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'Be Careful With Space Heaters!' Warns Fire Captain Following Warsaw House Fire



By
Judy Kramer
County
Reporter

The U.S. Fire Administration and FEMA report that during winter months structure fires increase, although the total fires for a variety of reasons decrease. A substantial portion of the structure fire increase is caused by heating fires. Colder temperatures result in longer operating time for heating equipment and there is more opportunity for that equipment to cause a fire. Each year more than a half million winter fires cause \$3 billion in property loss, 1,900 deaths and nearly 8,000 injuries.

Captain John Powell of The Warsaw Fire Protection District (WFPD) was on duty February 12 when a house on Jackson Street near the Warsaw Laundromat caught on fire. He stated that the page came at about 2:15 AM and flames were already on the roof when they arrived at the scene.

"We had everything contained in two hours, and there were no rekindles of any kind," said Captain Powell. "We responded with two engines and roughly 10 firefighters. All the right people were there. Firemen don't determine causes of fires, that is the responsibility of fire marshals. But this fire did appear to have been



IMPROPER USE OF SPACE HEATERS can have catastrophic consequences. Warsaw Fire Protection District Captain John Powell recently fought a fire on Jackson Street in Warsaw that may have been the result of space heater use and the home's electrical system. With Captain Powell is WFPD Lieutenant Stephen Sommers.

electrical. We also responded to a structure fire recently at 31495 Chance Avenue, at 10:16 PM in White Branch. Normally we have more fires than this."

The local Salvation Army steps in to help people displaced from their homes due to fires. Terri Watson with the local Salvation Army said that they provide a place to stay for the night after a fire and get clothing, blankets, socks, underwear and towels for those who have lost their belongings.

"Sometimes it takes 48 to 72 hours for initial insurance funds to arrive to help victims," said Watson. "The Red Cross helps with hotels. In one case family members were willing to take in their mother after a fire, but she couldn't walk up the stairs at her son's house and was put in a hotel for a week. We try to help with specific things that victims need. One person needed dishes and clothes. We have one man who lost his home to a fire a year ago and is still homeless, so we still help him as he tries to get back to normal. If you don't have insurance or family, it is hard. Finding housing in Benton County is unheard of. However, the Lakes Inn, behind Sonic in Warsaw, is amazing to work with and others have helped too."

Watson said that Lisa's Day Care in Lincoln and its children make emergency

Cole Camp Makes Move On Street Construction



By
Dianne Peck
County
Reporter

The Cole Camp City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 19 rather than Thursday evening, February 20. Following the handling of routine monthly business they welcomed a representative from Great River for an update on the planned improvements on North Maple Street from Main Street, northward to Junge Street.

The spokesman was up front that everything will have to be ADA compliant. On the west side of North Maple Street, it will not be an issue, but on the east side it is a challenge which they will meet. He spoke of the possibility of adding "festival boxes" which would provide power and water to those areas of the street during events.

He said most of the sidewalks will have to be removed and replaced on the east side but they will try to plan work to be the least disruptive to businesses. Also, there will be extreme care shown in not touching the 100-year old structures. He was reminded by the council that the project has to be completed in time for the Cole Camp Fair. He offered the alternative of beginning the work after the fair ends but was

Culinary Talent Put To The Test At Third Annual Chili Cook-Off



By
Kim Fugate
County
Reporter

As the winter sun began to warm the air, the Warsaw community came together in a vibrant display of camaraderie and culinary talent for the third annual Chili Cook-Off. This eagerly anticipated event drew crowds from all corners of the county, eager to sample a variety of chili recipes and, more importantly, to show their unwavering support for the Warsaw Fire Protection District's volunteer firefighters.

The Chili Cook-Off has quickly become a cherished tradition, with this year's event marking its third successful iteration. A total of 14 contestants put their cooking skills to the



A SPICY ADVENTURE was in store for those attending the Third Annual Chili Cook-Off in Warsaw, including Sheriff Eric Knox. The event was held to benefit The Fire Fighters Benevolence Fund.

test, each hoping to win the hearts (and taste buds) of the community with their unique chili creations. The competition was fierce, but the underlying purpose of the event was never out of sight—all proceeds from the day were dedicated to the Benevolence Fire Fighters Fund, a cause that holds significant meaning for the volunteer firefighters.

The Benevolence Fire Fighters Fund is more than just a charity; it's a symbol of a collective gratitude and support for the men and women who volunteer their time to protect. These local heroes, who balance their service to the community with full-time jobs and family responsibilities, embody the spirit of selflessness. The fund serves as a tangible "thank you" from the community, ensuring that firefighters never have to face hardship alone.


By contributing to the Benevolence Fund, the fabric of our community is reinforced, built on care, gratitude, and mutual aid. The Warsaw Fire Protection District is not just a team of firefighters; it's a family. And like any family, they stand together in times of

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Warsaw, Cole Camp Wrestlers Ready For State Championships



THE TOP TWO spots on the podium in the 165 pound weight class of Class 1 District 2 were occupied by Warsaw's Drake Murrell and Cole Camp's Grant Rodriguez. Murrell fell to Rodriguez 2-1 in double overtime in the championship.



By
Adam Howe
Editor

The Warsaw Wildcats came home with their first team plaque from districts since 2002, when

they finished second out of 16 teams at the Class 1 District 2 wrestling tournament in Butler on Friday and Saturday, and Cole Camp crowned their first-ever district champion in senior Grant Rodriguez who worked his way

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Community Calendar

FEBRUARY 26, 2025: The Benton County Economic Development Committee will meet Wednesday, February 26, 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 26, 2025: The Benton County Democratic Party will have their monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 26 at 6:00 PM in the Warsaw Library meeting room. During the meeting, we will conduct a workshop on how to navigate the Missouri House of Representatives and Missouri Senate websites. Attendees will also learn how to contact representatives and submit testimony to legislation in real time.

MARCH 1, 2025: 11:00 AM, there will be a last tow truck procession to honor Kevin Noland. It will go from Drake Harbor, through Main Street, to the Turkey Creek Cemetery. We hope you all can make it to celebrate Kevin's life and legacy.

MARCH 1, 2025: Monster Cajun Boil and Texas Hold'em Tournament to benefit the Morrison family, Knights of Columbus hall on Wildcat Drive in Warsaw, 1:30 PM-Monster Cajun Boil and silent auction, \$20/ticket, may be purchased at Edward Jones-Rickie Caswell, City Electric Supply or Benton County Tire; 5:30 PM-Texas Hold'em Tournament, \$40 buy-in for 20,000 chips, Additional chips available, 2 re-buys, Guaranteed winners!

MARCH 3, 2025: The Benton County Republican Women's Club will meet at the First Baptist Church of Lincoln, 121 Locust St. Doors open at 6:30 PM, the meeting begins at 7:00 PM, all Republican women are welcome!

