporter

At the July 22 meeting of the Benton County Commission, Susan Steiner, representative of Grandview Beach Homeowners Association, met with commissioners to discuss a past decision reached by the commission pertaining to a Request for Over-Surplus Funds for a property located in Grandview Beach subdivision.

Janelle Mullen and Collector David Brodersen were also present.

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Maples Ford In Warsaw Receives Major Recognition From FMCC



By
Judy Kramer
County
Reporter

Maples Ford has been a staple business corporation in Warsaw under its principal dealer Tom Maples for 24 years and under former owners since 1966. Ford Motor Credit Company recently presented the corporation (dealership) with an award for its 50th anniversary of a relationship with Ford Credit.

The recognition included a table-top award plus a letter from Ford Motor Credit Company Vice President of U.S. Sales Operations, Jim Spangler, who said that the traits of trust, integrity and common goals exemplified the relationship between Ford Credit and Maples Ford. He also stated that throughout



A LANDMARK BUSINESS in Benton County, Maples Ford proprietors Tom and Monty Maples were presented with an award for the dealership's 50th anniversary of its relationship with Ford Motor Credit Company.

the years together, they had worked side by side, ensuring the continued success of the organizations despite numerous industry challenges. He said that as a result, their relationship had

advanced and prospered.

The Ford dealership was named Burton-Walthall when Tom Maples moved to Warsaw in 1992. Maples worked at other businesses including Truman Hills

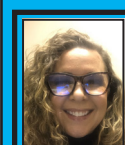
Motors until he and his wife, Monty, bought the corporation. Tom Maples started out in sales and now manages Maples Ford and Monty does accounting.

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Bomgaar's Celebrates With Grand Opening Of Warsaw Store



A NEW NAME FOR WARSAW, Bomgaars celebrated their grand opening with a ribbon on July 19. The store that traces its beginnings to Middleburg, Iowa where it was founded by William Bomgaars.



By
Kim Fugate
County
Reporter

The eagerly awaited grand opening of Bomgaars Supply Inc., a prominent retail chain specializing in farm and ranch supplies, took place on July 19. The ribbon-cutting ceremony

included Dustin Young, store manager, Chamber of Commerce, City of Warsaw council members, Bomgaars employees, Warsaw Fire District, Leatherneck members, and Warsaw members of the community signifying the start of a promising new era for the company.

Pronounced "baam-gaarz," Bomgaars

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Community Calendar

AUGUST 1-2, 2024: American Legion Post #217 2nd Annual Rummage Sale, Thursday, August 1, 8:00 AM-5:00 PM and Friday, August 2, 8:00 AM-Noon, American Legion Post #217, 32739 Wildcat Drive in Warsaw.

AUGUST 3, 2024: The Cole Camp Fair Board is hosting a fundraiser breakfast for this year's fair on Saturday, August 3, at the Legion Hall on North Maple Street, the breakfast will be served from 6:30 AM until 9:00 AM, freewill donations will help with general expenses of this year's fair.

AUGUST 3, 2024: Smokin' H-O-T Harborfest 2024! Saturday, August 3, 2024, 11:00 AM-9:00 PM, Drake Harbor in the City of Warsaw, Featuring a water ski show with the Lake St. Louis Water Ski Team, Live music in the amphitheater with the Michael Pierce Band, Cedar Creek, Hundred Proof and Danny Button & The Groove Pilots, Food trucks, Beer and wine garden, Kids Zone from 11:00 AM-4:00 PM, Admission: \$5 (adults) and \$3 (kids 17 and under), visit www.visitbentoncomo.com for details!

AUGUST 4, 2024: Holy Cross Lutheran Church will celebrate summer with their annual ice cream social on Sunday, August 4, 6:00 PM-8:00 PM, Join us for a meal (juicy burgers and hot dogs), dessert auction, entertainment and fellowship, 11357 Lake Creek Avenue, Cole Camp, MO.

AUGUST 5, 2024: The Benton County Republican Women's Club will meet at the First Baptist Church of Lincoln, 121 Locust St, doors open at 6:30 PM, the meeting begins at 7:00 PM, our speaker is Susan Klein, Missouri Right to Life.

AUGUST 6, 2024: The Benton County Youth Coalition's advisory group, Community Advocates for Responsible Engagement (CARE) will meet Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at the Methodist Church in Warsaw, Meeting will be at 6:30 PM, dinner served at 6:00 PM, Come and join in strategic planning dealing with issues of community concern.

AUGUST 28, 2024: Save the Date! The Benton County Economic Development Committee will meet Wednesday, August 28, 4:15 PM, at Lincoln City Hall at 122 E. Main in Lincoln. The public is invited to attend. For more information, please contact Amie Breshears at (660) 438-5012 or abreshears@missouri.edu.

SEPTEMBER 7, 2024: The 24th Annual Larry and June Walthall Benton County Cancer Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, September 7 at the Shawnee Bend Golf Course in Warsaw, this is a 4-person scramble, the shotgun start is at 9:00 AM with check-in at 8:30 AM, entry fee is \$70 per golfer and this includes golf, cart, 2 mulligans, range balls, donuts, coffee and lunch, entry deadline is Saturday August 31, for questions, contact Kim Nichols at (660) 281-5800 or the Shawnee Bend Golf Course at (660) 438-6115, rain date is scheduled for Sunday September 8, 2024.

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.

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

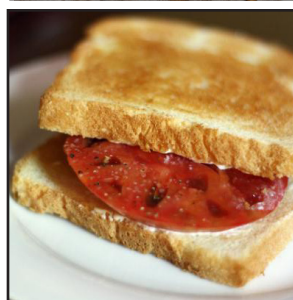
IT MAY BE STEAMY OUTSIDE here in Benton County but Broken Vessels Ministries Mindset is looking forward to "All I want for Christmas 2024,"! "All I want for Christmas" is a Christmas adoption program where the community adopts the residents of all the skilled nursing/assisted living facilities here in Benton County. Christmas 2023, 241 residents were adopted. We are looking for homemade Christmas decor for their rooms, word searches, card games, lap blankets and quilts, adult coloring books with colored pencils., washable markers, insulated tumblers, glove and hat, scarf sets, novelties, Kansas City chiefs & KC blue memorabilia! If you want to help Pastor Larry Johnston by donating, please call him at (660) 310-9070 or email him at brokenvesselsm@gmail.com.

YOUNG LADIES who are interested in participating in the Cole Camp Fair Queen Contest should email Heather Oelrichs at oelrichsh@gmail.com for an entry packet and application. Contestants must reside in the Cole Camp School District and be at least 16 and no more than 21 years of age. This year's Fair Queen Contest will be held on Sunday evening, August 25. The theme of this year's Cole Camp Fair is "Still Cruisin'" on September 5, 6 and 7.

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Another favorite is tomato cracker salad. My grandmother used to make this often since we always had an abundance of them. This does not keep so you should eat it soon after assembly.

4 medium size tomatoes
 ¼ cup mayo
 1 sleeve saltine cracker, coarsely broken
 Salt and pepper

Seed and coarsely chop the tomatoes. In a medium bowl, combine the tomatoes and mayonnaise. Add the broken crackers and toss lightly to coat. Add salt and generous amounts of black pepper to taste. Serve immediately.



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MEMORIAL

(Continued from Page 1) Department as a Corporal, continuing to serve as a reservist with the Warsaw Police Department.

Beyond his professional life, David was a devoted family man and a God-fearing individual. His love for his wife, Josie and their home was boundless, extending to playful moments with his grandchildren, whom he adored spoiling with both affection and "useless knowledge." Jones' sense of humor often showcased through corny jokes and elaborate pranks, and brought laughter and light to those around him.

As we remember Corporal David P. Jones, we are reminded of the sacrifice and dedication of those who serve and protect. His story is a testament to the impact one individual can have on their community and the indelible mark they leave on the hearts of those they've served.

Beyond The Call Of Duty's mission is to guarantee that the sacrifices of our officers are always remembered, ensuring their families are aware that their loved ones remain in our thoughts and hearts. They are dedicated to providing recognition, support and understanding to assist in their healing journey. Additionally, they advocate for enhanced department safety and training initiatives aimed at reducing the incidence of officer casualties annually.

United in our efforts, they believe they will create a significant impact.

You can learn more about the rolling memorial at endofwatchride.com.

MAPLES

(Continued from Page 1) They have ten full-time employees, four part-time personnel and four more who work as needed. They provide new and pre-owned vehicles and have a service department providing new and used parts.

"We have won several awards over the years, but this one for 50 years of corporate service is the most prominent," said Monty Maples.

The Maples' received a plaque and letter from Ford Motor Company in 2021 recognizing a milestone of 25 years in service. The letter from Andrew Frick, Vice President of Sales for U.S. and Canada, congratulated Maples Ford for its incredible accomplishment and recognized its well-deserved commitment to the community, customers and employees. Maples Ford was recognized for its perseverance and dedication to the brand which speaks to the quality of the organization that has been built over the years.

Before moving to Warsaw, Tom Maples was a mechanic at French Motor Company in Cameron, Missouri. Monty Maples spent 18 years as a corporate nurse for Silver Dollar City before moving to Warsaw in 1998. The couple have five "beautiful" children, eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Maples Ford is known locally for more than selling and servicing cars. They take part in community affairs throughout the

year. They contribute to the Benton County Food Pantry, Christmas for Kids, Toys for Tots, Heritage Days, Jubilee Days, Lions Club activities and car shows and other needs. They are also members of the Chamber of Commerce and Farm Bureau.

BOMGAARS

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continues to honor its founder's legacy by providing quality products and services to its customers.

The story of Bomgaars Supply Inc. begins with its founder, William Bomgaars, who embarked on his entrepreneurial journey at the young age of 18 in Middleburg, Iowa. Starting with a modest general store, William sold essentials like gingham and crackers and even stocked horse-drawn wagons to meet the diverse needs of rural families. His relentless pursuit of growth and innovation led him from running a general store to the establishment of Bomgaars Supply Inc., a testament to his unwavering dedication and hard work. William's early ventures ranged from selling violin lessons in Chicago to marketing washing machines in South Dakota, before taking a bold step in 1931, with a mere \$125.00 borrowed against his Army insurance.

Despite the daunting challenges posed by the Great Depression, William's resilience ensured that by 1934, he enjoyed the stability of regular meals - a significant achievement given the times. The business quickly outgrew the Bomgaars' family home, prompting a move to its first official downtown location in Sioux City, Iowa, in 1944. Through the years, Bomgaars expanded its product range and footprint, necessitating multiple relocations to accommodate its growth.

The expansion strategy included opening branch stores, with the first launching in Yankton, South Dakota, in 1956. The company's growth trajectory steepened with acquisitions of former Country General stores in 2001, Shoppers Supply stores in 2012, ALCO Stores locations in 2015, and Shopko discount chain locations in 2019. In a landmark expansion, Bomgaars acquired 73 Orscheln Farm & Home stores in October 2022, including the Orscheln distribution center in Moberly, Missouri, as well as the store in Warsaw.

Today, Bomgaars proudly serves the Midwest, High Plains and Rockies, with a strong presence in multiple states, all under the stewardship of the Bomgaars family. The company's headquarters are located in Sioux City, Iowa, with key distribution centers in Sioux City and Gering, Nebraska.

The grand opening on July 19 marks a significant milestone for Bomgaars Supply Inc., blending a rich history with a forward-looking approach to serving the farming and ranching communities. Bomgaars remains committed to upholding its founder's legacy by delivering quality products and exceptional service to its valued customers.

WARSAW

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in 2023 for cleaning up properties within the city limits that were unsightly. Letters were sent to property owners and they were given ten days to take action.

After lengthy debate, the council voted in favor of Ordinance No. 552. Aldermen Adam Howe, Alderman Eric Flores, Alderwoman Lou Breshears, all ayes; Alderman James White, nay. Slavens and Coskey were absent.

In other business, Jennifer Flores, owner of County Charm, requested that Main Street be blocked off on Saturday, September 14 from 10:00 AM until 5:00 PM for the Third Annual Kick-Off to Fall Tailgate Party. The event will feature all the businesses on Main Street as well as special vendors. The council approved the street closure.

Alderman White reported to the council that the Heritage Days committee requested additional space for food vendors at their fall event. The council approved.

The council also discussed Ordinance No. 553, authorizing the Mayor of Warsaw to execute an agreement by and between the City of Warsaw and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for Main Street GAP using the Transportation Assistance Program (TAP).

The total project is \$1,108,136 with the federal funding of \$599,999.13 (54%). The city matching fund will be a \$508,136.87 (46%) match.

The transportation enhancements funds are for the project between Illinois and Hackberry. This funding will close the gap between the current East Main Street Tap/CDBG projects and the 2023 RAISE Complete Street. This TAP project will complete roadway construction between Illinois and Dogwood.

The TAP project consists of including on-street bike lanes, sidewalks, way-finding signage, curb and gutter with enclosed storm sewers, street lighting and landscaping with reconstruction of existing driveways.

Ordinance No. 553 was approved. Howe, Flores, Breshears and White, ayes. Slavens and Coskey were absent.

