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Glen Nelson Named Enterprise Person Of The Year For ‘Diligent Dedication’



By
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Reporter

Maybe being a “military brat” put an unrecognized longing to find roots in Glen Nelson that he never knew he felt until he came to Lincoln, Missouri. Nelson had been born in Memphis, Tennessee and the family moved to California when he was 12 years old.

Nelson’s dad was a career military man and he had been transferred to the Golden State. At a young age, Nelson went to work for Pacific Bell Telephone Company but went into the Marine Reserves in 1965 until 1971, taking a year off for the Reserves and then returned to Pacific Bell.

Nelson met Cathey Wass and they were married in 1967. The couple has three sons; Glen, Michael and Mark. They began their married lives in Santa Rosa, California but later moved to Napa Valley and this is where they were living when they made the decision to take early retirement and move to Lincoln, MO. The Bell system was merging and it was the perfect time to leave. The population explosion, plus the large number of tourists visiting the wineries in the Napa area had diminished their quality of life.

Nelson and Cathey had come to Lincoln to visit his father and his sister who was



WORKING TO MAKE THE TWIN-LAKES AREA A BETTER PLACE for everyone, Lincoln Mayor Glen Nelson was presented with the *Benton County Enterprise* Person Of The Year Award for 2024 by Editor Adam Dean Howe and Publisher James Mahlon White.

married to a local man when they first viewed what would become their future home. It was the McCain house that overlooked a private lake. The couple took one look and knew they were in love with the spot.

Nelson took retirement in 1995, after a nearly 32 year career with Pacific Bell and

they happily packed up and moved to mid-Missouri. They were still getting settled when the Lincoln truck stop burned, creating unending future headaches for the town council.

By 2002, Nelson was elected mayor, a position he would fill for three terms. During his first time

as mayor, he was happy to be a part of bringing 911 to the county.

In 2004, he became very involved in supporting the historic grass air strip and was on hand when the first fly-in was held. Nelson has always supported the fly-in as it showcases the unique airfield under Jim Bench’s

expert guidance.

The on-going headaches of dealing with an environmental clean-up following the truck stop fire finally came to an end in 2006 when the property sold at auction and the city was awarded funds for the clean-up costs.

In the meantime, Mayor

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City Of Cole Camp Continues To Mull Insurance Options



By
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Reporter

Cole Camp City Council met in regular session on Thursday evening, January 16 at 7:00 PM. Prior to the regular meeting, a 30-minute session was given over to Planning and Zoning at 6:30 PM.

Tammy Eckhoff called the P&Z session to order with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance before diving into the issues P&Z is facing from PGAB rules. Eckhoff placed two options before the council that will need their attention prior to P&Z moving ahead..

P&Z wants direction from the council on whether to attempt to deal with PGAB rules (which they say fits large urban areas with large populations, not small rural communities) or to accept and move ahead with the comprehensive plan.

The discussions were lengthy, yet no decisions were reached.

In the regular monthly session, routine business included approval of the minutes from six meetings that been held during the last of December and the beginning of January.

Unfinished business included a first and second reading by title only of Bill #2025-02; budget amendment that passed and became Ordinance #574.

Although the LAGERS had been explained to the council in a previous

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'Cats Honor 30 Years Of Wrestling, Induct Inaugural Class Into Hall



By
Anita Campbell
County
Reporter

Wrestling fans packed the WHS gym Saturday as Warsaw High School hosted the annual Warsaw Wrestling Tournament. During the event, David Lemon, Class of '98, and John Dunham, first WHS wrestling coach, were inducted into the newly established WHS Wrestling Hall of Honor.

Wrestling became a sport at WHS in the fall of 1994 when Lemon was a freshman and Dunham was a newly hired science teacher.

“My mother was the superintendent at Versailles and she talked to Dr. Boise about getting wrestling at Warsaw,” said Dunham. “I got a call from Boise and



SURROUNDED BY CURRENT COACHES, former WHS wrestling coach John Dunham (left) and wrestler David Lemon (right) were honored as the first-ever inductees for the Warsaw Wrestling Hall of Honor. Coaches joining Dunham and Lemon on the mat included: Suttel Griffin, Aspen Longworth, Daniel Yoder, Justin Wisdom, Charlie Daleske and Nick Bagley.

then the rest is history.”

Starting a new sport is difficult but the students embraced it and 16 students participated.

“Only 4 of the team had ever wrestled before,” said

Dunham. “Nathan and Seth Steenburg and Michael and David Lemon had wrestled in the youth program at Clinton but the rest had no idea what wrestling was all about.”

Dunham recalled that the wrestling mats did not arrive in time for the first practice so Coach Loren Burke and Dunham took down the mats on the walls of the gym and

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'The Redheads' Revolutionized Women's Basketball With Stops Across The Midwest, Including Warsaw



BRINGING A LIGHT TO THE WOMEN'S GAME, "The Redheads" were a popular women's basketball team who often traveled the country to showcase their skills, but also bring women's basketball to the forefront.



By
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County
Reporter

Sometimes it absolutely amazes me the little known facts I keep unearthing in the most unusual places. For instance, a few years back I was privileged to

look though Doc Salley's photos he had taken of Warsaw residents and events and there was my second cousin once removed standing in a photo with the Redheaded girls basketball team. I had known her all my life and I had never known she had played ball for a real

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(Continued from Page 1) Nelson had worked diligently in 2004 to prevent MoDOT from bypassing Lincoln with the widening of Highway 65. Without the through traffic, the lifeblood of the existing businesses would have been gone, along with the tax income that supported city services. A ribbon cutting to celebrate keeping the roadway in town was held in 2005, two weeks after Nelson was out of office.

Lincoln took on the water project in 2005-06. The old water tower was replaced with a new one east of Highway 65 and 88% of the water lines were repaired or replaced at that time.

By 2008, Nelson had been appointed to the Bothwell Regional Health Center Board of Directors and had become Chairman of the Board by 2016. During those 8 years, Nelson was part of the building of the Canon Cancer Center and the Heart Center, all under one roof. A new clinic was constructed on Winchester Drive, a wound center opened, and the Warsaw location was built and opened for the residents of Benton County.

By 2018, Nelson was back on the Lincoln City Council and in 2019, he had to resign the position to become the Northside Commissioner of Benton County. He had been appointed by Governor Parsons to fill the seat after Jim Hansen had left to take on the position of County Assessor that had been vacated by Roger Reedy’s election to the Missouri House of Representatives.

During this time, the county was building a new jail facility and Nelson’s very first commission meeting was with the contractor on the project. Another issue facing the commission was during Covid when the county was awarded federal funds to assist in what was, in essence, a national shutdown. Nelson worked diligently to see money was given to small business owners to insure their survival.

In 2021-22, Lincoln underwent a major sewer project that has resulted in a state of the art sewer system, large enough to handle an industry should they choose to locate in the area. During this time period, Nelson intensified the city-wide clean-up efforts, ridding the community of many eyesores. By now, Project 353 was in place and that brought the first Dollar General to the north end of the Highway 65 corridor. The store was so well received that the company built a new store further south on the strip and it is reported to be one of the three largest in the state.

At this time of life and through all these projects, Nelson served as the Lincoln representative for the Whiteman Base Community Council, a position he considered very important in showing support for the military families. He has made the community aware of the economic impact that WAFB has on the entire area.

With the roads, sewer and water supply ready for industry, the question for Mayor Nelson was, “What more would you like to see fulfilled?”

He responded, “My hope is for middle-income housing in Lincoln. It is really needed.”

Mayor Nelson commends the team that keeps Lincoln running smoothly.

He stated, “We have an outstanding city team of the Aldermen, Public Works, the City Clerk and the Police Department. They are a well-oiled team that works well together.”

Some people look for the perfect small town to retire to. Others love a town at first sight, move there and set about seeing what they can do to make it better

for everyone there. The latter describes Mayor Glen Nelson perfectly and is why he is the Benton County Enterprise’s Person of the Year for 2024!

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put them in the hallway for the first few practices.

“When the mats finally arrived and we put them in the gym, one of the fans asked me where the ropes were. I guess he thought it would be like what he would see on TV,” said Dunham.

That first year, Jeremy Barker, Ian Cobb, Michael Henderson and Nathan Steenburgen were all sectional qualifiers and Steenburgen represented WHS at the state tournament where he placed fourth.

The next year, Jeremy Barker, Beau Breshears and Michael Henderson qualified for the state tournament and Henderson placed sixth.

The third year of the program, 10 wrestlers qualified for sectionals and 5 for state. Seth Steenburgen won the 3rd place medal at the state competition. Other state participants included: Jesse Wallut, David Lemon, Beau Breshears and John Boley.

The fourth year of the program, David Lemon made WHS wrestling history by becoming the first Warsaw wrestler to win a state championship. Lathan Cobb and Daniel Yoder both placed 6th at state. Beau Breshears and John Boley also advanced to the state tournament.

“It was the highlight of my high school athletic career to stand on top of the podium as the first place winner for my weight class,” said Lemon.

Lemon wrestled all 4 years in high school as well as playing as a starter on the WHS football team.

Lemon graduated from WHS in 1998 as the Class Valedictorian and went on to graduate from the University of Missouri at Columbia with a degree in engineering with a minor in business and math. He is currently the President of Flashpoint, a cybersecurity company in Kansas City.

Lemon, the son of former Warsaw teachers Bob and Linda Lemon, is married to Hilary and they are the parents of three children: Avery, 16; William, 13; and Jackson, 9. The Lemon’s live in Kansas City.