MARCH 4, 2025: The Benton County Youth Coalition will meet on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 6:30 PM at the Warsaw Methodist Church. Come join for planning of the Community Easter Egg Hunt and some prevention and support events.

MARCH 11, 2025: Benton County Retired Teachers and School Personnel Breakfast meeting will be held at the Warsaw Senior Center on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 8:30 AM. All retired educators are encouraged to attend. For further information, please call (660) 438-5978.

MARCH 13, 2025: Local Author's Night-Meet, Greet and Celebrate local authors Richard Houston, Beth Halsey, Leslie Grace and Daniel Meyer on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at the Warsaw Boonslick Regional Library from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Refreshments provided. Sponsored by the Friends of the Warsaw Library.

MARCH 22, 2025: Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness 5K Run/Walk, 1:00 PM-9:00 PM at Drake Harbor in Warsaw, Entertainment, Guest Speakers, Games, Food Trucks, Face Painting and more! 5K - \$25, General Admission - \$10, Special Appearance by KC Wolf! Be the light, Walk to fight!

APRIL 12, 2025: Discover the fascinating world of rockets as we discuss how they work and learn how to build them, hosted by the Pettis County Civil Air Patrol, Saturday, March 1, 10:00 AM, Boonslick Regional Library-Cole Camp, Join us for an exhilarating rocketry workshop and launch! Registration is required by February 24, Please call (660) 827-READ, option 2 for more information.

APRIL 29-30, 2025: Warsaw Friends of Library Book Sale will be held Tuesday, April 29 from 9:00 AM-7:00 PM and Wednesday, April 30 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. Book donations are now being accepted. No textbooks or magazines please. For further information, please call (660) 438-5211.

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.



Growing up, cornbread was a staple in my grandmother's home. Crumbled up into buttermilk for a snack or

crumbled over chili or soup. Recently, a friend sent her a quick and easy way to make dinner from panty pulls. A box of cornbread mix (Jiffy) and a can of chili. Layer a can of chili in a small casserole, prepare the box of cornbread and spread over the chili. Bake until the corners of the casserole start to turn brown

for about 25 minutes. Serve with a dollop of sour cream and shredded cheese. When it's this cold, a fast, good supper recipe to have on hand.



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'Cats, Ladycats Celebrate Senior Night With Sweep Of Visiting Sherwood



ONE LAST CALL, the WHS class of 2025 hoopsters took their home floor one last time together when the Wildcats hosted Sherwood on Friday night. Garrett Ferguson, Trent Downing, Shane Poyser, Judah Newell and Logan Gemes will all graduate in May. Warsaw won, 39-35.



By
Adam Howe
Sports
Editor

It took all they had, and it wasn't necessarily pretty, but the class of 2025 seniors went out with a win in the last regular season game of their careers on their home court when they took down Sherwood on Friday night, 39-35.

A rough first quarter saw

the Wildcats net just one field goal as they trailed 13-5 to the Marksmen. Warsaw began to pickup their offensive pace in the second period when Garrett Ferguson began to warm-up leading the 'Cats to an 11-8 margin, clipping their deficit to 21-16 at the break.

In the third quarter, Ferguson knocked down two more 3-pointers to help Warsaw to a 10-6 advantage and pull within one at 27-26.

A 13 point "outburst" for the Wildcats in the fourth quarter, helped them escape with the 39-35 win to improve to 15-9 and 4-1 in the Ozark Highlands Conference.

Ferguson paced the Wildcats with 16 points. Seniors Shane Poyser, Ferguson, Judah Newell, Logan Gemes and Trent Downing all donned the green and black in front of the home crowd for the last time.

WARSAW (39): S. Poyser, 6; G. Ferguson, 16; R. Fajen, 0; L. Henderson, 4; B. Henderson, 0; B. Slavens, 0; L. Gemes, 0; C. Davis, 0; J. Newell, 0; L. Gemes, 9; T. Downing, 0; N. Siebert, 4; E. Siebert, 0; R. Reser, 0.

SHERWOOD (35): Brownfield, 0; Murphy, 4; Kanzler, 15; Chankin, 0; Thomas, 0; Kimbrough, 6; Roof, 0; Mainard, 8; Mueller, 2; Polzin, 0; Edie, 0; Mueller, 0; Turner, 0; Meads, 0; Gage, 0.

Earlier in the evening, the Ladycats jumped out to an 18-0 lead at the end of the first and clung to that same margin at halftime, leading 26-8.

A barrage of offense smacked the Lady Marksmen in the third quarter when Warsaw erupted for 22 points,

extending their lead to 48-25 before pulling away in the fourth for the 63-42 win.

The win marked the first for the Ladycats in the OHC (4-1) and improved their season record to 14-11.

Tanna Howe led all scorers with 21 points. Jenna Gerken added 11 and Sara Miller finished with 10.

The win marked the final time for senior Keira Mostaffa to take her home court.

WARSAW (63): K. Mostaffa, 9; B. Schwartz, 0; M. Slavens, 7; B. Henderson, 0; M. Reimund, 3; T. Howe, 21; S. Miller, 10; J. Bilderback, 0; H. Velker, 0; A. Yoder, 2; J. Gerken, 11.

SHERWOOD (42): Walton, 5; Doores, 4; Swigart, 0; Couch, 0; Spangler, 0; Felton, 12; Powell, 6; Courtney, 0; Zanchetti, 0; Hill, 10; Harms, 3; Klinkenberg, 2; Smith, 0.

Upstart Third Quarter Helps Lady Cards Overwhelm LaMonte

By
Johnie Logue, Sports

They have won 13 games this season, the most in

recent years, with no player being over 5'8" tall. They are being led in scoring by a freshman point guard. Third year coach Brett Bryant has instilled fundamentals and confidence into inexperienced players and the hard work is paying off for the Lady Cardinals.

Last Saturday, Lincoln traveled to LaMonte and came away with a 43-28 sweet victory.

It was close at 5-3 after one and 19-15 at the half. The halftime talk must have been really uplifting as Lincoln outscored the

Lady Vikings 15-1 to take a commanding 34-16 third quarter lead.

Lily Mellen, the aforementioned freshman, had 20 points. Her sister, senior Alyssa Mellen had 14.

Lincoln moved to 13-9 on the season.

LINCOLN (43): L. Mellen, 20; A. Mellen, 14; Harvey, 3; Helland, 2; Strozewski, 4.

LAMONTE (28): Briggs, 1; Parton, 6; Anderson, 1; Marps, 7; Morgan, 6; K. Knoernschild, 3; A. Knoernschild, 3.



NOT DONE YET, Cole Camp's Teagan Sharpe, Makiah Murguia, Grant Rodriguez and Ziggy Archambault will travel to Columbia this week for the 2025 MSHSAA Wrestling Championships.



