

Local Crews Face Challenges Of Winter Weather In Benton County

By
Dianne Peck
County
Reporter

A widespread winter storm produced wintry precipitation across a distance of about 1,500 miles, from Kansas to New York, creating hazardous conditions for millions of people, and for some, the biggest snowstorm in years. Approximately twelve inches fell in Kansas and Missouri experienced blizzard conditions.

Here in Benton County, the storm had county commissioners and each town's public works departments on high alert as they worked against overwhelming odds to keep area residents safe.

In Warsaw, the town has in excess of twenty miles of streets and roads to clear and treat to reduce the risk of accidents. New Public Works Director, Brad Blankenship just assumed his duties on January 1, 2025.

Blankenship did bring experience to the job as he worked for Sedalia on public works for 22 years prior to coming to Warsaw. In Sedalia, he recalled a time when they dealt with a 22 inch snowfall.

When questioned about his plan of action, Blankenship said, "When I learn of an impending storm, I try to discover when it will arrive,



ON THE FRONT LINE, City of Warsaw employee Jesse Utting put in countless hours over the past week to maintain safe roadways following two severe winter storms that hit the twin-lakes area.

then the projection of its severity, and if serious, have the crews begin getting the equipment ready to roll."

The entire team had been working 12-hour shifts that leave little time for sleep or rest.

"The biggest challenge we face is sleep, and not getting enough of it," said Jesse

Utting, a City of Warsaw public works employee.

Blankenship's crews had worked with three trucks on at night, three trucks on days and three were held as backup in case someone is injured or sick and can't fulfill their duties.

In Lincoln, Public Works Director, Josh Cole

and his righthand man, Donnie Bennett handled approximately fifteen miles of streets and were kept busy keeping the intersections heavily salted and sanded.

Cole said, "That three to five inch snow we got on Thursday night was almost a blessing."

He continued, "It was

so wet and so heavy that it actually softened and loosened the bottom ice pack to where we could get down to pavement."

In Cole Camp, the city is temporarily without a Public Works Director. A new employee has been hired but does not start until January 20, as he is not

WINTER Page 3

City Of Lincoln Police Chief Reports Busy Month Of December

By
Dianne Peck
County
Reporter

Mayor Glen Nelson called the January Lincoln City Council to order at 6:00 PM in City Hall. Following the handling of routine business, the council heard from Benton County Economic Development Director, JoAnn Lane. Ms Lane said she didn't have any new announcements for the group but did remind them there would be a second meeting of the Focus Group at Foster Hall on Tuesday evening, January 14 at 5:00 PM.

There was no old business on the agenda and no one appeared to address the council so the meeting moved to the Public Works Director's report. Josh Cole reported that under normal maintenance, he had responded to work orders and worked with the Silver Smith GIS.

Cole and his right hand man, Donnie Bennet had done crack sealing on Osage Street, filled roadsides with gravel, trimmed trees in roadways, serviced all the machinery that included repairing a few leaks on the plow truck. They had cleaned out a clog at the lift station and repaired a water leak at the nursing home. Cole had also done his DNR reports prior to having to plow snow full-time to keep the streets in good condition.

Police Chief Andrew

LINCOLN Page 3

Missouri Minimum Wage Increase May Take Toll On Business Owners

By
Anita Campbell
County
Reporter

A minimum wage of \$13.75 per hour took effect on January 1, 2025 in Missouri.

On November 5, 2024, Missouri voters approved Proposition A, amending Chapter 290 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to provide changes to the state's minimum wage.

Additionally, a minimum wage of \$15.00 per hour will take effect on January 1, 2026. Thereafter, all future annual adjustments to the minimum wage will be based on the Consumer Price Index.

Missouri's minimum wage has increased from \$7.65 in 2015 to \$12.30 in 2024, with adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index



IN ATTEMPT TO KEEP COSTS DOWN, owner Beth Drake went over this week's schedule at Osage Mini-Mart with Erika Manford.

(this minimum wage was set as a result of Proposition B, approved by voters in 2018, and would have increased the minimum wage to \$12.65 in 2025).

Rick Renno, owner of the

Oar House restaurant, reported that the new minimum wage does affect the bottom line for his business.

"My cooks and maintenance staff receive

\$15 an hour; however, the wait staff and bartenders' salaries are adjusted according to tips," said Renno. "So, 2/3 of the staff are on adjusted salaries."

Renno said that while business continues to be good, people are more careful about eating out.

"On Friday and Saturday night, we have good crowds. But instead of ordering prime rib, our customers might order a cheeseburger and instead of three drinks they might only order one," said Renno. "However, I still have the same bills to pay whether they buy the prime rib or the cheeseburger."

Wait staff at restaurants are dependent on tips since they are not making minimum wage.

According to Renno, a standard tip is considered 20% of the bill.

"I asked my staff if they

MINIMUM Page 3

Patino's Say "Adios" To Taco Villa After 35 Years, Maybe's Take Over



A CHANGING OF THE GUARD, Marcy and Javier Patino made the tough decision to retire and sold Taco Villa to Julie and Michael Maybee. The restaurant re-opened on January 8 and serves authentic Mexican cuisine.

By
Judy Kramer
County
Reporter

Javier and Marcy Patino opened Taco Villa at 1627 Hilltop Drive in Warsaw 35 years ago, gaining popularity and many loyal customers over the years.

The restaurant provided great Mexican food in a casual and friendly atmosphere. The family recently sold the business to Michael and Julie Maybee who re-opened Taco Villa on January 8, with the same menu and some of the same employees. Javier Patino is

TACO VILLA Page 3

TRUMAN LAKE MARINE

BUY ♦ SELL ♦ TRADE ♦ SERVICE

LANDAU MERCURY

CUSTOM BOAT COVERS & UPHOLSTERY

660-438-6358

5 miles N on 65



Investing in community.
Investing in you.

For more than 150 years we've proudly served families and local businesses – connecting our community to what's possible.



HawthornBank.com
Member FDIC



Community Calendar

JANUARY 15, 2025: The Benton County Democratic Party will hold their first meeting of 2025 on Wednesday, January 15, at 6:00 PM in the Warsaw Library meeting room. MO Democratic Party Executive Director Matthew Patterson will be our guest speaker. Light snacks will be provided. Everyone is welcome to attend!

JANUARY 18, 2025: Come help George Keightley celebrate his 90th birthday at Foster Hall in Lincoln, MO on Saturday, January 18, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM, No gifts.

JANUARY 22, 2025: Save the Date: The Benton County Economic Development Committee will meet Wednesday, January 22, 4:15 PM, at Lincoln City Hall. The public is invited to attend. For more information, please contact Amie Breshears at (660) 438-5012 or abreshears@missouri.edu.

FEBRUARY 8, 2025: The Cole Camp Branch invites YOU to show off your souping chops at our Second Annual Soup Off! Free to Eat and Vote, Free to Enter! Boonslick Regional Library Cole Camp Branch, Saturday, February 8 at 5:30 PM, Rules: 1) Open to all public ages 16+, 2) Cooks/chefs must register by January 5 by 2:00 PM, 3) Must submit cook's name, name of soup, and recipe card, 4) Cooks must bring at least 1 large pot of their soup to be "tasted" by the public, crock pot preferred, bowls and spoons provided, Prizes for two categories 1. crowd favorite 2. Chefs Favorite, For more information, call (660) 827-7027 ext 2.

FEBRUARY 22, 2025: Discover the joy of backyard bird watching! Join us at the Boonslick Regional Library in Cole Camp for a fun and free workshop with the Missouri Department of Conservation on Saturday, February 22, at 5:00 PM. Perfect for ages 10+, this event is a great family activity to learn about local birds and how to spot them in your own backyard! Don't miss it!

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.

Ozark Foodie

By Lonnie Candara Taylor

I make a lot of soups during the cold weather. Thus, I keep a bag of Bob's Red Mill potato flakes at the ready. Besides thickening my potato soup, it works for just about any hearty soup, just add a few tablespoons to the hot liquid to avoid a thin broth. And the flavor is not overwhelming.

I often use masa harina to thicken chili or tortilla type soups. Mix equal amounts of cold water and masa, whisk thoroughly, (making a slurry) add to chili and mix well. If you add it near the last 15 minutes it will blend in, adding it at the end (if you are out of time) gives a different effect, but both are good. The amount needed is based on your volume. I start with one cup each, making sure it is smooth.

A quick sauce for a quick spice upgrade. 1/4 cup mayo, 1 Tablespoon sriracha sauce and a splash of lime. Great on just about everything.

One of my favorite sauces for filled ravioli: a few tablespoons butter, heat in skillet over medium high heat until it begins to brown (watch it, it can go from brown to black in seconds) Stir in some thinly sliced fresh sage, and you are done.

Wilson Diesel

Light Duty Diesel
Performance & Repair
• Power Stroke • Cummins
• Duramax

4164 S Kentucky Ave, Sedalia
Monday-Friday: 8 am-5 pm
(660) 233-6253
Caleb Wilson, Owner

FOR SALE

ALL KINDS OF
DIRT , ROCK,
MULCH

Pick-Up &
Delivery

Call
(660) 723-0347

Warsaw Knights of Columbus

2025

Take-Out Curb Side
Service Available
\$14.00 per person

Fish Fry

Friday
January 17, 2025
4 – 7 pm

All You Can Eat
\$15.00 per person
1/2 price — Kids under 12

- Dine-In for all you can eat.
- Curb Side Carry Out service available.

Fish, Hush Puppies,
French Fries, Coleslaw,
Coffee or Tea

Come join us for a great meal
and benefit your local charities!

Knights of Columbus
Jay Harris Council 8620
Wildcat Drive, Warsaw, MO

ATTENTION: CITY OF LINCOLN RESIDENTS

Any customer who is currently on auto pay for utility billing, for this month only (hopefully), we ask that you go ahead and make the payment using a different method (check, cash, card). We are unable to do the auto pays until we are 100% on the new software. We'd really like customers to call or come by the office, so that we can get you set up on auto draft in the new system, which will now be a **no charge** service.

For additional, information, please call the office at **(660) 547-2718**

FLEET LIQUIDATION SALE!

See Dealer for details. WAC. Expires May 31, 2024.

BOX & CARGO VANS • SERVICE BODY • DUMP TRUCKS FLATBEDS, COMBO BODY • PICK UP • & MORE

now only 780

MUST SELL 1,000 VEHICLES IN MAY!

GUARANTEED THE BEST PRICES IN THE NATION!

• Thacker Skidsteer •

17841 Bennett Lane • Green Ridge, MO 65332

Reclaim your ground & gain your profits!

- ✓ Brush Cleaning
- ✓ Crp Ground
- ✓ Tree Pulling
- ✓ Clean Pastures
- ✓ Mulching
- ✓ Dirt & Gravel Work
- ✓ Reclaim Row Crop Perimeters
- ✓ We Can Help Your Bottom Line

www.thackerskidsteer.com
Facebook Thacker Skidsteer Services
Daytime Ph. 660-620-3723 Evening Ph. 660-527-3728

7 DAY FORECAST

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
HIGH 47° Low 33°	HIGH 57° Low 27°	HIGH 30° Low 12°	HIGH 17° Low 6°	HIGH 17° Low 8°	HIGH 28° Low 20°	HIGH 40° Low 23°

LAKE STAGES

Truman Lake 705.41, 0.59 feet below normal pool. Lake of the Ozarks at Warsaw's Joe Dice Swinging Bridge: 658.54, 1.46 feet below normal pool. Surface water temperature of Truman Lake is approximately 34 degrees.

WINTER

(Continued from Page 1)

licensed in water and sewer and will be attending school for those accreditations. A full-time employee was down sick and unable to be on the job. Also, a part-time employee had taken a fall from a tree and was unable to fulfill some duties.

The first couple days of the storm, Steve Knox, a city alderman, ran the snow plow and worked to keep the intersections heavily salted and sanded. Finally, Phillip Anderson, the part-time employee, received medical clearance and was released to sit and run the snow plow which then freed Knox for the skid loader. As the storms have now moved on, Knox stated he had worked 60 hours in a catch as catch can situation and thanks to the small town “neighbor helping neighbor” everyone came through safe and sound.

In conversation with Benton County Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske, he stated, “I leave the decisions of how to handle the snow and ice up to the North and the Southside Commissioners. It’s their areas and they have a better idea of the need locally.”

The decision was made to close the Benton County Courthouse one day due to difficulty of office workers in getting to their jobs.

Southside Commissioner Larry Berry stated, “We always push the asphalt roads first and the gravel roads aren’t usually pushed unless the snowfall is in excess of five inches”

Berry did say that, of course drifting is a different scenario, and their chief concern is for emergency vehicles in areas such as White Branch and all over the south part of Benton County.

He concluded, “My guys really came through as they worked 24/7 from one Saturday at Noon to the next Saturday at Noon.”

Northside Commissioner Scott Harms stated that drifting had been a big problem in this storm due to high winds, especially west toward Windsor where there were some big drifts. Farther south there are numerous hills to contend with and they do push them too. Harms agreed with Berry that it is the concern for the safety of emergency vehicles being able to travel.

He concluded, “Every snow is different.”