The council discussed Ordinance No. 554, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract by and between the City of Warsaw and Independent Fee Estimates, LLC for an independent cost analysis (ICA), Warsaw Municipal Airport apron expansion for the City of Warsaw, Missouri.

Independent Fee Estimates, LLC will complete an Independent Cost Analysis (ICA) for design and construction engineering services for the Warsaw Municipal Airport Apron Expansion project. Complete analysis will be submitted to the client and shall be of the detail necessary to satisfy FAA requirements for an ICA. The work shall be completed for "just over" \$2,500.

The council approved Ordinance No. 554. Howe, Flores, Breshears and White, ayes. Slavens and Coskey

were absent.

City Administrator Randy Pogue discussed the expansion of the bike trail. This trail was added to the Warsaw masterplan to allow a connection to the Katy Trail at Sedalia. The costs associated with a trial connection to the Katy will be extensive but the Sterrett Creek Trail will provide a feasible location to begin the connection and at least serve Sterrett Creek Village and it's marina.

COMMISSION

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The commissioners previously had declined to pay the request that was received on behalf of Grandview Beach Homeowners Association. Steiner asked the commissioners to reconsider their decision, stating that the amount requested was for unpaid dues and assessments, and the homeowner's association had a lien on the property in an attempt to recover these funds. Collector Brodersen explained that according to statute, a lien must be recovered prior to the county tax sale and that was not the case. The property in question was sold on the August 2023 tax sale, and the lien was filed May 26, 2023. The commissioners stand behind the decision that was reached on June 24, 2024 and no action was taken in this matter.

County Clerk Susan Porterfield spoke to the commissioners on behalf of Linda Allcorn, Director of Boonslick Regional Library, concerning the appointment of two trustees to this board. District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms made the motion to reappoint Jean Breshears and Martha

Benton County Elks Give Away Backpacks At Smart Start Fair



ELKS CARE, ELKS SHARE, on Thursday July 18, Benton County Elks Lodge #2783 handed out over 350 backpacks to Benton County students at the annual Smart Start Back-to-School Fair. The event was held at the Warsaw Community Building. The funds for the purchase of the backpacks was made available by the Beacon Grant from The Elk's National Foundation.

Meyer as Trustees to the Boonslick Regional Library Board as recommended by that board. The motion passed.

County Treasurer Rick Renno presented his weekly financial report, noting that sales tax revenues are down compared to last year at this time. County Clerk Porterfield submitted bills

for approval and payment. E-911 Director Jessica Mayfield met with the commissioners to discuss a proposal for a new computer-aided dispatch (CAD) system for the E-911 Dispatch Center that she has received. This integrated system would benefit all emergency entities in the county.

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Lincoln City Ballpark; A Community Effort And A Treasure Of Memories



By
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The Lincoln baseball field has a grand 62 year history.. As far as we know it is called the Lincoln City Ballpark. Like many such structures, it has been a work in progress to what it is today. There is a beautiful, fairly new scoreboard (2020) overlooking right field. The other one is still standing behind left field. The old one gave up the ghost as they say.

There is a recently beautifully carved 12' or so Cardinal before you reach the entrance.

Parking is along the street or across the way leading to the softball field. Most fans have realized not to park too

close behind the stands as a foul ball might find their windshield.

High school teams, grade schoolers and summer leagues have used the field over the years. The high school team has hosted several tournaments during the season. Teams across the state have graced its confines over the years..

BCE EIC Adam Howe thought it might be a good idea to do a series of articles on the older ballparks in Benton County. If you have information on the other structures, please contact us.

I need to thank Marlin Hammond and Will Lynde for the following information. We guessed at some of the dates but they are very close to being correct. We apologize if we have left off any names

of folks who may have contributed to the building of the park over the years. So without further ado, let's begin.

In 1962-63 a group of Lincoln citizens including Clarence Frisch, Ray McCubbin, Harold McCain and Oliver Wright gave the city land to build a city park and baseball field. A field, with lighting, and bleachers were then constructed.

There was no fence to enclose the field nor were there dugouts for the players. In May of 1981 a concession stand with storage room was added. In 1985/86 dugouts were placed adjoining the field. In 1984/85 a fence was erected to enclose the field. Additional lighting was added in 1992/93 with several local citizens each contributing \$150.00 to buy a light for the field.

In 1998, a batting cage was erected next to the field. More lighting was added in 2018.

In 2012, the fence enclosing the field was replaced and the dimensions of the field were increased.

The current dugouts were replaced to old ones in 2014. The backstop was replaced in 2015 with new and more netting. The current scoreboards were installed in 2020. Other improvements to the field included enclosing the lower part of the grandstand bleachers and constructing additional restrooms and storage areas.

So the next time you are at a game in Lincoln remember that a community came together to build a stadium that has brought enjoyment to thousands of kids and fans over the years.

Welpman Records Ace At Triple Creek GC



TRIPLE CREEK GOLF COURSE in Cole Camp congratulates Bryan Welpman of Stover, MO, for making a hole-in-one on the 105 yard 9th hole, using a 9-iron on July 28, 2024. Witnesses to the feat included Henry Welpman and Leslie Welpman.



WILDCATS FOOTBALL was greeted by a steamy heat when they began their camp on Monday. Warsaw head coach Ryan Boyer and offensive coaches Nathan Parker and Danny Morrison monitored and evaluated a young offense later in the morning.



LINCOLN FOOTBALL head coach Brad Drehle worked with members of his offensive and defensive lines during a recent camp. Drehle will deal with some challenges early in the season but will hope to be full strength by the time mid-season rolls around.



KEEPING A WATCHFUL EYE, Cole Camp head coach Kevin Shearer assessed footwork of some of his skill players at a recent camp. Shearer graduated a slew of talent but is looking for players to reload for the 2024 season.

Lincoln And Cole Camp Battle Through Summer Football Woes

By
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Sports
Reporter

Neither Lincoln nor Cole Camp had a football camp this summer. Their 20 some allowed contacts hindered matters and both schools decided to just have regular practices instead.

Both are short on numbers. Lincoln has 21 players and

Cole Camp 27.

Lincoln is plagued with injuries again as the highly regarded Anthony Srader is out for the season and their big play maker Dawson Parrott will miss at least two games to open the schedule.

Tipton left Cole Camp's schedule to play powerhouse Lamar of all people. The Bluebirds picked up Butler which could be a nightmare for Cole Camp's young inexperienced team.

The Bluebirds will be solid at QB with Grant Rodriguez at the helm but the graduation of speedy Reid Harrison and a slew of others put Cole Camp in a rebuilding year. The school is too large to qualify for

8-man football.

Lincoln played with 13 players last season before recruiting a handful of inexperience kids from the student body. Their presence made a difference in resting the skill players.

All is not gloom and doom for the Cardinals.

If junior QB Riley Sanders can stay healthy then he will be fun to watch. Senior Cam Everhart is their iron man and will play several positions.

Matthew Cook could be the surprise of the season. He will bolster a line with two 6'4 guys in Myles Harms and Ben Eckhoff.

WR Chase Young can run like the wind and he could be the main target until Parrot returns.

Cole Camp's secret weapon is Clayton Archambault. At fb and inside linebacker, you can tell your grandchildren you saw him play.

Cole Camp has two scrimmages planned before their jamboree.

Stay turn as the BCE will keep you updated on the progress of both programs.



SOME OF THE CARDINALS big boys got in good work on a recent camp day. The linemen are all too often unheralded, but play a vital role in any offense.

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- ✓ Supported local first responders and law enforcement
- ✓ Welcomed citizen questions and public input on how our government operates

scott.harms1964@hotmail.com
660-287-2715

Paid for by The Committee to Re-Elect Scott Harms, James Theisen, Treasurer

- ★ I'm pro-life, pro-Second Amendment, pro-small business and pro-farm
- ★ As your Commissioner, I'm available to listen and talk to all county residents, to answer questions and fairly address any concerns.
- ★ My experience as the Benton County Roads Manager helps me represent our road and bridge needs, as well as how to work effectively with officeholders, departments and citizens to make the best decisions for our communities.



RE-ELECT

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BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF


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You can also vote early starting June 25th inside the Benton County courthouse.



VOTE AUGUST 6th

Kenny and Lisa Treece

for
Republican Committeeman & Committeewoman

Serving with a servant's heart

I'm Kenny Treece, my wife and I are running for Tom Township representatives on the Benton County Republican Central Committee. We have been asked many times, 'what does a representative do?' That's a good question. There may be a handbook for that but when answering that question, we like to use something called, good, old fashioned common sense.

We will be township representatives who represent the people who live nearby, our neighbors, friends, and others whose homes we pass every day. We will attend neighborhood and county events after as well as before the election. If you have questions, concerns or issue with something in the county, we'll be available. You can always message us with your question and phone number on face book and we will get back to you with an answer.

Lisa is unopposed and therefore already seated. We are asking you to please vote for me, Kenny Treece, for Tom Township Representative on August 6th. For us, being on the Central Committee is not about going to a meeting once a month. It's about being there for our community. Everyday.

Paid for by Lisa and Kenny Treece

When I came into office, I had done the groundwork on several changes that I knew needed to be made as soon as possible, not only to better serve the citizens of Benton County, but also for the safety and protection of the deputies that served the Benton County Sheriff's Office. Over the course of the last 7½ years, here's a few of the changes and improvements that have been made:

- Restructured the Office, requiring that there was an assigned supervisor on each shift to insure accountability.
- Implemented a deputy of the quarter and deputy of the year program. This is a light hearted competition and morale booster for the staff that results in improved service for the community.
- Started quarterly meetings for awards, information, training and personally provided a meal for all. (No tax dollars used)
- Assisted in the birth of a fantastic non-profit organization called "The Friends of the Benton County Sheriff's Office" whose primary purpose is writing grants and raising funds to help support the Sheriff's Office above and beyond tax payer support, since its start, this group has raised tens of thousands of dollars for equipment and training. As Sheriff, I serve in an advisory capacity.
- Created a bullet resistant vest program to provide up to date, safe vest for deputies after being told that there was not enough funding for all staff.
- Created a Sheriff's Office Facebook page and a high quality interactive web site, www.bentoncountysheriffmo.org, complete with an anonymous crime tip submission portal, links to the sex offender registry, inmate roster, Information on the D.A.R.E. program, K-9 and patrol, Detention Center and CCW and career opportunities.
- Created and implemented our own version of the neighborhood watch program for all who wanted to participate. We collaborated with the Friends of the BCSO who helped to provide signs and share information.
- Implemented a "ride along" program to educate one citizen at a time about local law enforcement.
- Completely revised and updated our policies and procedure manual. Before updating this manual dated back to the 90's.
- Implemented a community policing mentality within the office. It is important that the citizens know their law enforcement.
- Implemented a lifesaving Taser program as a non-lethal means of solving otherwise deadly situations.
- Implemented a stop stick tire deflation program for stopping dangerous high speed pursuits safely and effectively.
- Updated the body camera program and created new policies.
- Added much needed safety equipment to our fleet in proper gun locks and cages.
- Procured new high quality rifles and shot guns, at no cost to the tax payers. Benton County only had a few shotguns, deputies tried to provide their own which created a dangerous liability.
- Implemented a rotating life expectancy program for all safety equipment, including bullet resistant vest, to ensure the purchase of new equipment to replace the old before end of life date.
- Doubled training for all staff, including making it mandatory for all deputies to have Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) to properly deal with individuals with a mentally altered status.
- Built a shooting range for deputies to allow better and more frequent training. This also was at no tax payer expense; the range was completely donated by an area excavation company.
- Implemented an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) program which will save lives – This is a force multiplier in searches and is a huge asset in our densely wooded areas.
- Researched, designed and received voter approval for a new, state of the art jail facility. We lease spare beds to other agencies, including the marshal service for an annual income of over two million dollars of much needed revenue.
- This list is just a partial representation of all that has been accomplished by the administration over the last 7½ years. There is more to be done in the next term. Some of my goals include a Citizens Training Academy, an explorer program for young adults who are interested in law enforcement. Research and explore options for an animal shelter. Implement a water division of the Sheriff's Office, cutting response time for our rural waterfront neighborhoods and beyond.

All of this equates to a very well trained, well equipped, professional, devoted staff of men and women, whose morale is high! The caring and supportive citizens of Benton County have helped to make this all possible.

Thank You to My Staff and the Citizens of Benton County for your Overwhelming Support!



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Saturday, August 3, 2024
11am-9pm
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Food trucks

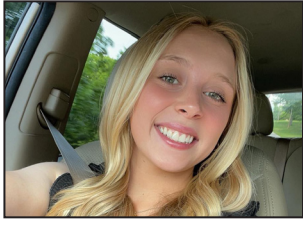
Beer and wine garden

Kid's Zone (11AM-4PM)

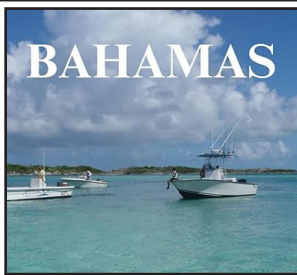
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Truman State Park Marina
Warsaw Elks Club
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MEET The People Of BENTON COUNTY



NAME: Jaylen McCullick
BIRTHPLACE: Eldorado Springs, MO
YEARS IN WARSAW: 8
FAMILY: Dad, Justin Oliver; Mom, Kendra McCullick; Sister, Mylei Oliver
THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN WARSAW IS: Being close to friends.
FIRST JOB: Grooming at The Yuppy Puppy
OCCUPATION: Freshman at SFCC; paraprofessional at Loftus Early Childhood Center
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: Going skiing in Colorado
THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN: I played high school sports.