“My dad influenced my wrestling career since he drove Michael and I to youth wrestling in Clinton and then he was my first coach,” said Lemon. “Dad wrestled in high school and junior college and was a big supporter of the beginning WHS program.”

Lemon recalled that his dad wouldn’t let him try to cut weight.

“Dad said that I should try to eat healthy, but he said if I needed to cut weight, then I probably wasn’t good enough,” said Lemon.

Another WHS wrestler, Charlie Daleske, was also a state wrestler who placed 6th his sophomore year, 5th his junior year and 3rd in his senior season.

“I started wrestling in 3rd grade because someone saw me sitting there watching my big brother at practice,” recalled Daleske. “He asked me if I wanted to work out with the group so I did and that was it; I was hooked.”

Daleske watched his 4-year old son, Axen, on Sunday take on his first opponent in the Warsaw Youth Wrestling Tournament.

“I was very proud of Axen and it was fun to coach him,” said Daleske.

Daleske said that Coach Dunham was an influence on his life as he demanded perfection and it made him a better wrestler as well as a better person.

“John Dunham taught me that the only thing I deserve is what I earn. I still, to this

day, live my life by those words,” said Daleske.

Daleske is married to Warsaw teacher Megan Palmer-Daleske and they are the parents of two; Axen, 4 and Palmer, 1. They are also expecting another family member very soon.

Some of the highlights that Dunham recalled during his tenure at Warsaw was taking 4th in the state tournament as a team in 2002.

“Placing at state as a team is tough and we were up against some top teams in Platte County, Oak Grove and Lawson, so that was a proud moment,” said Dunham.

“Another proud moment was watching John Steenburgen take two state titles back-to-back,” said Dunham.

Dunham said that coming back to the Warsaw Tournament and visiting with his former students was the best part of the Hall of Honor celebration.

“I was happy to see so many of my former wrestlers continuing as coaches,” said Dunham.

After leaving Warsaw, Dunham continued his career in education then retired in northern Missouri three years ago. He and his wife are the parents of five and the grandparents of 8.

“I got bored after retiring so I started looking for a part-time job and ended up as the manager of security and transportation for a marijuana facility in northern Missouri near Marcelline,” said Dunham.

The present WHS wrestling head coach Justin Wisdom is coming off a big victory at the Warsaw Wrestling Tournament as his team took 1st place in the tourney.

Wisdom, who is in his seventeenth year in education, has been the head coach at WHS for 3 years and was instrumental in establishing the Wrestling Hall of Honor.

“This is the 30th anniversary of the WHS wrestling program and I wanted to honor those who started the program and helped it to grow,” said Wisdom.

Season results for the 6th state ranked boy’s wrestling ‘Cats include: 3rd place at the Bolivar Tourney, 9 individual medalists; 9th out of 48 teams at the Battle of Katy Trail Tourney, 4 individual medalists; 1st place at the Warsaw Tourney, 9 individual medalists; 1-0 in duals.

Season results for the girls’ wrestling team: 20th out of 48 Battle of Katy Trail Tourney, 2 individual medalists; 2nd place at Warsaw Tourney, 8 individual medalists; 1-0 duals.

Wisdom and his wife, Nicole are the parents of 2 daughters; Evelyn, a first grader at North, and Cora, a pre-schooler at South. Nicole is also a secretary at WHS and the Communications Director for the district.

The wrestling ‘Cats will compete at girls’ district February 14-15 and boy’s district February 21-22 and then the qualifiers will go on to the state tournament for both girls and boys February 26-27.

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celebrity group.

That group of gals had come to Warsaw in 1951 to an exhibition game for some fundraiser and Doc Salley took the opportunity to snap a lot of pictures making shots on the court and then one of them as they were dressed and ready to leave town. How he managed to get their autographs on the photo, I do not know.

The cousin, Ruth Harms, was quite the athlete in Eldorado Springs, Missouri when she drew the attention of the scouts; the scouts for “The Redheads” that is. She was signed onto the team and toured with them in 1951 throughout the Midwest. The team was known as The

All-American Redheads and performed much like the Harlem Globetrotters.

During the 1930’s and 1940’s, crowds gathered to watch women play. There was the AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) that consisted of teams sponsored by companies such as Dr. Pepper and Hanes Hosiery. Maybe that’s what gave the team’s founder the idea. “Ole” Olson enjoyed playing basketball and his wife, a successful beautician, had some female employees that also played basketball. Two of them happened to be redheads.

One evening, as a joke, the entire team colored their hair and they were the talk of the town in Cassville, Missouri where they all lived. They became known as the Cassville Redheads and then they shortened it to just The Redheads. This was in 1935 and their popularity grew fast. Later, when AAU players joined the team, they became known as the All-American Redheads.

Of course, the team owner didn’t spend his life looking for good ball players who were redheads. While some were natural redheads, most relied on chemical coloring. They used henna in the 1930’s, 1940’s, and 1950’s, but switched to Ms. Clairol no 33-Flame Red in the 1960’s. They always carried green towels on the road because that was the color left by the henna packs.

The Redheads were an instant success. They traveled across the country playing exhibition games against local talent. And when halftime came, the opposing team went to the locker room but these gals stayed on the court and entertained with masterful ball handling and trick shots. And when the other team returned all rested, they were beat anyway. Of course, if they sensed the crowd didn’t want their local team beat, they would throw the game.

These gals played by

men’s rules against men’s teams, toured for over fifty years and won 85% of their games. Most importantly, they promoted and gained acceptance of women’s basketball today. Sexism had always kept women’s basketball on the back burner. The powers that be felt that the high level competition was dangerous to the physical and psychological health of a young woman. And in order to play the game at school, girls had to follow “girl’s rules,” which was six players, two of whom had to remain in the back court, with only two dribbles per player before a pass. There was no opportunity to develop as a player or to go on to bigger and better things. But women have finally made it into the spotlight and are playing professional sports for big bucks every year now.

Considering what The Redheads did to promote women’s basketball for so many years, I was glad to see them honored for their pioneering achievements in such places as the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame in Knoxville, Tennessee and at a Final Four in Kansas City, Missouri for their contribution to the game. Thanks to their accomplishments, girls today have uniforms and good shoes, serious coaches and their talents are being developed from junior high on up.

The Redheads long list of accomplishments includes playing in the Philippines in the beginning of WWII and almost getting stranded. They did most of Europe, Asia and all of America. They traveled to Hollywood for some promotional work with Henry Fonda, William Holden, Tyrone Power and Bing Crosby on the court.

In 1948, Olson hired a high school coach to manage the western team. By then, he had two teams playing at the same time. The new coach was Orwell Moore and he eventually bought the teams. Players slept in the

car while the team traveled to it’s next game but had to be awake and dressed, with hair and makeup done when they hit their next town. Other rules included no cursing, no drinking, no smoking in uniform and they had to remember they were standard bearers for femininity.

These were all good reasons why Great Aunt Ruby had no qualms in allowing her daughter, Ruth to play for the team. A family story told is that a male relative pointed out to Ruth’s mother that her daughter being a member of The Redheads was totally inappropriate; to which her mother, always known for her outspoken manner, quickly retorted: “You raise your daughter and I’ll raise mine”, Which promptly ended the subject.

Ruth signed with The Redheads straight out of high school in 1951 and toured with them throughout the Midwest. One of the outstanding players was “Red” Mason. She was not only an outstanding player but her antics added greatly to the teams appeal on the court. The team’s most successful player was “Butch” Moore. She scored 35,426 points in eleven seasons. In February of 1951, Ruth Harms scored 85 points in a game (this was the 6-on-6 era and the last time I checked, the record was still standing.

Ruth only played one year and left the team to be married. She raised her family and as a grandmother she went to work in a “Boy’s Home” and every now and then would pick up a basketball. She could still show them a thing or two on the court, which often left some insolent little chap with his jaw agape in astonishment.

No matter where those former Redheads lives took them in later years, I’m sure they felt good to know they were a small part in paving the way in their barnstorming days.

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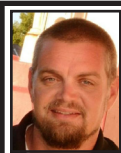
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'Cats Gemes Scores 1,000th Point, Warsaw Loses At Skyline



UP AND AWAY, Warsaw's Logan Gemes first shot of the night found the bottom of the net for a 3-pointer and with the make, Gemes marked a milestone of his high school career, scoring 1,000 points. The 'Cats lost to Wheatland in the semifinal round of the Skyline Tournament and eventually were defeated by the host Tigers in the third place game on Friday night.



By
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Sports
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The Wildcats beat up on Tipton in the opening round of the 63rd Annual Skyline Boys Basketball Tournament, defeating the (4) Cardinals handily last Monday night, 52-33.

(5) Warsaw found good shots early to jump out to a 19-5 lead at the end of the first. The shooting cooled down a bit in the second but the 'Cats used two 3-point shots from Logan Gemes and a 10-9 margin in the period for a 29-14 halftime lead.

A 13-10 advantage in the fourth stretched the Warsaw lead to 42-24 before they went on to take the 52-33 victory to advance.

Gemes paced the Warsaw offense with a game-high 22 points.

WARSAW (52): S. Poyser, 8; G. Ferguson, 8; R. Fajen, 0; L. Henderson, 7; B. Slavens, 0; J. Newell, 0; L. Gemes, 22; T. Downing, 2; N. Siebert, 5.

