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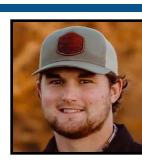
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## Benton County Celebrates Thanksgiving With Cornucopia Of Culinary Traditions

By  
**Anita Campbell**  
County  
Reporter

Thanksgiving is traditionally a time to gather together with family and friends to give thanks for all of the many blessings. Every family has their own traditions which usually involve a wonderful dinner but then sometimes the perfect dinner is filled with problems.

Being together seems to be the most important part of the Thanksgiving celebration.

"We always gather at Dick and Leota Kreisel's house for the traditional thanksgiving Turkey meal! Never less than 20 family members and sometimes closer to 30. Several years ago, Leota was in Boone Hospital over the holiday, so we took our group to the hospital and enjoyed our family meal in the cafeteria," said Brenda Kreisel.

Getting the family together reminds everyone of the importance of family.

"Not a tradition but our family always gathered at our home for a big traditional dinner. In 2015, the year I was very ill from cancer and going through my second round of chemo, all three of the children came and cooked every dish and made sure that we had a Thanksgiving dinner for everyone. Was so very



**GEARING UP TO GIVE THANKS**, Mary Stroupe and George Fischer were among shoppers at Country Mart in Warsaw on Tuesday. Stroupe told the Enterprise she was fixing ham for Thanksgiving while Fischer said he was going with traditional turkey.

thankful for them," said Kim Bohl.

"Thanksgiving is not my favorite holiday; Christmas has my heart but we celebrate Thanksgiving with Shane's side of the family on Thanksgiving Day. My favorite memory of Thanksgiving was from 2018 at their house is when we told

my daughter Mady to go out and take a selfie with the turkey and she did! I just laugh every time I see that picture. We celebrate Thanksgiving at my parents' house early before the actual holiday. The main holiday we like to celebrate during Thanksgiving break is Black Friday! It's our

favorite shopping day of the year! We like to go to Springfield Thanksgiving night to spend the night and get up at 4:00 AM to start our shopping day. I go Black Friday shopping with my mom, aunts and cousin. We have a great time spending the day shopping together," said Warsaw native Ashley

Burke Reimund.

"We really don't have any family traditions. I was raised to believe every day is a day of thanksgiving and Loren and I continue to practice that with our children," said Lucy Bell.

"We started the tradition with my nieces and daughter to pull the wishbone. It's

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## Cole Camp Council Studies Impact Of Increased Water & Sewer Rates

By  
**Dianne Peck**  
County  
Reporter

Cole Camp's City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, November 21 with a full council present. Following the routine approval of minutes, bills and financials, Public Works Director Heath Roark presented the council with three rough quotes for the construction of a storage building for his department. It was decided to pursue this further when the council begins holding budget meetings for the various departments.

LAGERS was tabled until a representative is on hand to explain the details of the program.

The council held a first and second reading by title only of Bill No. 2024-13 to extend the current street tax which will be on the April 2025 ballot. This will extend the tax at the current rate. It passed to become Ordinance 569.

Updates on grants: Nothing new or changed on Butterfield Park equipment, the cultural study is back but nothing more. It is believed construction is to begin on the North Maple Street sidewalks in April or May 2025, with assurances they will be completed by the Cole Camp Fair in September.

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## Small Businesses Get Boost With Benton County Bucks

By  
**Judy Kramer**  
County  
Reporter

According to www.sba.gov Small Business Saturday was founded by American Express in 2010 and officially cosponsored by U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) since 2011. It is an important part of small businesses' busiest shopping season, taking place each year on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This year Jo Ann Lane, Benton County's Economic Development Director, is giving county shoppers a bonus for choosing to shop at local on November 30 by offering families a \$10 voucher to be used at participating businesses. The program is called Benton County Bucks.



**KICKSTARTING** the Christmas shopping season, Benton County Economic Development Director Jo Ann Lane initiated the Benton County Bucks program that gives consumers \$10.00 to spend at participating merchants.

"I have been wanting to do something for Small Business Saturday," said Lane. "Black Friday focuses on big shops, and this is a way to focus on small businesses. We have unique small businesses

in our county and these \$10 vouchers are to encourage local shopping. We also focus on small businesses other times of the year by holding Boutique Crawl events in the spring and

fall."

Several small businesses were contacted to get their take on Benton County Bucks. Judy Smasal, owner of Handel Haus in Cole

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## BCE TV Gets Big Honor For Wildcats Football Broadcasts



**A TIP OF THE HELMET** came to BCE TV during Wednesday's R-IX School Board meeting when Drew Burdick, Matt Dove and James White were presented with the Wildcat Pride Award by Assistant Superintendent Shannon Deckard and Superintendent Scott Gemes for broadcasting Wildcats football.

BCE TV has been selected as the Wildcat Pride Award winner for November 2024. This award is given to an individual and/or group that has shown dedication to the Warsaw R-IX School District through involvement in activities, contributions

to the programs and positive impact made towards students and staff. Everyone at BCE TV has taken great pride in the Warsaw R-IX School District and also the Warsaw community.

"We are honored to even be considered for the

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**December 2-7, 2024**

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**The Charming Market Marks Grand Opening With Ribbon Cutting**

IN CELEBRATION OF their grand opening, The Charming Market recently hosted a ribbon cutting at their new location at 233 West Main Street in downtown Warsaw with member of the Warsaw Area Chamber of Commerce, Benton County Economic Development and others. Those in attendance included, front row (L to R): Jo Ann Lane, Benton County Economic Development Director; Alexis Smith, Country Charm; Emily Felix, In Mind, Body & Soul; Natalie Corroo, Corroo & Co.; Bella Morrison, The Charming Market; Autumn Newman, Chapters Bookstore; Jennifer Flores, The Charming Market; Tina Lomax; Michala Bilderback, Warsaw Chamber of Commerce Board Vice-President; Megan Petersen, Warsaw Chamber of Commerce Executive Administrator; Eryn Kellner, Warsaw Chamber of Commerce Board; Dustin Gemes, Warsaw Chamber of Commerce Board; and back row: Brian Templeton, The Fix; Susan Templeton, The Fix.

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## Community Calendar

**DECEMBER 3, 2024:** Benton County Youth Coalition will meet on December 3, 2024, at the Methodist Church in Warsaw at 6:30 PM. Come and share your ideas and visions for the youth in Benton County.

**DECEMBER 4, 2024:** You are invited to a Farm Tax Workshop Presented by the MU Extension Office. An Ag Business Specialist will cover : Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, Retirement and Social Security Planning, Conservation Tax Issues and more! Join us for the free workshop at the Cole Camp Boonslick Library on Wednesday, December 4 at 1:30 PM.

**DECEMBER 7, 2024:** Trinity Pymont Lutheran Church will host Ole Tyme Christmas in the Country on Saturday, December 7, beginning at 6:45 PM with singing of Christmas carols. The program begins at 7:00 PM. There will be congregational singing interspersed with some dialogue and guest vocal and instrumental selections, followed by refreshments. The Freewill Offering will be divided between The Stover Food Collective and The Cole Camp Food Pantry. The church is located at 2831 Pymont Road, north of Stover.

**DECEMBER 10, 2024:** Benton County Retired Teachers and Support Staff will have a breakfast meeting on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 8:30 AM, at the Warsaw Senior Center. All Retired education personnel are encouraged to attend. For further information, please call (660) 438-5978.

**DECEMBER 11, 2024:** The Benton County Economic Development Committee will meet Wednesday, December 11, 4:15 PM, at Lost Valley Fish Hatchery near Warsaw. There will be NO November meeting. The public is invited to attend. For more information, please contact Amie Breshears at (660) 438-5012 or abreshears@missouri.edu.

**DECEMBER 14, 2024:** Join Cole Camp Boonslick staff and friends for our annual Cookies with the Clause's! We will have a special story time with a visit from Santa. There will be stories, games, crafts treats and fun for all on Saturday, December 14 at 11:00 AM, Boonslick Regional Library Cole Camp Branch, Ages 2+, Free Event, Don't miss this fun family Holiday event! Call (660) 827-7323 ext 2 for details.

## 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.

**Ozark Foodie**

By Lonnie Candara Taylor

In my early catering days, so many decades ago, my

sobriquet among my foodie friends was "the queen of cream cheese". And why not? Having a couple of blocks of cream cheese in the fridge is insurance. Dozens of recipes abound which feature it and this is one of my favorites. No exact recipe, just use softened cream cheese. Chop up some green olives with pimentos, mix, add a splash of Worcestershire and you are done. The amounts are up to you, I usually use about 1/3 to 1/2 cup olives to each block. Getting fancier, you can add pecans, minced onion and so on. Spreading pepper jelly on top of a block is an instant entertaining help. Pour some soy sauce in a shallow pan, add a block of cream cheese turning it over to stain the block, then roll in toasted sesame seeds. Easy enough. Roll ups are always popular. This one was a favorite. Mix together 3/4 cup spreadable cream cheese and 1/2 cup crumbled cheese of choice. Pat dry 12 slices lean deli pastrami and 12 dill pickle spears. Spread about 1 tablespoon cheese mixture over each pastrami slice; top with a pickle spear. Roll up tightly. Cut each roll into 4 slices.

## Mahomes Jersey Raffle Raises Big Bucks For Playground Expansion

The winning ticket for the Patrick Mahomes Autographed Jersey was drawn Sunday at the Warsaw Leathernecks Marine Corps League and the name on the ticket was Retired Marine Jeff Cloud who recently moved to the area. "I never win anything, but I'm going to hang this on my wall," replied Cloud when he hoisted up the jersey. The raffle sponsored by the Warsaw Leathernecks raised \$7,534 for the Playground Expansion at Drake Harbor which plans to triple the

size of the rubberized play area, add more playground equipment, benches, shade structures and a flushing restroom plaza. This was the biggest FUNdraiser for the Playground to date bringing the total raised to \$98,094. It took the efforts of several volunteers: Raffle Director Toby Bolender, Ivan Godsey, Paul and Janet Wyrick, Patty Howell, Susan Kelb and the Lincoln VFW, the Elks Club, Randy Pogue, Kathy King, Jessi Kendall, and Don and Bonnie Wall.

The next FUNdraiser for the Playground is a brand new, handmade Grinch Christmas Quilt that was donated to the cause. It is twin sized so perfect for a bed, couch throw, or as a wall hanging. Look for it on Facebook Marketplace. First buyer gets it.

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(Continued from Page 1) been very entertaining over the years to watch them. Try to pull it and fight over it and get mad over who got the biggest piece. And it still continues to this day and they are teenagers and adults," said Versailles resident Leslie Nelson Bradley.

"I was working as an EMT at Pettis County Ambulance and I had to work on Thanksgiving Day," said Vicky Redwing. "So we had our meal at the station all planned out on what we were fixing and I in advance before shift, made a BEAUTIFUL pumpkin pie, and you know my family takes pride in what we make lol, but this pie was absolutely beautiful with cut out leaves arranged so pretty on this beautiful crust I made from a family pie crust recipe and when I took it to the station for everyone to enjoy, the crew stated how good it looked and when one of them cut into it to eat made an awful face and started spitting it out, I thought they were just trying to tease me about it, saying it tasted awful. They were always teasing me about stuff. But I went and cut myself a slice to make sure it was good and it was AWFUL, I had forgotten to add the sugar to it. I was so embarrassed and was so disappointed because it was so beautiful to look at," said Redwing.