BAHAMAS
MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT: There are probably too many to think of just one.
WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS: Loyalty
YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS: Drowning.
I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO: Speak in front of a large crowd.
I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO: Sing.
IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD: Split it all with family.
MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE TO: The Bahamas.
HOBBIES: Reading, taking walks with my dog
FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICIAN: Luke Bryan
FAVORITE MOVIE: *The Notebook*

FAVORITE DRINK: Dr. Pepper
FAVORITE SNACK: Pretzels
FAVORITE CANDY: Swedish Fish
FUTURE GOAL: To become a speech pathologist and start a family
WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST: My mom
ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF: Don't take anything for granted.
WORDS TO LIVE BY: Treat others the way that you would like to be treated.



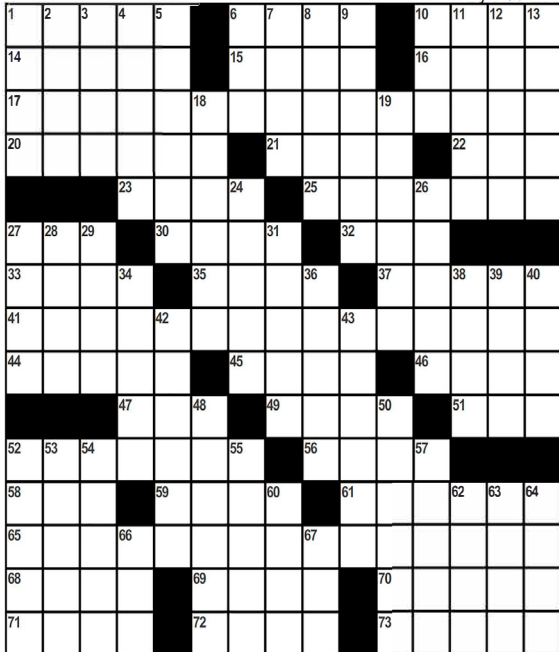
ACROSS

- 1) Alleviated
- 6) Oscar presenter's take
- 10) 100 centavos
- 14) Sweet tropical fruit
- 15) Sky box?
- 16) Like a bug in a rug
- 17) Where the Professor and Mary Ann were stranded?
- 20) "A Streetcar Named Desire" role
- 21) Berth place?
- 22) Tropical instrument, briefly
- 23) Obi, e.g.
- 25) Generous monetary gift
- 27) Weep
- 30) Jab with a knife
- 32) Deception
- 33) Desirable quality
- 35) Italian currency, once
- 37) Noblemen
- 41) Melodramatic one's comment
- 44) Just not done
- 45) Foot, to a poet
- 46) ___ lily
- 47) Drama division
- 49) Cold cuts shop
- 51) Create seams
- 52) Manhattan area
- 56) Beach, essentially
- 58) Wife of John Lennon
- 59) Pigeon sounds
- 61) Pummel
- 65) Like one reluctant to get married?
- 68) "Cogito, ___ sum"
- 69) PC maker
- 70) Disclose
- 71) Flower part
- 72) Some evergreens
- 73) Checks for typos

DOWN

- 1) They can be boosted or inflated
- 2) Mom's sibling, to you
- 3) Like Solomon
- 4) Escapes from Pandora's box
- 5) "Big D"
- 6) Schuss, e.g.
- 7) Elizabethan headpieces
- 8) Ever
- 9) Pleasantly cheerful
- 10) Telepathy, e.g.
- 11) Follow in sequence
- 12) Makes a pouty face
- 13) S-shaped curves
- 18) "As my final point ..."
- 19) Comparatively quick
- 24) Aristotle's land
- 26) First and reverse, e.g.
- 27) Roasting stick
- 28) Earthenware pot
- 29) Tulip or lily planting
- 31) Like some humor
- 34) Brown ermine
- 36) High points
- 38) Dark breads
- 39) Balcony section
- 40) Frosty's constitution
- 42) Excessively embellished
- 43) Erode
- 48) Bilateral
- 50) Draw a breath
- 52) Double agents
- 53) Dead to the world
- 54) Artful move
- 55) Present
- 57) Like prunes
- 60) Cold-weather meal
- 62) ___ Spumante
- 63) Coin opening
- 64) Cluckers
- 66) Champagne title
- 67) Mins. comprise them

SAID THREE TIMES



By Rob Lee



NEWS

By Pat Arnett
Contributing Reporter

To let all my friends know; granddaughter Maddie is competing this year in the Benton County Rodeo for Queen. This takes place August 30-31 and we would sure appreciate your help by buying your tickets from her and the family. Thank you
 The Fristoe area has had nice weather this past week, temperature-wise, and some moisture to help gardens along. All of the area gardeners have had wonderful products this year so far. Some of the garden produce has been onion, lettuce, radishes, cucumbers, zucchini, tomatoes, sweet corn, and oh yes, green beans and peas. I am waiting for a fresh watermelon.
 Please have Kathy First in prayers as she had a rough weekend. Also remember Lewis and Judy Retherford, Gladys Harris, Carolee Apperson and Mary Scarbrough.
 Happy Birthday shoutouts to Gail Mann and Dewayne Colbert as they both celebrate their birthdays on Monday, August 5! Happy Anniversary to Br. and Sis. Tony and Brenda Smith, Pastors of Fristoe Pentecostal Lighthouse as they celebrate on Friday,

August 9. Actually, their children are inviting friends and family to celebrate this, their 50th year, on Saturday, August 3 at 1:30 PM in the Weathered Wisdom Barn. God Bless Tony and Brenda!

Just thought some might enjoy this piece of news; this Sunday is Church Sunday for Amish, and as my family passed by the house where church was being held this week, I tried counting but didn't get the full count but there were over 30 buggies sitting in the yard. I found that to be quite a sight.
 Several people were absent from Pentecostal Lighthouse Church Sunday morning because of sickness, so please be in prayer for all. Dave and Connie, DoBee, Claude and Delores, Sue and Tony and Brenda all sang beautiful songs and gave all a blessing. The Adult Sunday School class was Psalms chapter 50, and teaches God didn't just appreciate the sacrifices and offerings. God appreciated what the people had in their heart! Br. Smith's message was found in Matthew chapter 8, and brother Tony preached on Jesus healing the centurion's servant and how great and important faith is.
 Thought for the week: The best preparation for tomorrow is to use today the right way!
 Hope everyone who reads *Fristoe News* has a safe happy healthy week!



Lodge #2783
By Betty Mewszel
Contributing Reporter

Our Lodge is non-smoking. Stop by and enjoy our activities!
 "Dining at the Lodge":
 July 31, Tenderloin Sandwich, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, Sandwich \$7, Fries \$3, Fried Mushrooms \$4, Onion Rings \$4
 All meals are open to our members and their guests. Members enjoy playing Shuffleboard on Tuesdays at 1:00 PM and Darts at 6:00 PM on Wednesdays in a non-smoking building.
Shuffleboard winners for July 23:
 1st Place: Ray/Shirley
 2nd Place: Dennis/Mary K.
Darts winners for July 24:
 No tournament recorded
 Stop by the lodge to play shuffleboard or darts. Newcomers are always welcome! The Lodge Boys play on Thursdays at 1:00 PM.
 Volunteers are needed for building maintenance, grounds maintenance, kitchen help, assisting with events, helping to keep the bathrooms neat and clean. Please call the lodge at (660) 438-9498 to volunteer.
 If you haven't signed up for our new app, you are missing out on all the current information on events, meals, special events, along with resource info. myelks.org.
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regarding renting our non-smoking meeting room and large covered patio that works well for private parties.

or no later than 8:00am the morning of to ensure availability.
 *Menu subject to change according to availability.

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Week of August 1 - August 7

Thurs, August 1
 BBQ Pork
 Baked Beans
 California Vegetables
 Wheat Bun
 Sliced Peaches *or*
 Lemon Bar

Fri, August 2
 Chicken Margherita
 Italian Vegetables
 Peas
 Wheat Roll
 Blushed Pears *or*
 Cook's Feature

Monday, August 5
 Hawaiian Chicken w/Rice
 California Vegetables
 Lima Beans
 Wheat Roll
 SF Jello w/Pears *or*
 Crispy Rice Treat

Tues, August 6
 Meatloaf
 Mashed Potatoes/Gravy
 Carrots
 Wheat Roll
 Mandarin Oranges *or*
 Cheesecake

Wed, August 7
 Pesto Chicken
 Sweet Potato Fries
 Peas
 Wheat Bread
 Pineapple Tidbits *or*
 Orange Sherbet

WARSAW SENIOR CENTER MENU

Week of August 1 - August 7

Thurs, August 1
 BBQ Pork
 Baked Beans
 California Vegetables
 Wheat Bun
 Sliced Peaches *or*
 Lemon Bar

Fri, August 2
 Chicken Margherita
 Italian Vegetables
 Peas
 Wheat Roll
 Blushed Pears *or*
 Cook's Feature

Monday, August 5
 Hot Turkey/Gravy
 Roasted Red Potatoes
 Pickled Beets
 Wheat Bread
 SF Jello w/Pears *or*
 Crispy Rice Treat

Tues, August 6
 Meatloaf
 Mashed Potatoes/Gravy
 Carrots
 Wheat Roll
 Mandarin Oranges *or*
 Mini Cheesecake

Wed, August 7
 Pesto Chicken Sandwich
 Sweet Potato Fries
 Peas
 Wheat Bread
 Pineapple Tidbits *or*
 Blondie

BOONSLICK WARSAW NEW BOOKS



FICTION:
 Andrews, Donna; *Between a Flock and a Hard Place*
 Bowen, Rhys; *The Rose Arbor*
 Dare, Abi; *And So I Roar*
 Johnstone, William W. & Johnstone, J.A.; *The Hanging Party*
 Michaels, Fern; *Backwater Justice*
 Neville, Stuart; *Blood Like Mine*
 Picoult, Jodi; *By Any Other Name*
 Preston, Douglas & Child, Lincoln; *Angel of Vengeance*
 Rollins, James; *Arkangel*
 Steel, Danielle; *Joy*

NON-FICTION:
 Callahan, Maureen; *Ask Not: The Kennedys and the Women They Destroyed*
 Das, Anupreeta; *Billionaire, Nerd, Savior, King: Bill Gates and His Quest to Shape Our World*
 Fuller, Thomas; *The Boys of Riverside: A Deaf Football Team and a Quest for Glory*
 Gerard, Sarah; *Carrie Carolyn Coco: My Friend, Her Murder, and an Obsession with the Unthinkable*
 Yeager, David; *10 to 25: A Groundbreaking Approach to Leading the Next Generation—and Making Your Own Life Easier*
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BENTON COUNTY Sheriff's Report



Sheriff's Report
7/22/24 to 7/28/24

Angelia C Hernandez of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 7-22-23 on a Benton County warrant for Failure to Appear/Nuisance Violation. Bond is set at \$236.50. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Benjamin Marc Atwood of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 7-23-24 on a Benton County warrant for Failure to Appear/Animal at Large. Bond is set at \$150.00 personal recognizance. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Christian Tyler Martin of Edwards, MO was arrested on 7-23-24 on a Benton County warrant and Johnson County warrant for Tampering with Motor Vehicle. And Failure to Appear/No Seat Belt. Bond is set at \$10,000.00 and \$50.00 cash only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Scott Evertt Crawford of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 7-23-24 on a Benton County warrant for Receiving Stolen Property and Tampering with Physical Evidence in a Felony Prosecution. Bond is set at \$10,000.00 cash or surety. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Steven Nicholas Digennaro of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 7-24-24 on a Benton County warrant for Possession of Controlled Substance 35g or Less of Marijuana. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility on a no

bond status
Jeremy Wade Holt of Clinton, MO was sentenced on 7-24-24 to 48 hours in the Benton County Detention Facility. Subject completed the sentence and was released

Tyler Renay Brown of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 7-24-24 on a Benton County warrant for Burglary-2nd Degree, Assault 4th Degree, Property Damage 2nd Degree Bond is set at \$10,000.00 surety only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility

Jerry Wayne Tucker of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 7-24-24 on a Benton County warrant for Operating a Vehicle on a Highway Without Valid License. Bond is set at \$25,000.00 surety only. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Christopher Matthew Booyer of Warsaw, MO was sentenced on 7-26-24 to 48 hours in the Benton County Detention Facility. Subject completed his sentence and was released.

David D Gray of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 7-26-24 on a Benton County warrant for Domestic Assault 2nd degree and Burglary 2nd Degree. Bond is set at \$20,000.00 surety with conditions. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

David Wayne Holland of Gravois Mills, MO was arrested on 7-26-24 for Domestic Assault 4th degree. Subject was booked, printed and released.