TAKIN' IT TO THE HOOP, Warsaw senior Keira Mostaffa made a move against her Sherwood opponent on Friday night in the Ladycats 63-42 win on Senior Night.



WILDCATS WRESTLING brought home their first team plaque from a district competition since 2002 with a second place finish on Saturday at the Class 1 District 2 Tournament in Butler. Warsaw had 6 qualifiers for the state tournament in Columbia.



A CURTAIN CALL FOR THEM ALL, seniors Tatum Bohl, Keira Mostaffa, Shane Poyser, Garrett Ferguson, Trent Downing, Logan Gemes and Judah Newell were all honored between games in Warsaw on Senior Night.

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Lincoln Loses Regular Season Finale At Sacred Heart



AND THE BATTLE BEGINS, Lincoln's Ben Eckhoff jumps against Sacred Heart Friday night in Sedalia. The Gremlins defeated Lincoln for the second time this season, 43-35.

By Johnnie Logue, Sports

Sophomore Miles Johnson stole the ball from Dawson Parrott and drove for a layup to stretch the lead to 37-33 at the 3:21 mark.

A questionable missed foul underneath by Sacred Heart in the final minute didn't help matters.

However, Sacred Heart would make their free throws in the fourth thanks to four straight in the final minute by Connor Brown to seal Lincoln's fate.

It was 14-7 after one and 18-16 at the half.

Sacred Heart Head Coach Steven Goodwin commented, "It was a tough game between two good teams and it didn't hurt being at home."

(It was senior night and Goodwin's son, Grant is a senior.)

Lincoln will play in districts on Wednesday in Osceola. The Cardinals fell to 19-4 on the season and Sacred Heart climbed to 18-5.

LINCOLN (35): Sanders, 4; Parrott, 8; Koll, 8; Srader, 2; Benham, 6; Eckhoff, 7.

SACRED HEART (43): Goodwin, 3; Condray, 5; Brown, 13; Cordia, 12; Johnson, 7; Van Leer, 3.

The Lincoln Cardinals traveled to Sacred Heart on Friday night seeking revenge a 38-35 loss to the Gremlins in the Kaysinger Conference championship game two weeks ago.

In this highly anticipated contest, Lincoln fell behind 8-0 and after a fierce fourth quarter where they led briefly on two occasions at 31-29 and 33-32, they fell victim once again to the victorious Gremlins. This time the 43-35 final was a much larger margin than the tightness of the game indicated. Lincoln managed only six points in the final period.

Chase Young hit Anthony Srader at 7:35 for a layup for the first brief lead. Then Ben Eckhoff made a putback to give the Cardinals the lead at 33-32.

Chance Koll tied the game at 29-29 in the last seconds of the third with a resounding 3-pointer.

Two many missed layup opportunities throughout the contest was a big factor in the loss; not to minimize Sacred Heart's defense as they pushed and double teamed Eckhoff down low all night.

Lady Cards Record Most Wins In Season Since 2006



LINCOLN'S Emarie Eckhoff looks to pass to Adisyn Pennell in Lincoln's 49-17 victory Friday night at Sacred Heart. Lincoln raised their record to 14-9, their highest win total since 2006.

By Johnnie Logue Sports Reporter

The Lincoln girls are 14-9, the most wins for the girls program since 2006.

They defeated Sacred Heart on the road on Friday night, 49-17. Again, the Mellen sisters, Alyssa and Lily, led the way. Lily, the freshman, had 14 points and Alyssa, a senior, had 13.

Coach Brett Bryant had high praise for his prized freshman point guard, "She plays with confidence. If she decides to do something on the court, she does it. Other girls are more hesitant."

Lincoln jumped out early to a 7-0 lead and never looked back, as they say. They led 36-13 at the half and led 46-17 after three. With a running clock most of the fourth, Lincoln emptied their bench.

Senior guard Adisyn Pennell, perhaps the most improved player on the team, had 11 points with three 3-pointers and a layup to top things off.

Lincoln drew the fourth seed in the upcoming district at Skyline. If they win their first round matchup, they will play the defending state champion Skyline Lady Tigers on Skyline's home court.

LINCOLN (49): L.

Mellen, 14; A. Mellen, 13; Pennell, 11; Eckhoff, 2; Strozewski, 1; Helland, 7. **SACRED HEART (17):** Paisley, 11; Van Leer, 4; Vogel, 2.



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The People Of
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NAME: Kim Hausmann
BIRTHPLACE: Garden Grove, California
YEARS IN BENTON COUNTY: 43 years
FAMILY: Sons; Gavin, Garrett & Gauge; Pup, Zeke
THE BEST THING ABOUT LIVING IN BENTON COUNTY IS: The smalltown living, slow pace, living by the lake.
WHAT I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP: A beautician
FIRST JOB: Dairy Kup
OCCUPATION: Mental Health Counselor
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: Roller skating in the snow on Christmas day to Peggy Raynor's house



THE BEST TIME OF MY LIFE WAS WHEN: I gave birth to my children.
MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT: There's just too many to pick one.
WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS: Honesty
YOUR GREATEST FEAR IS: I have no fears, honestly.
I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO: Design a website.
I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO: Type.
IF I WON THE LOTTERY, I WOULD: Split the money with my kids.
MY DREAM TRIP WOULD BE TO: Visit all of the national landmarks in the U.S.
HOBBIES: Writing, volunteer fire fighting, taking Zeke to the lake
FAVORITE BAND OR MUSICIAN: Michael McDonald
FAVORITE MOVIE: Elf