Every family seems to have their own special traditions.

"Growing up, Thanksgiving was and still is my favorite holiday! Every year we'd go to my grandparents' house to watch the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade while eating shrimp cocktail, cheese and crackers and other goodies while my grandma fixed our meal. My grandma always set out her red chinaware, and my sister and I would set the table specifically choosing grown up," said Warsaw North School teacher Ally Richardson.

Of course, there is sometimes the Thanksgiving visit to the ER.

"The year I was in kindergarten, we learned a little dance in class just before Thanksgiving," said Dusty Mills. "I wanted to show this dance to everyone at the dinner and, of course, I needed a stage on which to perform. I looked around until I found an old wooden footstool, drug it out to the living room, and began my little performance. Unbeknownst to me, it was broken and just as my mom realized what I was doing and told me to get down, I fell off the edge of the footstool as it tipped on the broken edge. The footstool flipped up and as it and I landed into a little pile - it hit my elbow just so, breaking my entire elbow cap and I spent the next several weeks in a cast. I keep Thanksgiving pretty low-key these days; no dancing and definitely no footstool stages," said Mills.

"Most of our Thanksgivings are fairly humdrum, and that's not a bad thing, just plenty of family, great food, and lots of fun!" said MU Extension specialist Amie Breshears. "One of the most memorable happened 18 years ago. Benton had to go to children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City

hours after he was born and he stayed there for 2 1/2 weeks. Thanksgiving fell during the time that we were up there and we didn't want to be far away from him on Thanksgiving Day. It was only two hours from there to home, but it was still too far. One of my college roommates and her husband lived in Kansas City; they invited us over to celebrate Thanksgiving with their family. It was so kind of them, and it really was a great day, especially as I look back on it now. I'm so thankful that Benton is healthy and grateful for the good care he got there when he needed it most. Every Thanksgiving that we are all together is extra special now," said Breshears.

Not everyone loves to cook, but most try to make the perfect meal.

The holidays can be difficult for people as it is a time to remember who won't be around the table for that special family time.

"Now that I have lost my dad and both grandpas and a grandma, all my special memories are ones spent with them. Our lives go so fast making new memories each year but Thanksgiving always reminds me of my childhood with my family," said Kenzi Culton Wilson.

"2011 is the Thanksgiving that sticks with me forever. It's the last one I had with my mom. The traditions she had were my favorite. Turkey, greasy noodles, and her homemade chocolate pie were the best! Then after dinner we set up her Christmas Tree and watched White Christmas. Three weeks later she was diagnosed with brain cancer and our lives were forever changed. Holidays just aren't the same," said Kelly Drake.

Of course, every Thanksgiving is a time to reflect and enjoy the company of loved ones.

My own memories include the one when I read about a new way to cook turkey and make it extra juicy. So, I rubbed butter and various herbs all over the big bird and attempted to put it in a brown paper bag. It was late at night and I was tired but as I struggled with the wet bird it slipped out of my hands and slid down the kitchen table and landed on the floor. I was the only one up at 3 am so I picked up the 20-pound turkey, washed it off in the sink, buttered it up again and stuck it in that brown paper bag. I put it in the oven and went to bed. About an hour later the fire alarm went off. The paper

bag was on fire. I ran in the kitchen, took the flaming bird out and threw it in the sink. After I extinguished the flame. I put it in another pan and returned it to the oven. Coach never even woke up! The next day all the family raved about the delicious turkey and wanted my recipe. I told them it was a secret.

Wishing everyone a special Thanksgiving time wherever and however the celebration is carried out.

## BUCKS

(Continued from Page 1) Camp, said that the Benton County Bucks event is a fantastic idea, and she appreciates the support of the county for small business. She said Handel Hause will have a sale that day of 20 percent off all Christmas purchases. She said that there will be a great deal of apparel and decorations for sale.

A representative of Sportsman Outfitters in Warsaw said Benton County Bucks is something new and they are trying it out. She said that this time of year shoppers are probably looking for ammo and fishing supplies. She said the store will have a lot of items for stocking stuffers.

The Lincoln Antique Mall in Lincoln is very optimistic and excited about Small Business Saturday and a representative of the mall said that the more information there is about the Benton County Bucks, the more customers that might come in.

There are rules associated with participation in this promotion. Vouchers must be picked up at either Citizens-Farmers Bank (Main Location) in Cole Camp, Lincoln City Hall, or the Warsaw Community building. Pick-up time starts at 10 A.M. on November 30 and vouchers are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Each Benton County Buck is worth \$10 and customers must spend at least \$10 with no cash back allowed. One Benton County Buck is allowed per family, and one per purchase.

Small businesses benefit not only from the possibility of many customers on Saturday, but when they turn in their vouchers that were spent in their stores, they will be reimbursed \$10 for each "buck."

The following business are accepting Benton County Bucks on November 30: Palo Pinto Ranch Store, Dandy's Place, and Lincoln Antique Mall in Lincoln; Handel Haus, Mid Mo Trends, The Hotel Bel-

ville, and Missouri Made Shop & Comfort Café in Cole Camp; Creative Pallet, Warsaw Antique Mall, Country Charm, Main Event Wedding Boutique and Event Rental, LOZ Outfitters, The Velvet Studio, The Charming Market, Sportsman Outfitters, and Opps! I Arted Gallery & Boutique in Warsaw.

## BCE TV

(Continued from Page 1) Wildcat Pride Award, but are humbly grateful," said Benton County Enterprise Publisher James White, who also owns rights to BCE TV. "Matt, Drew, Adam and their crew do a great job for us! We are proud to have them take so much pride in the job that they do and happy to be part of the Wildcats family."

BCE TV is a huge supporter of the Warsaw Community and Warsaw Wildcats! The entity has provided great live coverage for athletics and other select programs within the Warsaw R-IX school district. BCE TV has provided outstanding coverage for nearly every Friday night football game for the Wildcats since 2013, as well as the annual Warsaw Invitational Basketball Tournament, and hosts The Coach's Show, a weekly segment with Wildcats head coach Ryan Boyer throughout the season. BCE TV also does a great job of promoting all school events via their many means, including broadcasts, social media, newspaper and more. BCE TV also provides the school district opportunities throughout the year for administrators and staff to be interviewed and promote different aspects of the school district.

"We are excited to have them as a supporter and look forward to building on the already strong relationship that we have already established," said Warsaw R-IX Superintendent Scott Gemes.

## COLE CAMP

(Continued from Page 1) the 2023 audit back. It is a clear, clean audit. Some minor issues were addressed but nothing different than

from before.

There was a first and second reading by title only of Bill No. 2024-12 for zoning changes for James and Nancy Theisen property. It was changed from R-1 to A-1 and became Ordinance 568. The property is on Cash Lane behind Oak Street.

Bill No. 2024-14 had a first and second reading by title only to become Ordinance 570 and establishes the city hall office will no longer be open on Saturday mornings.

The council is studying what the rate increase will be on the water and sewer. It has been twelve years since it has been adjusted. It is strongly suggested by state agencies they be adjusted every six years.

Planning and Zoning will hold meetings on November 26 and again in December. They are considering a complete overhaul of the ordinances

Dave Locke brought the subject of the Comprehensive Steering Committee to the floor. City attorney, Nathan Nicholas stated, "This is the Planning side of Planning and Zoning. It will show how Cole Camp should look sometime in the future. It includes infrastructure of sidewalks

and streets." He concluded, "State statues say we need a Comprehensive Steering Committee."

Public Works Heath Roark said the City Hall window project is completed. Councilman Locke asked, "When are you finally finishing the Spring Street sidewalks?" Heath responded, "Hopefully next week. I've been called off to prepare for Christbaumfest."

The Police Chief "The temporary Stop signs have been blowing over at North Maple and Junge Street. They have been removed for safety's sake."

The City Clerk announced the city's Christmas dinner will be on December 2. Dawn reported she had looked up about the library fund. The library fund is in the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and the money can be paid out for roof repairs. The funds are designated for the library. City Clerk, Dawn and Linda Allcorn with Boonslick Library would need to sign off on it.

For upcoming meetings, check on the city's website or postings on front of City Hall.

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## 'Cats, Cards, 'Birds Named To Central MO Media All-District Teams



**WILDCATS FOOTBALL** players and coach were recently named to 2024 Central MO Media All-District football squads as voted on by members of the media. Those from Warsaw finding their names on teams include, front row (L to R): Sean Reinertsen, Jase Hubert, Garrett Ferguson, Shane Poyser, Trent Downing, and back row: Urijah Phillips, Logan Gemes, Kendall Bagley, Josh Harvath, Head Coach Ryan Boyer, Jayce Depriest and Drake Murrell.



By  
**Johnie Logue**  
Sports  
Reporter

Last Wednesday, I was able to travel with BCE Editor-In-Chief Adam Howe to Jefferson City to the annual meeting to nominate and fight for recognition for local athletes to be named to 2024 Central MO Media All-District football teams.

We met with many other sportswriters from central Missouri, most of which we have only chatted with through email, to nominate and vote for the very best high school football players in central Missouri.

Other than having to navigate our way through downtown Jefferson City in the dark, where good parking is at a premium, the trip went very well.

This, our very first meeting, proved to be very profitable in gaining recognition for our three Benton County

schools. In past years, we have only been able to nominate players through text messages and then sit back and hope for the best.

This time around, we voiced our opinions firsthand and in front of fellow colleagues. We displayed statistics and demonstrated a general knowledge of each player. The committee was very happy we came as they knew little of the Warsaw, Cole Camp and Lincoln football teams this season. Howe was very much at home and in this element and represented the Warsaw football program very well.

I wanted to write this article to enlighten our readers to the extra effort behind the scenes in honoring the achievements of our local football programs. It is our honor and privilege to serve you with the best sports coverage available and we look forward to more meetings in the future to represent area athletes.



**VOICING HIS OPINION**, the BCE's Adam Howe looks over nominees with fellow sportswriters for Central MO Media All-District teams in Jefferson City last Wednesday.

Without further adieu, we introduce Central MO Media All-District football teams for Class 1 and 2 . . .