Danny Leallen Deshazer-Radcliffe of Springfield, MO was arrested on 7-26-24 on 2 St Clair county warrants for Failure to Appear/No Drivers License and Speeding. Bond is set at \$319.50 cash only. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date

Quinton Douglas Barkwell of Cole Camp, MO was arrested on 7-27-24 on a Benton County warrant for Involuntary Manslaughter 1st degree, Driving While Intoxicated, Serious

Physical Injury and Fail to Drive on Right Half of Roadway when was of Sufficient Width Resulting in an Accident. Bond is set at \$75,000.00 surety only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Galen L. Strickland of Edwards, MO was arrested on 7-27-24 for Driving While Intoxicated. Subject was booked, printed and released to a sober driver.



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VOLUNTEER HELP is needed at the Salvation Army office in Warsaw, MO, the Benton County Salvation Army is in need

of clerical help at our office. Some computer skills will be helpful but not necessary. Wages may be available for those 55 or older. If interested, call (660) 464-1381 or (660) 464-0432 NC-PU-TFN

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GARAGE SALE

LARGE GARAGE SALE, Thursday 8/1-Saturday 8/3, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM,

14126 Dawson Road in Warsaw, A lot of mens/womens clothing, Linens, Housewares, Kitchenware, Decor, Leather sofa and chair, Barstools, Wheelbarrows, Truck bed unloader, Tools, Fishing, .243 cal Rifle, Plants and much more! Don't miss it! P-PU-8/2

GARAGE SALE, 8:00 AM-? July 30-August 3, All proceeds benefit Empowering Lives Center, a non-profit to help address the homelessness in our community; raising funds for a shelter. Household items, Clothes, Tools, Household decorations, Movies, etc. Something for everyone. Shop in the AC, help a great cause! Location: 4H building in Lincoln, MO at the big park. All clothing - Fill a bag \$6 P-PU-8/2

INDOOR ESTATE SALE- 201 Main Street in Lincoln, Friday 8/2 and Saturday 8/3, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Furniture, Household items, Men's items, Clothing and ladies stuff, Kids clothes/shoes, Acoustic and electric drum sets, Electric stove, 2 dishwashers, Sink w/ vanity, Industrial sewing machine, Large Star Wars collectibles. So much more! ?-PU-8/2

GARAGE SALE, Thursday-Saturday, August 1-3, 127 Randall Avenue in Warsaw, Vanity, TV, Bedding, Kitchen appliances, Mens, Womens and Juniors clothing and shoes, Warsaw apparel, Bikes, Dog kennels, Antique globe, Lots of miscellaneous P-PU-8/2

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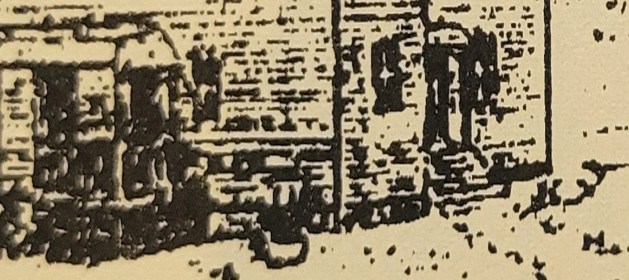
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Lincoln New Era

"Your Front Door to the Reservoir"

Down On The Creek

By Dianne Peck
County Reporter



Wrapped in Love

If I spent even a half day sewing I would have such a fit of nerves that a week's vacation wouldn't repair them. A woman that shared my feelings about needles and thread once wrote: "I had rather wear a hair shirt than make a linen one." Amen to that.

I, by some strange circumstance, inherited great-grandma's quilting frames and generously passed them on to a cousin known to be handy with a needle. Grandma Laura had used those frames religiously, she being a frugal woman that firmly believed when life gave her scraps, she quilted.

Her monthly ladies club met in each other's houses down here on the creek. Following a huge mid-day meal the group gathered in the front room and passed the afternoon gossiping and stitching on a quilt. It was a common scene in rural communities across the country. Women gathering for what they believed to be neighborly fellowship while they fashioned what can best be described as American legacies.

Quilting was so big that the Kansas City Star published a free pattern each week from 1928-1961. Grandma faithfully clipped and saved them over the years. Where she obtained the Star paper, I do not know as she didn't subscribe. When she died the box of patterns passed to my Mother and at her passing they went to a neighbor who quilted and she has recently returned them to me. One afternoon I opened the box and looked at the titles of the paradigms which included: Flying Colors, Mexican Star, Broken Sugar Bowl and the four-patch Fox and Goose.

A strange form of chain letter once existed that involved forwarding quilt patterns to other ladies.

I found one in Mother's trunk sent to her in 1935. The instructions were: "Make one block of the star shaped pattern and cut from unbleached muslin, embroider your name and address and send it to the person on the top of the list. The quilt is set together with these blocks. If the chain isn't broken you should receive 125 blocks." I'm not sure I've ever seen a quilt constructed from chain letter blocks so how successful it was, I do not know.

Quilting did not go out of style with Grandma's bustle but is still a popular hobby. I recently stumbled across what is called the "Dear Jane Quilt." The idea for the quilt originated in 1863 with a lady named Jane Stickle. The one I saw pictured had 13 blocks across and 13 blocks down with each and every block a different pattern. It was a study in the variety of arrangement ranging from Flower Garden, Pinwheel, Lone Star to the simple Nine-patch.

Other proof that the quilt is not a thing of the past is the AIDS quilt that began in 1987. The AIDS memorial quilt is the largest on-going community arts project in the world. It was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1989. The colorful panels memorialize the life of a person lost to the AIDS disease. Displaying the quilt has raised millions for AIDS research.

Many books have been published on the subject of quilts. The volumes range from how-to quilt, price guides and the history of quilting. A focus has recently been on slave labor. A desire for freedom led many of the captive laborers to attempt to secure freedom by following the underground railway. Various authors have written books claiming quilts held secret codes and messages to guide slaves to

freedom. These unproven stories are being taught to our children but the theory of quilts being used in the underground railroad has never been documented, that I have found.

One part of our quilt history that is very true was the preparation necessary for a family moving westward to settle in new lands. There were publications available given to the pioneers listing items needed along the trail and to sustain them once they arrived. On the list was one quilt or comforter for each man, woman and child and that every family should bring enough quilts and bedding to last for several years. It was hinted there would be little time for quilting.

Friendship quilts were made for the woman departing westward. Special quilts were used to pack and protect precious china while everyday quilts were left out for bedding. A folded quilt padded the wagon seat and when winds blew the quilts covered the cracks to keep out the choking dust.

Accidents were frequent and women gave birth in conditions that made it even more dangerous. Illness was a constant threat and many were taken by diseases such as cholera. It was once estimated that there was one grave every eighty yards between the Missouri River and the Willamette Valley, Oregon.

Death from sickness and injury was no stranger. Along most of the journey wood was scarce and made it impossible to build a proper coffin. Wrapping the body of a beloved mother, a child or a husband in a hand-stitched quilt provided some consolation for the bereaved. Knowing that the cloth symbolized the family somehow gave comfort when leaving a dear one in a lonely grave along the trail. Somehow it was like wrapping them in love.

LAKEVIEW HEIGHTS AREA NEWS

By Dianne Peck
County Reporter

The Lakeview Heights area was notified this past week the Edmonson Baptist Church was at it again! They had planned one of their popular giveaways for Saturday, July 27 at the church on Highway H, rural Lincoln.

The event was spearheaded by Linda Cate and Linda says there were some changes, The Giveaway was one day only, not two, and was on Saturday, July 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. At 9 a.m. for one hour only, anyone over the age of 70 could shop prior to opening the doors to everyone.

Linda said there was one box limit per family. One is able to get lots of items into an Amazon box but there were limits on some items. That was so the program could help as many families as possible. According to the staff the giveaway was well stocked on laundry detergent, toilet paper, health and beauty items, and school supplies.

Because of past experiences the significant changes had to be made and they were enforced by the Community Caring Team. A heads up, the next give away is Saturday, October 19. Those who have attended these previous giveaways are aware this is all new merchandise from major corporations and is given entirely free. ID is required to shop.

In other news, the Lakeview Heights Fire Department is a close-knit group of area residents who often work in rugged terrain and face Mother Nature's challenges together. The LVHFD began having monthly dinners several months ago and it has become a regular event.

As some have read or heard, there was a large, devastating fire at Operation Barbecue Relief's headquarters off Golden Acres Road on Monday, July 15. A fire so large it required six area departments to extinguish.

On Saturday, July 20 the fire department volunteers gathered for their monthly dinner and presented a donation to OBR to help with the rebuilding process. As usual, the Lakeview Heights Fire Department helping neighbors and supporting the community.

Lincoln's Brethower's Tackle Popular River Race



By Dianne Peck
County Reporter

On Wednesday morning, July 24, four hundred and eleven boats departed Kansas City's Kaw Point and headed down the Missouri River with the goal of reaching the Lewis & Clark Boathouse and Museum in St. Charles, Missouri.

The Missouri American Water MR 340 is 340 mile race and is hosted by Missouri River Relief. It is the world's largest non-stop river race and had been on Lincoln's Rod Brethower's bucket list for a long time. He only started talking about it with his son Kyle this past year.

The Brethower's did a lot of planning and preparing for the grueling race down

river and were careful to not linger long at rest stops and kept the food and water supplies on board to a minimum. Rod's wife, Dorcas served as the road crew as she tracked them across the state. When questioned if she, as a wife and a mother, was a little worried about their safety she replied, "Yes and no. It's natural for the concern but they had done a lot of planning."

She was waiting for them at St. Charles and reported Rod's first words to her when they landed, was, "We did it!"

It had taken 55 hours and 21 minutes. The Brethower duo finished 13th in their division out of 77 and 61st overall.

Congratulations to Rod Brethower, and son, Kyle!

New Owners Purchase Former McCandless Store In Lincoln



By Dianne Peck
County Reporter

Word was received this previous week that one of the most historic buildings in downtown Lincoln has new ownership as a contract has been signed.

What has been known for years as the McCandless Store & Meat Market by the older residents of the area was put under contract. Allegedly the new owner is a contractor in the building trades and despite the outward appearance of the structure he says it can be restored after a walk thru inspection.

Who originally built the

structure for a business was not discovered but R.C. (Roll) McCandless owned and operated the shop from 1926 to 1968. Upstairs over the grocery was the 100F Lodge and Rebecah Lodge, both organizations have been gone for many years. Older residents recall Roll and his wife Evelyn sacked candy for treats for the town's children at Christmas time.

The future owner is seeking a photo of the structure from years ago as a guide to restoring it to its original appearance. Hopefully someone has such a picture of the building in better days.

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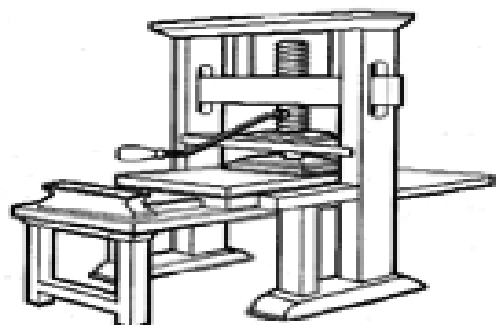


IT WAS SOMEWHAT bittersweet Friday, July 26 for the Lincoln city employees and elected officials as they hosted a small farewell for Police Chief, Jason Wenberg in City Hall. Chief Wenberg has accepted a job with a neighboring city. Mayor Glen Nelson thanked the Chief for his service and wished him luck in his new job, a sentiment shared by the entire group.

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New MDC Director Responds To Benton County Economic Development Concerns

By
Dianne Peck
County Reporter

The BCED group decided in the May meeting to contact the newly appointed Director of the Missouri Department of Conservation, Jason Summers. First, to congratulate him on his new position and how proud the Benton County residents are of one of their own achieving his new position.

Second, was to make him aware of how disappointed and troubled area residents were with the sudden closing of the Visitor's Center and Fishing pond at the Lost Valley Fish Hatchery. The following is the response letter the group received from the new MDC Director, Jason Summers:

Dear Benton County Economic Development Committee,

Thank you for your letter concerning the Lost Valley Fish-Hatchery. The hatchery plays a critical role in helping Missouri streams and lakes throughout the state, including Lake of the Ozarks and Harry S. Truman Reservoir, which are important for Warsaw's local economy.



The decision to close and repurpose the visitor center in 2021 was not taken lightly. The visitor center had one of the lowest attendance numbers of all Department nature and visitor centers (averaging around 12,000 visitors per year), and staff met with the Warsaw Chamber of Commerce and community leaders to discuss the repurposing of the visitor center. Currently, we are working to repurpose the existing exhibit space into a meeting space and education room for future programs.

Under the new plan, Department staff conducted 123 educational programs at Lost Valley Hatchery and within the Warsaw city limits last year. In the past, staff were unable to provide this level of service to the community since they were required to stay at the hatchery to watch the fishing pond. It is important

to note the fishing pond is still open by appointment or scheduled events and programs.

The Department remains committed to helping Missouri communities. In fact, we have partnered with the City of Warsaw by providing up to \$363,227 in cost share to construct a trail and associated infrastructure at the Drake Harbor Recreational Area, which will further enhance economic development and tourism in the area.