TIPTON (33): A. Bestgen, 7; B. Bestgen, 4; W. Cashman, 9; L. Cashman, 2; H. Hagerman, 0; E. Higgins, 0; T. Bixler, 2; R. Walters, 0; L. Bracht, 6; D. Schlotzhauer, 3.

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In other first round action at the event on Monday, (1) Wheatland rolled past (8) Macks Creek with a 63-35 final. Later in

the evening, (2) Skyline downed (7) Climax Springs in a close one, 63-60 and (6) Hermitage upset (3) Weaubleau, 41-32.

On the loser's side of the bracket on Tuesday, Tipton defeated Macks Creek by a score of 64-45 and Climax Springs dropped Weaubleau with a 50-40 final.

On the winner's side on Wednesday, Warsaw fans saw Logan Gemes stroke a 3-pointer from the top of the key with his first basket of the night. The make was a historic one for Gemes as it netted him the 1,000th point of his high school career.



That make wasn't quite enough though as the Wheatland Mules advanced, downing Warsaw, 63-49.

Hermitage continued their upset streak with a 45-40 win over Skyline in the nightcap, propelling themselves to the championship game.

On Friday night, Weaubleau defeated Macks Creek, 63-46 and Climax Springs took the consolation with a 52-32 win over Tipton.

In the third place game, the 'Cats were defeated by the host Tigers, 68-46 and Hermitage's tournament run was halted by the Wheatland Mules when they captured the championship with a dominant 64-40 win over the Hornets.



Ladycats Lose To Hot Shooting Buffalo Squad

By
Adam Howe, Sports

Buffalo doubled their average scoring output on Tuesday night, defeating the Ladycats, 66-48.

Warsaw led 12-10 at the end of the first quarter but Buffalo started to find their rhythm from the outside in the second and used a 15-9 margin for a 25-21 lead at the break.

An offensive outburst for the home team put things out of reach in the third before the Lady Bison went on to win, 66-48 over Warsaw.

Buffalo nailed 11 3-point shots in the contest to assist their cause.

Tanna Howe led the Ladycats with 15 points and Keira Mostaffa followed closely behind with 12 while Jenna Gerken also reached double digits with 10.

WARSAW (48): K. Mostaffa, 12; I. Schwartz, 0; M. Slavens, 5; R. Henderson, 0; M. Reimund, 0; T. Howe, 15; S. Miller, 6; J. Bilderback, 0; H. Velker, 0; A. Yoder, 0; J. Gerken, 10.

BUFFALO (66): M. Johnson, 16; L. White, 10; G. Batt, 3; A. Armstrong, 7; L. Frazier, 0; K. Wilson, 30; D. Rodriguez, 0; J. Nimmo, 0; C. Battaglia, 0.

'Cats Pull Away In Second Half For Win Over Green Ridge

By
Adam Howe, Sports

Warsaw led 28-18 at the half and then used a dominant 22-5 margin in the third to extend their lead and go on to take down the Green Ridge Tigers in a home tilt on Monday night, 56-37.

Logan Gemes led all scorers with 22 points, 16 of which came in the first half. He was the lone player in double figures for the Wildcats.

The win improved Warsaw's record to 9-6.

They matched up against the Versailles Tigers on Tuesday night and will see action again next Monday night when they travel to take part in the Osceola Tournament.

WARSAW (56): S. Poyser, 8; G. Ferguson, 0; R. Fajen, 0; L. Henderson, 9; B. Henderson, 0; B. Slavens, 2; L. Gemes, 0; C. Davis, 0; J. Newell, 0; L. Gemes, 22; T. Downing, 7; N. Siebert, 8.

GREEN RIDGE (37): Bankovich, 0; Lentz, 0; Rivas, 0; Hoos, 2; Tylar, 11; Cooley, 4; Sawyer, 2; Crawford, 3; Hagedorn, 0; Brojah, 3; Lemanski, 0; Devorss, 0; Rivas, 2; Moore, 0; Wells, 0.

Ladycats Beat Green Ridge In Dominant Performance

By
Adam Howe, Sports

After losing what they believed to be a winnable game at Buffalo last Tuesday, the Ladycats took out all of their frustrations on Green Ridge in a dominating win over the Lady Tigers on Monday night, 61-16.

The defense of Warsaw was suffocating, forcing multiple turnovers early. Those turnovers turned into points on the other end more times than not as the home team took an 18-2 first quarter lead.

Things got out of control in the second quarter as Warsaw kept applying pressure and continued to convert on the offensive end of the floor. A 29-5 advantage in the second made it ugly at the half, 47-7.

With many reserves seeing valuable time on the floor in the second half, a 14-9 margin made up the final 61-16 score.

Tanna Howe led Warsaw with 22 points and Sara Miller knocked down 18. Many of the points from the two Ladycats' guards came came off of forced turnovers and easy layups.

Warsaw, now 10-6, hosted Versailles on Tuesday night in an Ozark Highlands Conference contest and will play in the Osceola Tournament beginning on Monday.

WARSAW (61): K. Mostaffa, 6; B. Schwartz, 0; M. Slavens, 0; B. Henderson, 2; M. Reimund, 0; T. Howe, 22; S. Miller, 18; J. Bilderback, 2; H. Velker, 0; A. Yoder, 2; J. Gerken, 9.

GREEN RIDGE (16): E. Cannon, 2; L. Mason, 2; E. Cooley, 3; M. Devorss, 3; K. Tyler, 0; L. Box, 0; A. Edington, 4; K. Box, 0; K. Young, 2; S. Rivas, 0.

Cardinals Rout Stover On Special Night

By
Johnnie Logue, Sports

Junior Ben Eckhoff led Lincoln to victory on Friday night with 17 points in a 58-36 Cardinals' win over Stover. It was a night to remember as the Lincoln administration welcomed home the 1984 girl's Final Four basketball team and the boy's 1985 Final Four basketball team.

Lincoln trailed at the half 22-21 and whatever head coach Tyler Burke said in the halftime locker room chat must have worked as the Cardinals stormed out to a 25-2 third quarter margin to surge ahead, 46-27.

Riley Sanders had 4 three's and Eckhoff had ten in the paint in that frame alone. Xander Cole had a three to round out the 25 point attack. Once the arsenal of Sanders from outside and Eckhoof inside gets rolling, Lincoln is hard to stop as Stover found out in the third quarter.

It was 6-6 after one as both

teams struggled scoring early on.

Lincoln moved to 11-2 on the season and Stover fell to 2-9.

Lady Cards Give Stover Scare In Loss

By
Johnnie Logue, Sports

Last Friday, Lincoln honored their 1984 Final Four girls team at halftime at their game with Stover.

The festivities must've motivated the Lady Cardinals as they played the 11-1 Stover team close in a 37-32 loss.

It was 11-6 after one but Lincoln closed out the deficit at 15-14 at the half. It was 29-27 after three before Stover outscored Lincoln 8-5 in the final frame.

Lincoln's two-time BCE female Athlete of the Year, Alyssa Mellen, was held to just 2 points while her sister, freshman Lily Mellen had 14.

Lincoln fell to 7-5. Stover has now won 9 in a row to move to 11-1.

LINCOLN (32): A. Mellen, 2; L. Mellen, 14; Helland, 4; Harvey, 7; Eckhoff, 5.

STOVER (37): Pinzke, 15; Rowland, 9; Morris, 5; Black, 1; Dills, 3; Sidebottom, 4.

Cardinals Hang On For Win Over Otterville

By
Johnnie Logue, Sports

Lincoln clung to a slim 29-24 lead at halftime before going on to defeat Otterville on Tuesday night on the road, 50-46.

Ben Eckhoff, Lincoln's big man, scored 7 of his game high 23 points in the fourth period to cement the sweet victory. Eckhoff was 5 for 6 from the free throw line in an area where he sometimes struggles.

Otterville jumped out to a 8-7 first quarter lead and outscored Lincoln 12-11 in the fourth.

Lincoln, who won the Otterville Tournament back in December, but didn't play the host school in that event, moved to 10-2 on the season while Otterville fell to 5-5.

LINCOLN (50): Sanders, 5; Young, 2; Everhart, 2; Koll, 6; Srader, 7; Harms, 2; Eckhoff, 23; Benham, 3.

OTTERVILLE (46): Berry, 14; Krause, 9; Palmer, 2; Seifert, 3; Eads, 12; Hayden, 6.

Lady Bluebirds Woes Continue In Road Loss At Concordia

By
Johnnie Logue, Sports

The Cole Camp girls basketball team traveled to Concordia on Monday, January 13, and lost to the host club, 58-37. With the tournament at Stover being canceled because of the icy conditions after only one round, it was nice to get a game in.

The Lady Bluebirds stayed in striking distance after the first quarter at 16-11 but trailed 37-24 at the half and 50-29 after three.

Concordia shot 45.8 percent from the field compared to 32.6 for the Lady Bluebirds. Cole Camp was 5 for 9 from the charity stripe while Concordia was just 1 for 6 in one of the few stats that the Cole Camp team prevailed over their hosts.

Concordia controlled the boards and scored often in the paint at 44-22 points over the Lady Bluebirds. Cole Camp had no second chance points while Concordia had 23 points on extra tries.

As usual, Cole Camp's inside girls, Mackenzie Moellman and Christina Timoschuk led the way

with 8 points apiece. Olivia Hemme had 23 for Concordia.

Cole Camp fell to 2-8 while Concordia improved to 6-3 on the season.