**Class 1** (includes: Cole Camp, Fayette, Harrisburg, Lincoln, Linn, Russellville, Salisbury, Tipton, Westran and Windsor)

**1st Team Offense**  
*Quarterback:* Dane Schlotzhauer, Jr, Tipton  
*All-Purpose:* Trace Combs, Sr, Harrisburg  
*Running Back:* Lucas Cashman, Sr, Tipton;

Rowan Cox, So, Windsor; Carter Vroman, Jr, Fayette  
*Wide Receiver/Tight End:* Gavin Binder, Jr, Salisbury; Will Cashman, Jr, Tipton; Marshall Kitchen, Sr, Westran; **Chase Young, Sr, Lincoln**

*Offensive Line:* Isaac Bearden, Jr, Salisbury; **Matthew Cook, Sr, Lincoln;** Sam Duke, Jr, Tipton; Connor Haynes, Sr, Westran; Bender Wardrip, Jr, Harrisburg; Hayden Wilson, Sr, Windsor

*Kicker:* Cooper Doss, So, Tipton  
**1st Team Defense**  
*Defensive Line:* Jonathan Darwent, Jr, Harrisburg; Marshall Kitchen, Sr, Westran; Tyler Rivera, Jr, Tipton; Daunte White, Sr, Salisbury

*Linebacker:* Alex Bauer, Sr, Windsor; Isaac Bearden, Jr, Salisbury; Lucas Cashman, Sr, Tipton; Korbin Perry, Sr, Westran; Rylee Robinson, Jr, Harrisburg; Carter Vroman, Jr, Fayette

*Defensive Back:* Gavin Binder, Jr, Salisbury; Will Cashman, Jr, Tipton; Trace Combs, Sr, Harrisburg; Bryce Ott, Sr, Harrisburg; **Chase Young, Sr, Lincoln**  
*Punter:* Maddox Plate, So, Russellville

**2nd Team Offense**  
*Quarterback:* Gage Adler, 5-Jr, Westran; **Riley Sanders, Jr, Lincoln**

*All-Purpose:* **Grant Rodriguez, Jr, Cole Camp;** Patrick White, Jr, Salisbury  
*Running Back:* Paxton Pyle, So, Tipton; Caleb Sager, Jr, Harrisburg; Brayden White, Jr, Salisbury

*Wide Receiver/Tight End:* Ty Bixler, So, Tipton; Bryce Ott, Sr, Harrisburg; **Dawson Parrott, Jr, Lincoln;** Rylee Robinson, Jr, Harrisburg

*Offensive Line:* Jonathan Darwent, Jr, Harrisburg; Jason Greer, Jr, Linn; Canaan Plate, Jr, Russellville; Nick Wolf, Jr, Tipton; Jacob Wood, Sr, Fayette  
*Kicker:* Maddox Plate, So, Russellville

### 2nd Team Defense

*Defensive Line:* Ben Bestgen, Jr, Tipton; Jake Bish, Jr, Linn; Connor Haynes, Sr, Westran; Jacob Wood, Sr, Fayette

*Linebacker:* Joe Brandt, Jr, Linn; Brady Dicus, Jr, Tipton; **Ben Eckhoff, Jr, Lincoln;** Corbin Johnson, So, Russellville; Victor Shouse, Jr, Harrisburg; Levi Williams, Sr, Windsor

*Defensive Back:* Kaleb Friebe, Sr, Fayette; Sam Harlan, Sr, Westran; Jerrick Millington, Sr, Windsor; **Dawson Parrott, Jr, Lincoln;** Gus Peters, Jr, Linn

*Punter:* **Riley Sanders, Jr, Lincoln**  
**Coach of the Year**  
Bill Duke, Tipton

**Class 2** (includes: Centralia, Father Tolton Catholic, Hermann, North Callaway, South Callaway, Warsaw)

**1st Team Offense**  
*Quarterback:* Dominic Abadi, Jr, Father Tolton

*All-Purpose:* Graden Pontius, Jr, South Callaway  
*Running Back:* **Jayce Depriest, Sr, Warsaw;** Jaiden Galbreath, So, North Callaway; **Joshua Harvath, Jr, Warsaw**

*Wide Receiver/Tight End:* Daeden Hopkins, Sr, Hermann; Nolan Mercier, Sr, Hermann; **Drake Murrell, Sr, Warsaw;** Sam Ryan, Sr, Father Tolton

*Offensive Line:* **Kendall Bagley, Sr, Warsaw;** Tilmon Sontheimer, Jr, Centralia; Mac Thornburg, Sr, Father Tolton; David Sapp, Sr, North Callaway; Owen Palladino, Sr, Hermann

*Kicker:* **Logan Gemes, Sr, Warsaw**

**1st Team Defense**  
*Defensive Line:* **Kendall Bagley, Sr, Warsaw;** Daeden Hopkins, Sr, Hermann; Ian Tuggle, Sr, Centralia; Kegin Sperry, Jr, Hermann

*Linebacker:* Will Breitweiser, Jr, Father Tolton; **Drake Murrell, Sr, Warsaw;** Graden Pontius, Jr, South Callaway

*Defensive Back:* Kolton Adrian, Jr, South Callaway; Nolan Mercier, Sr, Hermann; Collin Moore, So, North Callaway; **Shane Poyser, Sr, Warsaw;** Luke Waltemate, Jr, Centralia

*Punter:* Daeden Hopkins, Sr, Hermann

**2nd Team Offense**  
*Quarterback:* **Garrett Ferguson, Sr, Warsaw**

*All-Purpose:* Henry Allebach, Sr, Hermann  
*Running Back:* Kolton Adrian, Jr, South Callaway; Caden Humphrey, Jr, Hermann; Ethan Ross, So, Centralia

*Wide Receiver/Tight End:* Aiden Eikermann,

Jr, Hermann; Anthony Ford, Jr, Centralia; Lucas Wietholder, Sr, Father Tolton

*Offensive Line:* **Trent Downing, Sr, Warsaw;** Carter Epple, Sr, Hermann; Alex Kraft, Sr, South Callaway; **Urijah Phillips, Jr, Warsaw;** Khale McFadden, Sr, Hermann

**2nd Team Defense**  
*Defensive Line:* Jameson Cooper, Sr, Centralia; Jaiden Galbreath, So, North Callaway; **Trent Downing, Sr, Warsaw;** Alex Kraft, Sr, South Callaway

*Linebacker:* Caden Bohnert, Jr, South Callaway; **Jayce Depriest, Sr, Warsaw;** **Joshua Harvath, Jr, Warsaw;** Chase Romig, Sr, Hermann

*Defensive Back:* Colten Crocker, Sr, South Callaway; **Jase Hubert, Jr, Warsaw;** **Sean Reinertsen, Jr, Warsaw;** Brody Schales, Sr, Hermann

*Punter:* Gunnar Wenneker, So, North Callaway  
**Coach of the Year**  
**Ryan Boyer, Warsaw**

**Ladycats Take Season Opener With Big Win Over Hermitage**

By  
Adam Howe, Sports

In their first game of the season on Friday, Warsaw got off to a little bit of a slow start, falling behind 8-6 at the end of the opening period, but then used a 28-1 run in the second quarter to close out the first half and take a comfortable 34-9 lead at halftime.

A 24-6 advantage stretched the Ladycats lead to 58-15 after three quarters before cruising to a 63-17 final over the visiting Hermitage Lady Hornets.

Tanna Howe paced Warsaw with 21 points while Keira Mostaffa was also in double figures with 13.

The Ladycats will be off throughout Thanksgiving week. Their next contest will be in the 37th Annual Warsaw Invitational Basketball Tournament next week, December 2-7 (see brackets on page 5).

**WARSAW (63):** K. Mostaffa, 13; B. Schwartz, 0; M. Slavens, 2; B. Henderson, 0; M. Reimund, 4; T. Howe, 21; S. Miller, 7; J. Bilderback, 8; H. Velker, 0; A. Yoder, 0; J. Gerken, 8.

**HERMITAGE (17):** T. Hohmann, 0; M. Crawford, 3; G. Antle, 0; L. Sawyer, 3; C. Heiser, 0; K. Hannah, 0; M. Antle, 8; M. Kobe, 3; E. Gonzalez, 0; C. Clemmer, 0.

**JBMS Wrestling Season Setting The Tone Early With Wins At Holden, Knob**

By  
Adam Howe, Sports

JBMS wrestlers have found early success with matches at Holden and Knob Noster this past week. Below is how each wrestler fared at each event:

**Holden**  
November 19, 2024  
Total Wins - 27  
Total Losses - 19

**Boys**  
Easton Bagley 4-0  
Caden Casteel 4-0  
Chase Osburn 3-0  
Avery McAdams 2-0  
Joey Deckard 2-1  
Johnny Webb 2-1  
Richard Seever 1-0  
Logan Casteel 1-2  
Joseph Remper 1-2  
Zain Bohanon 1-2  
Carson Kirk 1-2  
Julian Henriquez 0-2

**Girls**  
Faith Hartley 2-0  
Chloe Yoder 2-1  
Hannah Cobb 1-1  
Brittany Sandstrom 0-2  
Hailey Terry 0-3

\* \* \*  
**Knob Noster**  
November 25, 2024  
Wins - 29  
Losses - 9

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## Ladycats Brewster Opts For Home, Inks Dotted Line To Continue Career At Missouri State



THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME, and Warsaw's Brylee Brewster won't be far from it as she signed her Letter Of Intent (LOI) last week to further her education and continue her softball career at Missouri State University. Amongst teammates, coaches, friends and additional family, Brewster was joined at her signing by parents, Brandon and Megan, and brothers, Brecken and Maddox.