My team frequently provides conservation updates to local community clubs and chambers of commerce. Please reach out to Deputy Director, Aaron Jeffries at 573-751-4115 x3146 or Aaron.Jeffries@mdc.mo.gov if you would like to schedule someone from my team for an event.

JASON A. SUMNERS
DIRECTOR

Family Of Herman "Sea" Harms Reunites On July 20

By
Glynn Morse
Contributing Reporter

The descendants of Herman "Sea" Harms held a family reunion and carry-in dinner on Sat., July 20, 2024, in the American Legion Bldg. in Cole Camp.

Herman "Sea" Harms (1804-1897) and Katharina Meyer Harms (1804-1876) had four sons and one daughter born in Germany: Peter, Henry, John, Herman, and Margaret. Many of the Harms descendants in the Lincoln/Cole Camp area and nearby counties are related to Herman & Katharina Harms.

Herman Harms first came to America in 1829. His ship sank on the way, and he floated for three days and nights. Family accounts tell that he survived by holding his hand in the ring of the boat's door, but another version said he survived by hanging onto his trunk. He was rescued by a passing ship headed for New York. Because he was one of the few survivors, he was known as "Sea" Harms for the rest of his life.

After remaining in New York for a short time, Herman "Sea" Harms returned to Germany and married his sweetheart, Katharina Meyer in 1831 in Rhade, Germany. Herman "Sea" Harms, his wife, and children traveled to America arriving in New Orleans on the ship, Kepler, on November, 1847. The family first settled in Illinois and later moved to a farm northeast of Cole Camp in 1853. The original Herman "Sea" Harms farm is occupied today by the sixth generation of the Herman "Sea" Harms family.

Persons sharing the reunion and family history and photos were: Jim & Shirley Harms, Green Ridge; Roy & Doris Harms, Blackburn; Bill & Brenda Clouse, Smithville;

Ron Dieckman, Lee's Summit; Stan Dieckman, Cole Camp; David & Paulette Elliott, Kansas City; Nancy Morris, Leawood, KS; Gwynne Morse, Windsor; Julia Morse, Assaria, KS; Kim Pritzel, Cole Camp; Susan Scott, Independence; Phyllis Travers, Kansas City; Ed & Ruth Weller, Mora; Eric Williams, Gladstone; and Wynter White, Sedalia.

Family and friends are invited to attend the 2025 Herman "Sea" Harms reunion on Sat., July 19, 2025 at 12 noon at the American Legion Bldg., Cole Camp.

BCED Updates Committee On Many Happenings

By
Dianne Peck
County Reporter

The Economic Development group met in Lincoln City Hall on Wednesday, July 24 at 4:15 p.m. Amie Breshears called the meeting to order and JoAnn Lane, Economic Development Director led off with an update on the Broadband progress in Benton County. CoMo is still working in Edwards on phases 1-4. There will be more federal Broadband dollars flowing through the state through the BEAD program, not sure of when or how. Allegedly the goal is to provide internet connectivity for all Missourians, regardless of

where you live.

Up next were business reports and updates. The Vault plans to be open in October. Work continues on the brick features inside the building.

Goetz Brothers carpet is open for business and they report it is going well. JoAnn noted she is working with other possibilities such as a potential investor looking for a turn-key business. Also Blessed Roots Soaps needs a building in Warsaw.

Beyond-Chompey's Restaurant is not yet open but there is a new general manager at Beyond and also a new restaurant manager. Drake Harbor Company is closing due to family issues.

Warsaw Adventures are still seeking a buyer and Statuary Gardens would close on July 27. In Cole Camp the Wine, Women and Song building is for sale. Crazy Roy's has a new owner with extended hours. The business is now open 7days a week, 10am-10pm. The new owner has closed the fireworks and putting a DD Bar in its place and also adding Extreme Bingo one day a week.

JoAnn and Amie worked with a producer who has been notified that they are recipients of an RFSI grant and is submitting additional paperwork for the grant. Details to be announced later.

The Women's Business Center (WBC) will have office hours in Warsaw

Community Building on July 30 and August 27 from 8:30 am-4pm. The plan is to have them in Warsaw on the last Tuesday of the month as of now. They have the Micra Loan program and Credit Building programs and information. Their services are open to all, not just women. Walk-ins are welcome.

On October 9 the Community National Bank and Equity Bank are sponsoring a credit workshop conducted by the WBC. This is a great workshop and it includes a meal and gas card for participants. Located in Lincoln City Hall and begins at 5:30. Pre-registration is required.

Amie Breshears gave Extension updates on the Benton County 4-H & FFA Youth Fair. It was held June 20-22 at the 4-H grounds in Lincoln. Over 500 entries of livestock and non-livestock. Raised over \$25,000 at the Premium sale to support the kids competing at the Missouri state Fair.

The first "Stay strong, Stay healthy/class" at the Warsaw Methodist church is full and begins on August 5. There is a Progressive Ag Safety Day at the Lincoln School on October 11.

Amie is conducting an "On my own-Ag leasing and What's it Worth?" on August 6 in Warsaw from 10am-noon. There will be a Benton County Cattlemen Trade Show on November 7, Seeking Sponsors.

Casey and Stephanie Ledbetter, Zane and Pace, are the Benton County Farm Family of the year. They will represent Benton County at the Missouri State Fair in August.

Extension Council members and the office are offering a Strongman competition sponsorships at the Fall Market/Balloon Glow at Lincoln on September 14. Please reach out and take one.

To learn more about Beginning Farmer tax credits go to: "Beginning Farmer Tax Deduction Program (mo.gov)

Up next, Lynette Stokes with Benton County Tourism reported the Barn Quilt program is on-going and consistently adding new locations to the trail. The group welcomes new committee members.

Lynette shared the Marketing study report will be available in August. She is busy with Harborfest slated for Saturday, August 3 There will be a water ski show, Kids Zone, beer garden, food, music, and more Event begins at 11 am. Everyone was encouraged to partake in the Lions Club pancake breakfast from 7:30-10am.

The Benton County EEZ has new commission members. They are Seth Casey, Diana Burdick, and Scott Gemes. They will join existing members Tim Kreisel, Eddie Simons, William Smart and Steve Daleske.

Grants in Cole Camp are SS4A Safe streets for all, a planning grant now in year 2. Also LWCF Land Water Conservation Fund grant for a new playground in Butterfield Park. Just waiting on federal approval.

TAP They are combining 1 TAP grants for sidewalks on both sides of North Maple St. It is progressing but takes time.

RIT TAP grant. Land was donated to the city for a Rock Island trailhead but is outside city limits so Council is not yet comfortable spending city dollars/resources on the required grant match. They are still working on it to make a decision. DNR and others will be at Council meetings to give info and input. If the Council refuses the grant, that ends the grant funding opportunity.

JoLynn Turley, SFCC reported the new Ag Building is in the works, precision Ag and advanced Ag courses as well as auto and diesel mechanics, plus diesel and machinery repair courses will be held in the new building.

Lincoln's Mayor Glen Nelson reported the building west of City Hall on Main Street will be restored to its early 1900's condition and 10-12 new homes will be built in Lincoln in the next few months.

Rich Chiles, the new Operations Project Manager for Truman Dam & Reservoir introduced himself to the group and stated he is available to talk to anyone.

Randall Sherman, owner of Main Street Fitness in Warsaw spoke to the group about his business. He says he truly has a program to fit anyone, no matter their age or condition.

Next Meeting: August 28, 4:15 PM at Lincoln City Hall. Everyone is welcome.

A Message FROM THE MAYOR

By
Diana Burdick
City of Cole Camp
Mayor

There is a lot of interest in

the Rock Island Trail that is planned to go north of Cole Camp. I will attempt to give a summary of this project and its impact on the city.

Former mayor Bob Meuscke began this process approximately 2 years ago by having an application written for a grant from MoDOT. The terms were that MoDOT would supply 80% of the financing and the city would provide the other 20%. The local working committee, comprised of individuals who live within Cole Camp and outside Cole Camp, assisted the grant writers by obtaining letters of support from the local community. When the grant was presented to the Board of Alderman at the November 2023 Board Meeting, representatives of the local working group indicated that they intended to hold fundraisers and seek donations that would cover the 20% local match that amounted to approximately \$125,000.00. With that being the only information provided, the Board of Alderman accepted the grant.

After the election in April, the Board of Aldermen obtained copies of the grant application and we were able to read it. At that time there were some items of concern to the Board and the local working committee representatives discussed these concerns with the mayor and with the Board of Aldermen. The concerns include maintenance of the trailhead for a period of 25 years, funding since only \$7000.00 has been obtained so far, donation of land, and a requirement to purchase additional land for parking, etc. Another consideration is that the State of Missouri has not budgeted any funding for the Rock Island Trail for the past 3 years so there is a question of when the trail will be built.

There will be a meeting with representatives of all involved entities to discuss these questions. A date has not been set, but it will be as soon as schedules can be obtained. After that meeting I expect that a decision will be finalized about the grant. I want to emphasize that the Board of Aldermen understands the significance of the Rock Island Trail to Cole Camp and north Benton County citizens. We are not against having the trail but our priority must be the city of Cole Camp and its citizens and the proper use of the tax money from them.



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



There is a lot of discussion whether President Biden is fit to serve out his term after he dropped out of the race. His address to the nation didn't help. It was more like a disjointed campaign speech. He told us, "We have to come together to save democracy." Okay.....because there's not a better way to do that than voting for someone no one picked to run for President. Kamala Harris has been a presidential candidate twice and never received a single vote from any Democratic voter in a Presidential primary. Just two weeks ago the President said Kamala Harris couldn't win. Yet here she is, as her party's nominee. We're getting more like China by the day. While the President spoke the whole mishpocha

sat off to side, worrying about themselves as usual. Hunter will be going up against the IRS and the DOJ in September. It's likely he'll be found guilty on tax evasion, money laundering and influence peddling for the family cartel. They need Joe to stick around to pardon "everyone" who looks familiar to him.

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This election hullabaloo got me to thinking about inauguration day. None has ever been canceled, no matter the weather. President William Henry Harrison made a long speech in freezing temperatures at his inaugural. Shortly after he became sick and died of pneumonia. He was my great-great-grandmother's cousin and she attended the inauguration. Her ball

gown was made of gray silk and Aunt Jane once wore it in a high school play. Unfortunately, it burned in a fire that destroyed the upper floors of the family home on Lay Avenue. Also lost were her husband's uniform from the War Between The States and his unit's battle flag, which he referred to in letters as "The Dear Old Carley Standard." Other items burned too, ones which would have become more precious over the years. A World War I helmet was scarred but came through the blaze. Bad fires have destroyed many things, including old, old county records that went up in flames during the Civil War. Virginia was particularly hard it.

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I'm rattling on here and need to bow off this keyboard and help Miss Hanson toss some things out of the storage room. It's bursting at the seams. All of us give things a toss and not just old office items. Sometimes we toss people out of our lives and old beliefs and memories. The latter tend to lurk around somewhere though. Have a buster of a day Old Buddy!

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Til Next Week:
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Do you worry about running out of money during your retirement years? If so, how can you help prevent this from happening?

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58% of retirement savers from all age groups, including current retirees, say that outliving their assets is their greatest retirement fear, according to a study by Cerulli Associates, a financial services research organization.

This type of fear can certainly affect your quality of life when you retire. Still, there's no need to panic – because you can take steps to help prevent the running-out-of-money scenario.

Here are a few to consider:
• **Know how much you'll need during retirement.**

You need to get a clear picture, or at least as good an estimate as possible, of how much money you'll need to support your retirement lifestyle. Once you do retire, some costs, such as transportation or other work-related expenses, might go down, while others – medical expenses, in particular – will likely go up. The fear of running out of money, like many fears, is caused largely by what you don't know, so having a good sense of how much you'll need in retirement can help reduce your anxieties.

• **Build financial resources before retirement.** You're probably at your peak earning capacity in the years close to your retirement, so consider contributing as much as you can afford to your IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan.

• **Maximize your Social Security payments.** You can start collecting Social

Security as early as 62, but your monthly benefits will be larger if you can afford to wait until your full retirement age, between 66 and 67. (Payments will "max out" at age 70.)

• **Re-enter the workforce.** Going back to work in some capacity is one way to possibly help build retirement resources and delay taking Social Security. If you have a particular area of expertise, and you enjoyed the work you did, you might be able to go back to it on a part-time basis or do some consulting. You could boost your cash flow, and potentially extend your contributions to an IRA and to an employer's retirement plan.

• **Cut costs during retirement.** Possibly the biggest cost-cutting measure is downsizing – are you willing and able to move to a less expensive area or scale down your current living space? Of course, this is an emotional decision, as well as a financial one, and downsizing isn't for everyone, but it might be something to at least consider. As for the lesser ways of reducing expenses, take advantage of senior discounts, which are offered in many areas, including entertainment, public transportation, restaurants and retail establishments. And look for other opportunities, such as cutting out streaming services you don't use.

• **Look for more income from your investments.** As you get closer to retirement, and even when you do retire, you might want to adjust your investment portfolio to provide you with more income-producing opportunities. However, even as a retiree, you'll want some growth potential in your investments to help keep you ahead of inflation.

Ultimately, the more you can bolster your financial security before and during retirement, the less fear you may have of outliving your money.