MINIMUM

(Continued from Page 1)

wanted me to just add the tip to the bill for large groups, but they all wanted to let the customer decide on the tip,” said Renno.

Hawthorn Bank president Chuck Allcorn said that the new law doesn’t really affect his bank since his employees are all above minimum wage, however, he said it will hurt some businesses.

“While all employees deserve a living wage, the hike in the minimum wage cuts into the bottom line and makes it difficult for businesses, especially restaurants to make it,” said Allcorn.

According to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s Living Wage Calculator, single people without children bringing in \$16.29 an hour are making a livable wage in Missouri. The tool suggests that each parent in a family makes \$25.14 an hour to live comfortably.

Beth Drake at Osage Mini-Mart said that all her employees make \$15 per hour.

“Prices in the store have to go up to cover the cost of my employees, but most of them were already making \$15 an hour before the law went into effect,” said Drake.

Osage Mini-Mart has 8 employees.

Five states have not adopted a state minimum wage: Alabama, Louisiana,

Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee. Three states; Georgia, Oklahoma and Wyoming have a minimum wage below \$7.25 per hour. In all eight of these states, the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour generally applies.

Retail or service businesses with an annual gross income of less than \$500,000 can pay employees less than the Missouri minimum wage. Employers can pay certain full-time students working part-time less than the Missouri minimum wage, as long as the wage is at least 85% of the minimum.

Passage of Proposition A also entitles employees to Paid Leave under this law. More specifically, employees of private employers with 15 or more employees will accrue one hour of Paid Leave for every 30 hours worked, with a usage cap of 56 hours per year (unless the employer opts for a higher limit). For employees of private employers with 14 or fewer employees, the accrual rate will be the same, but the usage cap is set at 40 hours annually (again, subject to an employer’s choice to implement a higher limit). For the purposes of accrual, salaried FLSA-exempt employees are assumed to work 40 hours per week, unless their actual work week is fewer than 40 hours. If an employee works 40 hours per week, 50 weeks out of the year (assuming 2 weeks of vacation), they will accrue approximately 68 hours of Paid Leave in a 12-month period. Though there is no formal accrual cap, this has little practical effect for unused Paid Leave in excess of 80 hours, in light of the use and carryover caps imposed. Employers should still, however, maintain accurate accounting of Paid Leave hours employees accrue in excess of the usage and carryover caps.

TACO VILLA

(Continued from Page 1)

staying on for a few months to cook and help the new owners with the ins and outs of the business.

“There are always details that don’t pop up right away in a new business,” said Patino. “And I will stay until they are confident.”

The Patino’s daughter posted news of the change of ownership on Taco Villa’s Facebook page addressed to “Our beloved customers”. A portion of that post is provided below.

“For the past 35 years, you have been more than just patrons-you’ve been family. From the laughter shared over meals to the countless memories created within these walls, we are deeply grateful for your unwavering support. Your loyalty and love have been the cornerstone of our success, and we cannot thank you enough for allowing us to be a part of your lives.

As we embark on a new chapter of our lives and enjoy a well-deserved retirement, we are thrilled to announce that Taco Villa is now under new management! While this marks a bittersweet good bye for us, we are confident that the new team will carry on our legacy of great food, warm hospitality, and cherished traditions.”

The Patino's bought their first restaurant in Dodge City, Kansas. They later sold this business and bought Taco Villa in Jefferson City. Their salesman told them about the property at 1627 Hilltop Drive in Warsaw. They saw the potential since it was near the lakes, so they bought the business and put their best effort into it. Although they are retiring from the restaurant business, the Patino's have rental apartments in Cole Camp that will need to be managed and maintained.

The Maybee's worked in the mortgage industry in the past and Taco Villa

is the first restaurant they have owned. They have loved Taco Villa for a long time and used to eat at the restaurant often.

The couple were born and raised in Warsaw, but moved a few times while Michael was in the military. They returned to the area two years ago and decided to open something new. They saw Taco Villa listed, met with the Patino's, and bought the place.

“Before opening, there were a lot of legal things we had to do; such as licenses, permits and approvals,” said Julie Maybee. “There was snow, and one of our truck orders was late, and free time went by the wayside. My husband and I have been working here as time permits and learned a bit. We are thankful that Javier is here to help us for a few months. We plan on making this our career for the long haul. At the present time, I am full-time and my husband is popping in and out, but by springtime we will both be full-time. Javier has created a great foundation. This place is secure, and we know what to expect.”

Maybee said that although the menu will remain the same, there may be some spicing up a little, but no major changes. She also said that in a year’s time, they might have a big first anniversary event.

LINCOLN

(Continued from Page 1)

Breshears reported total calls for service the past month was 56. Reports taken were 15 and there were 102 traffic stops. There had been 2 vehicle accidents, and they had issued 40 summons and two warrant arrest and two resisting arrests.

On December 12, 2024, officers conducted a traffic stop on a male who refused to provide identity. Officers order the male to exit the vehicle and he refused. Officers went hands on and the male resisted arrest. The male was tased by officers and taken into custody.

On December 23, 2024, Chief Breshears attempted to conduct a traffic stop on Highway 65. The driver fled and was pursued into the county. The driver avoided spikes deployed by the Missouri State Highway Patrol and Benton County. A little later, Benton County was able to successfully deploy spikes, and the pursuit ended with the driver being taken into custody. A warrant by the state prosecutor was issued with several charges.

The department is working on purchasing new firearms along with fulfilling the PBT Grant. Officers have also been working overtime hours for the traffic grant which will continue throughout the year. During the last month, officers worked a total of 45 hours of overtime. During these hours, officers made 38 traffic stops; out of them two performed SFST's for DWI, and both were found not to be intoxicated.

City Clerk Sabrina Brown had nothing new to report but has been very busy with the new software conversion.

Under new business, there was a first and second reading by title only of Bill #01-13-25(A); an Ordinance to amend the 2024 estimated operating budget to actual adjusted ending balance for all funds within the City of Lincoln, Missouri. It passed to become Ordinance #724.

There was a first and second reading by title only of Bill #01-13-25 (B); an Ordinance establishing salaries and the regular payment thereof for a City Employee. It passed and became ordinance #725

Under City Board Appointments, Mayor Glen Nelson appointed Damien Ferguson to fill the vacated position on the Planning & Zoning. The vacancy was created with the recent passing of Don Kauble who had been on that board. Others on the Planning & Zoning board include: Marlin Hammond, Joel Helland, Tracy Amos and

Jack Lietzke.

With no further business the meeting adjourned.

County Commissioners Continue To Review 2025 Budget



By Anita Campbell
County Reporter

Presiding Commissioner Steve Daleske called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on December 30 in the Board Room of the Benton County Courthouse. Those present included Daleske, District 1 Commissioner Larry Berry and District 2 Commissioner Scott Harms. Visitor David Malecki was also present.

The Commissioners continued preparation of the 2025 budget, reviewing revenues and expenditures as submitted by officials and department heads.

Prosecuting Attorney Rod Richardson met with the Commissioners to review his 2025 budget requests.

County Clerk Susan Porterfield presented information for the final budget amendment for 2024, this budget amendment was necessary due to unforeseen revenues and expenses. Commissioner Harms made the motion to approve the budget amendment as submitted. Commissioner Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Commissioners discussed the current fund balance of General Revenue and the projected expenditures that will be necessary for maintenance and upkeep of county facilities in the near future. Commissioner Harms made the motion to transfer \$1,000,000 from General Revenue to General Investments, as a way of earmarking money for necessary improvements. Commissioner Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed.

County Treasurer Rick Renno presented his weekly financial report and

County Clerk Porterfield submitted bills for approval and payment.

The Commissioners met with County Assessor Jim Hansen to review his 2025 budget requests.

Meeting adjourned at 2:47 PM.



By Diana Burdick
City of Cole Camp Mayor

Ol’ Man Winter continues to dominate our lives with melting ice and snow refreezing every night to make driving difficult. Thank you for your patience with our volunteers and employees as they do what they can to clear the streets. The layer of ice has made it nearly impossible to clear some of the streets but as it melts, they are clearing what they can.

There is a lot of buzz around town about the “new” ordinances and comprehensive plan for the City of Cole Camp. I fully support the Sunshine Law and understand why it is important for citizens to be kept aware of what public entities are doing. There is a down side, however. Whenever draft proposals, i.e. the proposed ordinances and comprehensive plan, are made available prior to any action being taken by the public entity, it can lead to misunderstandings. The proposed ordinances and the comprehensive plan have fallen victim to this situation. I will attempt to explain the process of what has happened and what will happen before either of these documents is adopted by the City.

These documents are

currently under review by the Planning and Zoning Commission. This is the process as I understand it. The Commission is reviewing the draft proposal to assure that the proposed ordinances will be the ones needed by Cole Camp and do not conflict with the basic values and ethics of our citizens. It is a lengthy document and will take quite some time to review. Once the review is completed, PGAV (the company that wrote the ordinances) will make the recommended changes and present it to the Planning and Zoning Commission for their final approval. Once they have approved it, the Board of Aldermen will review the ordinances and either accept or reject it. This will be done at an open meeting of the Board of Aldermen. Once the ordinances are accepted by vote of the Board of Aldermen they become law.

The Comprehensive Plan Process is slightly different. There was a steering committee who assisted PGAV to collect information and compile it into the draft form. The steering committee presented their report to the Planning and Zoning Commission. They will review it and if they accept it, there will be a public hearing. Once they have made any needed changes, it will be presented to the Board of Aldermen. The Board of Aldermen will use the information as a roadmap of sorts for future development of the City of Cole Camp. There is no obligation for the Board to make any of the proposed changes.

I hope that this has cleared up some of the misconceptions that are going around town. If you have questions, please call or email me at City Hall.

AAA Dock Repair

Need help with your dock? We can help!

Cables, Floats, Welding, Adding Deck Space,
Raising Roofs, Filling In Slips...
We can help you as little or as much as you want!

Call AAA Dock Repair
(573) 216-8347

Golden Rule



COME VISIT OUR NEW STORE!

Open Mon-Fri
7:30am to 5:00pm

19894 McDaniel Rd. Warsaw, MO • 660-547-0223 • goldenruleco.biz

Providing you with
your hand tool,
power tool and
building material needs.



Some of the brands we offer



724573a



Benton County's Athletes Of The Year Named For Warsaw, Lincoln, Cole Camp



Tanna Howe
Warsaw



Drake Murrell
Warsaw

Tanna Howe
Warsaw

When Tanna Howe first burst onto the high school scene back in 2022, it was opined that she had big shoes to fill, considering her older sister, Taylor had quite the successful career at WHS. Now a junior, Howe has filled those shoes, and maybe more, earning her the title of Benton County Enterprise's female Athlete of the Year for Warsaw.

Howe began 2024 smack dab in the middle of the Ladycats basketball season where she helped lead the floor from the point guard position. She led the team in points per game (14.9), field goal percentage (32) and steals per game (3.2). Those numbers helped her to being named 1st team in the Ozark Highlands Conference, 1st team in Class 3 District 8, 2nd team Central MO Media All-District and a member of the KMZU Dream Team.

Following basketball, Howe turned her attention to her true love in softball. Throughout the Ladycats stellar 23-3 season, she provided a spark for coach Kelli Eierman's lineup at the top of the order.

"Her determination and work ethic sets her apart from most athletes," Eierman said. "She's always willing to put in extra time to better herself and the team."

That extra time propelled Howe to hit .554 with a slugging percentage of 1.012 in the spring. She led the team in extra base hits, including 4 homeruns, and tied for the team lead in RBI's with 36 while scoring a team high 43 runs. In 94 plate appearances, Howe struck out just 3 times.

Howe finished the softball season picking up 1st team honors in the Ozark Highlands Conference, Class 2 District 8, Class 2 Region 4 and Class 2 (All-State). She was also a Class 2 Academic All-State honoree.

"Tanna is always going to work hard and challenge those around her to do the same," Eierman added.

After traveling the country playing softball with the BC Peppers (Olathe, KS) throughout the summer and playing in many recruiting tournaments on her journey to play at the next level, Howe donned the green and

black for the Ladycats once again in the fall for Warsaw volleyball.

Warsaw won 11 games in 2024, the program's highest win total in at least 15 years. For the Ladycats, Howe broke the school record for most digs in a season (618), shattering her sister's old mark of 350. Her 901 total digs is also a new WHS career record, breaking a mark previously held by Jaylen McCullick.

Ladycats coach Kelsi Brosnahan said, "Tanna is an exceptional athlete and natural leader who inspires her teammates with her dedication, guidance and positivity both on and off the court."

Howe was named 2nd team in the Ozark Highlands Conference and wrangled 1st team honors in Class 3 District 8.

Brosnahan went on to comment on Howe's work ethic as well.

"Her work ethic, sportsmanship and passion for all sports have not only made her a standout athlete, but also a respected role model for her peers," she said.

When the weather turned, it was back to the hardwood where Howe embarked on her junior year of basketball for Warsaw.

Through 14 games, the Ladycats had gone 9-5, already matching their win total from 2023-24, with at least 9 regular season games remaining on the schedule.

To date, Howe leads the team again in points per game (14.7) and steals per game (4.1).