**JBMS**  
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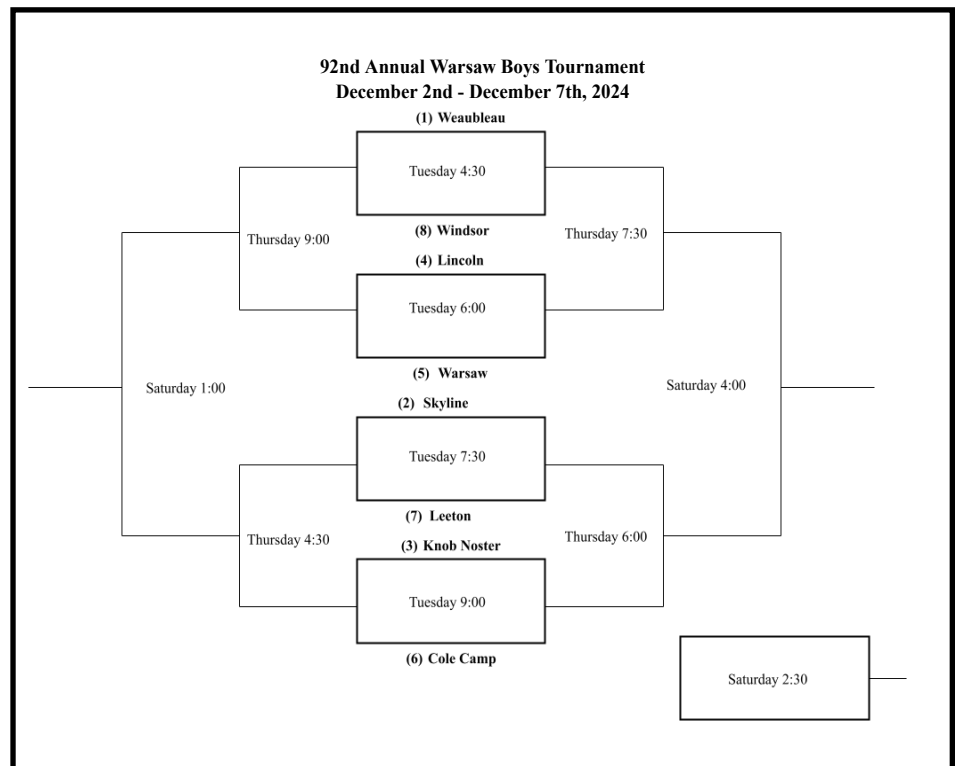
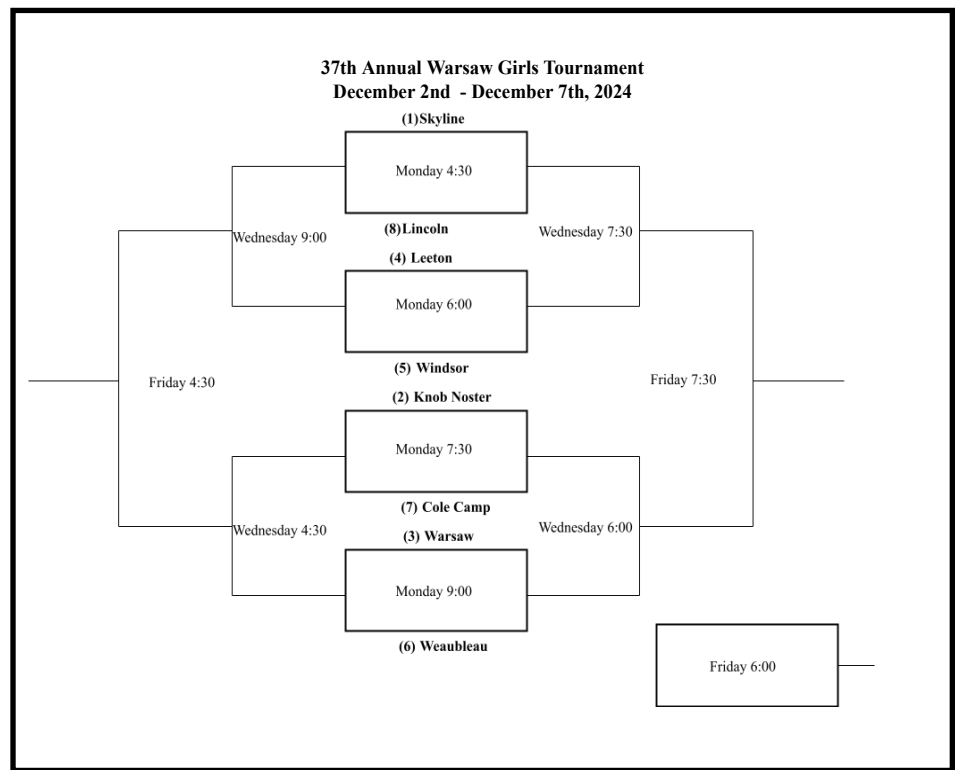
- Girls**  
 Hanna Cobb 2-0  
 Faith Hartley 2-0  
 Chloe Yoder 2-0  
 Hailey Terry 1-1  
 Brittany Sandstrom 0-2
- Boys**  
 Richard Seevers 3-0  
 Easton Bagley 2-0  
 Julian Henriquez 2-0  
 Zain Bohanon 2-0  
 Enrique Guevera 2-0  
 Joseph Rempfer 2-0  
 Bradhan Decker 2-0  
 Everett England 2-0  
 Avery McAdams 1-1  
 Joey Deckard 1-1  
 Carson Kirk 1-1  
 Chanse Osburn 1-1  
 Johnny Webb 1-2  
 Ryan Wolfe 0-1

## Strader Set To Help Lead Lincoln Boys On Hardwood



A STAR IS BORN, after numerous injuries and surgeries, Anthony (Bug) Srader demonstrated last Friday during the scrimmage at Lincoln what he is capable of on the court.

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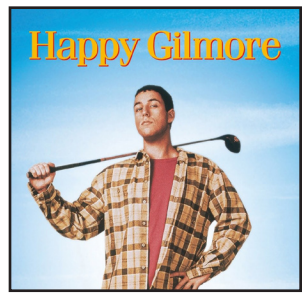
## MEET The People Of BENTON COUNTY



**NAME:** Brandon Mantonya  
**BIRTHPLACE:** Sedalia  
**YEARS IN BENTON COUNTY:** 24 years  
**FAMILY:** Parents, Michael Mantonya & Christina Rogers; Siblings, Mya, Alexis & Zach  
**THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN BENTON COUNTY IS:** The year-around hunting and fishing.  
**WHAT I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP:** A welder  
**FIRST JOB:** Working at the HVAC shop with my dad  
**OCCUPATION:** Construction  
**FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY:** Not stressing over bills  
**THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN:** Around 19; I didn't have a worry in the world.  
**MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT:** My dad took me to Hooters for my 14th birthday. They sang Happy Birthday

to me and I've never been so red in my life!  
**WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS:** Loyalty  
**YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS:** Losing my mom.  
**I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO:** Change what I do for a living.  
**I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO:** There's not much that I can't do.  
**IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD:** You'd definitely see a new Lamborghini around Warsaw!  
**MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE TO:** The Florida Keys.  
**HOBBIES:** Golfing, and throwing my leg over a dirtbike any chance I get.  
**FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICIAN:** Morgan Wallen or Riley Green, for sure.  
**FAVORITE MOVIE:** *Happy Gilmore*  
**FAVORITE DRINK:** I'd have to say that Red Bull takes the cake!  
**FAVORITE SNACK:** I love all snacks. I can't be too picky.

**FAVORITE CANDY:** Nerds Gummy Clusters  
**FUTURE GOAL:** To save more money and to just be the best person I can for my family and friends.  
**WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST:** My mother; that woman's definitely my role model.  
**ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF:** Don't worry about the little things and don't rush growing up; and **SAVE YOUR MONEY!**  
**WORDS TO LIVE BY:** Take it one day at a time. Laugh as much as you can. Life's short and we don't have time to take one breath for granted.



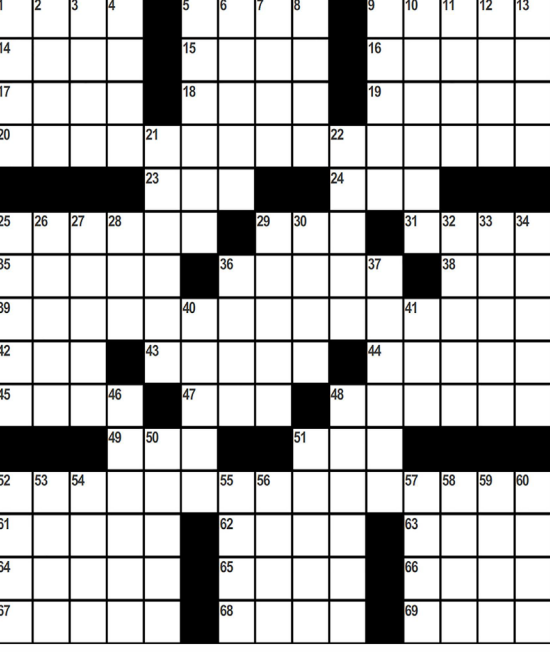
### ACROSS

- 1) Having packed on the years
- 5) Fair share, often
- 9) Agenda entries
- 14) Was a passenger
- 15) Abbr. at the end of lists, sometimes
- 16) Kathmandu's locale
- 17) Blue hue
- 18) Opera solo
- 19) Egypt's capital
- 20) Painful thing to pull
- 23) Olympic powerhouse
- 24) "\_\_\_ you sure?"
- 25) Crooked
- 29) Joke
- 31) Hardware for a bulletin board
- 35) Disdain
- 36) Part of a TV feed
- 38) Couple thousand pounds
- 39) Sandwich feature, often
- 42) Nightfall, poetically
- 43) Fertile type of soil
- 44) About to go off
- 45) Branch headquarters?
- 47) Functioned as
- 48) Everyday or usual
- 49) Bitterly regret
- 51) Darjeeling, for one
- 52) Company picnic event
- 61) It's what's happening now
- 62) Artist Chagall
- 63) False god
- 64) Flower girl, often
- 65) About
- 66) Dice dots
- 67) Certain venomous snake
- 68) Put on weight
- 69) Eyelid affliction

### DOWN

- 1) Flatfoot's lack
- 2) "Duchess of Alba" painter
- 3) Dutch dairy product
- 4) Shelters for some animals
- 5) The real Citizen Kane
- 6) Skylit lobbies
- 7) "Lie" form
- 8) It represents a country
- 9) Bring upon oneself
- 10) Child's dishes
- 11) Cast-of-thousands film
- 12) Loose, crumbly deposit
- 13) \_\_\_ gin fizz
- 21) Kind of vision
- 22) David Blaine's art
- 25) Colorado resort
- 26) Debris of fallen rocks
- 27) Nutty birds?
- 28) Circle section
- 29) Take a wild stab
- 30) Does a bit of math
- 32) Mr. T's TV unit
- 33) \_\_\_ del Sol
- 34) Prepare to propose
- 36) Between ports
- 37) Cleveland native
- 40) Scattered, as seed
- 41) "To \_\_\_ is human ..."
- 46) Hypnotic state
- 48) Converted liberal, informally
- 50) Anesthetized
- 51) They show off abs of stone
- 52) Volcano in Sicily
- 53) Electrical power network
- 54) Turned right, on a horse
- 55) Bad air
- 56) "Legal" prefix
- 57) Tears violently
- 58) Mine entrance
- 59) Cheat, in a way
- 60) "... or \_\_\_!"

### SANDWICHED



**Lodge #2783**  
 By Betty Mewszel  
 Contributing Reporter

Our lodge is non-smoking. Stop by and enjoy our activities.  
 "Dining at the Lodge":  
 December 5, Lasagna w/ breadsticks, \$8, Meatball subs with chips, \$7, Noon-2:30 PM  
 December 6, Italian Buffet, \$12, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM  
 December 12, Burgers, Chili Dogs, Burgers \$7, Chili Dogs w/Fries, \$7, Noon-2:30 PM  
 December 13, Burgers, Chili Dogs, Burgers \$7, Chili Dogs w/Fries \$7, Onion Rings, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM  
 December 19, Tacos \$2 each, Noon-2:30 PM  
 December 20, Taco Bar, \$10, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM  
 Members enjoy playing Shuffleboard on Tuesdays at 2:00 PM and Darts at 6:00

PM on Wednesdays in a non-smoking building. Shuffleboard winners for November 19:  
 1st place: Shirley/Dennis  
 2nd place: Sherry/Deb  
 Darts winners for November 20:  
 1st place: Jerry  
 2nd place: John  
 Stop by the lodge to play shuffleboard or darts. Newcomers are always welcome! On Thursdays, The Lodge Boys play and the kitchen will be serving food.  
 The lodge has adopted 10 families this year with 30 children for Christmas. Committees are being formed for shopping, wrapping, etc. Want to help? Contact Kathy at the lodge. Paper products are welcome and needed for our Christmas baskets for the families.  
 Benton County Elks Lodge #2783 Crawl will be held on January 25, 2025. The crawl will leave our parking lot at 9:00 AM in a 56-passenger deluxe coach driven by a Village Travel driver. We will first go to the Springfield lodge, then the Bolivar lodge and the final stop will be the Stockton lodge. We will return to our lodge by 9:00

pm. This crawl is for Elks members, their spouses or significant others. The expected cost will be \$40 per person. The crawl will be a great time with fellow Elks with a chance to meet members of other lodges. Mark your calendar for this event; a sign-up sheet is at the lodge. John Way requests to have all monies collected by December 31, 2024.  
**GOLFERS SAVE THE DATE** of May 17, 2025. The Veterans committee is in the process of planning a fundraiser for next year. The Elks will be hosting a 4-person scramble to be held at Shawnee Bend Golf Course. Volunteers for preparation and activities during the scramble are still welcome and needed. Please contact Pattie at (660) 221-4230 to volunteer or for information.  
 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.  
 Holidays are approaching. Need a venue for a party? Contact our lodge at (660) 438-9498 for information regarding renting our non-smoking meeting room and large covered patio that works well for private parties.