COLE CAMP (37): Moellman, 8; Timoschuk, 8; Moore-Allison, 5; Ogle, 3; Shoemaker, 6; Thayer, 3; Whitworth, 4.

CONCORDIA (58): Hemme, 23; Abney, 9; Roepe, 8; Maggert, 4; Mueller, 14.

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On January 14, the Cole Camp Lady Bluebirds braved Northwest and lost 41-32 to the host school.

The key stat was points off turnovers which Northwest had 17 compared to none for Cole Camp. Also, a tough first quarter doomed the Lady Bluebirds as they fell 15-2 and trailed 29-13 at the midway point. They cut into the lead in the second half outscoring the Lady Mustangs 9-3 in the third and 10-9 in the fourth period but it was all to no avail as the Northwest ladies held on for the sweet victory.

COLE CAMP (32): Timoschuk, 5; Moellman, 4; Thayer, 8; Whitworth, 9; Ogle, 3; Shoemaker, 3.

Slow Start For Cole Camp, Li'l Mellen Has Breakout Game For Lady Cards

By
Johnnie Logue, Sports



Someone needs to tell the astrologists and sky watchers that there is a new star appearing in Lincoln and her name is Lily Mellen. The 5'5" freshman guard had 25 points in Lincoln's 36-23 victory over Cole Camp on Monday in Lincoln.

It was 6-2 after one. Lincoln jumped out to a second quarter lead of 18-6. However, Emma Thayer banged a 3-pointer for the Lady Bluebirds to cut it to 18-9 on a five point run to narrow the lead to 18-13 at halftime. Mellen had 16 of their 18 first half points mostly on breakaway steals. Her older sister, Alyssa had two free throws to round out the scoring for the Lady Cardinals.

The third quarter saw Mellen continue her pressure defense resulting in steals with eight points in the paint. The quick freshman point guard led Lincoln to a 33-19 margin heading into the fourth quarter.

Lincoln head coach Brett Bryant said, "We are playing well. Lily is playing well. We got off to a good start in the second quarter."

Cole Camp head coach Derald Henderson commented, "Their zone hurt us. We made a good run but couldn't maintain our scoring. We have a lot to work on."

Lincoln defeated Cole Camp 30-25 in the Warsaw tournament back in December. Lincoln moved above .500 at 7-6 while Cole Camp fell to 2-11.

LINCOLN (36): L. Mellen, 25; Harvey, 2; Eckhoff, 3; A. Mellen, 6.

COLE CAMP (23): Thayer, 7; Ogle, 2; Whitworth, 4; Moellman, 4; Timoschuk, 6.

Cole Camp won the two-quarter JV, game 13-7.



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Nourished Their Souls

A familiar quotation reads: “Here is bread, which strengthens man’s heart and therefore is called the staff of life.” Bread, both leavened and unleavened, is mentioned in the Bible many times. Thus, making the art of baking bread one of the oldest occupations in the world. Actual loaves which were baked over 5,000 years ago are displayed in a British Museum and symbols of bread have been found in hieroglyphics in Egyptian tombs.

Bakers in ancient times were severely punished if they “short weighed” their customers. In Egypt they actually had their ear nailed to the door of their shops when caught selling “light” loaves. And the English Parliament passed a law in 1266 subjecting the bakers to strict regulations regarding bread weight, the bread makers were careful to comply. Since it was nearly impossible to make loaves of a uniform weight, the bakers customarily added a thirteenth loaf to each shipment of 12 they sent to shopkeepers. This guaranteed there would be no shortchanging and no ears nailed to the door. It is believed to be where the expression, baker’s dozen, meaning thirteen, originated.

We pray in the Lord’s Prayer “Give us this Day our Daily Bread” and it has always been called the Staff of Life. The need for bread in the diet prompted my great-grandmother to teach the art of baking to her daughter from her death bed in January, 1904. Knowing her time was short she had a table brought to her bedside and her eldest daughter Laura, age 13, acquired the necessary skill to provide the staple for her father and her siblings. A walnut wooden meal bin in the kitchen held the winters supply of 100 pounds of cornmeal and 500 pounds of flour; it was usually empty by springtime. That daughter, Laura, was my grandmother and I always anticipated the fresh bread from her ovens. I wasn’t alone as Grandpa was usually on hand for the treat too. The bread was generally done about afternoon lunch time and was perfect with freshly churned butter. In those days here on the creek we

had many meals in one day. First there was breakfast, very early in the morning. This was followed by mid-morning lunch that might consist of coffee cake and hot coffee. Then the large noon-day meal at twelve. Late afternoon found us with a late lunch that varied from sandwiches to smoked sausages and peaches. But on bread baking day it was usually hot bread, fresh butter and a fruit preserves.

Grandpa once confided he hadn’t been allowed to enjoy bread straight from the oven when he was a youngster. His grandmother, Helena Chehaski, forbid it, citing that the fresh bread was unhealthy. She had brought the belief with her from Poland and she clung to it all her life. As Grandpa and I stuffed ourselves on the bread drenched in melting butter, I felt sorry for him having been deprived of such a pleasure as a child. Years later an immigrant woman shared she had not been allowed, as a child, to consume the fresh warm bread in her homeland of Russia. The yeast in the bread was believed to be unhealthy until it had aged.

Hopefully that belief is a fallacy as no food item on my table is more popular than warm bread, freshly baked. A few years ago my husband and I operated a trail ride facility and part of the guest package included three meals a day. Several times per week I baked bread in the amount of approximately 25 loaves each time. This process usually took place in the afternoon while the equestrians were taking an afternoon ride, had gone to town to explore the area or were kicked back in camp reading or nap taking. For a couple of years I pulled off this feat in the solitary comfort of the mess hall kitchen. Then one afternoon one of the regular customers stuck his head through the kitchen door just as I was pulling the bread from the ovens.


For a few moments he stood quietly taking in the process and then asked: “Would it be alright if I had a slice of that while it’s still hot?” His pleasure was evident on his face as he savored the slice down to the last crumb and from that day he always magically appeared at just the right time for a slice. The word

spread in camp and soon others joined him. One kitchen visitor observed: “There may be something better than fresh warm bread but what could it be?” Then they began arriving just as the bread went into the ovens, they found stools or drug chairs from the dining hall and shared stories on various subjects. It soon became evident that the fragrance was half their gratification.

The aroma of fresh bread baking goes on forever in our minds but nowadays it always takes me back to that mess hall kitchen. I see old men with slices of warm bread slathered with soft butter in their rough rawboned hands. Men in Wranglers, cowboy boots and Stetsons, but I always somehow envisioned them as small boys in bib overalls and barefooted, perched in their mother’s kitchens. My bread was mental nourishment that worked like magic carpets to take those men back to baking days they had known as children. Sharing that with those old cowboys captured emotions in me that set off a tuning fork in my brain. It hummed and alerted me that I had stumbled onto something beautiful. What one loves in childhood, stays in the heart forever. The bread may have sustained their bodies but more importantly, it had nourished their souls, and was not soon forgotten.

Chambers Discuss Plans For Busy 2025

By
Dianne Peck
County Reporter



The 3 chambers of Warsaw, Lincoln and Cole Camp met for a luncheon/work session on Wednesday, January 15 at Estes Drive-in in Lincoln at Noon.

Benton County Tourism Director Lynette Stokes, called the meeting to order. Stokes announced she has been busy working on the budget for the upcoming season to present to the board for approval.

Stokes said the decision of an option between billboard ads and digital marketing will have to be made for

the bigger bang for the bucks being spent. Also, the board needs to consider if small local businesses have the ability to promote themselves. Tourism can assist with Goggle listings, Trip adviser or possibly a QR code.

Stokes hopes to approach each chamber about possible showcasing local businesses in a “Lunch and Learn” project about branding and social media strategies.

Amie Breshears of the Benton County Extension announced 4-H enrollment is still open for 2025 and the Extension is seeking a Youth Program Associate for the county.

JoAnn Lane, Economic Development, announced a new business, “The Locker Room” is opening in March in what previously housed Warsaw Adventures. The Locker Room will offer a family friendly atmosphere, drinks and bar food, and televised local sports.

Lane shared the Benton County Bucks program was well received in 2024 and she hopes to find funding for a re-do in 2025.

Tourism had a study done in 2024 and is currently utilizing the info from the studies done with tourists to the area. Tourism has hosted two Focus Group meetings with residents from around the county to hear their input on what they feel needs to be available to visitors to the area and things that might make them want to return regularly. The January meeting had approximately twenty in attendance, but disappointingly, there were no realtors and no school personnel at the study group. The next Focus Group meeting will be held in Foster Hall in Lincoln at 5:00 PM on February 11. Light snacks are offered due to the meeting time.

Checking and re-checking event dates was top of the agenda during the meeting to ensure everything is correct before the information is sent to the printer for the event cards that are available to visitors in our area. Events such as Eagle Days in February or the Lincoln Chamber’s Easter Egg Hunt in March and the first county-wide happening on April 14-15 being the Spring Benton County Boutique Crawl.

Stokes announced there will be a Webinar on

January 28 at 2:00 PM. The program will center on the Butterfield Trail Bicycle ride and promises to be very informational about bicycling in Benton County.

In closing, Stokes reminded everyone of the next Focus Group meeting to be held Tuesday, February 11 in Foster Hall at 5:00 PM. The next 3 chamber’s meeting will be on Wednesday, February 19 at Handel Haus in Cole Camp at Noon.