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FAVORITE SNACK: Nachos
FAVORITE CANDY: Skor
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WHICH PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE MOST: My biological dad
ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF: Do it anyway, you're gonna be judged no matter what. Just do it!
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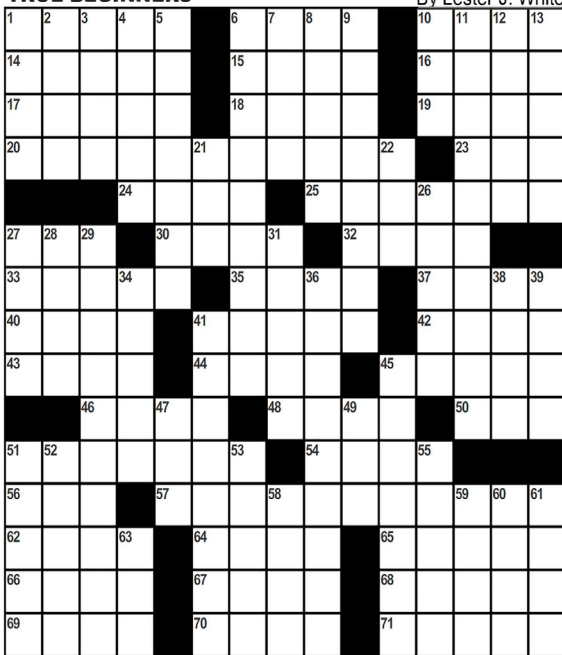
- 1) Lovable dog
- 6) Bit of a pencil
- 10) Close to closed
- 14) Shop shaper
- 15) Lifestyle of the rich and famous, perhaps
- 16) Ford's running mate
- 17) Aquatic animal
- 18) Gave a pink slip to
- 19) Death notice, for short
- 20) Abbott and Costello's baseball classic
- 23) Sash for M. Butterfly
- 24) Wedding cake feature
- 25) Marker brand
- 27) Play-___ (kiddie clay)
- 30) Cranny colleague
- 32) Great Lakes city
- 33) Cockamamie
- 35) Informal negative
- 37) Fly in the ointment
- 40) 11,000-foot Italian peak
- 41) Get to work
- 42) Drug shipment, sometimes
- 43) Broadway's "Sweeney ___"
- 44) Emerald, for one
- 45) Irish dramatist John Millington ___
- 46) Noted Chinese dynasty
- 48) Pallid-looking
- 50) Nitrous oxide, e.g.
- 51) Musician's sweet potato
- 54) Leaders of the mongrel hordes?
- 56) ___ Beta Kappa
- 57) The "K" of JFK, e.g.
- 62) Beach sweeper
- 64) Change in Roma, once
- 65) Everybody's opposite
- 66) Brain's creation
- 67) Famous garden
- 68) Mounted, as a horse
- 69) Penny
- 70) Dexterous
- 71) Antelope with spiral horns

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- 1) Deere implement
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance, e.g.
- 3) "Beetle Bailey" dog
- 4) Storage container
- 5) Courageous woman
- 6) Parts of coastal towns
- 7) Airplanes do it
- 8) Computer owners
- 9) It may be fit for a queen
- 10) Much of a stir
- 11) Hirer's posting
- 12) Literally, "in another place"
- 13) Make a new knot in
- 21) Prefix meaning "new"
- 22) Road paving goo
- 26) Far from a sure thing
- 27) Count calories
- 28) Not deceived by
- 29) Personal female attendant
- 31) Aussie marsupial
- 34) Low point
- 36) Having foresight
- 38) Microscopic pond life
- 39) Leaves
- 41) Indicated a turn
- 45) Hypodermic needle
- 47) Shutout score, in soccer
- 49) Attila, e.g.
- 51) Fiber-___ cable
- 52) Admonish
- 53) Comment to the audience
- 55) Bar staple
- 58) Not kosher
- 59) Infinitesimal amount
- 60) Abbreviated mystery writer?
- 61) "Borrow" antonym
- 63) Have today's special

TRUE BEGINNERS

By Lester J. White



Fristoe
NEWS
By Pat Arnett
Contributing Reporter

My goodness! This past week has definitely been winter; cold, cold temperatures and 7-8 inches of snow! However, this is Sunday, the last Sunday in February with daylight savings time coming in affect just two Sundays from now on March 9. Man, this has been a long winter!

Prayer requests for this week are for: Dorothy Thomas, Brenda Jackman, Gail Mann, Kathy First, Lewis Retherford, Bud Hatch, Delores Prater, Larry Meeks and Gladys Harris. Also, several people were hurt badly and some even killed in a bad car wreck coming home from a basketball game in Vernon County on Friday night. Two were former basketball players at Climax Springs; one, Ava Wolf and the other, Jayden Butterfield. Please keep these ladies and their families in your prayers.

Happy birthday to Brenda Hilburn on March 3! Dean and I attended the memorial service for Paul Estes on Saturday at Reser's. Bob Smith provided beautiful music and Br. Daniel Yoder provided the message. Hoping things warm up and green begins coming

through the soil. Dean is ready to start putting seeds in the ground.

Numbers were down still for Lighthouse Church but not as many as the last two weeks. Dave and Connie Cunningham, along with Bryan Smith and Sue Bumstead, led the morning song service and Claude and Delores did a great special and Sue did one also. The adult Sunday School class finished this quarter of study which was studies from Paul. This week was how to be aware of false teachers. The class really got involved. Br. Smith's message was in Matthew chapter 16.

Thought for the week: The first step to being wise is being still and the second is to listen!

Friends love at all times!
-Proverbs 17:17

Hoping all have a safe happy week!



Lodge #2783

By

Betty Mewszel

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



Well, protests continue against The Donald. It's understandable of course, because he has some strange ideas. Firefighters should fight fires, police officers should police and immigration control officers should enforce our immigration laws. Not only that, he thinks politicians should do what they promised while campaigning. Is it little wonder why he's so unpopular? Meanwhile,

Federal employees are being asked to send an email and explain what they got accomplished the previous week. Welcome to the real world Federal Government Employees! These are the kinds of things most workers in the private sector deal with every day. If a Federal worker can't list five things they've accomplished in a week, why are WE paying them? These folks are terrified because its exposing just


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how bloated and useless D.C. really is

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This just popped into my head. Do you remember when "Fahrenheit 451" was a must read in school and when we learned to diagram sentences in English class? And when we we're taught cursive writing and told not to print? I wasn't very good at it and don't remember the last time I tried writing in cursive. But it was something that everybody had to learn to do. Speaking of things we learned as kids. One thing that still comes in handy is this poem:

*Thirty days has September:
April, June and November:
All the rest have thirty-one,
Except February alone,
Which has but twenty-eight
days clear,
And twenty-nine in each
leap year.*

I just used it a minute ago while looking at the calendar. We've got two days until Friday the 28th and then February 2025 will disappear into the "mists of eternity." Isn't that a fancy sentence? How about "gone forever into the dim, dark pages of eternity" or "dragged screaming into a dim, dismal cave of time?" Anyway, it won't be long until warmer weather and we hear the hum of lawn mowers around town.

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Enough of this rambling. Hang in there and hold on tight Old Buddy!

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Of course, the answer depends somewhat on the size of your refund. Last year, the average tax refund was \$3,050, according to the Internal Revenue Service.

Whatever the size of your refund, though, you'll want to maximize its benefit. Here are a few suggestions:

- **Contribute to your IRA.** If you were to receive about \$3,000, it would go a long way toward funding your IRA for the year — but any amount would help. You still have until April 15, 2025, to contribute to your IRA for the 2024 tax year, but if you've already "maxed out" on it, you could use your refund for 2025. The annual contribution limit for a traditional and Roth IRA remains \$7,000, or \$8,000 if you're age 50 or older. And by getting an early start toward fully funding your IRA, you can reduce the pressure of having to come up with large amounts later in the year.