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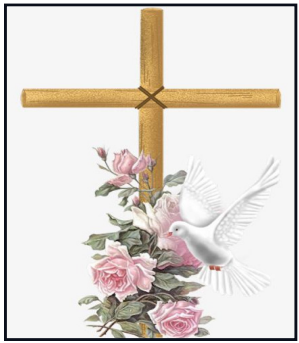


Brownie Batter Blizzard from Dairy Queen.
-Amarillo Martinez



Ice cream sandwich.
-Elsie Hughes

Murray L. Nolte



Murray L. Nolte, 73, (formerly of Warsaw, Mo), of Overland Park, KS, passed away Friday, July 26, 2024 at Menorah Medical Center in Overland Park.

Murray was born on December 1, 1950, to Murray and Marty Nolte in Kansas City, MO. On May 29, 1970, he married Kittie Pipkin of Kansas City, MO, and she survives the home.

Murray grew up in Johnson County, KS, and was a 1968 graduate of Shawnee Mission North High School. He attended Pittsburg State University in Kansas. Murray taught himself computer programming at an early age and began his career with Western Electric. He went on to have a long and very successful career in computers and remained a systems analyst until his retirement in 2017.

In 1985, Murray moved his family to Warsaw, MO, to a property bordering Truman Lake. There he became one of the first computer professionals in the area to work from home remotely for many years.

Murray enjoyed hunting, fishing and boating and spending time at the lake with his family and friends. Murray also loved music of all kinds and had a keen interest in keeping up with his favorite artists. He had a group of several close friends he had known since childhood, with whom he remained best friends his whole life.

Murray was a life-long Kansas Jayhawk, Kansas City Chiefs and Royals fan. He was proud of the fact that he attended the longest game in NFL history on Christmas Day, 1971, when the KC Chiefs hosted the Miami Dolphins at Municipal Stadium.

Murray was a devoted husband and family man. In addition to his wife, Kittie, survivors include two daughters, Kristen Cordes, of Lee's Summit; Kim (Mike) Mills, of Clinton; one son, Andy (Anita) Nolte of Kansas City; six grandchildren, Konner (Abbey) Cordes, Kailin (Max) Taulbee, Cameron Mills, Mia Mills, Elliotte Nolte, Keira Nolte; two great-grandchildren, Knox and Kruze Cordes; one brother, Matt (Pam) Nolte; one sister, Melissa Nolte, and many nieces, nephews, aunts, and cousins.

There will be a visitation on September 7, 2024, from 2 - 3 p.m. at Heartland Cremation & Burial Society, 6113 Blue Ridge Blvd, Raytown, MO 64133. Services will follow

immediately at 3 p.m. in the chapel, officiated by Pastor Joey Conway.

The family suggests contributions to the American Heart Association or the Kidney Association in memory of Murray Nolte.

WARSAW CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him For the help of His countenance (Psalm 42:5).

The Psalmist is talking to himself. He asks why he is so depressed. Why has he allowed the problems of life to overwhelm him? Yes, life can be difficult. Loved ones are taken from us by death. Serious illness can cause much anguish. We can identify with the book of Job: "Man is born to trouble." We live in a sinful, fallen world. So, yes, on the one hand, life can be difficult.

Then, the Psalmist reminds himself of another certainty. God is there for us. As Paul wrote many years later, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" His spirit is lifted when the Psalmist remembers God is on his side. Has God promised to help us in our times of need? Yes, He has. The Psalmist realizes he can call upon God, and help is coming. So, his pessimism turns to optimism. How much more should that be the case with us who live under a new and better covenant? Don't let your problems get you down. Turn to God for assistance. His help is on the way.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

JOHNNIE J. LOGUE

Are you a good friend?

A friend loveth at all times
-Proverbs 17:17

In life, we will have a lot of acquaintances but few really good friends. Some more than others. Many of my closest friends are gone. Just in the last few years, I have lost several friends and acquaintances. Among those would be Pastor Ron Gross, Pastor WM. Fortson, Denny Henson, Bill Cox, Sonny Stull, Bob Whittington, Max Copeland, John Turpen, Bill Koger, Grant Cox, Jack Krier, Homer May, Murl Stull, Robert Jackson, Mike Jennings, Dave Barum, Jim McClain, Mac McLaughlin, Mary McLaughlin, Lorene Argie, Myrtle Quinn, Dorothy Marsh, Alyce Lewis, Rosie Richards, Goldie Grant, Vernon Grant, Grover Beaman, Dot Beaman, Verna Fay Burns, Joe Dale Hedrick, Lew Massey, Mark Gettle, Frank Richardson, Evelyn Richardson, Blanch

Richardson, Joe Dean Melton, Bill Gant, Jarbo Suiter, Ray Dean Suiter, Grover Roberts, Gary Estes, David First, Pastor Raymon Tracy, Burle Forgie, Don Tucker, Gary Jones, Robert Plaster, Danny Jackson and more.

What makes a good friend? Here is a checklist.

1. Trust-Maybe the hardest quality to find.
2. Honesty-We don't like liars, cheats, con men, scammers and thieves.
3. Forgiving-This is why many friendships don't last. We all have our moments. We are all flawed. There is only one perfect friend and His name is the Lord Jesus Christ. Also, don't put conditions on your friendship. I am your friend if you do this or that. Unconditional love is hard but you can love them even if you don't like them.
4. Good listener-Everybody wants to give advice when most of the time what I need is someone to just listen. Ron Gross was a good listener. Most advice is redundant and are obvious solutions you already tried or thought of anyway.
5. Faithfulness-If you give your word then keep it or communicate why you couldn't. Don't leave them hanging around waiting for you. Be on time.
6. Empathy-Not sympathy but relating. When someone dies your presence speaks more than your words. Let them talk.
7. Prayer-True Christian friends will pray for you.
8. Giving-Don't loan money if you can't afford to simply give it. If you borrow money, books, movies, tools, jumper cables, tire pumps, ink pens, and so on, then return them in the proper time and manner.
9. Unselfishness-You have to be both a giver and a taker. I had to learn to be a taker. Some are just takers. Learn to share.
10. Communication-Huge key needless to say. Don't speak in anger if you can help it. Calm down and talk things out. Let people know when you are joking.
11. Humble-I like humble people. I try to like everyone to a point. Prideful people turn me off.
12. Kindness-Remember the Golden Rule. Do unto as you would them to do unto you. Don't laugh at people. Laugh with them. Practical jokes are cruel.
13. Courtesy and politeness-Say please and thank you. Apologize once in a while.
14. Don't gossip- Don't bad mouth your friends behind their back.
15. Loyalty-Stay true to your family and friends.
16. Respect-Respect your parents, elders, family, friends, customers, bosses, Pastors, law enforcement, and any one in authority. You can respect the office if not the person.
17. Be honest, we all struggle with some of these traits once in a while. You are not always right. Sometimes you have to let

the other party save face. Don't embarrass them.

Scripture References- James 1:19, Proverbs 16:28, Proverbs 27:17, Proverbs 18:24, Ephesians 4:35-42, Proverbs 27:9, 1 Peter 4:8-10, John 15:12-13, Luke 6:31, Proverbs 13:20, Colossians 3:12, Ecclesiastes 4:9-10, I am Pastor Johnnie J. Logue of Grace Baptist Church at 31046 Highway MM, four miles outside of Warsaw MO. Call (660) 281-4775.

LINCOLN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

We will be hosting a revival August 4, 5 and 6th at 6:30 pm. Come and join us in worship. There will be special music each evening. There will be a different pastor each night. On Tuesday evening the 6th there will be refreshments after service.

What is in a name change? Pastor Jesse's sermon today concerned men in the Bible that God changed their names. Abram was changed to Abraham which means the father of many nations. Jacob was changed to Israel which means wrestled with God.

Simon was later called Peter. Peter was a fisherman when Jesus found him. They hadn't caught any fish but Jesus told them to throw the nets out again. When Peter saw that the nets were full he fell at Jesus' feet. He said "Go away Lord, I am a sinful man." Jesus told him not to be afraid for he would be a fisher of men. Peter never felt worthy of his calling. Jesus changes your heart and can use us. The Lord can take care of anything.

Saul was renamed Paul. Luke renamed him. Paul was an educated man. Everyone knew who he was but was only called Saul 11 times after his name was changed. As Saul he persecuted many Christians. When he changed he was very dedicated to the preaching of Jesus.

Christians may have to suffer. Without God's grace and mercy we can't get to heaven. When you need something go to the feet of Jesus. Are you leading your family to heaven or hell?

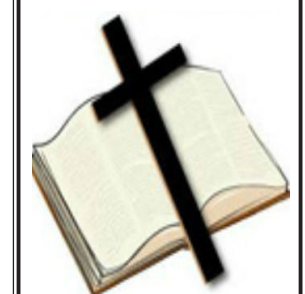
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HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

Today's message titled, If You Have Jesus, You Have All You Need, is a joyful reminder of what we as Christians have. Mike Thornbrugh shared the following five points, with scripture reference:

1. If You Have Jesus, You Have - The Love of the Father

God's love is a divine love. God's love is in each one of us and gives us the ability to love those we don't even like. God's love cannot be measured, and God's love is eternal and abundant.

John 4:16, 17, 1 Corinthians 13:4-7, Romans 8:38, 39

2. If You Have Jesus - You Have the Holy Spirit

We are given gifts by the Holy Spirit to help strengthen the church. God gets all the glory. And the angels rejoice when just one comes to know Jesus

Galatians 5:22, John 14:26, Romans 5:5, 1 Peter 1:12

3. If You Have Jesus - You have the Blessed Hope

The return of Jesus is our Hope. The resurrection is proof positive of this Hope.

Titus 2:11-14, 1 Peter 1:3-5

4. If You Have Jesus - You Have Never Ending Peace

The work of Jesus on the cross overcomes the world and is guarded by God's peace.

John 14:27, John 16:33, Romans 5:1, Philippians 4:6,7

5. If You Have Jesus - You Have the Perfect Savior

Do we feel like we don't belong in this world? We belong in Heaven with the Lord, and we're just passing through.

Luke 2:11, Philippians 3:20, Hebrews 9:27, 28

If we have Jesus, we live twice and die once. Without Jesus, we will die twice and live once. God has provided the perfect Savior in Jesus. And, if it wasn't for God's grace and mercy, salvation is impossible.

Join us Sunday mornings for Sunday School at 10 a.m. with Worship at 11 a.m., regular Bible Study Wednesdays and Sundays at 6 p.m. with our Children's Program Sundays at 5:30 p.m. Watch our service live at 11 a.m. Sunday mornings

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UNITY OF THE LAKES

Please join us for a spiritually fulfilling service on Sunday, August 4 at 11:00 AM.

Reverend Sandra Duncan will speak on Embracing the Eternal Journey: Let us remember in Unity the Spiritual continuity of life, the importance of love, and the eternal nature of the soul!

Let us explore together!

Reverend Sandra has been a regular minister at Unity of the Lakes since 2013 and is a wonderful speaker with a positive message in practical Christianity. Our church is affiliated with Unity Village and Unity Worldwide Ministries.

We are located at 34948 Hwy 65 South about 8 miles south of Warsaw.

All are welcome!

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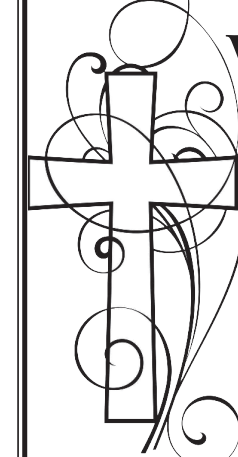


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HOUSEHOLD & MISC.
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 2024 - 9:30 A.M.

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<p>ANTIQUES Dining Table, 6 Needle Point Chairs Round Oak Dining Table Drop Leaf Dining Table Chrome Cafe Table & 4 Chairs (Aunt Martha's Pancake House, Springfield) Love Seat - Rocker - Straight Back Chairs Wicker Rocker Fainting Couch Round Coffee Table Other Small Tables China Cabinet - Buffet - Heavy Carved Kid's Rocker 4 Matching Bookcases Sewing Cabinet Couch Oak Drop Front Secretary w/Side Cabinet Floor Lamp Iron Bedstead, King Size Striking Kitchen Clock Aunt Jemima Figurines Old Hardback Books Set Desert Rose Dishes Set MTC Dishes</p>	<p>HOUSEHOLD King Size Adjustable Bed 2 Power Recliners 2 Chairs & Ottomans Office Chair Patio Couch & Ottoman Dresser Dyson Sweeper Older GE Refrigerator Desk Exercise Bike Lamps, Heaters, Fans Christmas Decorations Wicker Chair - Loveseat Round Patio Table & 4 Chairs Wooden Rocker - Bench - 2 Chairs Stainless & Plastic Storage Shelves Lot Yard Lot Craft Supplies Some Plants Sev. Pots & Planters Bottle Tree Asst. Lawn Ornaments</p>	<p>TOOLS & MISC. Older Allis Chalmers Lawn Tractor w/Front Blade & Snow Blower Push Mower Stihl Cordless Blower & Weedeater Cordless Chainsaw Some Wrenches, Sockets Asst. Hand Tools Some Power Tools Craftsman Radial Arm Saw Long Handle Tools Sears Air Compressor Black & Decker Miter Saw Mantis Tiller C-Clamps 6' Fiberglass Ladder Rolling Garden Stool Garden Hoses Yard & Garden Supplies Garden Table 2-3 Metal Trash Cans Other Misc.</p>
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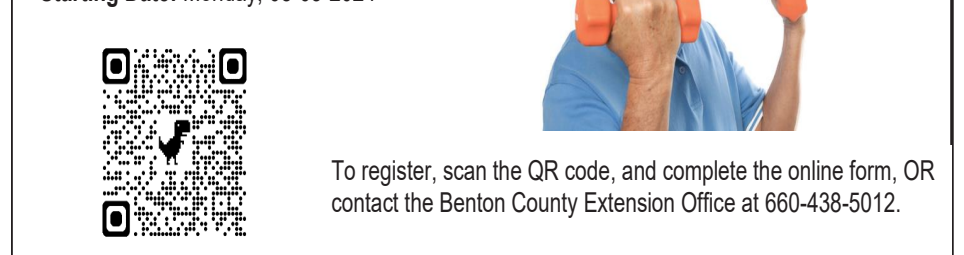
Strength training is no longer just for bodybuilders. Stay Strong, Stay Healthy is an eight-week, evidence-based strength training program designed for older adults who want to improve their quality of life and stay active. Classes are held in familiar settings such as senior centers and church halls, not the gym. The exercises are easy to learn, safe and effective. No need to wear special clothes—just comfortable, loose-fitting pants and shirt, along with sturdy, closed-toe walking shoes.