COLE CAMP

(Continued from Page 1)

meeting, no decision was made on the matter. (LAGERS is a non-profit public pension system created in 1967 by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri to provide retirement, disability, and survivors benefits to Missouai local government employees.)

Also under unfinished business was the subject of insurance. The city’s insurance rate has taken a sharp increase and the council had listened to a presentation from Mike Keith of Clinton on possibly saving the city some money by going to a different agency. No decision was made.

Under new business there was a first and second reading of Bill #2025-01 by title only. It was passed to become Ordinance # 573.


Under committee reports, City Clerk Dawn Paul spoke about the codifying of the code book. The clerk also noted there had been a claim filed against the city about a manhole cover causing extensive damage to a vehicle on Fowler Street. No decision was made on how to handle the claim.

As the city is presently without a Public Works Director, there was no report for that department. It was revealed that Jeremiah Crider is working on the sewer main project and a new aerator had begun installation on Thursday,

January 16 and would be completed on January 17.

Police Chief Canfield was not present at the meeting due to health issues. Officer Randy Koenk did come forward and advise everyone to be sure they keep their vehicles locked as there have been reports of theft from cars.

There was no attorney’s report but there was a short address from the mayor before the meeting was adjourned.



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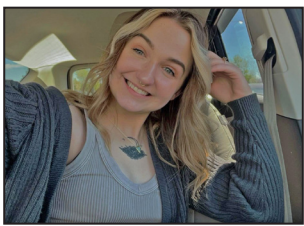
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FAMILY: Dad & Stepmom, Daniel & Sarah Waller; Mom, the late Sarah Stebbins; 2 sisters, Sylvia & Juliet; brother, Mason
THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN BENTON COUNTY IS: The lake community.
WHAT I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP: A baker
FIRST JOB: Barista at Cosmic Cafe
OCCUPATION: Student
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: Vacations with my grandma



THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN: I started college.
MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT: Tripping in front of a full gym while playing volleyball. My dad even laughed!
WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS: Trust
YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS: Bad people.
I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO: Limit myself.
I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO: Travel to Europe.
IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD: Buy a home and start my happily ever after.
MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE: To Europe.
HOBBIES: Refinishing furniture and anything artsy.
FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICIAN: Mac Demarco



FAVORITE MOVIE: *Silence of the Lambs*
FAVORITE DRINK: Iced White Mocha
FAVORITE SNACK: Tortilla chips
FAVORITE CANDY: I don't really eat much candy.
FUTURE GOAL: To graduate college
WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST: My dad.
ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF: Just be patient.
WORDS TO LIVE BY: I exist as I am; that is enough.



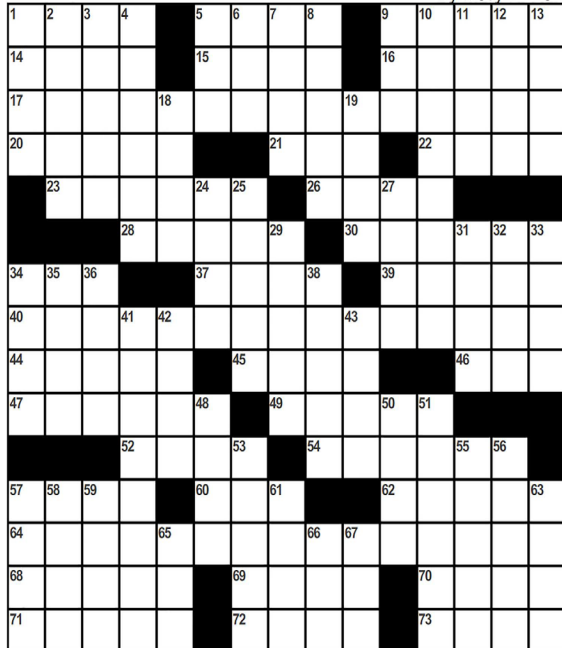
ACROSS

- 1) Concert take
- 5) "___ boy!" ("Nice going!")
- 9) Polliwog, for one
- 14) Rental car option
- 15) Thailand neighbor
- 16) Operating room substance, once
- 17) Good way to get one's point across
- 20) Baseball miscue
- 21) Wrangler alternative
- 22) Cleans one's plate
- 23) Crosshairs image
- 26) You can make light of it
- 28) List items
- 30) Falsifies a bit
- 34) Hockey's Bobby
- 37) South American empire of yore
- 39) Machine control system, for short
- 40) Sources of rowdy criticism
- 44) Barbershop quartet member
- 45) Bit of kelp, e.g.
- 46) Debate position
- 47) Arrows' mates
- 49) Italian fast food
- 52) Change directions suddenly
- 54) Martian moon
- 57) Remove, as a knot
- 60) Get ___ of (throw out)
- 62) To the manor born
- 64) Complexion description
- 68) Golden Horde member
- 69) Oft-scraped body part
- 70) Italian wine center
- 71) Unwritten tests
- 72) Respond to a bore
- 73) Nasty expression

DOWN

- 1) Be slack-jawed
- 2) Keep from happening
- 3) Beauty pageant accessory
- 4) Take to a dance
- 5) '80s sitcom about an alien
- 6) T-shaped cross
- 7) Bridge-crossing fee
- 8) Colorado ski spot
- 9) "Seinfeld" uncle
- 10) One caring for a patient
- 11) Three-toed bird of the pampas
- 12) It may be under a jacket
- 13) Word with "fine" or "visual"
- 18) By that reasoning
- 19) Boat bottom scraper
- 24) Work with a blue pencil
- 25) Island nation near Fiji
- 27) English river to the Trent
- 29) Hair holder
- 31) Get a handle on
- 32) "... lived happily ___ after"
- 33) Nothing special
- 34) Waffles no more
- 35) React to a haymaker
- 36) Asian princess
- 38) Chilly
- 41) Silent, as a mime
- 42) Basic impulse
- 43) Lounge around
- 48) All dried up
- 50) Its atomic number is 30
- 51) Not knowing right from wrong
- 53) Like some investments
- 55) More than heavy
- 56) Old school board
- 57) ___ no good
- 58) Getting warm, in a game
- 59) Computer fare
- 61) "Diff'rent Strokes" actress Plato
- 63) Kuwaiti leader
- 65) Many mins. equal them
- 66) "So, what else is ___?"
- 67) Foxy place?

VEGGIES FIRST



By Mary K. Hart



Fristoe
NEWS
By
Pat Arnett
Contributing Reporter

Oh my; what a cold, cold day! But when we got to church this morning, it was warm and cozy. High temperature for Sunday is 16 degrees, and Monday and Tuesday is maybe mid-20's with it finally moving into the 40's by Wednesday. That will be moving into third week of January that is cold, cold, cold!

I watched the Presidential Inauguration these past couple of days and hope that our country has a really good 4 years under Mr. Trump.

Prayer requests for Kathy First, Lewis Retherford, Bud Hatch, Delores Prater

and Gladys Harris. Connie Newkirk is home from the hospital and doing good.

Sending anniversary wishes to Adam and Bridget Arnett this week as they celebrate their anniversary on Wednesday, January 22. Happy birthday to Jim Jackman next Sunday, January 26, and happy birthday to Jesse Jackman on January 27. Happy anniversary to Randy and Heather Reno on January 27! Everyone have a great week!

I was shopping in G&W last week and was approached by a good friend I hadn't seen for awhile. She said she had tried to get my attention for awhile because she wanted to tell some news she wanted to have me put in the newspaper. She said her granddaughter, Mandy Devine (daughter of Frank and Debbie Troxell) had her third child the evening before. This makes three children for Mandy; 2 girls and 1 boy. Mandy and her husband live in Kansas.

Congratulations to them!

We hope the temperature moves a little warmer after this week as local schools have lots of different sports coming in the next few months. They will be finishing up basketball but many more toward spring.

The Fristoe Pentecostal Lighthouse Church had a good crowd Sunday morning even though the temperatures were in the teens. Connie Cunningham lead song service with Bryan and Sue's help. Delores was feeling somewhat better and was able to join Claude on the song "High On That Mountain". Br. Smith's message was from the book of Revelation chapter 2 and about the church of Smyrna.

Thought for the week: Real friends are ones when you make a fool of yourself don't feel it is a permanent job!

Hope everyone who reads the *Benton County Enterprise* has a week full of love, laughter and financial blessings!

Lodge #2783
By
Betty Mewszel
Contributing Reporter

Our lodge is non-smoking. Stop by and enjoy our activities.

Dining at The Lodge:
January 23, Ham & Beans or Chicken and Dumplings 12:00 PM-2:30 PM, \$7
January 24, Chili or Soup and Sandwich, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, \$10
January 30, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, 12:00 PM-2:30 PM, \$8
January 31, Cheese Manicotti w/Seafood Sauce or Chicken Marsala over Angel Hair Pasta, both served w/Salad and Breadstick, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, \$12

The lodge has several regular activities during the week:
Tuesday-Shuffleboard, 1:00 PM
Wednesday-Darts, 6:00 PM and
Thursday, The Lodge Boys, 1:00 PM

Stop by and join in the fun and meet some new friends! Mark your Calendar for February 14! The lodge is planning a Valentine's 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 in 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.

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warrants for Probation Violation and Property Damage. Bond is set at \$50,000.00 cash only and \$10,000.00. Subject was transferred to another county.