- **Build an emergency fund.** Your tax refund could help you start or expand an emergency fund. It's a good idea to keep up to six months' worth of living expenses in such a fund, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account, separate from the funds you use for your daily expenses. You might need to draw on this fund for unexpected expenses, such as a major home or car repair or a medical bill that's not fully covered by your health insurance. Without such an emergency fund in place, you might be forced to dip into your IRA or other retirement accounts to pay for these types of costs, and such a move could be expensive, resulting in taxes, penalties and lost opportunities for growth.

- **Contribute to a 529 plan.** If you have children or grandchildren and you'd like to help them further their education someday, you might consider investing in a 529 education savings plan. With a 529 plan, earnings and withdrawals are federally tax free, provided the money is used for qualified education expenses. Based on where you live, your 529 plan may provide state tax benefits, too. (It is possible, though,

that 529 withdrawals could affect financial aid packages, depending on who owns the account.) A 529 plan can be used to help pay for college, accredited trade school programs, some K-12 expenses and even to help repay some student loans.

- **Pay down debts.** Your tax refund may give you a chance to reduce your debt load. But which debts should you tackle first? You could follow the "snowball" method by paying off the smallest of your loans or debts as quickly as possible. Or you could choose the "avalanche" route by making minimum payments on all debts and using extra funds — such as your tax refund — to pay off the debts that carry the highest interest rates. Either method could help you save money in the long term.

It's not often that you receive a financial windfall such as a tax refund — so think carefully about how you can maximize its benefits.

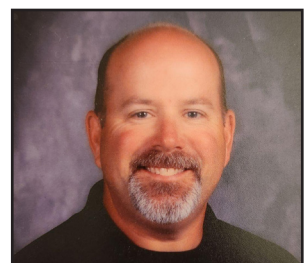
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Down On The Creek

By Dianne Peck
County Reporter



Widow Was Hard To Beat

(Poetize) is defined as to write or express yourself in poetry. I personally have never particularly cared for poetry, I respect it as an art but I suppose that I don't really understand it. So therefore I do not savor it as others. Such was the case of an Editor of a small periodical.

The year was 1905 and it was early springtime. A would-be poet awaited an audience with the imminent and stately man behind the desk. Finally the Editor inquired: "What can I do for you?" "Will you publish the poem I submitted about Springtime?" asked the composer.

The Editor took the manuscript from his desk and handed it back to the author saying, "I am very sorry that your contribution is not suited to our needs. My declining it has nothing to do with its merit. In fact while the poem is not for our uses, I know a man who would accept it. He wouldn't pay much....."

"Anything would be acceptable," said the hopeful poet. "I am in desperate need of funds, what is his name?"

"I do not know his name," replied the Editor, "All I know is that he comes here once a week to take away our waste paper." The Editor's attitude proved the old adage of Poets and Pigs are appreciated only after their death.

My salad days in a one room school house, found me having to memorize and recite a poem monthly. Usually this occurred on the last Friday of each month, following the final recess. The only one of these jewels that stayed with me was Joyce Kilmer's "Trees". It went like this.

I think that I shall never see

A poem lovely as a tree
A tree that may in summer wear

A nest of robins in her hair
Poems are made by fools like me

But only God can make a tree. Maybe that piece stuck with me because I so totally agreed with its sentiment.

William Wadsworth claimed that poetry was the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings. Maybe spontaneous overflow was responsible for the verdict in rhyme, down Texas way. In the year of 1857 a defendant and a well-known citizen of Austin was accused of gambling which was not regarded as a serious offense in those early days. The prosecution was generally being treated as a pleasant jest, but nevertheless carried thru in earnest. A jury composed of lawyers brought in the following verdict;

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Starlings Take Over Large Lawn During Recent Winter Storm

By Dianne Peck
County Reporter

We've all just come through a bitterly cold winter storm that added not only record breaking temperatures but lots of the fluffy white stuff too. With it came frozen water pipes, furnace failures, slick roads and cars that wouldn't start. We've all been there and it is miserable to say the least, but I am here to tell you I had a unique situation that I pray I never experience again.

Anyone that knows me is aware I love my backyard birds and I feed them mixed seeds, suet and black oiled sunflowers. This draws a large variety of feathered creatures and I keep an ear of molded corn on a special feeder just for the squirrels that reside in the edge of the woods above my house.

About the first day of the snow storm I arose one morning to hear strange bird songs outside my kitchen window that I was not familiar with. Looking out I saw hundreds of birds I had never seen before. They were dark birds with what appeared to be flecks of white and they had white beaks. I had no idea what they were but taking into account the large numbers, I guessed Starlings. After googling the situation I discovered they were definitely European Starlings.

I had only ever seen them when they do the massive groups swirling in the sky, not unlike a beautiful synchronized dance on the wind. That is scientifically called a Starling Murmuration. From a distance they are beautiful, up close I'm here to say they aren't even one generation away from being "poor white trash."

For about three days of hell I witnessed them bully the other birds and take over everything. They roosted on everything leaving a thick crust of feces on antique metal lawn chairs, all the bird feeders, the top of the stone retaining wall in my back yard and the Weber charcoal grill. The upper lawn is a solid mass of the mess and right now I'm doing a rain dance and praying fervently for God to give my home a long, heavy rain shower.

When I first heard their



bird song it was quite pleasant. After three days of it I was nearly ready to commit murder. It is an unusual sound but they also have the uncommon ability to mimic other sounds like a barking dog, car alarms and a variety of sounds including the human voice. All this I learned by reading up on them attempting to discover a means of eradicating them. In case you're interested Youtube is filled with clips of Starlings imitating human speech.

During my research I discovered a man called Eugene Schieffelin brought 100 Starling to New York City in 1890. He released them in Central Park to honor they had been mentioned in Shakespeare's plays. At the time it was somewhat comical but considering how they have become such an overwhelming number not few are laughing now. I know I'm not!

Another interesting fact I gleaned from my reading was their beaks. Unlike most birds, a Starling's jaw muscles work backward. Instead of using most of their power to clamp their bills shut, the strength of the muscles are used to spring the bill open. They insert the closed bill between blades of grass in thick turf or other ground cover and then spring it open to expose hidden morsels. I had often

seen large numbers for brief amounts of time on the lower lawn doing this in the Zoysia grass.

Because of their increasing numbers and their aggressive behavior they have few friends among humans. The reason they gather in mega flocks is for protection and finding food sources. Their fecal matter can cause health hazards. They have created problems at airports, endangering the planes and they are generally labeled "a nuisance."

There were several techniques given to get them to move on. One was lethal eradication as they are not a protected species. There were a variety of scare devices and tactics but I finally decided to make sure there was no more food. I felt bad for my regular little visitors, the nuthatches, tufted titmice, cardinals and the large variety of woodpeckers but I knew it was the only way. With no more food they lingered a short time and then moved on to invade some other place not unlike a mass of unwelcome carpetbaggers. The feeders remained empty until I felt assured they were gone and they are now refilled and my little guys have come back to flit and fly and create great entertainment in peace and harmony once more.