### Spooky Sportsters Raise Over \$7,000 For Benton County Christmas 4 Kids



Golfers in costume entered the 3rd Annual Twilight Zone Golf Tournament on Oct. 13 to raise money for Benton County Christmas 4 Kids by the Warsaw Leathernecks Marine Corps League.



"Great fun!" commented several golfers as they putted through a graveyard

on one green and a pumpkin patch on another.



The winning team was Drew Bradley, Rodney Bonner, John Ward, and Rich Call.

"We thank our hole sponsors, especially our Superman Sponsors the W.A.R.M. House and the Knights of Columbus and Ladies' Auxiliary, whose generous contributions made this year's event the highest money raised ever!" said Ivan Godsey, tourney director. "And we thank the first, second and third place teams for donating their winnings back to Christmas 4 Kids, bringing the total raised to \$7,000."

Please keep dropping your change in the Christmas



4 Kids change jugs at businesses around town. They will continue to buy food and gifts for needy families up until Christmas. "The need is great this year because of higher prices," said Chanda Chiles, volunteer for Benton County Christmas 4 Kids. "We have more families this year that need a little help."



### Notice of Date for Filing for Board of Directors of the Warsaw-Lincoln Ambulance District

Notice is hereby given that eligible candidates for Board of Directors of the Warsaw Lincoln Ambulance District may file at the office of the Warsaw Lincoln Ambulance District 1206 Medic Drive in Warsaw, MO.

The first day for filing is December 10, 2024 and the last day for filing is December 31, 2024.

Office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

Candidates must reside in District 3 or District 6.

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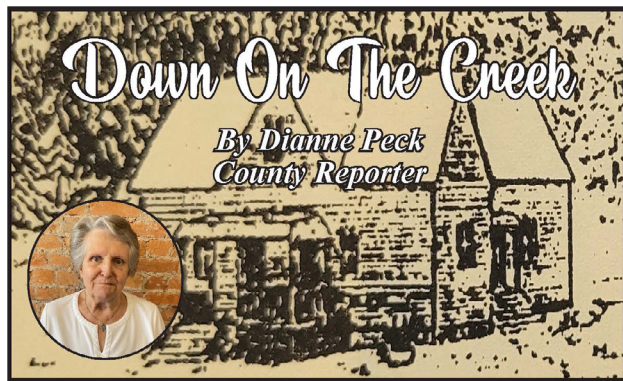
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**Down On The Creek**  
By Dianne Peck  
County Reporter

**Bees or Butterflies?**

Down here on the creek, I was taught American History in a little one-room school house. As I have aged I have discovered that so much of it was a fallacy. Discovering George Washington didn't chop down the cherry tree was a little like realizing there wasn't a Santa Claus. In the past few years I have been wised up to the real truth behind the first Thanksgiving celebrated in 1621.

In the Edmonson School the Thanksgiving myth unfolded yearly, complete with stereotyped Indians and stereotyped whites. No where in our textbooks did it tell us that Squanto had traveled to England in 1605 with an English explorer named John Weymuth. During this time he mastered the English language and returned to New England with Weymuth. Later he was captured by a British slaver who sold Squanto to the Spanish in the Carribean. A Priest befriended the Indian and assisted him in reaching Spain and then put him aboard a ship to England. Squanto located Captain Weymuth who arranged to get him back to America.

Not all the whites were as benevolent as John Weymuth. The truth of the

matter is that the Pilgrims were not innocent refugees from religious persecution. They were victims of bigotry in England but some of them were religious bigots themselves. They viewed themselves as the "Chosen Elect" mentioned in the book of Revelation.

Squanto, the Indian hero of the Thanksgiving story, had true affection for the explorer, John Weymuth and he viewed the Pilgrims as Weymuth's people. Squanto was a member of the Wampanoag Indian nation and his village was Patuxet. When he arrived back from England in 1620 he found his village deserted and there were skeletons everywhere. All his village had died from an illness the English slavers had left behind, smallpox.

One year later Squanto and a friend were hunting along the beach near his old village of Patuxet when they viewed the Pilgrims in his old home. Squanto and his friend Samoset observed the newcomers for several days before they made themselves known. They walked into the village and said "welcome", surprising the Pilgrims that they spoke English. The pair found a sickly group suffering from lack of food and adequate shelter. Squanto lived with them for the

next few months, teaching them to cultivate corn and vegetables and how to build an Indian style home. He taught them the difference between poisonous plants and which plants to harvest for medicine. He taught them to dig and cook clams and how to obtain the sap from the maple trees and many other skills required for their survival. Because there was enough food to last the winter and they had adequate shelter they decided to have a harvest feast to celebrate their good fortune. It would be reminiscent of the Thanksgiving feasts they had observed in England before coming to the New World.

Captain Miles Standish, the leader of the Pilgrims, invited Squanto, Samoset and Massasoit the leader of the Wampanoags, along with their families to join them in the feast. The Pilgrims had no idea how large Indian families could be and were overwhelmed at the large turnout of ninety people. Thanksgiving festivals were very familiar to the Indians as they held five a year to honor various gifts from the Great Spirit. They turned out in force and there would not be nearly enough food. Chief Massasoit sized up the situation and ordered some of his men to go home and bring more food. The Indians themselves furnished five deer, several wild turkey, fish, beans, squash, corn soup and cornbread, topped off with berries.

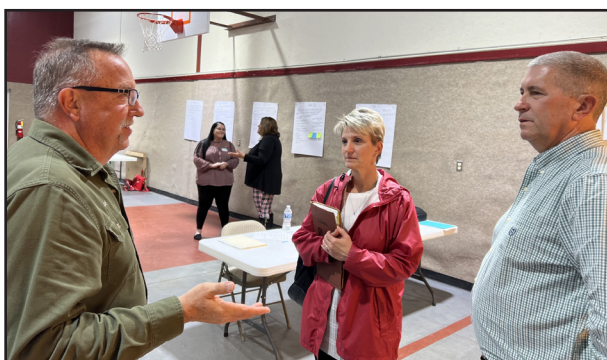
Captain Standish sat at one end of the long table and Chief Massasoit at the other end. It was the first time the Indians had ever eaten at a table and the Indian women

sat with their men to eat. The Pilgrim women stood behind their men and waited until they had finished before they themselves partook of the meal. During the three day feast an agreement was made between Standish and Massasoit, giving the Pilgrims the clearing in the forest, for the new town of Plymouth.

In an ideal world they would all have lived happily ever after but alas just two years later Elder Mather delivered a Thanksgiving sermon in which he stated: "We should give special thanks to God for the devastating plague of small pox which wiped out the majority of the Wampanoag Indians. Chiefly young men and children, the very seeds of increase." He continued on, "this has cleared the forest to make way for a better growth."

How could a people who fled to America seeking freedom and justice be so callous toward their Indian benefactors and particularly Squanto who was their very angel of survival that first year? The Pilgrims and the Indians are a parallel to the bee and the butterfly. A bee sips his honey and hums his thanks to the flowers as he leaves. The gaudy butterfly is cock sure that the flowers should be thanking him. We are preparing to celebrate Thanksgiving and now I ask, are you a bee or a butterfly?

## Local Focus Group Discusses Plans To Increase Tourism



By Dianne Peck  
County Reporter

A group of entrepreneur-minded Benton Countians gathered in Lincoln's Foster Hall on Monday, November 18 to compare ideas on how to increase tourism in Benton County, in the future. The meeting was similar in style to those conducted a few years ago when the decision was made to hire a full time Economic Development Director. That has proven to pay back many dividends in the assistance given to new growth and business in all three communities.

The attendees were gathered at different tables and asked to categorize the things we already have to draw visitors and the things we want to add for the future. Bonus already existing includes two lakes, Kaysinger Pioneer village, Boutiques, Antique Malls, Campgrounds, Spoonbill Great parks, Drake Harbor Amphitheater, Lincoln Fly-in, Axe throwing, Bowling and Cole Camp Fair to name just a few.

The group was then asked to write down who the people/organizations/stakeholders that you feel would be good ambassadors for Benton County moving forward.

Next they listed what would make a tourist want to return? Some of these were not feasible at the present time but goals for the future. The list included affordability and for the most part the County's destinations already offer that when compared to other locations.

One table was asked if they were a tourist what would make them want to visit. Listed were family friendly motels, the lakes, trails for bicycling and walking, Food, Communication available, wineries, playgrounds, the fish hatchery and the Visitors Center

What would make people return? Convention Center with hotel and meeting room. Arcades and themed restaurants. Drake Harbor, Events and festivals, Water Park, Marinas with gas docks, and placing mile markers in the channels.

This was the first of the meetings that will be ongoing in 2025. It is very important to attend and give your ideas and feedback to the group to draw up a game plan for the future. So please mark your calendars for Tuesday evening at 5 p.m. on January 14 in Foster Hall in Lincoln.



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**Chambers Learn About Benton County Bucks**  
By Dianne Peck  
County Reporter

The three Chambers group held their monthly meeting at "The Train Station" in Warsaw on Wednesday, November 20 at noon.

LINCOLN R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES COLLECTED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM MODIFIED CASH TRANSACTIONS - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Governmental Fund Types				Total Governmental Funds
	General (Incidental) Fund	Revenue (Teachers') Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	
<b>REVENUES COLLECTED:</b>					
Local	\$ 2,603,719	\$ 851,072	\$ 493,678	\$ 65,738	\$ 4,014,207
County	81,247	15,093	11,167	-	107,507
State	348,270	2,332,442	-	-	2,680,712
Federal	765,174	3,486	-	244,437	1,013,097
Total Revenues Collected	3,798,410	3,202,093	504,845	310,175	7,815,523
<b>EXPENDITURES PAID:</b>					
Regular instruction	606,862	1,401,452	-	83,842	2,092,156
Special instruction	470,307	418,515	-	-	888,822
Vocational instruction	8,401	122,300	-	-	130,701
Student activities	357,187	81,664	-	-	438,851
Tuition paid to other districts	10,925	62,784	-	-	73,709
Student support services	143,904	134,803	-	-	278,707
Instructional support services	80,861	67,309	-	-	148,170
Board of Education services	87,357	-	-	-	87,357
Executive administration	183,643	230,121	-	-	413,764
Building level administration	65,514	183,599	-	-	249,113
Business/central services	10,925	-	-	-	10,925
Operation of plant	554,269	-	-	-	554,269
Pupil transportation	372,630	14,293	-	-	386,923
Food services	327,068	-	-	-	327,068
Adult education and community services	115,293	4,586	-	-	119,879
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	-	-	4,794,827	4,794,827
Principal retirement	-	-	70,000	-	71,058
Interest and fees	-	-	282,003	21	282,024
Total Expenditures Paid	3,384,221	2,721,426	352,003	4,879,748	11,337,398
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES COLLECTED OVER EXPENDITURES PAID	414,189	480,667	152,842	(4,569,573)	(3,521,875)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>					
Transfers	(250,148)	-	-	250,148	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(250,148)	-	-	250,148	-
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES COLLECTED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES PAID AND OTHER FINANCING USES	164,041	480,667	152,842	(4,319,425)	(3,521,875)
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	2,718,414	1,190,906	282,471	4,999,298	
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ 2,882,455	\$ 1,671,573	\$ 435,313	\$ 679,873	

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Lincoln R-II School District, Lincoln, Missouri (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash basis financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in modified cash basis financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General and Special Revenue Funds for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

October 15, 2024  
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**Monday, December 2nd at 6:30PM**  
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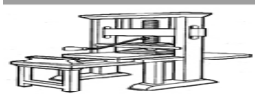
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be turned on in Warsaw. December 6-7 there is the annual Kaysinger Christmas celebration at the Pioneer Village at the overlook. She encouraged everyone to take the candle lit stroll along the trails along the historic buildings and stated they need to be sure to indulge in some warm food, cider and hot chocolate.