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- Here's what we do**
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Every Tuesday Feeder Sale Starting @ 10:30 am

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SPACIOUS RANCH COTTAGE at Truman Lake in sought after Red Bud South. On paved road with a private ramp onto Truman Lake. This Very Popular subdivision joins Corps land, so no-one is behind the home. Spacious living room and new central air and heat and a pellet stove in the living room. Relax on your deck. There is a bonus room (enclosed porch) as well. Won't last long!

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2 bedroom, 2 bath nestled in the woods on 3 acres at Truman Lake. Only minutes to Fairfield public use area or Osage Bluff use area or even into Warsaw. 2 car detached garage. Gated community with very few neighbors. Call Shelley for a showing today!
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Looking for your own place at the lake with great income potential?? 2 waterfront cabins on Lake of the Ozarks at the 77 mile marker. Ideal for vacation rentals or 2 family retreat. Each cabin has been completely remodeled and ready to start earning \$\$\$. Cabin 1 has 2BR, 1BA, large sunroom, all new kitchen appliances and a captivating view! Cabin 2 also has 2BR, 1BA and huge open living room and kitchen area with all new appliances. The wood burning fireplace adds warmth and charm, and another captivating view!! Add in deep year-round water under a 2 well covered dock to finish off the perfection! \$530,000. MLS#97782



Completely Rebuilt 1 Br, 1 Ba garage home. Very nice with attractive finishes - New appliances, level yard, close to park, school, pool and new paddle ball court. Must see! Would be excellent vacation rental property! \$119,900 Call Luke and schedule a showing to see this property today! MLS#98145



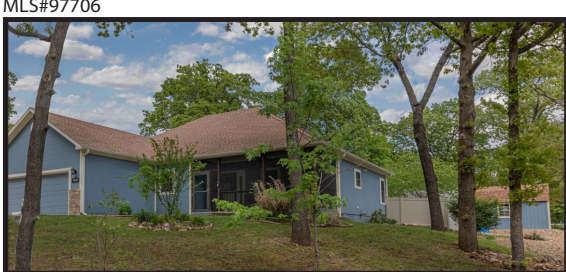
Newer Custom-built home on 33 beautiful acres off blacktop road. 4BR, 2.5BA home with open floor plan, gourmet kitchen with many features, including double oven, custom built cabinets, etc. Attached oversized 2-car garage. Home is all one-level with no steps. Lovely family room with fireplace. 30x40 detached garage with room for RV, and drains and hookups for RV. Also has upper level for storage in garage. Also has bathroom and shower, which could easily be finished. Gorgeous property that is very private. Minutes from the lakes. Also has 12x26 underground pool. Most furnishings will stay. Has tankless water heater! \$740,000. Call Jennie for all the details. MLS#97706



Fantastic 4 Br, 3 Ba home close to Lake of the Ozarks. Completely remodeled including septic, siding, roof, spray foam insulation, kitchen, baths. Heating & air, plumbing, electrical, flooring, doors - basically a brand-new home! Blacktop frontage with concrete circle drive. Full finished walkout basement with kitchenette. 32 x 40 garage completely finished with central heat & air. Full RV hookup w/water, sewer, electric behind garage. Large chain link fenced backyard. Too much to list! \$385,000 Better hurry on this one! Call John today! Additional acreage available, see MLS#98158



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Terrific 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA custom Truman Lake home with seasonal lake view. Large lot, borders Corps-, walk to the lake. 2 car attached garage, plus 2 car detached garage- heated & cooled with 1/2 bath. Top notch outside living with large decks, screened in porch and a large cobblestone patio with built in fire pit. Home is immaculate and features hardwood floors, granite countertops, a woodburning fireplace up and a wood stove down. Finished walkout basement with large storage area. All on blacktop, close to town and lake. \$359,900 Call John today and come see this beautiful home! MLS#98147



Beautiful park-like paradise! 3 BR, 2 BA, log sided home on 2.3 beautiful acres featuring scattered mature trees, a small-fenced horse pasture with a 30 x 24 barn w/horse stall & lean-to. Additional 40 x 30 metal building with concrete & 12' side walls. Also 27 x 15 metal building with concrete. Home is very tastefully decorated, efficient with CH&A, includes all appliances, and has a long-covered patio and an open patio. Unrestricted and in Cole Camp schools. \$299,900 Call John today and schedule your showing. MLS#98161.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the State of Missouri on the 6th day of August, 2024 for the purpose of voting on candidates and statewide ballot measure (115.125, RSMo).

SAMPLE BALLOT PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, August 6, 2024 BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI. NOTICE OF ELECTION. Ballot grid for various offices including Republican Party, Secretary of State, State Representative, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and various township committees.

Write-in: To vote for a valid write-in candidate, write the person's name on the line provided and darken the oval. Ballot grid for various offices including Tom Township Committeeman, State Representative, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and various township committees.

Iconium Fire Protection District 12715 Highway C, Osceola, Mo. 64776. Notice of Public Hearing Aug. 13, 2024, 6:30 p.m. Table with Assessed Valuations for Year 2023 and Year 2024, and Proposed Tax Rates.

FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 4. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 4. NON-PARTISAN. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 1. COLE CAMP AMBULANCE DISTRICT QUESTION. Ballot grid for District 4, Amendment No. 1, and Cole Camp Ambulance District.

The polling places for said election will be:

- COLE - Edmonson Baptist Church, 27109 Highway H, Lincoln, MO 65338
FRISTOE/ALEXANDER - Warsaw Shrine Club, 32065 Highway MM, Warsaw, MO 65355
LINDSEY - Warsaw Community Building, 181 W. Harrison St, Warsaw, MO 65355
TOM - St. Ann Catholic Church, 30455 W. Dam Access Rd, Warsaw, MO 65355
UNION - Edwards Community Center, 29129 Highway 7, Edwards, MO 65326
WHITE - Lincoln Community Building, 122 E. Main St, Lincoln, MO 65338
WILLIAMS - Trinity Lutheran Church, 104 E. Butterfield Trail, Cole Camp, MO 65325

Polling places to be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

STATE OF MISSOURI Secretary of State

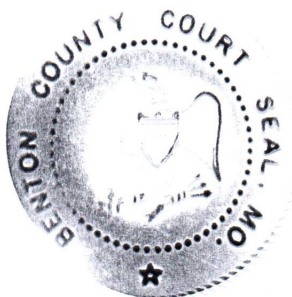
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 28th day of May, 2024.

/s/ John R. Ashcroft Secretary of State

COUNTY CLERK CERTIFICATION

I, Susan Porterfield, County Clerk within and for the County of Benton do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct list as certified to me by John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State, State of Missouri, of the offices for which candidates are entitled to be voted for at the PRIMARY ELECTION to be held August 6, 2024.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal. Done at my office this 11th day of July, 2024.



Susan Porterfield Benton County Clerk



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

AMENDED

A public hearing will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, August 19, 2024 in the Chamber Room of the Warsaw Community Building at which time citizens may be heard on the property tax rate proposed to be set by the City of Warsaw. The tax rates are set to produce the revenues which the budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024 show to be required from the property tax. Each tax rate is determined by dividing the amount of gross revenue needed by the current assessed valuation. (The result is multiplied by 100 so the tax rate will be expressed in cents per \$100 valuation.)

Assessed Valuation (Current Tax Year by Category as of July 10, 2024; Amended July 25, 2024 Assessor Information)

2024 valuation on which levies will be extended is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Includes Real Estate-residential (\$13,463,580.00), Real Estate-ag (\$26,600.00), Real Estate-commercial (\$11,741,880.00), Real Estate-vacant land, Real Estate-local utility (\$162,253.00), Personal-local utility (\$184,571.00), Real Estate-state utility (\$1,181,639.00), Personal-state utility (\$146,497.00), Personal (\$7,018,450.00), Total Current Valuation (\$33,925,470.00), Real Estate New Construction (\$319,730.00)

All persons interested for or against the proposed tax rates may be present at said Public Hearing and will be heard.

Jessica L. Kendall, Warsaw City Clerk



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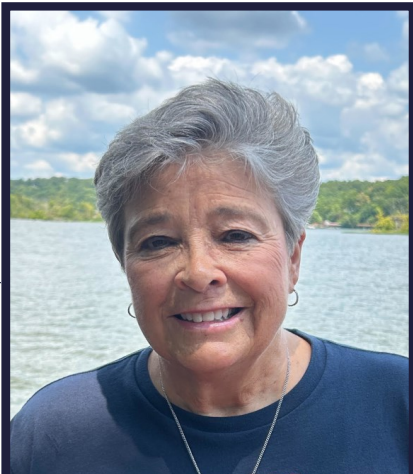


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When you see us out and about, please introduce yourself. We'd love to get to know you. And when you go to the polls on August 6, please grab a Republican ballot and if you feel led to, we ask for your vote to let us represent you on the Republican Central Committee.

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of Missouri

To be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the Special Election to be held on Tuesday, the 6th day of August, 2024.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 1

[Proposed by the 102nd General Assembly (First Regular Session) SJR 26]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to allow places where individuals, corporations, organizations, and associations provide childcare outside of the child's home to be exempt from property tax? This is intended to make childcare more available, which would support the well-being of children, families, the workforce, and society as a whole.

State governmental entities estimate the state's Blind Pension Fund could have annual lost revenue of up to \$400,000. Local governments expect an unknown fiscal impact.

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 6 of article X of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to a property tax exemption for certain child care facilities.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2024, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article X of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 6, article X, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 6, to read as follows:

Section 6. 1. All property, real and personal, of the state, counties and other political subdivisions, and nonprofit cemeteries, and all real property used as a homestead as defined by law of any citizen of this state who is a former prisoner of war, as defined by law, and who has a total service-connected disability, shall be exempt from taxation; all personal property held as industrial inventories, including raw materials, work in progress and finished work on hand, by manufacturers and refiners, and all personal property held as goods, wares, merchandise, stock in trade or inventory for resale by distributors, wholesalers, or retail merchants or establishments shall be exempt from taxation; and all property, real and personal, not held for private or corporate profit and used exclusively for religious worship, for schools and colleges, for purposes purely charitable, for agricultural and horticultural societies, or for veterans' organizations may be exempted from taxation by general law. In addition to the above, household goods, furniture, wearing apparel and articles of personal use and adornment owned and used by a person in his home or dwelling place may be exempt from taxation by general law but any such law may provide for approximate restitution to the respective political subdivisions of revenues lost by reason of the exemption. All laws exempting from taxation property other than the property enumerated in this article, shall be void. The provisions of this section exempting certain personal property of manufacturers, refiners, distributors, wholesalers, and retail merchants and establishments from taxation shall become effective, unless otherwise provided by law, in each county on January 1 of the year in which that county completes its first general reassessment as defined by law.

2. All revenues lost because of the exemption of certain personal property of manufacturers, refiners, distributors, wholesalers, and retail merchants and establishments shall be replaced to each taxing authority within a county from a countywide tax hereby imposed on all property in subclass 3 of class 1 in each county. For the year in which the exemption becomes effective, the county clerk shall calculate the total revenue lost by all taxing authorities in the county and extend upon all property in subclass 3 of class 1 within the county, a tax at the rate necessary to produce that amount. The rate of tax levied in each county according to this subsection shall not be increased above the rate first imposed and will stand levied at that rate unless later reduced according to the provisions of subsection 3. The county collector shall disburse the proceeds according to the revenue lost by each taxing authority because of the exemption of such property in that county. Restitution of the revenues lost by any taxing district contained in more than one county shall be from the several counties according to the revenue lost because of the exemption of property in

each county. Each year after the first year the replacement tax is imposed, the amount distributed to each taxing authority in a county shall be increased or decreased by an amount equal to the amount resulting from the change in that district's total assessed value of property in subclass 3 of class 1 at the countywide replacement tax rate. In order to implement the provisions of this subsection, the limits set in section 11(b) of this article may be exceeded, without voter approval, if necessary to allow each county listed in section 11(b) to comply with this subsection.