A Message FROM THE MAYOR

There's not much happening at City Hall except snow removal and other weather-related and routine activities. I'll take this opportunity to update everyone on the status of the grant activity.

The Safe Streets For All (SS4A) grant is in the planning stages. The CFS Engineers from Springfield were chosen by the Board of Aldermen to write this. They have met with the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor for preliminary ideas and are now in the process of collaborating with the Department of Transportation and other agencies to collect the data needed to write the plan. Part of this collaboration is to meet with citizens of Cole Camp who have been placed on the Stakeholder's Committee for local input. They will be meeting in the near future and possibly again nearer the end of the project to give their input on how to use the grant money. The target date for completing the plan is May or June 2025. This grant will be used to update safety of our streets and sidewalks.

The Land and Water Conservation grant application is still pending. All the criterion have been met and we are just waiting for their decision. This grant is a 50/50 matching grant to update the playground area and equipment in Butterfield Park. We have not been given a projected date for their decision

The TAP grants to update the curbing and sidewalks on North Maple Street are now in the execution stage. Work will begin in May and be completed by Labor Day so as not to interfere with the Cole Camp Fair in September. The work is being overseen by Great River Engineering Co.



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Benton County Area Church Directory

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Warsaw Assembly of God: 703 Elm Road, Warsaw, 65355. 438-6244. Rev. Chad Banfield - Pastor. SS 9:45 AM, WS 10:45 AM, Sunday Worship 6 PM & Bible Study Wed. 6 PM.

Climax Spring Assembly: 345 Climax Ave corner of Park and Main. Pastor Jason Moppin. Sunday School 10 AM, Worship service 10:45 AM & 7:00 PM, Wednesday 7:00 PM. 573-345-0791

Encounter Church: 549 Highway 65, Lincoln, MO, Sunday morning worship at 10:45AM, Pastor Chris Mabry

Ozark Bethel Chapel Assembly of God Church: J Rd. 9 miles E. of Climax Springs and 7 miles W. of Greenview, 573-347-2237. Sunday morning worship 10:30 AM Wednesday family night 7:00 PM Sunday evening 6 PM Pastor A.L. Thomas

BAPTIST

Cedar Grove Baptist: 31766 Cedar Grove Ave., Warsaw, MO 438-5675, Barry Edwards, Pastor. Worship services at 8:30 AM, and 11:00 AM; morning bible fellowship at 9:45 AM; Wednesday night programs (children, youth & adults) at 7:00 PM.

Church Of Living Water: Warsaw - Sunday worship service 10:00 AM. Adult study 9:00 AM- 9:50 AM, Children/Youth study 9 AM- 9:50 AM. Children church and nursery 10 AM. Pastor Daniel Yoder. 660-723-1776.

Concord Church: Sunday and Wednesday night services 7:30 PM and Sunday services at 11:00 AM. Pastor Gary Conway, One mile south of Fristoe on 65 to Raven Rd, then 2 miles west.

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Church: Sunday School 9:45 church worship services 10:45, Wednesday night services 7:00 PM Pastor Terry Gentry 417-998-6889. Rt 1 Box 1436 Cross Timbers, MO 65634

Edmonson Baptist: 27109 Hwy. H, Lincoln, MO. 660-668-4662. SS 9:45 AM WS 10:45 AM & 6 PM, Wed. 7 PM Evening Bible Study. Bro. Rex Green.

Colony Baptist: (Forthview & Elk Drive), Edwards, MO 573-345-3513. Sunday 9:30 AM and 10:40 AM, Wednesday 4 PM Services. Dr. Wayne Miley, Pastor. 225-337-3449, cell.

First Baptist/Lincoln: 660-547-3781. Sunday Worship Service 10:30 AM, Sunday Worship Service 6:00 PM, Wednesday Youth Fellowship 6:00 PM, Bible Study/Prayer 6:00 PM 121 E. Locust, Lincoln, MO. Jesse Klaiber, Pastor.

Finney Baptist Church: Finney is located 1 miles west of the Benton/Henry county line on Z Hwy. Sunday School is a 10 AM & Worship is at 11 AM Wednesday bible study & singing is at 7 PM Everyone is welcome to our fellowship.

First Baptist/Climax Springs: Hwy. 7 - Worship 10:00 AM, Sunday School 9:00 AM. Phillip Orick, Pastor.

First Baptist/Cole Camp: F Hwy., Cole Camp, MO. (660) 668-3413. Pastor John Hansen, Sunday School 9:30 AM, Morning Worship 10:40 AM.

Fredonia Baptist Church: 4.3 miles down MM Hwy, 438-2038.

Freedom Missionary Baptist Church: 83 Hwy. to EE & follow EE for 2 miles to Smithview Rd and exit to the right. 1st & 3rd Sundays: S.S. 10 AM, Worship Service 11 AM, 2nd & 4th Sundays: S.S. 10 AM, Worship Service 11 AM and 6 PM Bro. Wayne Duncan, Pastor.

Fristoe Missionary Baptist Church: 38126 Antwiler Ave., Fristoe. SS 10 AM Worship Service 11 AM Every Sunday. 6 PM Sunday evening. Pastor Bro. B.J. Payne.

Good Hope Baptist Church: 7 Hwy. & U Hwy. 660-477-9430. 660-890-1639. Pastor Bryce Kristofferson. Sunday School 9:45-10:40 AM. Worship Service 10:45-11:45.

Green Ridge Freewill Baptist Church: Green Ridge Rd., 3 mi. south of Climax Springs. 573-345-0281 or 573-347-2966. Sunday School 10 AM, Worship 11 AM.

Harbor Fellowship: Sunday School: 9:30 AM • Morning Worship: 10:45 AM. Wednesday Evening, Worship Team: 5:30 PM, Bible Study: 6:30 PM. Email: harborfellowshipwarsaw@gmail.com. Website: harborfellowshipwarsaw.com Facebook: Harbor Fellowship 305 W. Jefferson, Warsaw, MO 65355. (660) 438-6161.

Hopewell Baptist/Quincy: 1 mi. E. of Harper on Hwy 82, follow sign. SS 10 AM, WS 11 AM, Sun. Bible Studies for all 6 PM.

LP Union Missionary Baptist: Pastor Mark Beyer, Every Sunday morning. Sunday School. 11 AM Worship

Lakeside Chapel SBC: West off 65 on T Hwy. to TT Hwy. 1/4 mi. to Mack's Camp Ave., 2.5 miles to church. Pastor Phil Fisher. 9:30 AM Sunday School, Worship Service 10:30 AM. Wed. night Worship Service 6:30 PM. Every Thurs. 9 AM Community-wide Breakfast. 660-723-2739

Mt. Pleasant Church: 3 miles south of Lincoln to McDaniel Rd. and follow signs, about 1 1/2 miles to church. Sunday School at 10 AM, Church Service at 11 AM.