Megan reminded everyone that Warsaw's Hallmark Christmas December 14 would begin with Breakfast with Santa, food trucks and a holiday market, a live nativity scene and horse drawn carriage rides, Warsaw's Christmas Parade and Mayor Simons will light the Mayor's tree at 5:45 on the Courthouse lawn just prior to the parade.

In Cole Camp the holiday season was being kicked off with the long running Christbaumfest on Saturday, November 23. Christkindelmarkt was slated for Friday evening December 6. Its a family friendly event featuring shopping in the stores, hot apple cider, food trucks, pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus and the beautiful lighted holiday windows all over downtown.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the German Christmas Concert on Sunday evening, December 1 in St Paul's Church. The Church is in the oldest part of Cole Camp and is renown for its stained glass windows and its pipe organ. You've never heard "Joy to the World," until you hear it on a pipe organ.

JoLynn Turley, SFCC, announced the college is seeking a litho artist to design something that can be used on future awards given by the college.

BCED Director, JoAnn Lane reported the Boutique Crawl held county wide on November 15-16 had a great turnout with an estimated 150 shoppers on Friday and nearly 400 on Saturday. 1st Place winner in the drawing for \$1,000 was Shari Riley. 2nd place \$500 was won by Joni Price and 3rd place \$500 went home with Ben Ridgley.

JoAnn explained a new innovative idea for local residents called Benton County Bucks (\$10 value) to be used on small Business Saturday, November 30. Participants must be 18 years of age and only one per family and one per purchase. Bucks can be obtained at City Hall at 10 a.m. on the 30th. Other locations are Citizens-Farmers Bank in Cole Camp and from the Chamber office in the Warsaw Community Building.

In Lincoln, businesses accepting the bucks are Dandy's Place, Palo Pinto ranch Store, and the Lincoln antique Mall. In Cole Camp it's RiOak, Handel Haus, Mid-Mo Trends, The Hotel Bellview and Missouri Made Shop. In Warsaw its Creative Palette, Warsaw Antique Mall, Country Charm, Main Event Wedding, LOZ Outfitters, The Velvet Studio, The Charming Market, Sportsman Outfitters and Oops I Arted Gallery. The Benton County Bucks have been made possible by Equity Bank and Community Bank.

Extension Agent, Amie Breshears announced

there would be a Farm Tax workshop in Lincoln on December 3 and there would be one on December 4 in the Cole Camp Library.

The 3 Chambers will not meet in December. The next meeting is January 15, 2025 at Estes Drive-in in Lincoln at noon. The public is encouraged to attend.

**All Welcome To Attend Evening Of German Christmas Music At St. Paul's**

By *Dianne Peck*  
County Reporter

The 29th annual program of German Christmas Music will be presented on Sunday evening, December 1, at 7p.m. (Instrumental pre-concert at 6:45 p.m.) at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cole Camp. The concert will feature the German singers of Cole Camp.

During the concert the audience will be given the opportunity to join with the performers in singing several familiar carols which will also include some verses in English. In celebration of our German heritage, several beautiful German carols which are seldom heard in America will be included in the program, as well as the familiar carols such as "Stille Nacht" and "O du frohliche". The German carols were sung each Christmas in our churches for many years.

Following the concert, refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall. The time spent in the fellowship hall, feasting on Christmas delicacies and goodies, has become very popular and the perfect ending to an evening of fellowship and great music. There is no admission fee, it's all free

for your enjoyment.

The Cole Camp German club, sponsor of this event, cordially invites the public to attend this Christmas celebration and join us for refreshments following the concert.

**Cole Camp Museum Met For Final Time In 2024**

By *Dianne Peck*  
County Reporter



The Cole Camp Museum Board met Thursday, November 21 in the Senior Center for their final meeting of 2024.

President Whitey Wienberg stated he had met with an electrician about the lights on the front of the building. After investigating they couldn't trace any wiring and the breaker box is full but none were labeled as being those lamps. The electrician noted to trace the wire further or install wiring to connect to the timer, part of a ceiling would have to be removed. After discussion it was decided to address the issue at a later date.

Under election of Officers Dianne Peck was kept as Secretary by Acclimation. Robert Wienberg was kept as President by Acclimation. There will not be a meeting in December but resume in January in the Senior Center.

The Museum will be open during Christbaumfest for anyone wishing to tour or purchase an item from the Gift Shop. Jeff and Dorothy Luetjen will be in the Museum with a docent

during Christkindelmarkt to sell the Historical Society's reprint of the black history.

Joe Brockman shared he had taken a brick for engraving to Versailles. The brick is in memory of June hunter Bowen.

Diana Ball volunteered to build a Facebook page for the Museum to share special exhibits and make the news of the entity readily available.

Suzanne Lutjen had hired and paid a window washer to clean the museum windows and the front globe lights. The museum reimbursed her and it was reiterated to allow no one to use a cleaning product with ammonia on the inside of the windows as they have been treated to keep out harsh sunlight. A costly project funded with a grant from the Benton County Community Foundation.

The Museum had received a letter from a student in Waynesburg, Pennsylvania requesting information about Cole Camp and the Museum. It was his student project and Diana Ball said she would respond to his request.

A discussion was held concerning a whole hog sausage breakfast possibly in January. They are usually well attended as everyone is beginning to suffer from cabin fever. Scheduling will depend upon the availability of the meat.

The Cole Camp Museum Board wishes everyone a Blessed Christmas, thanks them for their continued support, and is hopeful for an even bigger and more successful 2025 as they continue to preserve the history of our community

*A Message FROM THE MAYOR*

By *Diana Burdick*  
City of Cole Camp Mayor

**SUNSHINE LAW IN A NUTSHELL**

We have been receiving multiple requests for documents, mostly the same ones, from citizens. I am happy to see that the people of Cole Camp are taking an active interest in of their city government. Every citizen should be informed about what is happening in Board of Aldermen meetings and in committee meetings. I'm writing this to clear up common misconceptions about the Sunshine Law and to help citizens to receive the information they need to stay informed.

The Sunshine Law is found in Chapter 610, RSMo. It can be found on line or you may call the Attorney General's Office at 573-751-3321 to request a paper copy of the complete law. I am highlighting specific areas in this message.

1. Sunshine Law allows 72 hr. (three business days) for the city to respond to a request. This means that someone from the city will contact you about your request. It does not mean that you will have what you requested within three business days. The City Clerk is the keeper of records and is responsible for responding to these

requests. She may not have the requested information and need to obtain it from a committee chairman. It may require research into past files and that can take a while. Please don't wait until the day of a meeting to request information about that meeting.

2. Sunshine Law allows the city to charge for making copies and for the clerk's salary for the time required to process the request. There is no specific information that I have found regarding charge for digital information. The city is allowed to recoup the cost for responding to the request and the information is not provided either electronically or on paper until the fees are paid. The clerk has not been charging a fee for digital transfer of information up to this time. However, I plan to discuss this with the Board of Aldermen soon because it takes the clerk away from her other responsibilities. The number of requests we have been receiving recently are taking a significant amount of time.

3. Closed records are not available to the public. There is a list of 25 items that are considered closed information that are listed in the Sunshine Law. Minutes of closed sessions are generally available 72 hours (three business days) after the meeting unless they contain information listed in those 25 items.

I hope that this will clear up some of the questions about the Sunshine Law. This is in no way a complete summary of the law. It is meant to answer some of the most common questions I have heard from others.

**Christkindlmarkt Festival**

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

Well, President Biden is throwing open the doors to the border and letting illegal immigrants skip ICE check-ins to thwart The Donald's planned crackdown. Meanwhile, Denver's mayor is threatening to deploy police and 50,000 residents in a "Tiananmen Square Moment" to stop mass deportations. UNBELIEVABLE! Either we have laws to have a border and enforce them or we don't. This is not a state responsibility, but a Federal one. When the rebuilding of the wall continues, re-route it up and around New Mexico and Colorado. Use withheld Federal funding to finance it. Maybe this will maintain Mayor Johnston and Governor Grisham's

values. And let's see if immigration laws get enforced with a Republican controlled House and Senate. I doubt it. Congress has figured out they get re-elected by pretending to be outraged and doing nothing. That goes for both parties.

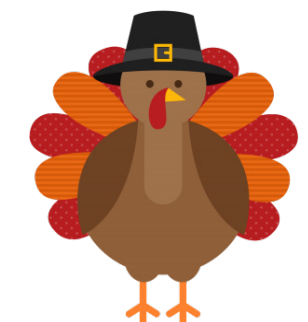
INTERNATIONAL NEWS! A 5th century amulet depicting demon fighting King Solomon has been found by archeologists in Turkey. It was discovered in the ruins of an ancient military structure and references a book banned from the Bible for including themes of dark magic. Fascinating find! The amulet depicts the King on a horse, holding a spear, defeating the devil.

No Star Wars, Harry Potter or video games back then. Imagine sitting around the fire hearing of a great king commanding demons to do his bidding. King Solomon was and is a hero. This old world has been fighting against demons, human and otherwise for a very long time.

Many of us have Druid ancestors back in Scotland, Ireland, Wales, The Isle of Man and other places too. I have some great-great-great grandparents who were Manxmen. The Isle is part of the British Empire now, but goes back a long way. People were farming there as early as 400 B.C. The Romans crashed and slashed in, then the Vikings. It probably wasn't very pleasant. The Manxmen were Druids at one time. Maybe some still are. How did I get on this subject? Old King Solomon's amulet jarred this loose.

Have a safe and pleasant Thanksgiving Old Buddy. You make this crazed world a better place.

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Let's look at the basic differences between the two IRAs. With a traditional IRA, you generally invest pretax dollars, so the more you put in, the lower your taxable income. Your earnings grow tax deferred, meaning you pay no taxes on them until you start taking withdrawals. (If you take withdrawals before you reach 59½, you'll be subject to ordinary income tax and a 10% IRA penalty.)

When you invest in a Roth IRA, your contributions aren't deductible, but they can be withdrawn at any time, tax- and penalty-free. And you can typically withdraw your earnings on these contributions tax free once you're 59½ and you've had your account at least five years. (If you don't meet these conditions, withdrawals of earnings are subject to income taxes and the 10% penalty.)

So, are you better off by taking the immediate tax break offered by a traditional IRA or the long-term benefits of tax-free withdrawals available with a Roth IRA?