"Tanna has been a constant since she stepped on the floor 3 years ago," Ladycats coach Matt Henderson said. "Constant determination, constant hustle, constant concentration and constant competition."

Henderson added, "Tanna has become a voice on the floor. She's put that together with her impressive performances to become a leader for the Ladycats."

Amongst statistics and honors, work ethic and leadership are oftentimes determining factors in this award and those qualities are sentimental by all of her coaches.

Eierman summed it up by saying, "Tanna possesses many leadership qualities that have contributed to her success in volleyball



Alyssa Mellen
Lincoln



Ben Eckhoff
Lincoln

basketball and softball . . . She is a dominant 3 sport athlete."

Drake Murrell
Warsaw

In a feat that has never been attained for the males at Warsaw, Drake Murrell is the Benton County Enterprise's first-ever back-to-back male Athlete of the Year.

Murrell's 2024 started in the middle of the 'Cats wrestling season and after having a successful campaign and making a trip to state his sophomore year, he followed that with conference and district championships and another trip to Columbia in mid-March where he came home with a 4th place, All-State finish after going 46-8.

In the spring, Murrell turned to baseball where he holds down the right side of the infield at second base. The sure-handed middle infielder finished the season with a fielding percentage of .904.

"Drake has started at second base for us for the last 3 years and is our most stable infielder," said coach Johnny Eierman.

He went on to say, "He is the type of player that all coaches want on their team and is a great example for all of our younger athletes. He's a leader and is going to do the right thing all the time, no matter what."

Fast forward to summer football workouts, camps and eventually the fall season, and Murrell was in his element.

For the Wildcats, Murrell solidified his place in Warsaw football lore with another highlight season.

On the offensive side, Murrell reeled in 17 passes for 413 yards and 6 TD's as a tight end, but defense was where he shined.

From his outside linebacker spot, he led the team with 78.0 tackles, including 6.0 sacks. Murrell also defended 5 passes and forced 6 fumbles while recovering 2 of those on the defensive side of the ball for the 10-1 Wildcats.

His efforts earned him 1st team in the OHC (TE & LB), 1st team MFCA All-District (LB), 1st team Central MO Media All-District (TE & LB), 1st team in Class 2 (All-State) and a spot on the KMZU Dream

Team. He was also one of six members of the Wildcats who earned Academic All-State distinction.

To top off the season, Murrell was also named as the team's Most Valuable Player.

"When you create the list of everything you want from a leader, Drake Murrell checks all of the boxes," said Warsaw head coach Ryan Boyer.

He added, "Achieving All-State honors is a tall order. Being able to accomplish this twice is very impressive."

Now in the middle of another wrestling season, Murrell is looking to add to his total of 115 career wins and is hoping for his third straight trip to state.

Murrell's wrestling coach, Justin Wisdom concluded, saying, "Drake is a loyal teammate who displays integrity and a high level of character in everything he does . . . He possesses the intangibles of a leader and makes everyone around him better."

There it is again . . . "leadership" . . . a determining factor in this year's BCE male Athlete of the Year, Drake Murrell.

**Benton County Enterprise Athletes of the Year for Warsaw are chosen by an anonymous 5 person committee, consisting of administration, coaches and/or fans.*

Alyssa Mellen
Lincoln

Senior Alyssa Mellen is our Lincoln 2024 female Athlete of the Year. She also earned the award last year. This past year, Mellen was All-State, All-Conference and All-District in softball.

She is also the leading scorer on the basketball team receiving All-Conference, All-District and All-Benton County honors.

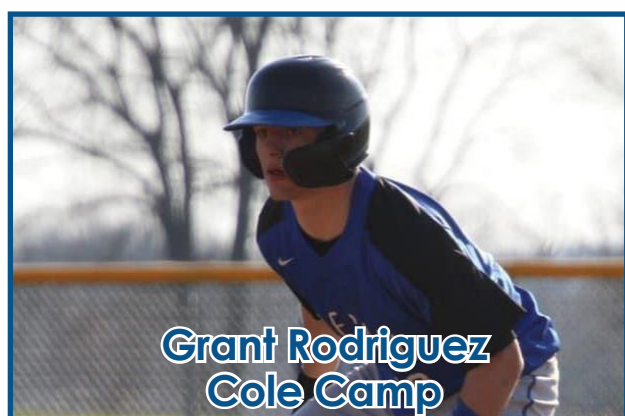
Mellen was a fierce hitter in softball with extended power to all fields. She was also the Lady Cards best defensive outfielder.

On the basketball court, when she is on her game, she can drop three's from anywhere behind the 3-point line. She likes the straight in five-foot floater which is probably the most difficult shot in basketball.

This season, the addition of her freshman sister, Lily, has opened up other facets



Marilyn Hesse
Cole Camp



Grant Rodriguez
Cole Camp

of her game. They play well together knowing where the other one is on the court at all times.

Lincoln won eight games last season and are 5-4 as we speak.

Both of her coaches, Aleah Johnson in softball and Brett Bryant in basketball give her high praise and look to her when the game is on the line.

Ben Eckhoff
Lincoln

Lincoln junior Ben Eckhoff is our Lincoln male Athlete of the Year. Eckhoff was All-Conference, All-District and Central MO Media All-District in football and All-Conference, All-District and All-Benton County in basketball. He was also an Academic All-State honoree.

Lincoln football head coach Brad Drehle raves about his protential and added, "He is our strongest player in the weight room."

Another thing that stands out is the fact that he has stayed healthy during Lincoln's streak of injuries to key players. He has played under the weather in recent basketball games due to his desire to help his team. At 6'3", 225 lbs, he is a force at linebacker and at the center position in basketball.

His big fault is that he is so good natured that he isn't as physical as some would like him to be. That in itself is a good thing. Eckhoff is still learning the game of basketball and can only get better. When he learns the backboard is his best friend, he will put up some very nice numbers. He is already a good rebounder and should improve as time goes by.

Again, he is just a laid back, nice kid that you have to root for in sports and in life.

Marilyn Hesse
Cole Camp

Junior Marilyn Hesse is our 2024 BCE female Athlete of the Year for Cole Camp High School.

She was 1st team All-Conference and All-District and made the Smith-Cotton All-Tournament team in volleyball. She also starred in track and in basketball. Cole Camp volleyball

head coach Abby Massingill commented, "Marilyn Hesse was a core component to our team's success this year. Marilyn put in extra work all year round and improved her play to become a six rotation player. Playing back row for the first time in her High School career. She led the team in kills and digs."

Massingill added, "Marilyn is a coach's dream because she is not afraid of hard work! She wants to improve and is willing to do anything she can to get there. As a teammate she sets the bar high in practice and makes her team want to work hard as well. Marilyn's attitude and effort are contagious! "

Hesse is a good student and is surrounded with many friends. It is the BCE's honor to award her as our 2024 female Athlete of the Year.

Grant Rodriguez
Cole Camp

Junior Grant Rodriguez is our 2024 Cole Camp male Athlete of the Year.

He was All-Conference, All-District, Central MO Media All-District and All-State in football. The 5'7" 185 pound quarterback and linebacker made his presence felt in a big way around Cole Camp High School.

The soft spoken, polite young man was also All-Conference and All-District in baseball as the starting catcher.

Rodriguez is also a 2-time state wrestling qualifier with around 100 wins to his credit.

Bluebirds football head coach Kevin Shearer said, "Grant is a tough kid and is good to be around. His wrestling background is good for football. He is used to people watching him and in wrestling you are all alone out there. Grant was easily our best football player."

Coach Shearer added, "Grant is a coaches kid. His father is Cole Camp's assistant football and wrestling coach Joshua Rodriguez. Grant has been around sports all of his life."

Shearer added, "He is steady in the weight room and gives you max effort every time out. He believes we can win every game. You can't ask for more than that from a high school kid."

YOUR SHIELD AGAINST UNCERTAINTY



PREUITT
INSURANCE

660-826-6262 | preuitt-ins.com

622 South Ohio Avenue

In Historic Downtown Sedalia since 1961

HOME · AUTO · RECREATIONAL · FARM · COMMERCIAL · LIFE · HEALTH · MEDICARE SUPPLEMENTS

Lincoln Wins OT Thriller, Beats Tipton

By
Johnie Logue, Sports

The recent snowy, icy weather forced a Saturday afternoon makeup game between Kaysinger Conference foes, the Lincoln Cardinals and the Tipton Cardinals.

The varsity contest saw Lincoln pull out a 59-55 overtime thriller at home. It was 51 all at the end of regulation.

Lincoln went 5 for 8 from the free throw line in the extra period to pull out the sweet victory. Riley Sanders nailed a huge three pointer in the overtime and shared top Lincoln honors with the 2024 Lincoln Male Athlete of the Year Ben Eckhoff with 17 points apiece.

Ben Bestgen went wild with seven 3-pointers to finish with 29 points for Tipton.

In a see-saw battle, it was Tipton 9-8 after one, Lincoln 24- 21 at the half and Tipton 36-33 after three.

Lincoln jumped to 9-2 and Tipton fell to 3-7.

LINCOLN (59): Sanders, 17; Eckhoff, 17; Cole, 5; Young, 3; Benham, 4; Koll, 10; Parrott, 3.

TIPTON (55): B. Bestgen, 29; A. Bestgen, 2; Cashman, 11; Brixler, 1; Bracht, 7; Schlotechaver, 5.

* * *

The junior varsity matchup went to Lincoln, 51-28 with Grayson Rutherford leading the way with 15 points.

In the C game, Tipton won 24-16 in two quarters of play.

Cole Camp Girls Fall In Opener Of Stover Tourney

By
Johnie Logue, Sports

The 30th Annual Stover Girls Tournament was pushed backed because of inclement weather on Thursday. Third seeded Knob Noster defeated six seed Cole Camp, 67-48 to advance in the tournament.

The Lady Bluebirds held their own in the first two quarters of play, trailing 12-9 after one and 28-20 at the half. In the third, Knob jumped out to a 21-12 advantage to lead 48-32.

Kristina Timoschuk led Cole Camp with 15 points. Ella Goodrich had 23 for Knob Noster. Cole Camp fell to 2-7.

COLE CAMP (48): Shoemaker, 3; Whitworth, 12; Thayer, 2; Carl, 3; Moellman, 9; Allison, 12; Timoschuk, 15.

KNOB NOSTER (67):

Applegale, 11; Goodwin, 2; Underwood, 2; Goodwin, 11; Meyer, 4; Jones, 5; Goodrich, 23; Buzzanga, 7; Yaler 4.

Cardinals Caravan To Visit Twenty Cities Across Six States

The St. Louis Cardinals have announced the schedule for the 2025 Cardinals Caravan, presented by Missouri Farm Bureau Insurance.

The Cardinals Caravan will traverse 20 different cities across Missouri, Illinois, Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky and Indiana over the course of just four days. A combination of more than 40 current Cardinals players, prospects, alumni and team broadcasters will embark on one of six different caravans through Cardinal Nation from January 17-20.

The Caravan is a great way for fans outside of St. Louis to meet and connect with Cardinals players. Nineteen players with Major League experience are scheduled to attend including Jordan Walker, Alec Burleson, Andre Pallante, Matthew Liberatore, Thomas Saggese, Iván Herrera, Pedro Pagés, Michael Siani, Luken Baker, José Fermin, Victor Scott II, Ryan Fernandez, Zack Thompson, Michael McGreevy, Kyle Leahy, Chris Roycroft, Riley O'Brien, Ryan Loutos, and Drew Rom.

Top prospects Tink Hence, Jimmy Crooks, Matt Koperniak, and Sem Robberse are also slated to take part along with Cardinals alumni Matt Adams, Kyle McClellan, Mitch Harris, Xavier Scruggs, Bengie Molina, Brad Thompson, Bernard Gilkey, Jason Simontacchi, Kerry Robinson, Scott Cooper, Ricky Horton, and Al Hrabosky.

As in previous years, the club will implement an autograph ticket system at each stop. The first 400 kids, ages 15 and under, through the door on the day of the event will receive a free autograph ticket which guarantees one autograph from each current and former player.

The full schedule for the 2025 Cardinals Caravan, including destinations, times and participating players, can be found below and at [cardinals.com/caravan](#).



To Die From Laughter

I've just realized that January is half over and I have never made a New Year's resolution about anything. Most resolutions center on new diets, getting more exercise or finally seeing that special place that's always been high on the bucket list.

But earlier this month I had an epiphany while at the grocers. I had rounded a corner and a wonderful woman flashed me a beautiful smile that would warm the heart of even the most mean spirited person I know. Then it hit me, that smile didn't cost the woman anything and it brightened my entire afternoon.

So I have given resolve to pass that smile forward to others as often as I can and to laugh more. Not just chuckle but really laugh. Doctors report there are seven health benefits to laughter. It lowers blood pressure, reduces stress hormone levels, improves cardiac health, boosts immune cells, creates a sense of well-being, it's a great workout for your abs and wonderfully releases endorphins that are the body's natural pain killers to aid chronic aches.