New Life Baptist: 2 1/4 mi E of St Rte B on State Route W, S. of Cole Camp.

New Home Baptist: 34457 Hilty Ave. PO Box 1474 Warsaw, MO 65355. 5 miles south of Warsaw on Hilty Ave.

Poplar Baptist: 25819 Poplar Church Ave., Warsaw. 1 mi E of 65 of BB then 1/4 mi S. Pastor: Bro. Van Mellen. (660) 438-3050 Sunday School 10 AM, morning worship 11 AM, Evening Service 5:00 PM, Wed. Evening Service 6:30 PM.

BIBLE CHURCH

Warsaw Bible Church: Sunday-Interactive Bible Teaching 8 AM, Worship Service 10 AM. Wednesday- Interactive Bible Study & children's ministry 6:30 PM. Take West Dam Access Rd, turn into Shawnee Bend Rd(next to Shawnee Cemetery), turn right on Waggoner Rd, & go 1/4 mile. www.warsawbiblechurch.org

CATHOLIC

St. Ann Church: Mass: Saturday's 6:30 PM, Sunday's 8:30 AM. Father Ben Nwosu. (660) 438-3844

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church: Cole Camp, Missouri. Sunday Mass 11 AM. Father Ben Nwosu. (660) 285-0107

CHRISTIAN

Warsaw Christian Church: Richard Bowman-Pastor; Tom Gee-Associate Pastor. 320 State Street. Worship 10:00 AM 438-5312. warsawchristian.church

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ/Lincoln: Hwy. 65 South at city limits, Lincoln. 547-3523 Sun. 9:30 AM & 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM, Wed. 7:30.

Warsaw Church of Christ/Warsaw: 726 E. Main, Warsaw, MO. 10 AM Sunday Services, 1:30 PM Sunday afternoon Services., 7 PM Wed. night Services.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints: 18 Hwy. Kitchart Rd., Clinton. Ward Building 660-885-6839, Missionaries 660-885-9290.

Cross Timbers Restoration Branch: 29320 Dogwood Preston. Worship 9:30 AM Service 11:00 AM. Prayer Service Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Christopher Wiseman (417) 298-4004.

CHURCH OF BRETHREN

Turkey Creek Church of the Brethren: 1/2 blk. west of Fristoe on CC Hwy. Sunday School at 9:30 AM.

EPISCOPAL

St. Paul's Episcopal Church: Adult Bible Study 9 AM, Worship Service, 10 AM/Mid-week Service 5:30 PM Wed./Handicap accessible/1.6 mi east of 13&7 Jct., Clinton.

INDEPENDENT BAPTIST

Grace Baptist Church: 31046 Hwy MM, 660-281-4775. Johnnie Logue, Pastor. SS 10 AM, WS 11 AM & 4 PM, Wed. 4 PM. Fundamental KJV.

Victory Baptist Church: 14216 Hwy 7, Warsaw, MO, Morning Service 11:00 AM, Wednesday Service 7:00 PM, Pastor Richard Roberts, 816-898-7856

INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN

Cross Timbers Christian Church: Jack Davis, Pastor. Sunday School 10 AM Morning Service 11 AM Wednesday, Bible Study at 7 PM. Let us be your family church.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL

Black Oak Community Church: 1 mile south of Lincoln & 9 miles east on H. (660) 647-2371.

River Church: Hwy. 65 & Truman Dam Rd., Rev. Sam Hinkle, Pastor. 660-438-5749.

First Church of Nazareth: 32877 MM Hwy., Warsaw. Rev. Ivan Joe Bradley Jr. 660-723-4931. Sunday 10 AM, 3:30 Sunday, 7:00 Tuesday & Thursday.

LUTHERAN

Faith Lutheran (LCMS)/Warsaw: 1201 Dogwood Dr., 438-6948. Worship Service Sunday 10:00 AM. & Wednesday 6:30 PM. Sunday School 9 AM.

Immanuel Lutheran/Lincoln: North of Lincoln on 65 to HH and follow signs. Worship service 8:00 AM.

Mt. Hulda Lutheran Church (LCMS): 22303 Mt. Hulda Ave, Cole Camp. 668-9981 Divine Service 10:00 AM Sunday Rev. Allen Braun, Pastor

St. Paul's Lutheran Church: Pastor Stephen Zeller, 205 W. Jefferson St., Cole Camp, MO 65325. Worship Service 10 AM, SS 9 AM, Sat. Evening Service 5:30 PM.

Trinity Lutheran (LCMS)/Cole Camp: 104 E. Butterfield Trl., 668-2364. Worship Service 9 AM, Sunday School/Bible Class 10:30 AM. Sat. Evening Service 6:30 P.M. Rev. Dr. Gregory R. Truwe, Senior Pastor.

Zion Lutheran/Lincoln: Worship service 10:30 AM, Bible Study/Sunday School 9:15 AM. 547-3399.

MENNONITE

Evening Shade Mennonite: 4 Mi East of Dell on Hwy. 7. 438-6084 or 438-3924.

Fountain of Praise Mennonite Fellowship: Pastor Truman Yoder. Sunday School 9:30 AM Church service 10:30 AM, 23479 Hwy H, Lincoln, 660-547-3716 or 660-723-3516.

METHODIST

Cross Timbers Independent Methodist: Located on the square in Cross Timbers, MO. Worship service each Sunday at 10:30 AM. Bro. Carl Ginnings, pastor.

Hickory Chapel United Methodist: Located at C Hwy and Hickory Chapel Rd. Nine miles west of Lincoln on C Hwy. Sunday worship is 9:00 AM followed by Sunday school at 10:00 AM Pastor Renae Watt, (660)547-2223.

Ionia United Methodist: Pastor Harvey J. Beach. Located at 5th and Main. Worship time is 9:00 AM.

Lincoln United Methodist: 217 W Main St. Sunday worship and kids church is at 10:50 AM, Sunday school, 9:30 AM for adults. Pastor Renae Watt, (660)547-2223.

Mt. Pleasant Church: 3 miles south of Lincoln to McDaniel Rd. and follow signs, about 1 1/2 miles to church. Sunday School at 10 AM, Church Service at 11 AM.

New Hope United Methodist Church: DD & DD3 - 32912 Spry Rd., Edwards. Pastor Michael Cole, 918-914-1198. Worship at 9 AM.

Warsaw United Methodist Church: 660-438-6261 Sunday Worship; 8:15 AM & 10:30 AM. Youth IGNITE 6-12 grade 5-7 PM. Rev. Loren Whetsell. Come join us to change lives! www.firstchurchwarsaw.org

NAZARENE

Church of the Nazarene: 660-641-2957 712 Elm St., Pastor Carl Lavender, SS 9:30 AM, WS 10:45 AM. Wednesday service at 6:00 PM.