3. Any increase in the tax rate imposed pursuant to subsection 2 of this section shall be decreased if such decrease is approved by a majority of the voters of the county voting on such decrease. A decrease in the increased tax rate imposed under subsection 2 of this section may be submitted to the voters of a county by the governing body thereof upon its own order, ordinance, or resolution and shall be submitted upon the petition of at least eight percent of the qualified voters who voted in the immediately preceding gubernatorial election.

4. As used in this section, the terms "revenues lost" and "lost revenues" shall mean that revenue which each taxing authority received from the imposition of a tangible personal property tax on all personal property held as industrial inventories, including raw materials, work in progress and finished work on hand, by manufacturers and refiners, and all personal property held as goods, wares, merchandise, stock in trade or inventory for resale by distributors, wholesalers, or retail merchants or establishments in the last full tax year immediately preceding the effective date of the exemption from taxation granted for such property under subsection 1 of this section, and which was no longer received after such exemption became effective.

5. Because the availability of childcare supports the well-being of children, families, the workforce, and society as a whole, all property, real and personal, used primarily for the care of a child outside of his or her home may be exempted from taxation by general law. If a portion of the property of an individual or a for profit or nonprofit corporation, organization, or association is used for such childcare, an assessing authority may be authorized by general law to exempt from the assessment, levy, and collection of taxes such portion of the property of such individual, corporation, organization, or association that is used primarily for such childcare.

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other applicable constitutional provisions and laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the submission of this joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official summary statement of this resolution shall be as follows:

"Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to allow places where individuals, corporations, organizations, and associations provide childcare outside of the child's home to be exempt from property tax? This is intended to make childcare more available, which would support the well-being of children, families, the workforce, and society as a whole."

STATE OF MISSOURI }
Secretary of State } ss

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Constitutional Amendment No. 1, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the Special Election to be held the sixth day of August, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 28th day of May, 2024.



John R. Ashcroft

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 4

[Proposed by the 101st General Assembly (Second Regular Session) SS 2 SJR 38]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to authorize laws, passed before December 31st, 2026, that increase minimum funding for a police force established by a state board of police commissioners to ensure such police force has additional resources to serve its communities?

This would authorize a law passed in 2022 increasing required funding by the City of Kansas City for police department requests from 20% of general revenue to 25%, an increase of \$38,743,646, though the City previously provided that level of funding voluntarily. No other state or local governmental entities estimate costs or savings.

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 21 of article X of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the funding of law enforcement agencies.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2022, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article X of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 21, article X, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 21, to read as follows:

Section 21. 1. The state is hereby prohibited from reducing the state financed proportion of the costs of any existing activity or service required of counties and other political subdivisions. A new activity or service or an increase in the level of any activity or service beyond that required by existing law shall not be required by the general assembly or any state agency of counties or other political subdivisions, unless a state appropriation is made and disbursed to pay the county or other political subdivision for any increased costs.

2. Notwithstanding the foregoing prohibitions, before December 31, 2026, the general assembly may by law increase minimum funding for a police force established by a state board of police commissioners to ensure such police force has additional resources to serve its communities.

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other applicable constitutional provisions and laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the submission of this joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official summary statement of this resolution shall be as follows:

"Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to authorize laws, passed before December 31, 2026, that increase minimum funding for a police force established by a state board of police commissioners to ensure such police force has additional resources to serve its communities?"

STATE OF MISSOURI }
Secretary of State } ss

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Constitutional Amendment No. 4, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the Special Election to be held the sixth day of August, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 28th day of May, 2024.



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Re-Elect Eric Knox for Sheriff - A Paragon of Inspiring Leadership

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In the realm of law enforcement, true leadership transcends mere authority—it encompasses inspiring trust, fostering community relationships, and upholding the Constitution. Sheriff Eric Knox embodies these ideals, making him the most qualified and deserving candidate for reelection. His leadership has brought tangible benefits to the citizens of our county almost reminiscent of the principles championed by 4-Star Army General H. Norman Schwarzkopf (Stormin Norman).

Leading by Example for the Community:

Sheriff Knox’s commitment to leading by example instills confidence and trust among county residents. His unwavering dedication to integrity and professionalism ensures that the community sees him not just as a law enforcement officer but as a role model. By demonstrating these values, Knox fosters a culture of respect and accountability within your Sheriff’s Office, directly benefiting the public through more reliable and ethical policing.

Enhanced Community Engagement:

Knox’s proactive approach to community engagement has transformed the relationship between law enforcement and county citizens. He is a familiar face at local events, actively listening to and addressing residents’ concerns. This transparency and openness have significantly bolstered public trust, creating a safer and more cooperative community environment. His efforts ensure that the citizens feel heard and valued, leading to stronger community support and collaboration.

Strategic and Adaptive Leadership:

Sheriff Knox’s strategic planning and adaptability are crucial in effectively addressing the dynamic challenges faced by our county. By employing meticulous planning and encouraging innovative policing strategies, Knox ensures that your Sheriff’s Office is always prepared to tackle emerging issues. This forward-thinking approach not only enhances public safety but also reassures citizens that their concerns are being proactively managed.

Caring for the Well-being of Deputies:

A critical aspect of Sheriff Knox’s leadership is his genuine concern for the well-being of his deputies. By providing the necessary resources and support, he ensures that his team can perform their duties effectively. This focus on deputy well-being translates to better service for county residents, as a supported and motivated team is more capable of maintaining public safety and responding to community needs.

“Sheriff Knox is a leader who can be fearsome at times but is highly respected. His uncompromising standards and strategic brilliance instill a sense of awe and discipline among his deputies and staff. Even in times of disagreement, we follow him unwaveringly, knowing that his decisions are driven by a profound commitment to our welfare and mission success.”

Continuous Learning and Professional Development:

Sheriff Knox’s dedication to continuous learning sets a precedent for excellence within your Sheriff’s Office. By encouraging professional development and staying updated on the latest law enforcement techniques, he ensures that his team is equipped with the best practices to serve the community. This commitment to education and improvement benefits citizens by ensuring a high standard of policing and public service.

Upholding Ethical Conduct and Accountability:

Sheriff Knox’s strong ethical compass and commitment to accountability are foundational to his leadership. By upholding the highest ethical standards and ensuring transparency within your Sheriff’s Office, Knox reinforces the trust placed in him by the community. This integrity ensures that all citizens are treated fairly and justly, fostering a sense of security and justice in the county.

Building Trust and Community Relations:

Sheriff Knox’s efforts in building and maintaining trust within the community have yielded significant benefits for county citizens. Through consistent community outreach and open communication channels, Knox has strengthened the relationship between law enforcement and the public. This trust is essential for effective policing and enhances the overall safety and well-being of the community.

Resilience and Perseverance:

Sheriff Knox’s career is a testament to resilience and perseverance. His ability to navigate challenges with a steady hand and a focus on the greater good inspires confidence among citizens. His resilience ensures that the community can rely on stable and effective leadership, even in times of adversity.

The Constitutional Sheriff:

As a constitutional sheriff, Knox is committed to protecting the rights and freedoms of all citizens. His adherence to constitutional principles ensures that the laws are enforced fairly and justly, respecting the civil liberties of every individual. This commitment is crucial in maintaining the trust and cooperation of the community, making him the ideal candidate to continue leading our county.

Addressing Criticisms:

In any position of leadership, especially one as public and demanding as that of a sheriff, there will inevitably be critics. Some have claimed that leadership under Sheriff Knox is poor, morale is at an all-time low, community engagement is non-existent, patrols are lackadaisical and infrequent, and collaboration with other law enforcement entities is embattled. These claims do not reflect the reality experienced by the community and the majority of Sheriff’s Office personnel. In the course of this campaign, many absurd and exaggerated suggestions have been made about Sheriff Knox, his staff, and the overall environment and performance of the Benton County Sheriff’s Office.

These testimonies and rumors come primarily from a selective few ingrates and cynics of the county but mostly from former employees whose disassociation with the Benton County image and of Sheriff Knox has become a disparaging retaliatory attempt to camouflage their own true character by disrupting the positive progress made over the last 7 1/2 years and the forward progress already planned and ready for implementation over the next 4 years under Sheriff Knox.

- **Morale and Leadership:** Sheriff Knox’s open-door policy and consistent support for his deputies have created a positive working environment. Initiatives such as regular training sessions, mental health resources, and team-building activities have significantly boosted morale and enhanced team cohesion.
- **Community Engagement:** Contrary to claims of non-existent community engagement, Sheriff Knox has been a proactive presence in the community. His regular attendance at local events, town hall meetings, and community forums demonstrates his commitment to building strong relationships with residents.
- **Patrol Effectiveness:** Under Sheriff Knox’s leadership, patrols have become more strategic and focused. Data-driven approaches to crime prevention and resource allocation have increased the efficiency and effectiveness of patrols, leading to a noticeable reduction in crime rates. This includes Sheriff Knox founding of the road patrol “Door Hangers” whereby deputies patrolling the county leave courtesy hangers on doors, gates, vehicles and businesses alerting them to our presence during patrols.
- **Collaborative Efforts:** Collaboration with other law enforcement agencies has been a cornerstone of Knox’s tenure. Joint operations, information sharing, and mutual aid agreements have strengthened regional law enforcement efforts, enhancing overall public safety.

These criticisms, largely from those with a personal vendetta, do not align with the experiences and observations of the broader community and law enforcement partners. The successes and improvements under Sheriff Knox’s leadership speak volumes about his capabilities and dedication.

My Personal Perspective:

As someone who has spent over 27 years in the law enforcement profession, I bring a wealth of experience and a deep understanding of what effective leadership entails. I never believed that the level of leadership I currently experience in the Benton County Sheriff’s Office under the direction of Sheriff Knox existed outside of theory and perception. After honorably retiring from my hometown in New Mexico, I relocated to Missouri and continued my public service commitment, eventually joining the Benton County Sheriff’s Office in 2021. Hired by Sheriff Knox and later promoted to Lieutenant, I currently serve as the Road Patrol Commander, overseeing the operations and performance of road deputies in Benton County.

Throughout my career, I have witnessed various styles of leadership and their impacts on both the entity and the community. Sheriff Knox’s leadership stands out for its integrity, strategic vision, and unwavering commitment to the constitutional principles that underpin our justice system. Having worked closely with him, I can personally attest to his dedication to fostering a positive work environment, ensuring continuous professional development, and maintaining an open and transparent relationship with the community.

In my article, “Why Benton County Needs Sheriff Knox,” I highlight how his strategic vision, ethical conduct, and dedication to community engagement have transformed our county’s law enforcement landscape. Sheriff Knox’s approach to leadership not only ensures the safety and well-being of our residents but also sets a standard of excellence that other counties strive to emulate. While some individuals may think they have what it takes to mimic his success, they often fall short, merely “riding on the coattails” of his genuine achievements. This contrast underscores the unique and irreplaceable value Sheriff Knox brings to our community.

Conclusion:

Sheriff Eric Knox’s leadership, characterized by integrity, strategic thinking, community engagement, and a commitment to constitutional principles, has brought significant benefits to county citizens. His ability to lead by example, support his team, and build strong community relations makes him not only the most qualified to hold the Office of the Sheriff, but also an outstanding incumbent Sheriff, deserving of your vote for reelection. Knox’s proven track record of effective and compassionate leadership ensures that he will continue to serve and protect the community with distinction. Benton County needs Sheriff Knox, and I wholeheartedly support his bid for reelection to continue the positive trajectory he has established.

Remember, the importance of virtue and moral character in leadership is that they are chosen based on their wisdom, integrity, and ability to govern justly. Applying this concept when you cast an early ballot, or on election day, is certain to result in Sheriff Knox being reelected for the next four years based on his qualifications, virtues, and ability to serve the people effectively. If we choose without diligence or because the candidate of choice is simply somebody who knows somebody, we are most definitely neglecting these principles and potentially harming the well-being of citizens and the Benton County Sheriff’s Office.

Whoever you choose to vote for, just make sure you vote. Many fought and died defending this country and providing us with this Constitutional Right, as stated in the 15th, 19th, 24th, and 26th Amendments of the Constitution of the United States and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. The right to vote is a cornerstone of our democracy, continually challenged and defended throughout history. Exercise this vital right and make your voice heard.

Early voting has opened at the Benton County Courthouse, or you can vote on election day, August 6th, 2024. I will be voting to reelect Sheriff Eric Knox based on “proven results” and ask you to do the same.

To all my Benton County neighbors this is, “THE LOWEDOWN!”

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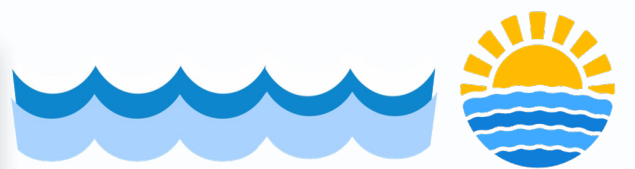


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