Laughter is either too complex to analyze or too simple, and I don't know which. It's best to do it and enjoy the experience. There's a therapy to laughter like no medication in the world. A Simple smile warms someone's day, a grin enhances your heart, and a good laugh renews the soul. I can attest to the pain relieving benefit personally. Sometime back I was involved in a strenuous project with three other gals and it turned into a very long day. By the end I was really hurting and feeling every year of my age. So were the other three. One of us made a remark that didn't come out quite right and bordered on inappropriate but blessedly it was funny. One of the gals went into peals of laughter and it proved to be contagious to us all. After several minutes of hilarity we gathered ourselves together and I suddenly realized I wasn't really hurting anymore and the expressions of the others told the tale that they too felt

refreshed.

That incident reminded me of my two paternal Aunts. Never in my lifetime have I ever known two women who could find more things to laugh about than they could.

Every Sunday afternoon after the dishes were done and the men gathered in the front sitting room or out on the lawn, the women headed for the long back room on grandma's house. Here they exchanged family news and letters they had received from a distant relative that was living too far to make the trek back to Big Buffalo Creek for visits. It was never long until Aunt Sella would relate some funny story from their childhood and Aunt Hazel would chime in. They were off and running, playing off each other like Laurel and Hardy. Soon they had everyone laughing so hard that sometimes tears streamed down faces and sides ached.

To me they never seemed old like some of my elders did and I can still recall my Mother's good mood as we headed home after such a day. The laughter had relieved tensions and stress and she was ready for another week.

For some people laughter seems to come easily. I suppose one could define them as having laughter loving spirits. They seem to shower everyone around them with spontaneous eruptions of mirth and laughter that appears without purpose but results in making everyone within its range feel so much better.

Of course we've all heard the "canned laughter" when we watch situation comedies on television. We've become so accustomed to it that watching an episode

sans "manufactured hilarity" would undoubtedly seem as if something was missing. Yet, I can attend an engaging play being performed live and I don't have to be prompted to know what is amusing and when to laugh.

The renowned Bill Nunn, founder of Missouri Life magazine once wrote: "as important as it is, why was the instruction to laugh not included among the Ten Commandments, something like, "Thou shalt not be too sober," or if that is too ambiguous, it could read, "Thou shalt laugh often and at thy self, if thou wouldst be wise." Nunn concluded with "God probably excluded it from Moses' tablets because he couldn't enforce it. So instead he give us plenty of reasons for laughter, what we do with them is our choice."

I heartily agree with his thoughts, especially the part that we need to laugh at ourselves. Having the ability to have a good horse laugh at our own behavior or circumstances keeps us rooted in reality.' Over the years I have stumbled and fell over my own feet and once I hit the ground I feel so utterly ridiculous that I sit there laughing at the situation.

I seem to laugh more as I get older, just not because I know I need to but I seem to see more things that need to be laughed at. As I watched the candidates in the Presidential race this past year it's the only response that made sense.

Can you imagine the Donald and Kamala pausing and just having a real honest to go, from the gut laugh? The whole world would probably have joined in for at least one whole minute and things would never have been the same again.

Even if the world doesn't go along with this idea, I intend to keep my resolution to laugh more and especially at myself. I think this is a resolution I can keep. After all, no one has ever died from laughter.

Cole Camp Survives Boil Order Amidst Snow Storm

By
Dianne Peck
County Reporter

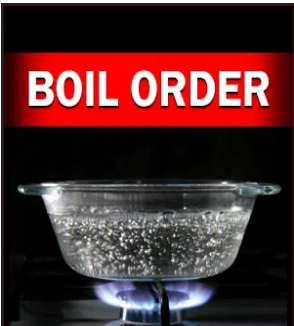
In the midst of the recent snow storm and blizzard like conditions Cole Camp residents also had to endure a boil order that lasted Wednesday, January 8 through Thursday, January 9, 2025.

What became a massive search for a busted water line in sub-zero temperatures began at approximately 3:30 PM. Councilman David Locke and Councilman Steve Knox joined forces with former Public Works Director, Roy Waggoner and the trio drove the streets searching for evidence of a broken line as the city had completely lost all water pressure.

Finally at 9:30 AM on Thursday, January 9, Waggoner checked the well house in Ezekiel Williams Park and found the problem. A pressure relief valve had opened and didn't close. The pressure was at zero so a boil order was issued.

In addition, the sewer lift station failed when there was only one inexperienced employee on the public works crew and he was very sick. Waggoner graciously returned to his old job for a few hours a day to walk the young man through the repairs, saving the day so to speak. If you encounter Roy, take the time to thank him for his loving concern for the community.

True heroes always put the needs of others before their own.



EXPERTS IN CANCER CARE

Bothwell Regional Health Center is pleased to welcome Kristen Strasser, MD, to Bothwell Susan O'Brien Fischer Cancer Center.

As a board-certified medical oncologist and hematologist, Dr. Strasser will treat cancers and diagnose and treat cancerous and non-cancerous blood diseases and disorders.



“People with cancer deserve the best care possible and the best quality of life. I build and maintain trust with my patients by advocating for them and by listening to and addressing their concerns.”

— Dr. Kristen Strasser



Susan O'Brien Fischer
Cancer Center

[brhc.org](#)

To make an appointment,
call the Cancer Center
at 660.829.7792.

GET WELL. STAY WELL. BOTHWELL.

Self Storage Lien Sale

Notice is hereby given that Jerry Gennetten (Unit C-3), is indebted to Lincoln Storage LLC for past due rent and other charges. In accordance with Missouri Statute 415.415 a sale of the property contained within this unit will be held from noon until 2:00 PM on Saturday, January 25, 2025,

at

Lincoln Storage LLC
288 S. 65 Hwy, Lincoln, MO.

Cash only and all sales are final.

Fox's
In Cole Camp

**Adopt
A
Pet**



Black Pitbull –

Male, 1yr old (Bull Dozer) Location Picked Up At: Dehoney St. in CC.

Neutered & has his Rabies Shot

Anyone interested please call Heath Roark
417-298-5400
Sponsored by: Fox Funeral Home
302 E Butterfield Trail Cole Camp, Mo.
660-668-4425

**MABRY
MAINTENANCE**
660-620-7996



- General home repair & maintenance
- Interior & Exterior
 - Decks
 - Painting
- Powerwashing
- Remodeling
- Windows

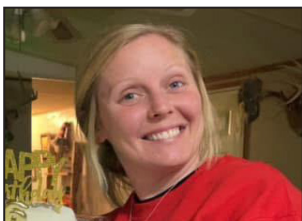
GREEN BUILDERS

Construction • Plumbing
Remodeling • Custom Tile
Heating & AC • Decks

Call for Estimate:
660-620-6745.

If no answer,
Leave message please.

MEET
The People Of
BENTON COUNTY

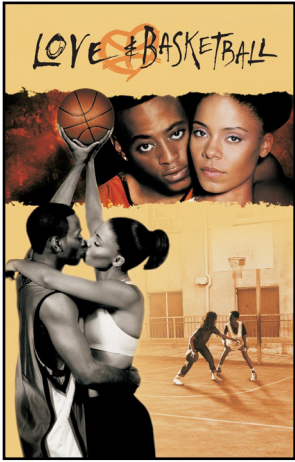


NAME: Kendra McCullick
BIRTHPLACE: Nevada, MO
YEARS IN BENTON COUNTY: Almost 9 years
FAMILY: Husband, Justin; Daughters, Jaylen & Mylei
THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN BENTON COUNTY IS: Everyone's hospitality.
WHAT I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP: A nurse
FIRST JOB: McDonald's
OCCUPATION: Cashier at Beth's Osage Mini-Mart
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: Playing youth basketball



THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN: My daughter's were born.
MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT: Oh, I can't tell you that!
WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS: Loyalty
YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS: Fires.
I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO: Speak in front of a large group.
I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO: Skydive.
IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD: Probably keep things simple, but there'd be signs.
MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE: To Italy or Greece.
HOBBIES: Watching my daughter's play sports and dirt track racing
FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICIAN: Reba McEntire
FAVORITE MOVIE: Love & Basketball

FAVORITE DRINK: Dr. Pepper
FAVORITE SNACK: Little Debbie Christmas Cakes
FAVORITE CANDY: Reese's
FUTURE GOAL: To get my youngest daughter graduated
WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST: My stepmother
ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF: Listen to your elders.
WORDS TO LIVE BY: Be a leader, not a follower.



ACROSS

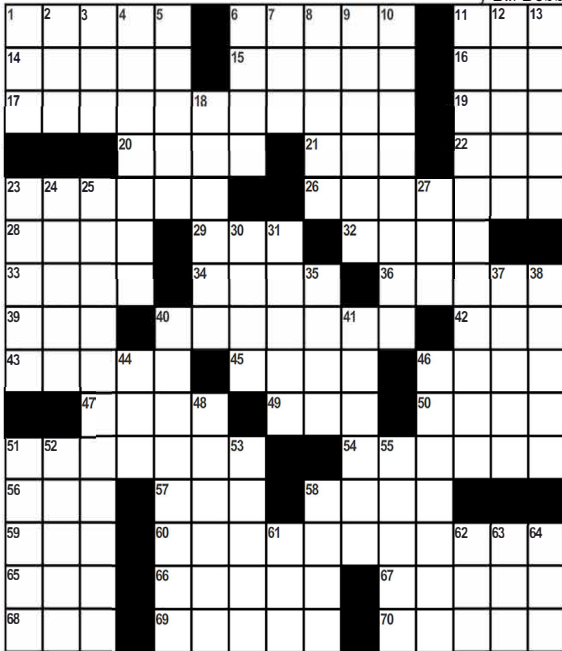
- 1) "Toodle-oo!" in Honolulu
- 6) Not at all kind-hearted
- 11) Ball star, briefly
- 14) A type of blockade
- 15) Expenditures
- 16) Food for a smelter
- 17) Get increasingly angry
- 19) Was light on one's feet?
- 20) Personal quirks
- 21) Command to a dog
- 22) Chewed the fat?
- 23) Mouse or muskrat, e.g.
- 26) Biofuel option
- 28) Computer symbol
- 29) Venomous snake
- 32) Realtor's favorite sign
- 33) Holster items
- 34) Electrical unit
- 36) Fair attractions
- 39) Branch of the U.N.
- 40) Native inhabitant
- 42) Lennon's wife
- 43) "My sentiments exactly"
- 45) Dress line
- 46) Jacket closure, sometimes
- 47) One for the books
- 49) ___ Lanka
- 50) Cut into metal
- 51) Hot, in Vegas
- 54) Barest minimums
- 56) ___ Altos, Calif.
- 57) Tie-breaking periods (Abbr.)
- 58) Arcade failure
- 59) "Help wanted"?
- 60) Pay it forward
- 65) Chang's twin
- 66) Certain Art Deco works
- 67) Celebrity bovine
- 68) "Classical" start
- 69) Tournament flora
- 70) Check sums

DOWN

- 1) What "&" means
- 2) "7 Faces of Dr. ___"
- 3) Eggs, biologically
- 4) Makes it snappy
- 5) Exhausted
- 6) 67-Across and others
- 7) Chafe
- 8) Horseshoe-shaped lab item
- 9) Some plume suppliers
- 10) Type of cattle or cheese
- 11) Basic guidelines
- 12) One of the Muses
- 13) Some kind of nut
- 18) Pianist's span
- 23) Unbending
- 24) Dome openings
- 25) Part of a Monopoly directive
- 27) Boxing legend from Kentucky
- 30) Katie Elder's brood
- 31) Ballet knee bends
- 35) Bygone Russian leader (Var.)
- 37) Make it so, legally
- 38) Froths no more
- 40) Well-meaning sort
- 41) Acting Estevez
- 44) Pitching choice?
- 46) "Frasier" setting
- 48) The matador's opponent
- 51) "Daily Planet" photographer
- 52) Not you, I or them
- 53) Early law school exams
- 55) Born first
- 58) Play with a Frisbee
- 61) "Hmm, I don't know!"
- 62) "Anytown, ___"
- 63) Make free (of)
- 64) Beatty of "Deliverance"

PERFORMING WELL

By Bill Bobb



Fristoe
NEWS
By Pat Arnett
Contributing Reporter

To everyone from the *Fristoe News*: We are digging our way out from under the snow that was dropped on the Fristoe area this past week. To show what this has been like, most schools were to return from Christmas break on Tuesday, January 7. My goodness; that did not happen as most were canceled because of bad roads! Our locals; Warsaw, Climax Springs, Skyline, Hermitage and others did not hold school for the whole week. Sending prayer requests for Kathy First, Lewis Retherford, Bud Hatch,

Gladys Harris, Connie Newkirk, Delores Prater, and everyone in California. A happy birthday shout-out to Ray Lowry as he celebrates next Sunday, January 19. Also, although he doesn't live around here anymore, the Fristoe Cafe's Chef Richard has a birthday on January 16. People will be watching the temperatures and weather forecast as it will not be any time till there are seeds of different types put in the ground! Dean has already received seed catalogs from several different companies this last week! The Fristoe Pentecostal Lighthouse Church, as mentioned last week, was not open due to bad roads but was back open and everything normal. However, several attendees were still absent due to back roads still being slick and others are still fighting sicknesses. But, Dave and Connie Cunningham were back to take control of the leading of songs and Claude

sang a song although Connie is not up to singing yet. The adult Sunday School lesson last week and this week was on Jesus and what He went through before, during and at the end of the Lord's crucifixion. The study brought out how we should always remember that Jesus died on that cross for each one of us. The studies were in Matthew chapter 27! Pastor Smith's message was in 11 Samuel chapter 14. The Fristoe Pentecostal Lighthouse Church: Sunday School 10:00 AM, morning song service and worship and message 11:00 AM, Monday morning prayer meeting 9:00 AM, Wednesday evening Bible study 5:00 PM. Thought for the week: Those who deserve love the least, need it the most! Think about this; God is like Bayer Aspirin. He works wonders! Hope everyone who reads the *Benton County Enterprise* is blessed financially, with good health and lots of love!