Phillip Lee Pierce of Sedalia, MO was arrested on 1-15-25 on a Henry County warrant for Hit and Run. Bond is set at \$2,500.00 cash or surety. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility

Andra Sue Charboneau of Edwards, MO was arrested on 1-15-25 for Driving While Intoxicated. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

Katelyn Elizabeth Bean of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-16-25 on a Clinton Police Department warrant for Failure to Appear. Bond is set at \$255.00 cash only. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Jacob Dean Reed of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 1-18-25 on a Benton County warrant for Assault. Bond is set at \$75,000.00 surety only. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility

James Edward Chapman of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 1-19-25 for Driving While Revoked/Suspended-3rd or subsequent offense and Failure to Register Vehicle. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

Brianna Kaye Marsch of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 1-19-25 for Domestic Assault and Property Damage-2nd Degree. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

Izabelle Marie Reed of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 1-19-25 on a Benton County warrant for Owner/Operator Failure to Maintain Financial Responsibility of a Motor Vehicle. Bond is set at \$250.00 cash only. Subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

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Sheriff's Report 1/13/25 to 1/19/25

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Have I Got A Line For You!

By James Mahlon White



We all know a few people who think they know everything, but sometimes we all have some pretty good hunches. I did in a recent column when I predicted President Biden's last minute pardons. I had a strong hunch that pardoning Dr. Fauci, General Milley, The January 6 Tribunal and his crime syndicate family would be his last hurrah. He did just that with hours to spare. None of these individuals have been charged with anything. These were "Pre-emptive pardons" because where there's smoke, there's fire. Good thing no one is above the law.

Meanwhile, we have a new President and I wish him well. One of his first acts was to suspend the security clearance of 51 intelligence officials. They falsely implied that Russia interfered with the 2020 election. Welcome news, but I do worry about his safety. This cabal is imbedded and probably still calling the shots. It wouldn't surprise me if they tried to take him out again. That's what Allan Dulles did against President Kennedy after he was fired from the CIA.

Watched a special on the History Channel about conversations and voices from the past. The premise was that everything that has been voiced in this world, from happy laughter to tear filled conversations and screams of terror are floating around in the universe. Wouldn't it be interesting if something were invented that could bring some conversations that you've had back? You sure wouldn't want them all

at once, or you'd go mad. Back in the mid 90's I had a neighbor in Denver who told me she had "Second sight" and heard a voice speak to her from time to time. I suspect more people than you realize have had things like this happen. We all have varying degrees of physic ability, sometimes called hunches. There's more to this universe than we know. As an Austrian priest once told me, "There's a lot of stuff out there and it's not all good."

Last night I flipped through a book JWB gave me called Annals of Henry County and was struck by this item from 1911. "Last spring a she-wolf had her den under the Bear Creek Methodist Church and one morning four puppies ventured out during services and were captured by the boys. Three were killed, but one was kept alive and was shown at the LaDue Colt Show. It is known as The Methodist Wolf."

Tempus fugit! Hang in there Old Buddy and don't ruin a perfectly good day by thinking about a bad yesterday. It's best to let it go.

'Til Next Week:
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Are you changing jobs soon? If so, you'll obviously be interested in your new salary — but you'll also want to look at other financial considerations.

Here are some of the most important ones:

- **401(k)** — If you had a 401(k) plan through your previous employer, you'll need to decide what to do with it once you've joined a new employer. You could just cash it out, but you'd pay taxes and possible penalties. You could leave your 401(k) with your previous employer, if allowed, and if you have been happy with your plan's performance. Or you could move your 401(k) into your new employer's plan, which might be a good choice if the new plan has lower fees and attractive investment options. You'd also want to ask whether the new employer offers matching contributions. Finally, you could roll over your old 401(k) into a traditional IRA, which would give you more investment choices.

- **HSA/FSA** — If your new employer offers a health savings account (HSA) as part of a high-deductible health plan, you may want to take advantage of it. Your contributions are made with pre-tax dollars, your earnings generally grow tax deferred and your withdrawals are tax free, as long as they're used for qualified medical expenses. Plus, you can carry unused funds through retirement, when you can still use them for qualified medical expenses. Your employer might also offer a flexible spending account (FSA), which can pay for a variety of health care costs, such as deductibles, co-payments and co-insurance. Generally, if you're contributing to an HSA, you can't fund an FSA in the same year, except for

a limited purpose FSA.

- **Waiting period for health benefits** — You'll want to ask your new employer if there's a waiting eligibility period to enroll in its benefits plan — health insurance, dental, vision, and so on. If so, you may need to get COBRA coverage for a few months to stay in your old plan, unless you can be added to a spouse's plan. When you go on your new employer's health care plan, make sure you know what it covers. Depending on your situation, you might want to add supplemental health insurance.

- **Life insurance** — When you leave a job, your employer-sponsored life insurance will end, unless you have the option to convert your group term life policy into an individual permanent cash value policy. So, you'll want to be sure your new employer offers at least the same insurance coverage as your old one. But you should also determine whether the group policy offered by your employer is sufficient for your needs. Depending on several factors, such as your income, spouse's income and family size, you may need to supplement your employer's policy with an individual term life insurance policy.

- **Other benefits** — Review your new employer's benefits package carefully to see what's available. Many employers offer tuition reimbursement for their employees, and some even provide college planning assistance for employees' children. For example, your employer might offer matching contributions to a tax-advantaged 529 education saving plan, which can be used for college, some K-12 expenses and some trade/vocational school programs. Changing jobs can provide you with an opportunity to expand your career, learn new skills and broaden your social network. And it can certainly be financially rewarding, too — so make sure you know all the benefits involved

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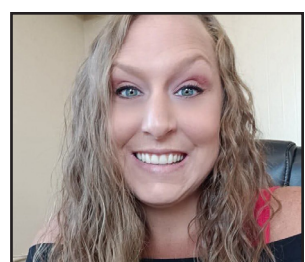
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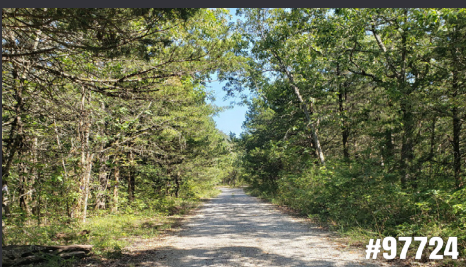
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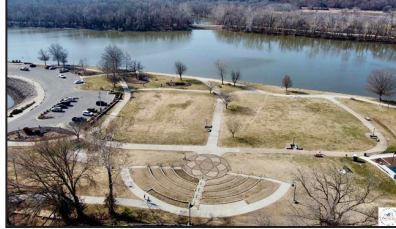


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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI

PROBATE DIVISION

Case No.:
24BE-PR00117

IN THE ESTATE OF THOMAS ANDREW HILL, Deceased.

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

To all persons interested in the estate of Thomas Andrew Hill, Decedent: On the 4th day of December, 2024, a small estate affidavit was filed by the distributess for the decedent under section 473.097, RSMo., with the probate division of the circuit court of Benton County, Missouri.

All creditors of the decedent, who died on October 3, 2024, are notified that section 473.444 sets a limitation period that would bar claims one year after the death of the decedent. A creditor may request that his estate be opened for administration.

Receipt of this notice should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient may possibly have a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, may possibly be determined from the affidavit on this estate filed in the probate division of the circuit court of Benton County, Missouri.

Date of first publication is January 9, 2025.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Circuit Court this 3rd day of January, 2025.

Shanda Schultz
Circuit Clerk
Julia J. Harms
Deputy Circuit Clerk

Date(s) of Publication:
January 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2025

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF SEALED BIDS

The Benton Co. SWCD will be accepting sealed bids for the following item:

1989 Hull utility trailer. 16' x 6 1/2' dual axel with 3500 pound GVWR

The trailer has a couple of heavy platform stands added to the front and is available for viewing by appointment, at the USDA Service Center, 535 N Hwy 65 in Lincoln. Request official bid form and details at the Benton Co. SWCD office or by calling 660-547-2351 Ext. 3. The completed form must be received, in a sealed envelope marked Sealed Bid in our office, by COB (4:30 p.m.) January 31st.

Date(s) of Publication:
January 16, 23 and 30, 2025

TRUSTEE'S SALE

IN RE: Herman J Haake, a single person Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Herman J Haake, a single person dated January 26, 2018 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Benton County, Missouri as Book 648, Page 1503 modification by Loan Modification Agreement recorded June 1, 2020 as Book 2020, Page 2046 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Friday, February 14, 2025 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 10:00 AM), at the Northwest Front Door of the Court House, City of Warsaw, County of Benton, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real

estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Benton County, State of Missouri, to wit: PARCEL "B": THAT PART OF TRACT NUMBER 4 OF "SURVEY OF NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 41, RANGE 22" A SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 29, IN BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: CONSIDERING THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT 4 TO BEAR N 89 DEGREES 36' 18" E AND ALL OTHER BEARINGS USED HEREIN RELATIVE THERETO: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT 4, SAID POINT BEING 447.80 FEET EASTERLY DISTANT FROM THE NORTHWEST CORNER THEREOF (SAID NORTHWEST CORNER BEING ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER); THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH LINE N 89 DEGREES 36' 18" E 210.00 FEET; THENCE LEAVING THE SAID NORTH LINE S 3 DEGREES 10' 46" W 330.38 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT 4; THENCE ALONG THE SAID SOUTH LINE S 89 DEGREES 36' 44" W 210.00 FEET; THENCE N 3 DEGREES 10' 47" E 330.35 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL "B"-E: A NON-EXCLUSIVE P E R M A N E N T EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITIES PURPOSES, A P P U R T E N A N T TO PARCEL "B", AS ESTABLISHED BY THE INSTRUMENT RECORDED IN BOOK 497, PAGE 1549, OVER THE FOLLOWING: PART OF TRACT

NUMBER 4 OF "SURVEY OF NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 41, RANGE 22" A SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 29, IN BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL "B"; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 36' 44" W 402.35 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF US HIGHWAY #65; THENCE ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE N 2 DEGREES 14' 08" E 15 FEET; THENCE N 89 DEGREES 36' 44" E TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID PARCEL "B"; THENCE S 3 DEGREES 10' 47" W 15 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO INTEREST ACQUIRED BY STATE OF MISSOURI FOR HIGHWAY 65 RECORDED IN BOOK 595, PAGE 2036.

to satisfy said debt and cost.