If you think you'll be in a higher tax bracket when you retire, you might want to consider a Roth IRA, especially if you have a long time until retirement. This will give you more opportunities to put away funds that can be withdrawn tax free. Conversely, if you think you might be in a lower tax bracket upon retirement, you might lean toward a traditional IRA, as you'd get the tax benefits now, when you're in a higher bracket, and can eventually make your taxable withdrawals when you're in a lower one.

Here's something else to keep in mind: Once you

turn 73 (or 75 if you were born in 1960 or later), you must start taking taxable withdrawals — technically called required minimum distributions, or RMDs — from your traditional IRA. But if you have a Roth IRA, you won't face RMDs and can essentially keep the money in your account indefinitely. If you don't need all the funds in your Roth IRA for your retirement, you can pass them on to your heirs.

Ultimately, though, your income may determine which IRA is right for you. You can earn any amount and contribute to a traditional IRA, though if you exceed certain income limits, your contributions may no longer be tax deductible. If you and your spouse don't have a 401(k) or other retirement plan through your employers, you can make a full, deductible contribution to a traditional IRA regardless of your income.

But you may not be able to contribute to a Roth IRA, or at least not make the full maximum annual contributions, if your income is above certain levels. Your tax advisor can explain these levels, which often increase from year to year. (In 2024, the most you can contribute to either IRA, depending on your income, is \$7,000 per year, or \$8,000 if you're 50 or older.)

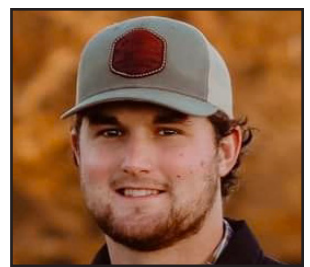
Under some circumstances, you can convert a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA, though you'll need to pay taxes on the conversion. In any case, think carefully about your options and make the choices that are appropriate for your needs.

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

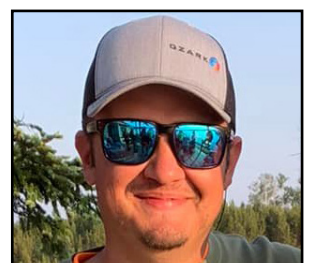


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**TRACTOR - TOOLS - HOUSEHOLD - MISC.**






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**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 - 10AM**

**REAL ESTATE - VEHICLES - TRACTOR - TOOLS - HOUSEHOLD - MISC.**





**REAL ESTATE - SELL 12 NOON**  
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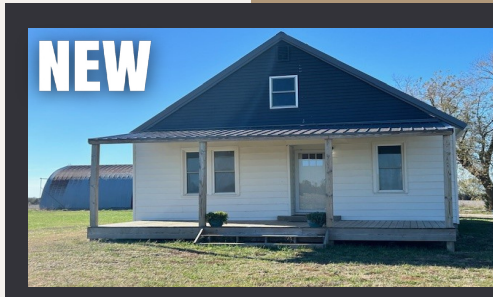
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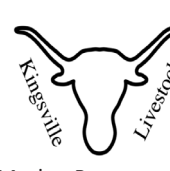
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Last Week: 1,992 head. Compared to last week, more weaned calves on a health program were in the offering and they sold 5.00-15.00 higher with spots sharply higher than last week's lower market. A couple groups of long weaned grass yearling steers weighing 650-800 lbs sold with a higher undertone to limited recent comparisons and the yearling heifers sold steady to 5.00 higher. Slaughter cows sold steady to 5.00 lower, bulls steady.

Load Lots of Yearlings		Slaughter Cows	
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**Sheriff's Report**  
11/18/24 to 11/24/24

Lesli Antonia Aguirre Gomez of Marshall, MO was arrested on 11-18-24 for Operating a Vehicle on Highway without a Valid License. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

Jimmy Willard Lindsay of Ionia, MO was arrested on 11-29-24 on a Benton County warrant for Possession of a Controlled Substance and Deliver or Possession of a Controlled Substance at County/Private Jail/Corrections Center Except With a Prescription. Bond is set at \$15,000.00 surety only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Todd Christopher Streb of Ionia, MO was arrested on 11-19- on a Benton County warrant for Possession of Controlled Substance and Endangering the Welfare of a Child Creating Substantial Risk-1st Degree. Bond is set at \$15,000.00 surety only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

James Woodrow Hix of Ionia, MO was arrested on 11-19-24 on a Benton County warrant for Deliver Controlled Substance Except 35 grams or Less of Marijuana or synthetic Cannabinoid and Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia-Prior Drug Offense. Bond is set at \$50,000.00 surety only.

Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility

Richard Thomas Washburn of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-19-24 on 2 Benton County warrants for Burglary-2nd Degree and Possession of Controlled Substance, Endanger the Welfare of a Child Involving Drugs-1st offense and Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility on a no bond status.

Chantel Marie Walton of Ionia, MO was arrested on 11-19-24 on a Benton County warrant for Possession of Controlled Substance and Endangering the Welfare of a Child Creating Substantial Risk-1st Degree. Bond is set at \$10,000.00 surety. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Trevor Dylon Payne, Homeless, was arrested on 11-19-24 for Stealing/Larceny/Theft. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

Stephen Gary Jones of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-19-24 for Driving While Intoxicated and Fail to Drive on Right Half of Road Cause Immediate Threat of an Accident. Subject was booked, printed and release to a sober driver with a court date.

Douglas Edward Roberts of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-19-24 for Driving While Intoxicated. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

Kiara Renee Willis of Sedalia, MO was arrested on 11-20-24 on a Benton County and 2 Pettis County warrants for Stealing-\$750.00 or more, Burglary and Aggravated Fleeing a Stop or Detention. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility on a no bond status.

Milinda Sue Baldwin of Edwards, MO was arrested on 11-20-24 on a Miller County warrant for Failure

to Appear/Dangerous Drugs. Bond is set at \$35,000.00 cash or surety. Subject was transported to another county.

Earl David Evans Jr of Springfield, MO was arrested on 11-20-24 for No Valid Operator Status. Subject was booked, printed and Released with a court date.

Damien Prentice Cloe of Sedalia, MO was arrested on 11-21-24 on a Benton County and Warsaw warrant for Unlawful Possession of a Firearm and Shoplifting. Bond is set at \$50,000.00 surety only and \$500 cash only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Lori Lin Nicolaisen of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-21-24 on a Benton County warrant for Domestic Assault-2nd and Armed Criminal Action. Bond is set at \$250,000.00 surety. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Steve Eugene Strate of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-21-24 on a Hickory County warrant for Failure to Appear/Possess Forgery. Bond is set at \$118.50. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Earon Scott Stanley of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-22-24 on a Benton County warrant for Driving While Intoxicated-Habitual. Bond is set at \$50,000.00 surety only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

Sara Marie Lawson of Warsaw, MO was sentenced on 11-22-24 to 48 hours in the Benton County Detention Facility. Subject completed her sentence and was released.

Carrie Lynn Wilcox of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-22-24 on a Benton County warrant for Failure to Appear/Operate Vehicle on a Highway Without Valid License-1st offense. Bond is set at \$325.00 cash

or surety. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Rickey A Jolliff of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 11-24-24 on a Benton County warrant for Burglary-1st degree, Assault-2nd degree, Property Damage-2nd degree and Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Bond is set at \$75,000.00 surety only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility.

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**Free Tax Workshop Covers New Laws And Changes**

by Amie Breshears, Specialist in Ag Business

In December, University of Missouri Extension will offer free in-person and online tax workshops to help farmers, ranchers and landowners to work better with their tax professional.

During the online sessions, MU Extension specialists will cover recent changes in tax laws including the Corporate Transparency Act. Other topics include retirement and Social Security planning, Section 179 and depreciation, conservation tax issues, sales and exchanges, and tax codes that sunset in the new tax year.

The workshops will be taught by a team of instructors. MU Extension agriculture business specialist Amie Breshears says participants can attend the workshop from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3, at locations in Bolivar, Higginsville, LINCOLN (City Hall), Moberly, Ozark and Potosi. There is also an option to participate online.

On Dec. 4, the workshop is offered from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Ava, COLE CAMP (Boonslick Library), Jefferson City, Marshall, Pineville, Poplar Bluff, St. Joseph, and Union. There is also an online option.

For more information, call Breshears at 660-

438-5012. Registration for the locations can be found at <http://muext.us/farmtaxworkshops2024>

**Cattle Windbreaks**

by Gene Schmitz, Field Livestock Specialist

Winter cold and wind are soon going to be upon us. Wind chill values are a usual part of any winter weather forecast. Wind chill also impacts livestock, so developing some type of wind protection is beneficial to the performance and well-being of the animals we care for.

Research has shown that below 30 degrees Fahrenheit, energy requirements of beef cattle increase about 13% for every 10-degree drop in windchill. Providing wind protection is therefore beneficial in reducing the amount of extra feed or supplement needed to overcome the impact of windchill.

Windbreaks or wind protection comes in a variety of forms. If natural windbreaks are unavailable, man-made structures can be constructed. There are a few guidelines to follow, however, in order to make these structures more effective.

Solid windbreaks are not recommended. Wind protection is lessened downwind of the structure compared to windbreaks that provide some porosity. Also, drifting snow due to down drafting is an additional problem close to the structure and can reduce the benefit of the windbreak.

Recommendations for cattle windbreaks suggest a minimum height of 10 feet with 25 to 33 percent porosity. This allows some air movement close to the structure and reduces the amount of snow deposited close to the downwind side of the windbreak. Leeward wind and drift protection is provided 8 to 10 times the height of the structure with this amount of porosity. For example, a 10-foot-tall structure with 25% porosity would provide wind and drift protection approximately 80 to 100 feet downwind of the windbreak.

If constructing a structure with 6-inch-wide lumber, a spacing of 1.5 to 2 inches

between boards will provide the recommended amount of porosity. Also be sure to leave some space at the bottom of the windbreak for a bit of air flow and to allow the area to dry out. Four to six inches are recommended. If necessary, some straw or hay could be placed at the bottom of the windbreak during extreme weather events. Provide about 25 square feet of protection per cow or 1 foot of length per cow. A width to height ratio of 10:1 is also recommended, so the length of a 10-foot-tall structure should be 100 feet for maximum wind protection.

Windbreaks should be oriented perpendicular to wind direction, but V-shaped or L-shaped structures can also be effective. Windspeed will increase around the edges of windbreaks, so keep edges away from waterers, feed bunks, and resting areas. Also pay attention to the potential for drifting snow.

Wind protection is beneficial to livestock but be sure if constructing windbreaks that you also consider drifting snow so a solution to one problem doesn't cause another one. Farm site planning, building placement, and potential for vegetative windbreaks are other considerations to keep in mind.

There are a variety of resources available for planning both constructed wind breaks as well as planting, placement, and species selection for vegetative windbreaks. Many different materials can be used for this purpose but keeping in mind a few general guidelines will make wind protection for farmsteads and livestock more effective.

Information for this article is taken from "Windbreak Fences" in the Beef Cattle Handbook available at [iowabeefcenter.org](http://iowabeefcenter.org) and from "Guidelines for Livestock Windbreaks" available from South Dakota State University Extension.

Contact me at [schmitze@missouri.edu](mailto:schmitze@missouri.edu) or by calling the Pettis County Extension Center at 660-827-0591 if you have additional questions.