Dining at the lodge:
January 16, Pork Tenderloin Sandwich w/ Fries or Chili w/Cornbread \$7, Noon-2:30 PM
January 17, Pork Tenderloin Dinner \$12, Pork Tenderloin Sandwich w/ Fries \$10, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
January 23, Ham & Beans or Chicken and Dumplings \$7, Noon-2:30 PM
January 24, Chili or Soup and Sandwich \$10, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
January 30, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, \$8, Noon-2:30 PM
January 31, Cheese Manicotti w/Seafood Sauce or Chicken Marsala over Angel Hair Pasta, both served w/Salad and Breadstick \$12, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
The lodge has several regular activities during the week:
Tuesday-Shuffleboard at 1:00 PM
Wednesday-Darts at 6:00 PM
Thursday-The Lodge Boys play at 1:00 PM
Stop by and join in the fun and meet some new friends! Its not too late to sign up for the Benton County Elks Lodge #2783 Crawl. It is scheduled for 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 and a chance to meet members of other lodges. Contact John Way at (913) 687-0430 for information. Mark your Calendar for February 14! The lodge is planning a Valentines Sweetheart Dinner. This event is open to the public! Enjoy a special 4-course dinner including appetizer, salad, entrée and dessert. One drink of your choice is also included. There will be 2 sitting times for your choice: 5:30 PM and 7:00 PM. The cost for each couple is \$75. Reservations will be required by February 7. 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.

BENTON COUNTY Sheriff's Report
ERIC KNOX
Benton County Sheriff



Sheriff's Report
1/6/25 to 1/12/25

Amanda Nicole Villegas of Warsaw, Mo was arrested on 1-8-25 on 3 Benton County warrants for Failure to Maintain Financial Responsibility, Failure to Wear Seatbelt, Exceeding Posted Speed Limit 16-18. Bond is set at \$500.00 cash only. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date. Nicole Marie Johnson of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-9-25 and placed on a 12 hour detox hold, upon completion of the detox, subject was released. Jennifer Michelle Bird of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 1-10-24 on a Benton County warrant for Failure to Appear/Own/Operate a Motor Vehicle Without Maintaining Financial Responsibility. Bond is set at \$250.00 cash only. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.



J&D
Pharmacy • Home Medical Supply
+++++
Drive-Thru, Vaccinations,
Full-Line Home Medical Equipment,
Medicare Billing,
Free Prescription Delivery In
Warsaw & Lincoln (In Town),
And Much More!
+++++
HOURS Mon-Fri: 8:30 - 6pm
Lobby Closes @ 5:00
Drive Thru Closes @ 6:00
(Drive-Thru Only)
CONTACT US CALL (660) 438-7331
TEXT (660) 200-1063
VISIT jdpharmacy.com
1330 Commercial St, Warsaw, MO 65355
3202 W 16th St, Sedalia, MO 65301

Lodge #2783
By Betty Mewszel
Contributing Reporter
Our lodge is non-smoking. Stop by and enjoy our activities!

Spray Foam Insulation and
Concrete lifting.
Residential, Commercial, & Agricultural

31980 Hwy 83
Warsaw, MO 65355
660-428-3107
www.akfoamenterprises.com
4/20

SG
STEVE'S
GUTTERING
660-438-6381
WWW.STEVESGUTTERING.COM

NEW VEHICLE DEEP DISCOUNT EVENT
MaxMotors DEALS
SAVE UP TO \$10,000 off OVER 180 VEHICLES
WAC. See dealer for details. Ends May 31, 2024

ENTERPRISE LOCAL LINKS

We are proud to support these local businesses! We hope you are too! To reserve your space in Local Links, call us at:
(660) 438-6312



Saving Hearts CPR Training
Serving Kansas City & Warsaw, MO
And all points in between
816-606-9333 or 660-723-0731
SavingHeartsCPR64055@gmail.com

Jerry Waters
American Heart Association

BRAMLETT'S TREE TRIMMING

- Storm Specialist
- Trimming
- Removals
- Stump Grinding
- Line Clearance
- Bucket Trucks
- Arborist
- Climbers
- Free Estimates
- References
- Licensed
- Fully Insured

 All major credit cards accepted. 

660-864-9524
SERVING THE LAKES AREA FOR OVER 26 YEARS 3/13/25

CLIFF'S AUTOBODY 660.438.7462

5 STAR RATING

FREE ESTIMATES!
WE MAKE IT EASY
TO GET YOU
BACK ON THE
ROAD!



28985 COMMERCIAL ST
WARSAW, MO. 65355

FAMILY OWNED &
OPERATED FOR 30 YEARS

THIRD GENERATION WOODWORKS

- Bathroom Vanities
- Custom Wooden Furniture
- Custom Wood & Epoxy Furniture
- Tile Backsplash
- Remodel Tear Out & Cleanup
- Flooring Installation
- Trim Installation
- Fireplace Mantles & Shelving

Hunter Bagley 660-223-6680
hunterwaynebagley@icloud.com Warsaw, Mo.

Do you have washouts in your driveway?
I CAN FIX THEM!

Property Lines Cleared • Auger • Excavation • Brush Hog
Grapple • Grading • Tree Grinding/Removal



WAGNER LAND SERVICES
Installing Custom Gate Entrances And Barbed Wire Fencing

OFFICE: 660-776-2175 CELL: 660-223-2050
Cory Wagner, Erosion Specialist - Lincoln

 **EICHLER LUMBER**

16870 Swinging Bridge Rd., Warsaw
660-438-9373 • 660-438-4240
Or Toll Free: 1-800-892-5268

Specializing in Building Materials & Home Improvement Since 1974

Do it Best Pro Store "WHEN YOU NEED IT - WE'VE GOT IT"
Find us online at eichlerlumber.net

DAN THE TREE MAN
Serving Warsaw & Surrounding Areas

- Over 40 Years Experience
- Insured • Firewood
- Trimming / Topping / Takeout

816.491.6427
cell: 660.473.2348



ESSER'S
"Family owned since 1948"

SEPTIC TANK CLEANING PORTABLE TOILET RENTALS



660-438-7667
660-GET-POOP

65 Lake

 **AUTOGLOSS**

Joe Escobedo
660-383-3851
32173 Hwy 83 Warsaw
Mobile Service Available

 **Chipper's Stump Grinding**

FOR ALL YOUR STUMP CLEARING NEEDS
TREE TOPPING, SERVICE & REMOVAL,
BRUSH CLEARING & BOBCAT SERVICES

(660) 723-3393

Licensed Larry Darnell, Owner Insured

Preuitt Insurance Services, Inc. Trusted Choice

Phone: 660-826-6262
Fax: 660-826-1340
Cell: 816-519-1835
Email: kim@preuitt-ins.com

622 South Ohio, P.O. Box 188
Sedalia, MO 65302-0188

Kim Horstman
Agent

B'S CONCRETE FLATWORK

Basements • Garages
Sidewalks • Driveways
Patios • Curbs
Tearout & Replace



(660) 438-0077
Cell: (660) 723-3676

Brian Botteron

 **ROGERS PLUMBING AND ELECTRICAL**
SUPERBIA OPERIS

Plumbing & Electrical
More Bang For Your Buck
with Bob
Best Price in Town
Guaranteed!

660-287-7167

Culligan™
Water you love.™

Water Softeners & Filters • Drinking Water
Rust & Odor Removal • Chlorination
UV Systems

Trade In Your Old System and Receive Up To \$100 Off
660-827-2770 culliganMo.com

J & B Construction and Remodel

RESIDENTIAL ✕ LIGHT COMMERCIAL ✕ CABINETS
WE LEVEL MOBILE HOMES!
OVER 40 YEARS EXPERIENCE

John
660-215-6795

JUSTLIKENEWANTIQUES.COM

WE WILL RETURN CALLS AND SHOW UP FOR THE JOB ✕



WEAVER'S

EST. 1972

BODY SHOP LLC.

750 E. Main St., Warsaw • 660-438-6717



Momma Hoppers Cleaning
660-221-3697

- Exceeding Expectations for 20 year
- Office Cleaning
- One Time Deep Home Clean

Kathy Hopper- owner
mommahopperscleaning@gmail.com



H&C
PLUMBING & ELECTRICAL

(660) 428-2371

COMPLETE PLUMBING & ELECTRICAL SERVICE

24 HOUR SERVICE CALLS
COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL
DRAIN CLEANING

HEATH CUNNINGHAM, OWNER

 **JASON'S AUTOMOTIVE**

We Are The
"Can Do"
Professionals

805 Wood St., Warsaw, MO
660-438-2002

BACK IN ACTION

Chiropractic LLC
Sports Rehab & Acupuncture

(660) 620-0276

1650 Commercial St. Suite B Warsaw, MO 65355
1501 S Grand Ave. Sedalia, MO 65301
backinactionchiropracticllc@gmail.com

MARK UPHOLSTERY

Custom Design
Restoration, and Repair

Boats, RV, Home, Auto,
Motorcycles, Aircraft

660-281-8424

CRAWFORD Auction Service



Chance • Sam • Chase

Chance 417-298-1751 Sam 417-328-9137 Chase 417-349-1904
417-998-6629
Cross Timbers Missouri
Celebrating 80 Years - 1944-2024
CrawfordAuctionService.com

JOHNSON AUCTION SERVICE

Third Generation Family Tradition Since 1942
For All Upcoming Auctions
go to Auctionzip.com - ID #20300

Now Celebrating our 80th Consecutive year serving Benton, Pettis, and surrounding Counties.

Russell "Rusty" Johnson
(660) 221-4067

Phillip Yoder
(660) 723-3389

DRENON Auction Service

Laramie Lacey
660-221-4386 660-723-1104

Cooper
660-723-2221

Serving Central Missouri
Since 1969

www.drenonauction.com




Thomas Benton White
Publisher 1879-1915

Edwin Mahlon White
Publisher 1915-1943

Mahlon Neill White
Publisher 1943-1962

Mahlon Kelly White
Publisher 1962-2004

James Mahlon White
Publisher

Adam Dean Howe
Editor-In-Chief

Kimberly Hanson
Stephanie Adair
Graphic Design
& Layout

Jo White
Anita Campbell
Lonnie Taylor
Judy Kramer
Joyce Coates
Jenn Bradshaw
Donnie Nichols
Kim Fugate
Dianne Peck
County Reporters

Johnnie Logue
Sports Reporter

Annie Rohloff
Office Manager

Christina Larkin
Circulation Manager

Stephanie Adair
WCAR Magazine

Birdman Apparel
A Benton County
Enterprise Company

Dylan James Bartlett
General Manager

Jenn Bradshaw
John Marshall Caswell
Steve Yach
Birdman Production

WHAT WE BELIEVE

We believe reporting the news and events of Benton County is both an honor and a privilege and must be done with fairness and accuracy.

We believe editorial opinion should never be mixed with news reporting.

We believe it is our duty to protect the rights of all citizens regardless of race, creed or economic status.

We believe in supporting projects that make Benton County a better place to live.

BENTON COUNTY
ENTERPRISE
(050-058)
107 Main Street
Mail: P.O. Box 128
Warsaw, MO 65355
Phone: (660) 438-6312

Website:
bentoncountyenterprise.com

Email:
bentoncountyenterprise@yahoo.com

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
Benton & Adjoining Counties
\$42⁰⁰ per year
Other Counties/Out of State
\$49⁰⁰ per year

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING
\$11.00 First 10 Words
25¢ per additional word
\$6.00 per week to repeat
Classified Display Advertising:
\$6.50 per column inch

DEADLINES
Auctions, Real Estate: Thurs.
4 PM; Legals: Friday 12 Noon
Local, Clubs, Society, Classified
and all other: Monday by Noon

Published weekly on
Thursday. Periodical postage
paid at Warsaw, MO

POSTMASTER: Send changes
to: PO Box 128
Warsaw, MO 65355

All news copy is printed on
a space available basis
and is subject to editing for
space limitations.



Have I Got A Line For You!

By James Mahlon White

Monday night was cold and dismal and I took a break from staring at the keyboard in a vain attempt to fill this space. The lights on Main Street were glowing in the mist and there wasn't a person or car in sight. For some reason, perhaps the weather, I thought about a book I read years ago. It was about mysterious cat mutilations that have occurred through the years with frequency in a few Midwestern states. There was an outbreak in Missouri during the mid 1970's, including some down in Dallas County. One theory advanced in the book was the mutilations were the work of practitioners of black magic as part of a ritual. One man familiar

with a suspected cult was quoted as saying, "It's just a matter of time until they start attacking human beings." Clinton Democrat Staffer Kim Hanson says she remembers the book, in fact she read it when she lived in Connecticut. Kim said they had a similar problem and most folks thought it was some kind of off-beat religious ceremony. Maybe it was a black mass by devil worshipers involving cats. Kim summed it up, "I've lived long enough to know that some of the strangest things often have a logical explanation. Most of the time it's best not to read too much into things." I agree with Kim Hanson.