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Date(s) of Publication:
January 23 & 30 and February 6 & 13, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI

CIRCUIT DIVISION

Case No.:
24BE-DR00065

PAYTON NICHOLE ADAIR,
Individually, and as Next Friend of: AMR, Minor, Petitioners,
Vs.
ISIAIAH LEONJA ROSS, Respondent.

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri to Respondent: ISIAIAH L. ROSS

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you

in the Circuit Court for the County of Benton, State of Missouri, the object and general nature of which is: a petition for paternity.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for Petitioner Payton N. Adair, is Audara L. Lutjen, 608 East Ohio Street, Clinton, MO 64735 and her phone number is (660) 885-2234.

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within forty-five (45) days after the 23RD day of January, 2025, judgment by default will be rendered.

It is ordered that a copy hereof be published according to the law in the Benton County Enterprise, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Benton, State of Missouri. A true copy from the record. WITNESS my hand and seal of the Circuit Court this 14th day of January, 2025.

/s/ Shanda Schultz,
Circuit Clerk

Date(s) of Publication:
January 23 & 30 and February 6 & 13, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI AT WARSAW

Case No.
25BE-DR00002

In Re the Marriage of: KIMBERLY J. HAMILTON, Petitioner, Vs. JOHN L. HAMILTON, Respondent.

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO RESPONDENT, JOHN L. HAMILTON: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Division of the Circuit Court of Benton County, Missouri, for a Dissolution of Marriage.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for Petitioners is Gable B. Dull, Dull Law, LLC, 220 W. Main Street, PO Box 1495, Warsaw, Missouri 65355-1495, Telephone No. (660) 438-7102.

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within forty-five (45) days after January 23rd, 2025, judgment by default will be rendered against you.

Witness my hand and seal of the Circuit Court of

Benton County, Missouri, this 14th day of January, 2025.

/s/Shanda Schultz,
Circuit Clerk

Date(s) of Publication:
January 23, 30 & February 6 & 13, 2025

IN THE 27TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI

PROBATE DIVISION

Case Number:
25BE-PR00001

In the Estate of DONNA MARIE WISCHMEIER, Deceased.

Notice to Creditors
(Small Estate)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of DONNA MARIE WISCHMEIER, Decedent.

On JANUARY 8, 2025 a small estate affidavit was filed by the distributees for the decedent under Section 473.097, RSMo., with the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of BENTON COUNTY Missouri.

All creditors of Decedent, who died on 08-DEC-2024, are notified that Section 473.444, RSMo., sets a limitation period that would bar claims one year after the death of Decedent. A creditor may request that this estate be opened for administration.

Receipt of this notice should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient may possibly have a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, may possibly be determined from the affidavit on this estate filed in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of BENTON COUNTY Missouri.

Date of first publication is JANUARY 23, 2025.

SHANDA SCHULTZ,
CIRCUIT CLERK
Julia J. Harms,
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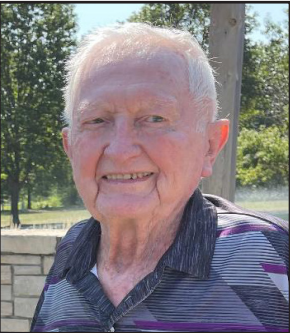
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DeWayne Duncan



DeWayne Duncan, 95, of Sedalia, Missouri, passed away Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at Caring Hearts and Hands in Columbia.

He was born October 21, 1929, in Freeman, Missouri, the only child of Frank H. and Lucile E. (Hackler) Duncan. On April 17, 1955, in Drexel, Missouri, he married Mildred (Long), who preceded him in death on February 19, 2017.

DeWayne was a proud veteran of the United States Air Force, serving for four years during the Korean Conflict, primarily as a chaplain's assistant in the Philippines.

A lifelong learner, DeWayne earned a bachelor's degree in education, a master's in English, a master's in history, and a specialist in elementary administration. His career in education began in a one-room schoolhouse in Lyle, Missouri, followed by a position as principal in Freeman. He spent the majority of his career at Cole Camp Public Schools, retiring in 1988 after more than 50 years in education. Even after retirement, DeWayne continued to teach, substituting at State Fair Community College and various local schools. His students were his pride and joy, and he loved working with children throughout his life.

A faithful member of Wesley United Methodist Church, DeWayne served as a liturgist well into his nineties. He was also a dedicated member of the Sedalia Lions Club.

DeWayne had a passion for gardening, particularly tending to his flowers. He was known for his green thumb and often entered his plants in competitions at the Missouri State Fair. He also enjoyed raising sheep.

Above all, DeWayne will be remembered as an amazing man—caring, intellectual, humorous, stern, and compassionate. He took great pride in his family and his personal accomplishments.

Surviving are his son, Delwyn Duncan (Mary), of Centralia; his daughter, Darla Steele (Donald), of Smithton; six grandchildren, Nelae Steele, Amber Klusmeyer, LaKala Powers, Devan Duncan, Nicole Duncan, and Bryce Steele; and four great-grandchildren, Penelope Powers, and Aubrey, Braylee, and Cannon Klusmeyer.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Dana Duncan.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 18, 2025, at Wesley United Methodist Church, with Rev. Dawn Gerard, Rev. Dennis Harper, and Rev. Dr. Eddie Brown officiating.

The family will receive friends from 12:30 p.m. until service time Saturday at the church.

Entombment will be in Memorial Park Cemetery, with military honors conducted by the U.S. Air Force and VFW Post 2591.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Caring Hearts and Hands of Columbia, or the Wesley United Methodist Church furnace fund.

Arrangements are in the care of Heckart Funeral Home.

Karen P. Myers



Karen P. Myers, of Columbia, went home to be with the Lord on January 4, 2025, at the age of 85.

Karen was born in Hannibal, Missouri, the daughter of Harold C. & Mabel (Hackler) Price. As a young girl, she moved with her parents and siblings to Benton County, to the farm where her grandparents, James E. & Mary Helen (Caldwell) Hackler, were living. The farm was originally owned by her great-grandfather John R. Hackler who won it in a poker game in the 1870's. Karen attended, and graduated from a one room school, South Pleasant Hill, where her mother and uncle had also attended. She graduated from Warsaw High School, then graduated from the University of Missouri in Columbia with BS and an MS in Textiles and Apparel Management.

While attending university, she met her first husband, Ernest M. (Marty) Wagner Jr whom she married in 1961. They lived in Fulton, Missouri, where Karen taught at William Woods college. After moving to Iowa, she taught at Iowa Wesleyan College and was head of the Home Economics Department. They then moved to Glen Haven, Wisconsin where Karen taught at the Technical School in Fennimore, Wisconsin. Karen eventually retired from teaching and devoted her time to gardening and genealogy. Marty passed away in 1985 and after a few years Karen met her second husband Fredrick S. Myers on a trip to China. They married in 1989 and moved to Stow, Ohio. Later they moved to Long Boat Key, Florida where they lived for 9 years. In 2000 Karen & Fred moved to Columbia, Missouri and Fred passed away in 2005.

While in Columbia, Karen reconnected with the College of Human Environmental Sciences (HES) at the university and was a member of the Jeferson Club and the Vanguard Society and was also a past president of the HES Alumni Board. She was honored with the Distinguished Service Award in 2008.

Karen was a fan of Mizzou football and basketball and loved attending games and tailgating with her friends and fellow alumni. Karen's other interests included being a devoted Cardinals' fan, playing bridge and her cats. She was also dedicated to her church, The Christian Science Society, as well as the Philanthropic Educational Organization (P.E.O.).

Karen is survived by her children Ernest M. (Ty) Wagner III and James Cameron Wagner, stepchildren Timothy Myers and Melinda Davis, grandchildren Elisha Wagner, Jonathan Wagner, and Kaylin Wagner, step grandchildren Jordan Davis and Ashley Davis, great grandchild Scarlett Wagner-Steinke, and siblings Randy Price and Jill Barnett.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations to the Tiger Scholarship Fund (www.giving.missouri.edu). Words of remembrance and support may be shared with the family at a memorial service on January 16, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. at the Lenoir Woods Chapel, 3710 Lenoir St, Columbia, MO 65201.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
JOHNNIE J. LOGUE

Lazarus is Dead
-John 11:14

Change the name and you and I have said and have heard those words many times throughout our lifetime.

Naturally, those are some of the saddest words ever spoken. We are never really ready to hear them regardless of what we may say. Yes, sometimes there is a relief when someone who is sick passes, but we are never seriously ready.

In our text, the Lord Jesus would bring Lazarus back only to die again.