## HEALTHY BLUE HEALTH PLAN NOTICE



Effective January 1, 2025, Golden Valley Memorial Healthcare (GVMH) will no longer be in-network with Healthy Blue, a Medicaid product offered by Missouri Care, Inc.

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## Mary Kay Matthews



Mary Kay Matthews, 84, of Warsaw, Missouri, passed away on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at Menorah Medical Center in Overland Park, Kansas.

Born on December 12, 1939, in Sedalia, Missouri, Kay grew up in Hughesville, Missouri, and graduated from Northwest High School. She went on to earn her bachelor's degree in education from Kansas State University. Kay taught special needs math in Fort Worth, Texas and later in Lee's Summit, Missouri.

A passionate gardener, avid reader, and skilled quilter, Kay also enjoyed playing Bunco with her friends and had a deep love for her animals. Known for her fun-loving, sometimes offbeat sense of humor, she was cherished by her family, friends, and neighbors. Those who knew her will miss her dearly.

Kay was preceded in death by her parents, Das and Mary McClure, her brother Jack McClure, and her first husband Billy Dean Matthews, the father of her three sons.

She is survived by her sons: David Ricks Matthews and his wife Leigh of Beaverton, Oregon; Michael Dean Matthews and his wife Phyllis of Batavia, Ohio; and Steven Lee Matthews of Warsaw, Missouri, along with numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Arrangements for cremation are under the direction of Reser Funeral Home in Warsaw, Missouri.

## DEATH NOTICES

### Donald W. Kauble

Donald Wray Kauble, 89, of Lincoln, passed away Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at Research Medical Center in Kansas City. The family will receive friends beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 8, 2024, at the Lutheran School Association Gymnasium in Cole Camp where funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Arrangements by Fox Funeral Home, Cole Camp.

## LINCOLN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Here's hoping your Thanksgiving was blessed. God sends each of us many blessing all year long. The new concrete parking places for handicap parking will be finished this week. Thanks to the men of the church for their hard work in getting this done. Many attended worship service today. It is great to see our church growing. The children's classes have grown to two classes now. We are so blessed to see this. Our children's church is going well.

Pastor talked about the blessing that God gives to us. He used passages out of Psalm and Hebrews. In this Thanksgiving season we need to remember those who aren't as fortunate as others. We don't appreciate the good without experiencing the bad. The Lord will humble you if you get too selfish with what He has given you. Don't rob your children of blessings by giving them everything. Children need to know the feeling of getting their own blessings.

God wants our attention and to fear Him and love Him. Nothing endures forever except God's love. When we lose someone or something our world gets shaken. God's grace can't be shaken. Be thankful for what He's promised.

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## UNITY OF THE LAKES

Reverend Laura Bennett will be at Unity of the Lakes Church on this at 11:00 AM Sunday, December 1!

"Nothing is Hopeless" is the title of her talk:

Can hope make a difference, or is it just wishful thinking? Join us as we embark on the journey of Advent with Rev. Laura as she shares about the roots of the advent season and the prophetic origins of hope to reveal how hope is our natural and intuitive way to unlock the miracle-working power of faith.

We are 8 miles south of Warsaw at 34948 Hwy 65 South. All are welcome!

## WARSAW CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Several years ago, on the 197th birthday of Charles Darwin, several churches celebrated "Evolution Sunday." Rev. Patricia Templeton told her congregation, "A faith that requires you to close your mind to believe is not much of a faith at all." I couldn't

agree more. Of course, her statement is very biased. She assumes that someone such as myself is close-minded. Frankly, I wonder about her! An article states that 10,000+ ministers signed a letter stating that evolution is "a foundational scientific truth." I wasn't asked to sign the letter and would have refused if the option had been presented to me.

Oddly enough, those clergy are standing up for evolution at a time when many scientists are beginning to wonder about the theory. I have several books in my library by reputable scientists who believe evolution is a dying theory (or perhaps I should say that some scientists are "evolving" their thinking to embrace "intelligent design").

According to Bowman, here is the real problem. Those who deny the existence of God cannot embrace the idea of a Creator God, so they have to come up with some other explanation for this universe. Evolution is the best they can do. It is not a very good theory because it leaves so many unanswered questions, but if you want to reject God, any theory will do.

How anyone can believe that human life (to name just one example) could have evolved from non-life boggles my mind. What a lucky break that all the reproducing animals evolved male and female at precisely the same time. Evolution requires me to believe that the human brain, intelligence, rationality, and all our magnificent senses happened by chance. No God is needed. Evolution has been rammed down our throats for so many years that many seem to think it is factual. I think it is a lot of . . . well, nonsense, to choose a polite word.

If you want to celebrate "Evolution Sunday," you will be disappointed here. We preach and teach, "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." I am not closed-minded enough to embrace evolution.

## HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

Matthew 27:55-61 shows us who was with Jesus when He was hung on the cross - the disciples are not mentioned. Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, the mother of Zebedee's sons, and hundreds of other followers of Jesus were there. Some gospels say the 12 were hiding away. When everyone else had left, the women remained faithful to Jesus even in His death. The 12 disciples will have a chance at redemption, but in the meantime, there were some who remained faithful. They stayed, they didn't leave or move on with their lives. Joseph of Arimathea,

a wealthy man, also part of the Sanhedrin, at Jesus' trial, who did not consent, but remained faithful, goes directly to Pilot, putting his entire life on the line, to side with this man from Nazareth, asking for the body of Jesus. He takes Jesus' body and buries Him with dignity. A new tomb, with a stone rolled in front of it. He may not be able to keep others from doing evil, but he can still do what is right.

Amid pain, heartache and suffering, we have great examples of those who stayed with Jesus. It's not always easy but the Bible guarantees us God is always good. The Bible also tells us there are opportunities to stay faithful even in the hard times. Being a faithful follower of Jesus doesn't always mean being at the front of the crowd. Being faithful through the hardest times is worth emulating. When the world acts poorly, we are to act like Jesus! The example of following Jesus does not mean we stoop to be like those who want to harm Jesus. We want Jesus to reflect us. Jesus came to forgive us of our sins and make us new creations. Let's make our lives a better reflection of Jesus!

Join us for Sunday School at 10 a.m. with Worship at 11 a.m., Children's Program and regular Bible Study at 6 p.m., and Wednesday, mid-week Bible study at 6 p.m. Watch our service live at 11 a.m. Sunday mornings on Hopewell Baptist Church Facebook page.



## Medicare Advantage: The Other Side Of The Story

I've been getting lots of mail lately and not the kind I like, which is generally gifts or Amazon packages I've ordered. For months, letters and postcards have been arriving in my mailbox reminding me to sign up for Medicare and extolling the virtues of Medicare Advantage plans. The trick with having an upcoming "big" birthday is that sometimes the wrong people know about it.

Medicare is federal health insurance for anyone age 65 and older, and some people under 65 with certain disabilities or conditions. For most people, the initial

Medicare enrollment period begins three months before turning 65 and ends three months after.

It's just coincidental that the window for me to sign up for Medicare is near the annual Medicare open enrollment period, which began on Oct. 15 and ends Dec. 7. During this time, Medicare members can review their options and make changes to their coverage, which will take effect on Jan. 1, 2025.

Medicare coverage has several "parts." Original Medicare has two parts - Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (medical insurance), and people typically pay a portion of the costs for covered services as they get them.

Part D helps cover the cost of prescription drugs (including many recommended shots or vaccines). People can join a Medicare drug plan run by private insurance companies that follow rules set by Medicare.

Medicare Advantage plans, also known as Part C, are alternatives to original Medicare and are administered by private insurance companies. These "bundled" plans include Part A, Part B and usually Part D. In the U.S., Medicare Advantage enrollment in 2024 now totals 33 million, or 54% of all eligible beneficiaries. Two years ago, 34% of our patients eligible for Medicare chose a Medicare Advantage plan. Today, that number is 48%.

Enrollment in Medicare Advantage plans has grown rapidly partly because most plans charge no premium (other than the Part B premium) and offer extra benefits not available in original Medicare such as out-of-pocket maximums, dental, vision or hearing coverage and fitness benefits.

In recent years, there have been growing concerns and inquiries into Medicare Advantage plans and their pitfalls for patients, providers and health systems. So much so that some hospitals, health systems, and skilled nursing homes have ended their contracts with Medicare Advantage plans or are considering it. Out of necessity, Bothwell Regional Health Center is exploring our continued relationship with some Medicare Advantage plans.

Among the most commonly

cited reasons for this consideration are needing approval from the plan before receiving a service (prior authorization), which can delay care for up to two weeks. Additionally, more requests for services are denied upfront. As a result, you may end up paying for services out of pocket or worse, decide to go without care. Medicare Advantage plan insurers reimburse at a lower rate than Medicare and are slow to send payments. This is especially troubling since Medicare rates only cover 79 percent of the cost of providing services.

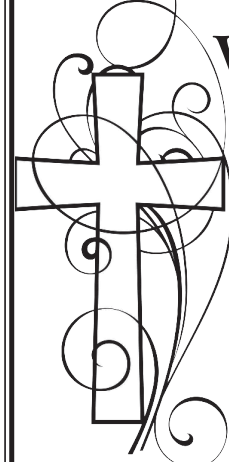
Medicare Advantage plans were originally designed to offer patients more choice and flexibility, yet from a provider's perspective, they have evolved into a system rife with inefficiencies and inequities. The plans prioritize profit over patient care, leaving hospitals like ours to shoulder the consequences. Denied claims and delayed payments mean we're spending more time and resources on bureaucracy instead of patient care. This is a fundamental misalignment of priorities.

It's time for policymakers to take a hard look at the impact of Medicare Advantage plans on rural hospitals and the communities we serve. We need reforms that ensure these plans pay providers fairly, reduce administrative burdens, and prioritize timely payments.

As you can probably surmise, I will not be signing up for a Medicare Advantage plan when my birthday rolls around. I want the decisions about my health care to stay between me and my physician.

Lori Wightman has been Bothwell Regional Health Center's Chief Executive Officer since June 2019. As CEO, she is responsible for the operations of the 24/7 hospital, as well as Bothwell's 20-plus outpatient clinics while leading strategic development initiatives required for long-term success. She is an active member of Sedalia Business Women and serves on the board of the Missouri Hospital Association. In 2025, she becomes Medicare eligible and wants others to know another side of the story about Medicare Advantage plans.

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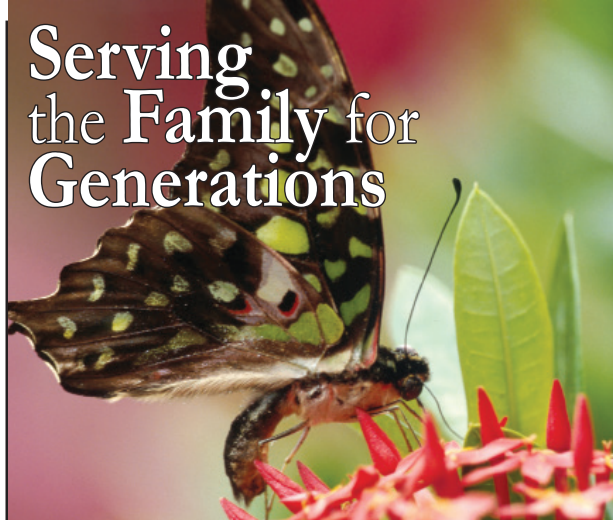
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