What else? Deer Season concluded last week. I remember when Drake Harbor was the scene of the check-in station. Trucks would be backed up as far as Casey's, loaded down with venison. I've only been deer hunting once and that was way back in 1987. Somehow I ended firing

a fatal shot. The deer was old, tough and extremely difficult to get rid of. I took several hunks of it over to the neighbors and they politely declined seconds. It could have had something to do with our family dog Bozo. He roamed Lay Avenue that season with a bloody deer leg hanging out of his mouth.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS! Archeologists in England found a cache of mint condition silver coins from the 11th century. The Anglo-Saxon doubloons were dug up on the Suffolk coast. The coins date from 1036 and 1044 during King Edward the Confessor's turbulent reign. Edward was eventually exiled, but not before he confiscated the properties of all those who defied him. Perhaps the person who buried the coins was concerned about the political situation and social instability. Wonder what future archeologists will dig up from our time? How do you dig up a digital world?

Well, I've covered dead cats, dead deer and old coins. Probably best to quit while I'm ahead. Listen Old Buddy, peace to your spirit.

Til Next Week:
J.M.W.

Edward Jones
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

RICKIE CASWELL,
AAMS®
Financial Advisor

It's widely thought that home ownership is a key to building wealth — but is it? And should you consistently make sacrifices to buy your own home?

Let's start with the first question: Is owning a home essential to building wealth? It would probably be more accurate to say that home ownership can be helpful in building wealth. Building home equity — essentially, the difference between the size of your home's value and what you still owe — is certainly valuable. Plus, the bigger your equity, the less you might have to take out in a new mortgage if you ever want to buy a different home.

Now for the next question: How much should you sacrifice to buy your own home? This isn't an easy question to answer because buying a home isn't just a financial issue — it's also an emotional one. Many people simply like the feeling of owning a home. If you fall into this category, you might be willing to make many sacrifices to join the ranks of homeowners.

However, if you're relatively young and you are part of a single or even a dual-income household, you may well find that your other priorities are more important than home ownership, at least for the moment. These priorities can include paying off student loans, reducing other debts, paying for child care, meeting health care costs and even saving for retirement. With all these expenses, you might not be able to take on a big mortgage, along with real estate taxes, homeowners' insurance and the inevitable but costly repairs that come with owning a home.

In addition to the danger of becoming "house poor" by paying too high a percentage

of your income on your mortgage, you could face another issue by sinking too much money into your home — and that's liquidity. A home is much more illiquid than savings or investment accounts, so if you needed money in a hurry, and most of yours was tied up in your home, you might be in a jam. You could tap into your home equity through a loan or a line of credit, but that's basically taking on even more debt, though these loans and credit lines typically offer lower interest rates than other forms of borrowing.

So, here's the bottom line: You don't need to feel that you are missing out on a chance to build wealth by not buying a home immediately — especially if you would feel extremely stretched by the mortgage payments, given how expensive homes are today. You won't hurt yourself — and, in fact, you'll likely help yourself — by taking care of your most pressing priorities first.

Of course, this doesn't mean that you can never become a homeowner. If you would still like to own a home someday, you could start saving for a down payment, keeping the money in a liquid, low-risk account. Just as importantly, though, you should plan on how owning a home can fit into your budget and how it will affect your cash flow. If you can manage it, you may indeed find that there's no place like home.

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

Edward Jones-Member SIPC



WORD
ON THE
STREET

What is your favorite winter meal to stay warm?



Potato soup and fresh bread.
-Riley Karr



Chili.
-Joe Beaman



Corn chowder and grilled cheese.
-LaCole Territo



PROCOM AUTO SALES

Quality Pre-Owned Vehicles At The Working Mans Price

Call: 660-438-3000 417-298-7947

Hours: Monday-Friday 12pm to 5pm SATURDAY BY APPOINTMENT

31768 Hwy. 83 Warsaw, MO.

FOR SALE

MINI SPLIT HEAT PUMP • 24K 9,000 BTU EACH • 3 ZONE

\$5,800 INSTALLED

CALL ROLAND 573-789-5807

Air Conditioner SPECIAL

Goodman 3 Ton A/C 15KW Air Handler Installed

\$6,400

Call Roland 573-789-5807

Mini Split Heat Pump

•12,000 BTW •Single Zone

\$1,900 Installed

CALL ROLAND 573-789-5807

Warsaw Senior Citizens Housing

Now Aivalable for Move in!

1 Bedroom Apts. Rent \$625
Rental Assistance is Available to Qualified Tenants.
Especially for Seniors 62 and older or Disabled Households regardless of age.
Laundry Facilities on site
Community Room

Call (660) 438-2258
Relay 711

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer"

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Now hiring capable attendants/aides for help with personal care, housekeeping, meals, running errands, etc.

The job requires a valid driver's license and must be able to pass a background screening.

If you are interested in caring for people in their home please contact:

Advantage Home Care
660-650-0900



UNDER CONTRACT

#99023

\$239,900

Fully remodeled 3-bedroom, 1.5-bath farmhouse on 3 acres with modern upgrades, new appliances, a spacious porch, and multiple outbuildings, just 15 minutes from Sedalia.



#99195

\$339,900

This 2021-built 3-bedroom, 2-bath home blends rustic charm with modern efficiency. Features include a master suite, galley kitchen, large laundry room, and a 24x36 shop. On 1 acre with privacy and nature.



#97661

\$119,900

Lakefront living at its best—fully furnished home with boat slip, near top amenities and ready for you!



#99192

\$142,000

Conveniently located, this home offers recent updates, hardwood floors, a sunroom, patio, basement, water filter, and carport.



#99055

\$499,900

Spacious 5bd/3ba home on 97 wooded acres in Central Missouri, ideal for families or hunting retreats, with prime hunting grounds, UTV trails, and proximity to the Lake of the Ozarks.



#97724

\$30,000

Wooded 6 acre tract close to Lake of the Ozarks and borders Conservation Area. Excellent deer and turkey hunting. Just 2 miles to covered dock rentals.



Lacey Smallwood
Owner/Broker-GR1
660-723-1104



Robert Farrington
Sales Associate
660-221-4309



Cooper Smallwood
Sales Associate
660-723-2221

+660-547-3535
www.lincolnmorealty.com



LINCOLN REALTY

546 N Hwy 65
P.O. Box 193
Lincoln, MO 65338





ADVANTAGE REAL ESTATE



Pam Grobe
660-525-0740
WWW.PAMATTHELAKE.COM



Mary Shinn
660-221-7603



Lea Ann Petree
816-838-2534

(660) 438-0070 WWW.ADVANTAGELAND.INFO

★ 1699 Commercial Street, Warsaw, MO 65355 ★

NEW LISTING! MLS #99255 \$249,900



NEW LISTING! BEAUTIFUL RANCH HOME on large lot with circle drive and fenced in back yard. 3 large BR and 2 1/2 BA. All new kitchen cabinets, counter tops and appliances in 2024. Beautiful hardwood floors, new laminate flooring in all bedrooms, roof installed mid-2023, new windows thru out home and newer siding. 2 car attached garage. Full basement that can have bedrooms or family room and workshop! Gorgeous landscaped yard. What a great home!!!

TOTALLY REMODELED! MLS #98274 \$195,000



AWESOME 2 BR RANCH HOME In Cole Turkey Acres. Home has been totally remodeled and would be a great investment as a successful nightly rental. Fully furnished and move-in ready, this charming property features a spacious yard and is conveniently located near the boat ramp. Subdivision has community dock and fishing dock, plus two on-site restaurants. The perfect ideal getaway or investment opportunity with endless potential.

DOWNTOWN WARSAW! MLS #97381 \$249,900



BEAUTIFUL LOZ VIEW OVERLOOKING DRAKE HARBOR from this lower-level apartment. This unique apartment is located downtown Main Street with plenty of room for expansion, 1 BR/BA with a family/living room and small deck. The main level is currently vacant. What a perfect weekend or full-time home with your business upstairs or lease the business space for additional income. Endless possibilities... No lawn maintenance and a boat ramp onto the Lake of the Ozarks at your back door!! Call for more details!!

LAKE VIEW! MLS #96862 \$209,000



SPEND ALL YEAR 'ROUND In This Charming Log Sided A-Frame with a 10x30 covered boat slip with lift and power on the Lake of the Ozarks. On 3 large lots with a lake view. Many extras included in price, including a home warranty.



MISSOURI LAND COMPANY



YOUR LOCAL LAND & FARM SPECIALIST!

Agent-Broker-Owner

I have sold a lot of acreage in your area the last 9 years. The price per acre is at an all-time high, so if you are considering selling, now is the time! I do nationwide marketing and your property will be on a nationwide MLS.

As you can see with our new office going up at the Cole Camp Junction—I plan on being here for a long time to come!

Call me today, I would love to come out and meet you and evaluate your property!

-Mike Stoner

573-774-9775
MissouriLandCo.com



R-N-R COMPLETE SEPTIC

Holding Tanks,
Septic Tanks,
Cleaned,
Repaired or
Replaced

Robin Umlauf, Owner
Edwards, MO 65326
417-998-6520
417-998-9019
660-723-3841

THACKER INSPECTION SERVICES, LLC

660-974-9192



Home Inspections

www.thackerinspectionsservices.com



RE/MAX of Warsaw
805 Kennedy Drive,
Warsaw, MO 65355
Next to the Swinging Bridge
660-438-7100



Shelley Hare,
Broker/Owner
(660)-281-9509



If you're looking for privacy, this custom-built home at the end of the road is the peace and tranquility that you are looking for. The open concept living area leads out to a 400 sq ft sunroom with multiple sliding doors that makes it feel like indoor/outdoor living. You'll enjoy the split Master Bath with 2 vanities, and 2 toilets, one of each on either side of a shared bath and shower. Having an office on the main level makes working from home convenient. The lower-level unfinished area with a walk-out will allow you the creativity to make the space your own. The 40' x 50' metal garage with plenty of room offers endless opportunity for storage including RV, boat, and other toys. There's even a bathroom! Truman State Park and Marina are just down the road and accessible to the public.

MLS #97603 \$359,000

ATTA-BOY CUTTERING
METAL ROOFING
*Seamless Gutting * Free Estimates
660-723-5840

ADC Associated Door Company
(660)826-2968
GARAGE DOORS
GARAGE DOOR OPENERS
New Construction
Replacement & Repair
Commercial & Residential
526 E 3rd St. • Sedalia www.associateddoor.com

Cody's
CONCRETE
FLATWORK
Garages • Driveways
Patios • Curbs
Basements
Tear Out & Replace
660-723-4419

Luke
Beaman
660-723-0563



ReeceNichols
GOLDEN KEY REALTY
An Independently Owned and Operated Member of the Reece & Nichols Alliance, Inc.
18889 Cedar Gate Drive Warsaw, Mo. Located on Highway 65 just North of Warsaw
OFFICE: 660-438-7228/TOLL FREE 800-760-2255

Fred
Beaman
660-438-7228

Fred
Beaman
660-438-7228

Julia
Lockney
660-438-0685

John
Eierman
660-723-0988

Kennie
VanHolten
660-229-2968

Heath
Karr
660-723-0119

Debbie
Wood
660-221-5710

Crist
Fanning
866-438-7070

Brandon
Martin
660-221-7939

Hansel
Morris
660-525-4404

Crystal
Self
660-620-9217

Deanna
Miller
620-605-8151

Katie
Martin-Simons
816-728-5744

Marsha
Kleihauer
660-723-9828

Lane
Simmons
660-620-1996

SEE MORE! Visit- <https://warsaw.reecenichols.com>



Unlock the potential of this exceptional 662-acre income-producing farm, strategically located in Green Ridge, MO. Boasting over 500 acres of prime tillable land, this property is designed for high-yield row cropping and gilt finishing. The farm features well-maintained hog houses that comfortably accommodate up to 4,960 gilts, with a new group of gilts being delivered every 7 months, allowing for a robust livestock operation. With established contracts in place, you can hit the ground running and start generating revenue from day one. The farm's manure can be utilized as organic fertilizer, enhancing soil quality, supporting sustainable practices and save several thousands of dollars in costs. Additional highlights include marketable timber, a ranch hand home, and multiple income streams that provide diverse revenue opportunities. The facilities are in good condition, making this a turnkey operation with room for growth and innovation. With its great potential for conversion into a large organic farm complex, this property is perfect for forward-thinking investors or farmers looking to expand their operations. Don't miss this rare opportunity to own a versatile and productive farm in a prime agricultural area. Schedule your tour with Luke today! \$7,950,000 – MLS #98888



Oh what a VIEW! You will fall in love with the fantastic panoramic view from this charming 3 bedroom waterfront home. Ranch style one level living. Wrap around covered deck. Large yard. Newer concrete drive up to your 2 car garage/workshop, 1 car garage AND 2 car carport. 2 connected docks on deep water with 2 boat lifts. Comes completely furnished, everything stays! Did I mention the view?? Call Debbie to look at that view! \$295,000 – MLS #98757