I have pondered that passage many times. Many would believe in the Lord because of Lazarus, but not everyone.

Why did Jesus weep at Lazarus' grave? (John 11:35) Some say because he related to the family and friends who were grieving. Some say because He groaned in the spirit which refers to sin and He saw what sin had done to His creation. Some believe it was because He would knowingly bring him back from Heaven to die again.

So we can only speculate as to the why. I certainly don't know. Like I said before, I have pondered this passage many times.

I am Johnie J. Logue, pastor of Grace Baptist Church and I pray for those who are struggling with grief and the trials of life.

The Lord bless.

WARSAW FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Good morning neighbor from Warsaw first Church of the Nazarene. Here we are after the holiday season full of family and friendship, I must ask you how's your neighbor doing? As believers in Jesus Christ, we are called to have a burden for those around us focusing on them instead of ourselves. It seems to me that as a society we struggle with this as a whole to include both believers and unbelievers. Last week, I shared how God was always and has always sought to communicate with all his people. In summary, it is us that fail to see and hear the truth about God and ourselves. You know that communication is vital to being a good neighbor.

My wife and I were walking around at the Plaza in Kansas City saying hello to strangers passing us by on our adventure that day. The looks and responses were extremely disheartening. They varied from fear to 'why are you bothering me' to 'I'm too busy for you'. Rarely was there a smile returned with a cheerful greeting in these simple exchanges of words. In that moment I could see that our society lacks trust. This lack of trust or faith has been going on since the fall of Adam and Eve. But we must realize that God loves strangers. If one of us is hurting, just one of us, we all are hurting. My God, your God, as a good neighbor to all, extends his love and grace with a promise of mercy and goodness for all people who seek to be his good neighbor. How do I know this to be true?

We all have or know the golden rule of loving your neighbor, but did you realize that it was first spoken or 'communicated' thousands of years ago in the Book of Deuteronomy? Deuteronomy 10:17-18 states "For the Lord your God is the God of gods and the Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who does not show partiality, nor take a bribe. 18 He executes justice for

the orphan and the widow, and shows His love for the stranger by giving him food and clothing." Our error is trusting agencies, government, and even plain luck (lottery) to fix our brokenness. The normal push back to this statement in the Bible is not applicable today. I want to encourage you to the possibility, yes trusting the scripture, that God is who he says he is and I can guarantee you that once you hear and see him you will realize the truth. Our God is a gentle person who loves strangers even when others will not. Think for just a moment how much different our society would look if we all extended a hand with love and grace not for ourselves, not for our benefit, but simply to help another person? Next week, I will address the question, who is your neighbor? Hint: widows and orphans.

Andy Lavender, Pastor
Warsaw First Church of the Nazarene
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UNITY OF THE LAKES

Dr. Kristin Cherry will be speaking on Reverence: A deeper pathway to faith.

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Dr. Kristin Cherry is a Professor of Communication at Central Methodist University.

Join us at Unity of the Lakes on January 26 at 11:00 AM and stay for fellowship and refreshments! We are 8 miles south of town at 34948 Hwy 65 South, Warsaw, MO.

LINCOLN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Hello everyone. It has been a couple of weeks since I have written my column. The weather was bad the last two week so we didn't have church service. Today we were in church and enjoying the fellowship that it brings. Our parking lot was slick with ice but no one fell and got hurt.

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Wed Bible Study: 7:00 PM

Many gathered for service today although it was very cold weather. Sonya celebrated a birthday and Debbie Smith celebrated a anniversary.

We observed Communion today. Pastor explained about it and read from the Bible about the first Lord's supper. Pastor Jesse's message was about meeting Jesus. Who was Jesus and what did he look like? From the information Pastor Jesse could find this is the information he found. Jesus was about 5'5" tall, around 150 to 160 lbs. He had olive skin, a common man, bold and humble. He wasn't noticed until He was around 30 years old.

Jesus made everything He used because He was a carpenter. What you look like doesn't make you a man. Saul was a mountain of a man. God gave people what they wanted in Saul. How good you look doesn't matter when serving the Lord. John demonstrated humbleness and obedience to God. Becoming a saved child you answer to a higher power. If you read the Bible you will demonstrate who Jesus is.

We should do kindness, forgiveness, endurance, submission and generous giving. This is what God wants from us.

SEE YOU NEXT TIME. GOD BLESS.

HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

Matthew 28:16-20 The Great Commission, Jesus' final instructions. Jesus' eleven disciples went to Galilee and began worshipping Jesus, but some of them doubted. Jesus comes to them directly in their moment of doubt and assures them all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Him. The Bible is full of doubters because doubting is a natural human emotion. Jesus is ok with our doubts because He is bigger than our doubts. Jesus has conquered the grave, sin, and Satan forever. The keys to everything belong to Him. When we question, why God do these things

happen to me, the answer is always, Jesus is still in control.

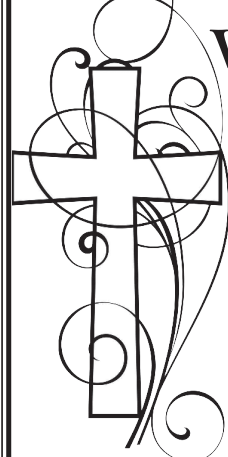
The most famous part, Jesus tells them to go into all the world and make more disciples. Tell people about Me and what I've done. Jesus' desire is that every person would be saved. When we don't emphasize the important parts, they don't happen. Encourage people to share what God has done in their lives with other people, and one of those things is baptism, the public profession of faith. Christ crucified, and resurrected, washing away our sins. He finishes with telling them to teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. Some of this makes us uncomfortable. It's hard to tell others what Jesus commands when we don't want to do what Jesus says.

Love your enemies and pray for those who hurt you. Do we believe He loved every single person? God loves us but not always our behavior. Is God's grace not sufficient? What are we doing? The gospel says, love your neighbor as yourself. We were all bought with a price on the cross at Calvary. We must look at others the same way God looks at us, with grace and mercy, not judgement. Jesus knows it's not easy. He lived it. He tells even His disciples, no matter how hard it gets, I am with you. No matter how hard, Jesus is with us forever and always. When we can't keep going, He is still with us. When we feel like there is nothing left, He is still with us. He doesn't change. What can we do in this new year to take the words of Jesus more serious?

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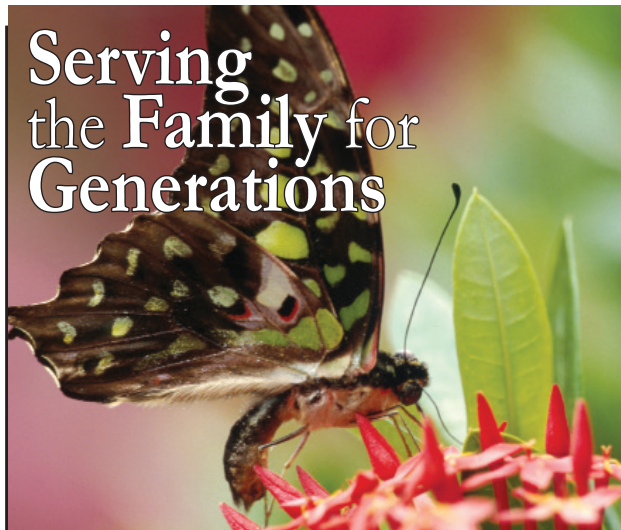
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— Dr. Kristen Strasser



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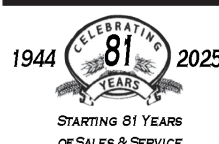
John Deere 568 Big Baler, Mega Wide, Coveredge, Net Wrap (Went Thru Shop At Start of Hay Season)
Case IH WRX201 10 Wheel Rake
New Holland 1431 Pull Disc Bine
New Holland Pull 4 Basket Tedder
John Deere 8300 Grain Drill
Kuhn Knight 3300 Reel Auger Feed Wagon (In Use Now)

Kuhn Knight Prosproad 11340 Tandem Axle Manure Spreader, Poly Floor, Works
Kuhn Knight Max 156 Vertical Mixer Wagon, Needs Work
John Deere 3970 Pull Silage Cutter (2) 3 Row Heads & Hay Head, Works
Kinze Twin Line Planter Frame w/John Deere 12 Row Max Emerge 2 Planter Units, Liquid Fertilizer - Monitors - Transport Trailer, Works
Kewanee 20' Wing Fold Wheel Disk
Landoll 3 Pt. 10' Chisel
Degelman 10' Front Mount HD Blade For Silage
Hardy 750 Pull Sprayer, 100' Folding Booms & Foam Markers, Works
Richardson 700 Side Dump Silage Wagon
Gooseneck Hayliner 35' Inline Bale Trailer, Good
Older 2 Bottom Drag Plow

MISC. & HAY

Foremost Squeeze Chute w/Palpation Cage, Scale (Scale Needs Work), Kept Inside, Good
Pair 38" John Deere Duals
Pair 38" Snap-On Duals
Honda Rancher 4 Wheeler
John Deere Z465 Zero-Turn Mower
Craftsman 2 Tier Toolbox
Sev. DeWalt Cordless Tools
Other Misc. Wrenches & Tools
500 Gal. Diesel Tank w/Electric Gasboy Pump
Lincoln SP135 Wire Welder
2 Lg. Poly Water Tanks
Other Farm Misc.
Approx. 100 5x6 Net Wrapped Big Bales, '24 Mixed Hay
Sev. Misc. Household Items

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