3 bedroom, 2 bath waterfront home with level walk to water. Covered dock with lift. 30x32 metal building with 14' side walls and 10' door. Also has a large, detached garage. Home has been completely remodeled. Beautiful setting overlooking the lake. CoMo connect internet. Most of the furnishings will stay! Call Kennie to schedule your showing today! \$380,000 – MLS #96280



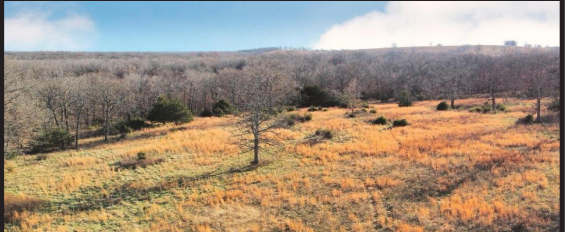
Very Nice 2 BR, lake cabin comes with permitted dock with lift. Easy walk to Lake. Ramp nearby nice storage shed and extended car port. Located on a paved road. \$154,000 - Call Julia to schedule your showing! MLS #98859



FABULOUS NEW CONSTRUCTION! With 1,400+ square feet (all on one level!), this top quality, brand new 2BR, 2BA home will meet your every need and send your worries packing! This truly beautiful home features a large, open floor plan with lots of windows and natural lighting, a corner fireplace in the living room, a large kitchen with quartz countertops, a 2-car garage and a large patio (26' X 13'6", half covered/half open). Located at the edge of town in Warsaw, it is close to everything you could need. Features many extras, including a concrete driveway, water softener, granite countertops in both baths, and a microwave, dishwasher and gas range. Seller will consider contributing to Buyer's closing costs in conjunction with an acceptable offer. Call Heath and schedule your appointment today! \$349,900 – MLS #98771



Don't miss out on this spacious three-bedroom three-bathroom home with an inviting open layout. Large first bedroom on the main floor has an ensuite and opens to your covered deck. Great family room downstairs could be converted into more bedrooms if the need was there. In the basement is a wood burning assist with wood shoot and storage area. Your second bedroom downstairs is also large and opens to your covered porch. New flooring in nearly every room and new condensing units. The garage holds two vehicles and has plenty of room for your work benches, beyond that is a two-vehicle carport. Plenty of parking area. Nice peaceful fenced back yard with a covered patio to enjoy. \$182,000 - Call Crystal and schedule a time to see it today! MLS #98494



Nestled just off FF Highway in Edwards, MO, this stunning 216-acre property is a haven for anyone seeking expansive land with boundless potential. The property is a dream for farming enthusiasts, offering sprawling open pastures ideal for livestock grazing or hay production. With multiple ponds scattered across the landscape and a meandering creek branching through multiple areas, the land is well-suited to support agricultural operations or provide water sources for animals. Whether you're envisioning a thriving cattle operation, horse farm, or simply a serene rural escape, this property offers the space and resources to bring your vision to life. You are also located just under 5 miles from a public access point on the Lake of the Ozarks. The home itself has 5 spacious bedrooms, 3 baths, and multiple living areas, providing ample comfort after a day spent outdoors. This is a rare opportunity to own a truly versatile piece of ground. Call Brandon to schedule your private showing of this beautiful property! \$979,900 – MLS #99167



What a nice lake cabin! Big enough for a full-time home, or the perfect size for a weekend retreat. Just 4 miles from Warsaw, and just a few minutes from 2 boat ramps. This home will give you the feel of a traditional cabin, with lots of upgrades in the past 5 years. There will be plenty of room for lake toys and off-road vehicles, featuring a 24'x21' detached garage, and a 30'x40' shop with a 10' lean-to. Call Hansel or Lane to schedule your showing today! \$199,500 – MLS #98414

ANSTINE
REALTY & AUCTION, LLC

Lora Anstine
Broker/Owner

660-438-7000
1649 Commercial St., #4
Warsaw, MO 65355

Debra Anderson
Sales Assoc.
(660) 233-3673

Cathy Wilson
Sales Assoc.

Holly Hatzembuehler
Sales Assoc.

Tonya Nathan
Sales Assoc.

Danielle Baker
Broker/Sales

Debra Anderson
Sales Assoc.
(660) 233-3673

MLS #98293 - This lovely 3 bdrm 2 1/2 bath home in popular STERETT CREEK VILLAGE backs up to CORP GROUND and sits just up the hill from wonderful Beyond Marina on TRUMAN LAKE! If you are looking for easy lake living, this low maintenance home is for you. This wonderful home has beautiful hardwoods on the main level, vaulted ceilings in the living room and beautiful custom cabinets in this wonderful kitchen. The front dining room would also make a great office. Main floor master is expansive with full bath, including jetted tub & walk-in closet. Large lower-level family room with access to back patio. Two more nice size bedrooms and full bath. Tons of storage in this home. Great deck off the back. An extra carport & 2 large storage sheds in the back. Come and sit a spell on this lovely front porch or jump on the golf cart and head down to the marina. \$349,900. Call Debra Anderson for a showing today!

Lora Anstine
Broker/Owner
(660) 525-9914

MLS #97643 - What an opportunity for 10.5 acres on highway 7. This is a highly traveled highway, and the possibilities are endless as it borders a gravel road and the highway. The corner parcels are hard to come by. Unrestricted land. Call Lora Anstine for more information!

Cathy Wilson
Sales Assoc.
(816) 898-7645

PRIVATE LAKE ACCESS! Vacant lots with access to private community lake or to Lake of the Ozarks. Timbered lots with lake view, great for building a weekend or full-time home! Two separate listings in the subdivision of Lakewood Village in Edwards. MLS #97455--0.2 acres+/- \$4000 or MLS #97456--0.6 acre+/- \$6000. Call today for more details! Motivated Seller!!

Danielle Baker
Broker/Sales
(816) 918-3657

MLS# 97608 - WATERFRONT HOME! This home sits on almost 5 acres of land with 400 ft of water frontage and a 30 x 60 shop! \$ 344,900.

Tracy Amos
Broker Sales
660-473-4167

Daniel Limanskiy
Realtor
660-281-7838

KWHERITAGE
KELLERWILLIAMS REALTY

Gentle slope and acreage inside Forbes LOA gated residential and recreational community! Build your home on this 7+ acres, electricity is close, and enjoy the serenity and wildlife (deer, turkeys, birds, etc) Forbes LOA has to offer!

MLS #97716 \$17,000

This is the 40 acres you have been looking for! Secluded yet only 1 mile off of blacktop! Has a pond, a seasonal creek, pasture that has been hayed, and trees for privacy/hunting/recreational fun. Electricity is on-site, a well, and septic already installed and two small garage/sheds as well. Just waiting for your home to be built on it! **MSL #98693**

Contact Us Today
816-452-4200 / 660-428-6828

Kingsville Livestock Auction
Kingsville, MO

Located 45 mi. S.E. of Kansas City, MO. On 58 Hwy. East at Modern Kingsville Livestock Auction Center in Kingsville, MO

Market Report: **Kingsville Livestock Auction** Friday, January 10, 2025 Sold 3,197 head.

Last Sale of 2024: 4,508 head. Compared to the last sale a month ago, steers and heifers sold mostly 10.00-20.00 higher. Supply was heavy and demand was good to very good with reputation calves and loads of yearlings offered all day. The cattle market has continued to gain and impress following the holidays and everyone was eager to get back to doing some business. Slaughter cows & bulls sold \$5 higher.

Load Lots of Yearlings & Feeders	
Steers	727lbs@ \$298.75
	801lbs@ \$274.75
	802lbs@ \$277.25
	872lbs@ \$264.25
Heifers	683lbs@ \$282.00
	739lbs@ \$267.00
	746lbs@ \$258.00
	763lbs@ \$255.10

Slaughter Cows	
High Yielding	\$123-\$135
Medium Yielding	\$110-\$122
Low Yielding	\$85-\$109
Slaughter Bulls	\$140-\$172

Every Tuesday Feeder Sale @ 10:30 am
Special Cow & Bull Sale-Jan. 18th @ 11am
Horse & Tack Sale - Jan. 25th @ 9am-for more info visit our website

**Feeder Cattle that are short weaned or new crop calves that have not had shots or are lesser quality will be lower than the reported amounts.

Kingsville Livestock Auction

For Information or to Schedule a Farm Visit call:
Rick, Jeremy or Jared Anstine at the Sale Barn: 816.597.3331
Jeremy Anstine: 816-716-9288 Jared Anstine: 816-878-5229
Tucker Anstine: 816-345-0860 Alexa Anstine: 816-462-7418 Jimmie Long: 660-221-4992
Derrick Atkins: 816-726-3456 Clay Barnhouse: 417-777-1855 Doug Fager: 913-645-9497
Cody Fowler: 660-473-2030
Visit us at www.kingsvillelivestock.com—Email anstineauction@gmail.com

PERFORMING WELL

By Bill Bobb

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
A	L	O	H	A		C	R	U	E	L		D
14	N	A	V	A	L		O	U	T	G	O	
17	D	O	A	S	L	O	W	B	U	R	N	
				20	T	I	C	S		21	B	E
23	R	O	D	E	N	T			26	E	T	H
28	I	C	O	N		29	A	S	P		32	S
33	G	U	N	S		34	V	O	L	T		36
39	I	L	O		40	D	E	N	I	Z	E	N
43	D	I	T	T	O		45	S	E	A	M	
				47	P	A	G	E		49	S	R
51	O	N	A	R	O	L	L		54	L	E	A
56	L	O	S		57	O	T	S		58	T	I
59	S	O	S		60	D	O	A	G	O	O	T
65	E	N	G		66	E	R	T	E	S		67
68	N	E	O		69	R	O	S	E	S		70

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

ACHIEVING LIFESKILLS is currently seeking employees to provide Direct Care, Supports for Individuals with Intellectual Developmental Disabilities in their own homes., Candidates must be 21 or older and like to be active in the community, enjoy shopping and eating out,

be adventurous and possess domestic skills. Daily duties include assisting with daily house care, meal preparation, medical needs and completing daily documentation. Company vehicles are provided. Achieving Lifeskills offers flexible schedules, employee performance incentives, referral bonuses, paid overtime, virtual training, hands on training and Caregiver mentoring. Health and supplemental insurance plans available. Job requirements: A valid Driver's License, High School Diploma or GED, be able to pass a Criminal Background Check and Motor Vehicle Check. First Aide, CPR and CMAL1 certification and training paid for by the company.

We have positions available in Camdenton, Versailles and Warsaw. For more information, please contact Achieving Lifeskills at (660) 438-3488 or apply in person at 129 Tower Dr. Warsaw, MO. EOE B-P-U-TFN

FOR SALE

SEASONED OAK firewood, \$60 5 1/2' truck bed, \$70 6 1/2' truck bed, call (816) 263-1391 P-PU-1/31

ROUGH CUT firewood, hedge and oak, \$30 per pickup load, call (417) 282-6424 P-PU-1/24

Firewood

\$130 Cord
\$65 Half
\$40 Quarter
Seasoned Oak
Delivered & Stacked

Call
(816) 838-3300

CENTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES
Life Beyond Limitations

Community Living Professional Manager
Full time
Sedalia, MO

Pay starting at: \$55,078.40 per year

Benefits offered: Medical, dental, vision, life, FSA/HSA, accident, critical illness, hospital indemnity, short & long-term disability, identity theft, pre-paid legal, payroll deducted savings account, parental leave, and EAP.

What to expect: This position provides leadership, supervision, training, and overall coordination of activities at various assigned locations. This assignment is based on the needs of the clients of the organization.

Qualifications: Bachelor's degree (BA or BS) and/or a combination of education and direct experience to equal four years. Previous supervisory experience is highly preferred.

Apply to www.chs-mo.org/careers or text "CHS1955" to 22100

Grantor	Grantee	Instr	Serial	Inst# or Assn #	Book	Page	First Legal	Rec Date
MARTIN KELLEY ENTERPRISES, LLC	HARTLEY, LISA ANN	WD	REAL	202405495	5495	12	L B 1 4 LAKE OZARK FOREST+	12/23/2024
CASH, SHIRLEY A	SCHUMAKER, RANDALL	WD	REAL	202405507	5507	57	STR 35-43-21	12/23/2024
STRINE, BILLY J	STRINE, BILLY J TRUSTEE	WD	REAL	202405508	5508	17	35 HENRY LAKE FRONT ACRES+	12/23/2024
SHOWMAN, THOMAS M	SHOWMAN, DALLAS A	QCD	REAL	202405509	5509	17	67 HENRY LAKE FRONT ACRES	12/23/2024
WOOD, DAVID	MOCHAMALE, KEVIN GENE	WD	REAL	202405510	5510	17	39 UT 8 ARROWHEAD LAKE ESTATES	12/23/2024
SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS	LEGGIO, ANGELA	WD	REAL	202405512	5512	16	L B 6 L 2EAL BEND SECOND ADDITION	12/23/2024
MCHEE, BERNICE J	MCHEE, HEATHER LEIGH	QCD	REAL	202405518	5518	28	PA-24-42-22	12/23/2024
PENNING, COURTNEY A	PENNING, PATRICK S	QCD	REAL	202405520	5520	19	STR 23-41-23 NW/NW	12/24/2024
KERNES, TIMOTHY	NOAH, VERNON R.	QCD	REAL	202405525	5525	17	LB 19L 3B 3ENT TRE HARBOR PL +	12/26/2024
GUERRERO, LUIS	APKN PROPERTY LLC	WD	REAL	202405526	5526	17	4187 UT 3 L FORIES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405533	5533	17	7B L 3 UT 1 LAKEWOOD VILLAGE+	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405534	5534	17	L B 4 UT 3 L LAKEWOOD VILLAGE	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405535	5535	17	L B 1 UT 1 L LAKEWOOD VILLAGE	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405536	5536	17	17 UT 1 ARROWHEAD LAKE ESTATES	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405537	5537	17	184 UT 1 ARROWHEAD LAKE ESTATES+	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405538	5538	17	17 UT 5 ARROWHEAD LAKE ESTATES	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405539	5539	17	117 UT 6 ARROWHEAD LAKE ESTATES+	12/26/2024
BROEDSEN, DAVID K. BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	MUNDEN, JEREMY MICHAEL	CLTD	REAL	202405540	5540	17	101 UT 7 ARROWHEAD LAKE ESTATES	12/26/2024
INLOW, STEVEN	INLOW, STEVEN	QCD	REAL	202405549	5549	22	STR 10-40-21	12/27/2024
KELLY, GARY D	HARELSON, COLIN	WD	REAL	202405550	5550	17	221 SUTTER CREEK VILLAGE 2ND ADDITION	12/27/2024
LEWIS, JACK H.	BORRINK, BECKY S.	QCD	REAL	202405558	5558	28	2-40-22 SUR BK/PG: 5/28	12/27/2024
CARTER, WILLIAM LEWIS	RULLMAN, JEFFREY K.	WD	REAL	202405559	5559	28	20-40-23	12/27/2024
TRK INVESTMENTS LLC	COLLISTER, EMMA B.	WD	REAL	202405560	5560	17	28 OK BRANCH	12/27/2024
HRNCIAR, AMANDA R.	GODWIN, JAMES B.	WD	REAL	202405570	5570	14	L B 4 L 1 BLAKEYS ADDITION TO COLE CAMP	12/27/2024

Larry Dale Eckhoff



Larry Dale Eckhoff, age 80, of Lincoln, Missouri, passed away on Saturday, January 11, 2025 at the Lincoln Community Care Center.

He was born on March 30, 1944 in Sedalia, Missouri, the son of Rufus and Ella Schnakenberg Eckhoff. Larry was raised and educated in Lincoln and was a 1962 graduate of Lincoln High School. Following high school, he attended the Molars Barber School in Kansas City and worked as a barber in Lincoln after he graduated. He later was employed at the MFA Fertilizer plant in Cole Camp and the Lincoln Lumber Yard. He spent many years of his life as a carpenter, building and remodeling homes in Lincoln and the surrounding areas.

On November 27, 1965, Larry was united in marriage to Judi Johnson and they made their home on a farm North of Lincoln where they raised their four boys, Dustin, Darren, Nathan and Neil. During his younger years, he spent his free time working on his cattle farm. Later in life, he spent many hours in his garden and attending his grandchildren's activities and sporting events.

Larry was a life-long member of Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln where he was baptized and confirmed. He served faithfully in many positions, including trustee, president and elder.

Larry is survived by his wife, Judi of the home, his sons Dustin and wife Roxana of Warsaw, Nathan and wife Jacque of Columbia and Neil and wife Elly of Lincoln, daughter-in-law Sheree Eckhoff, thirteen grandchildren: Seth Eckhoff, Anna Eckhoff, Lydia Ryan (Austin), Benjamin Eckhoff, Emarie Eckhoff, Adison Eckhoff, Ryan Eckhoff (Adrian), Christina Eckhoff, Kyle Eckhoff, Rylee Eckhoff, Reese Eckhoff, Noah Eckhoff and Abigail Eckhoff; two great-grandchildren: Kayden Eckhoff and Madalyn Eckhoff, his brother Kenneth and wife Donna of Lee's Summit, sister-in-law Janis Cobb, brother-in-laws Sonny Johnson (Maxine) and Dale Hessefort (Patty), several nieces and nephews and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his son Darren, mother and father-in-law Homer and Ruth Johnson, his sister-in-law Joyce Hessefort, and nephews Steve Hessefort

and Tim Cobb.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln with visitation being held one hour prior to the funeral. Burial will be in Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery. Pallbearers will be his grandsons: Seth, Ryan, Kyle, Noah and Benjamin. Memorials can be made to the Zion Lutheran Church Building Fund.

William Monroe Thomas



William Monroe Thomas, age 84, was born June 15, 1940 in Kanas City the son of Herman Monroe and Cora Virginia (Hendrickson) Thomas and passed away January 8, 2025 in Maysville, Missouri.

William "Bill" loved fishing, dancing, and gambling at the casino's. Bill worked most of his life as a Handy Man and for Telcon. He worked for his brother as a Contractor and moved to Maysville to be with his sister Virginia in 2006.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Herman Thomas, Jr.

Survivors include 3 sisters, Virginia Johnson, Maysville, MO, Mildred Kellner, Warsaw, MO, Jeanie Duy, Deep Water, MO; and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation under the direction of Turner Family Funeral Home of Maysville. A Memorial Service is scheduled at a later date. Memorial Contributions: American Cancer Society. Online Condolences: www.turnerfamilyfuneral.com.



Denzel G. Worth



Denzel G. Worth, age 85, of Deepwater, Missouri passed away Friday, January 10, 2025 at his home. He was born on February 2, 1939 in Carroll County, Missouri the son of Glen Worth and Ann (Lakey) Worth.

Denny grew up in Carroll County and graduated from Tina High School. He went on to serve his country in the United States Army, fighting as a part of the 82nd Airborne. After his honorable discharge he moved to Kansas City, Missouri where he was employed as a painter for Ford Motor Company. In 1994 he retired and moved to Deepwater, Missouri where he enjoyed hunting and fishing. He also enjoyed gardening and quilting.

Denny was a member of the Autoworkers Union of Kansas City, the Masonic Lodge in Liberty, Missouri and the Eagles Lodge of Clinton, Missouri.

He is survived by his wife Charlotte Worth, who has been his companion and best friend for the past twenty-six years, two children: Randy Worth (Michelle) (John), all of Kansas City, Missouri, three stepchildren; Rebecca Blevins (Dee), of Lowry City, Missouri, Margaret Parmalee (Dennis), of Clinton, Missouri, and Tonya Campbell (Wesley), of Clinton, three grandchildren; Nick, Ashley and Bryce, two great grandchildren; Rodney and Dawson, ten step grandchildren; Raymond (Trishan) Blevins, of Bentonville, Arkansas, Amy (Jared) Kottwitz, of Osceola, Missouri, Kayla Blevins, of Lowry City, Missouri, Schaelyn Blevins (Josh), of Lowry City, Missouri, Joseph (Janelle) Parmalee, of Osceola, Missouri, Ashley Blackaby (Eric), of Clinton, Missouri, Casey Parmalee, of Kansas, Desirae Parmalee of Iowa, Courtney Campbell, of

Clinton, Missouri, Aaron Campbell, of Clinton, Missouri, seventeen step great-grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild and his special companions, his dog "Patches" and his cat "Spook."

DEATH NOTICES

Kevin Noland



Funeral Services for Kevin Noland will be held at 6:00 PM Friday, January 17, 2025 at the River Church in Warsaw. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral from 5:00 until 6:00 PM.

A complete obituary will be forthcoming.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
JOHNIE J. LOGUE

The Big Sleep
-John 11

In 1946, the movie *The Big Sleep* was released starring legendary actor Humphrey Bogart. It is a confusing mystery movie in which I still don't know for sure who killed who and why.

In real life, I am sometimes called to a bedside of someone facing imminent death. It is an experience not soon forgotten, to say the least. A couple of years ago, one such incident of like manner took place which still lingers in my heart and mind.

I was teaching Sunday School when I received a call to go to the hospital in KC; that my longtime friend and church member, Bob Whittington, 93, was drawing his last breath. I had been up there just a few days prior. Bob was unconscious and apparently near death's door. Well, while they said he wouldn't be alive by the time we drove the 100 miles, they were wrong. He lasted two days. While waiting in his room, an ice storm hit and it was a very scary trip

home.

Bob and I had joked that whoever went first would come back and tell the other one what Heaven was like. He has never been back. So the mystery of the next life, "the big sleep", which meant death in the movie, is still intact.

I preached his funeral and talked of his faith in God.

I miss old Bob. I sat in my car in his driveway soon after and wept.

As the new year is upon us, I am aware many will not see 2026, but will experience this certain and sometimes untimely event called death.

Jesus told His disciples that Lazarus was asleep. Lazarus was dead and was called back to life to live and die again. One day, we will all sleep "the big sleep".

I am Pastor Johnie J. Logue and you can contact me at (660) 281-4775.



UNITY OF THE LAKES

Reverend Jen Dickey will be speaking on "Investing in Joy" this Sunday!

JOY - three little letters of profound influence. We've all experienced memorable moments that bring a smile to our face and warmth in our heart. But where does joy live outside those moments? A bigger question: does it live outside us at all? Take a joy ride this Sunday as we explore a deeper connection of this divine quality inherent within.

Please join us on Sunday, January 19, at 11:00 AM. Unity of the Lakes is located about 8 miles south of Warsaw at 34948 Hwy 65 S.

We are affiliated with Unity Worldwide Headquarters in Unity Village, Kansas City, MO.

GREGG SMITH FORD LINCOLN

"Our People Treat You Right!"

1316 Price Lane • CLINTON, MO

660-885-5505

Gregg Smith Ford Lincoln would like to invite you to stop in and visit with Mike Schroder. Mike is a life-long Warsaw native and stands ready to assist you with all your automobile needs.

Contact Mike at 660-885-5505

orMike@greggsmithford.com

YOUR NEW CAR & TRUCK HEADQUARTERS

GREGG SMITH FORD LINCOLN

660-885-5505

Please join us to honor

Pastor Richard Bowman

as we celebrate his

Retirement

He served his Lord as an ordained minister for more than 60 years and Pastor of Warsaw Christian Church for 23 years.

Join us at a reception to be held on January 19th, 2025 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Warsaw Christian Church
320 State Street - Warsaw, MO

No gifts please, cards & memories are welcome.

Serving the Family for Generations

Personal Service

At a time of personal loss, we each express our feelings differently. No one service is right for everyone. That's why we offer various options for the most appropriate service, the most fitting farewell. And personalized attention to detail.

Reser Funeral Home

Established 1897

www.reserfuneralhome.com • 660.438.5151

Advantage Home Care

Do you or a loved one need care in your home?
Do you need assistance with:

- Housekeeping
- Personal Care
- Meal Preparation
- Mobility
- Medication Set Up
- Errands & Shopping, Etc

Offering Respite Care & In-home Care Services as well as Consumer Directed Services

For More Information, Call 573-615-0900

FREE BIBLE STUDY BY MAIL

Learn God's Word from the privacy of your own home with a FREE Bible Correspondence Course.

To request this study, contact:

Lincoln Church of Christ
P.O. Box 137
Lincoln, MO
or call (660) 547-3523

VISIT US ANY TIME

Sun Bible Study: 9:30 AM ·
Worship: 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM
Wed Bible Study: 7:00 PM

Maples

WARSAW, MO.



900 E. Main St. Warsaw, MO 660-438-7324

www.maplesford.com

2024 FORD F150 XLT



WAS \$68,155

\$62,250 AR

2024 FORD F150 XLT



WAS \$67,605

\$61,450 AR

2024 FORD F150 XLT



WAS \$59,250

\$56,500 AR

2024 BRONCO SPORT



WAS \$34,265

\$31,265 AR

2024 ESCAPE ACTIVE



WAS \$34,315

\$29,565 AR

2025 FORD EXPLORER STL



WAS \$54,035

\$52,535 AR

2024 BRONCO WILDTRAK



WAS \$67,000

\$61,900 AR

2024 F150 XLT DIESEL



WAS \$79,605

\$74,000 AR

2024 BRONCO BADLANDS



WAS \$62,715

\$58,500 AR

AR = AFTER REBATE

2018 FORD FOCUS SE



38 MPG

\$11,600

2021 FORD EXPLORER LIMITED



4X4

\$33,900

2012 E250 CARGO



WORK READY

\$11,900

2022 BRONCO SPORT



BIG BEND

\$24,900

2021 FORD F150 RAPTOR



MOON-ROOF

\$66,900

2016 FORD FOCUS SE



40 MPG

\$10,900

2016 EXPLORER LIMITED



LEATHER

\$17,900

2018 FORD FOCUS SEL



34 MPG

\$11,900

2021 F150 XL REG-CAB



V-8

\$29,900

12 month 12,000 mile BUMPER to BUMPER WARRANTY!!!
on all RAVs