PENTECOSTAL

Ozark Tabernacle Church: End of AE Hwy., Cole Camp, MO. Pastor Rev. John Medlock, Sun. Worship 11 AM/6 PM Sunday School 10 AM 660-668-3996.

Victory Temple Full Gospel: State Road U & Hwy. 65, Cross Timbers, MO 573-347-2467. Non-Denominational.

Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church of God: Fowler & Dehony St., Cole Camp, MO 660-668-3497.

Fristoe Pentecostal Lighthouse: Sunday School 10 AM, Morning Worship 11 AM, Wednesday Bible Study 6 PM

House of Prayer: 804 E. Main St., Warsaw. Pastor Dan Portfield. Sunday Morning Worship 10 AM, Sunday Evening Service 7 PM, Wednesday Evening Service 7 PM.

Abundant Life Christian Center: Pastors Herbert & Renee Robertson, 547-2455, 15423 Centerline Rd., (Cole Camp Jct.) Cole Camp. Sun celebration 10 AM Children's church 10 AM Wed evening 7 PM with Bible Study for all ages.

PRESBYTERIAN

Climax Springs Presbyterian: Pastor Myron Keith Hall. 227 Simpson Dr., Climax Springs. WS 11AM. Pastor number 417-852-4111.

OTHERS

Community of Christ: 130 Lillie Lane, Warsaw. Church School at 10:0 AM, Worship at 11:00 AM Pastor Sue Stevens 660-473-1624. Our doors are open to all. Come join us!

Golden Valley Seventh Day Adventist Church: 2000 N. Community Drive, Clinton, MO 64735. www.gvsda.com. Services: *Saturday*, Sabbath School 9:30 AM, Worship Service 10:50 AM. Vegetarian pot luck following service.

Unity of the Lakes: Member of Association of Unity Churches; affiliated with Unity School of Christianity, publishers of the Daily Word. 34949 Hwy. 65, PO Box 1336 (8 miles south of Warsaw), 65355. Sunday Service at 11 AM. 660-438-6235.

Shiloh Community Church: 83 South 18 miles to EE 1 1/2 miles down EE to church. Worship service begins at 10:15 AM.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Grace Fellowship of Cole Camp: 107 N. Boonville Rd., Cole Camp, MO, Adult Sunday School 9:00 AM, Worship 10:00 AM, Children's Sunday School during Worship, Youth Group 4:30 PM, Tues Bible Study 6:30 PM, Pastor Tanner Wiley, (660) 223-0198, www.gracefellowshipcc.com

Tri Lakes Cowboy Church: South 65 highway & State Road U, Cross Timbers. Thursday evening worship service at 5 PM. 573-347-2467. Pastors Francis and Cathy Cline.

Waypoint Ministries: 1827 E. Main St., Warsaw, MO (Next to Valley Transmission) Sunday School 9:45 AM; Worship Service 11:00 AM, Wednesday 6:30 PM. Pastor Randy Rushing, 660-223-2700. www.waypointministries.org



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Warsaw R-IX
Sets Date Of
Graduation For
Class Of 2025



The Warsaw R-IX Board of Education met on February 19 to discuss a range of important updates and decisions affecting the school district. Due to winter weather, the agenda was reduced to only time-sensitive items requiring board approval. Below are the key highlights from the meeting.

New business started with a review of the district's January Revenue and Expenses, available online under the "About" section of the district website by selecting "Board of Education" and then "Financials." The board then approved the bond resolution to allow Piper-Sandlin to sell and deliver the district's \$15,000,000 bond. Due to great rates and the ability to lock in a premium rate, the district will receive \$16,375,308 for its building fund. Administration acknowledged that this is an exciting milestone that enables the district to begin much anticipated projects.

Other new business included several calendar and date approvals, including:
-The 2025-2026 academic calendar
-The 2025 graduation date set for May 22 at 7:00 PM
-Summer School scheduled from May 27 to June 20, 2025
-As a result of summer school dates being adjusted to an earlier time-frame than previous years to accommodate restroom renovations at North Elementary School, the decision was made to use March 24 as a snow make-up day before using the previously approved date of May 23.

Remaining new business included the approval of two surplus buses, the purchase of two 2023 used Blue Bird Ford gas buses for the 2025-2026 school year, the district's Network for Educator Effectiveness (NEE) agreement for the next three years, and maintaining the board-paid health insurance contribution per employee. During the closed session, the board approved two retirements, seven resignations, and four new hires. Additionally, all administrator contracts were extended by one year. Community members interested in a position within the district are invited to check out the job vacancies that are posted on the district's website.

The next Warsaw R-IX Board Meeting is scheduled for March 19 at 6:00 PM in the HS/JBMS library. A full list of up-to-date events, including upcoming board meetings, is available on the

district's website at www.warsawk12.org. The district welcomes the community to the monthly board meetings, which are open to the public, with the exception of closed sessions.

For more information on board meetings and other upcoming events, please contact the Warsaw R-IX School District Central Office or visit www.warsawk12.org.

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Note: The following dates are an updated list of days to be used as make-up days for the Warsaw R-IX School District: March 3, March 24, March 31, April 14 and April 28.

This year's Courtwarming festivities have also been moved to March 8, to take place at the WHS Alumni Basketball Games.

Cole Camp
Board Hears
Presentation
On Ag Program



By
Dianne Peck
County Reporter

The Cole Camp Board of Education held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday evening, February 20 due to the adverse weather conditions on Tuesday, February 18.

The agenda was approved along with the minutes, monthly bills, updated substitute list, the January financials and the mowing/field service contract was approved.

There was no public comment so the meeting moved to Career Education. In discussion items, Mr. Bloss and Mr. Montemayor, along with four ag program alumni presented a program on the importance of career education in general and the many opportunities that are available through ag education. The two instructors lined out what possible course offerings

could be added with enlarged shop and classroom space. This proposal is part of the no-tax increase bond issue on the April general election ballot. In addition to ag education, Cole Camp has approved career education programs in Family and Consumer Science and Business and Information Technology.

Septagon's status report on Phase One of the building project was reviewed. The elementary classroom section is nearly ready for final inspection with the new multi-purpose coming along on schedule. Both additions remain on time and on budget.

In action items, the board approved the purchase of Balance HQ software as a budgeting tool for the district, bus ridership totals, the revised 2025-26 school calendar, (which will be emailed under separate cover) and overnight trip requests for FBLA and FCCLA.

The board also reviewed the school insurance proposed plans from OSBA (major medical and supplements) and approved those. The district will offer the same plans as last year with the district continuing to pay \$528 towards premiums. There have been a few changes to the medical plans as well as the supplemental offered by OSBA (vision, dental, etc.) Once the board gets final documents from OSBA they will share those. Open enrollment for next year will occur fairly soon with exact dates published once OSBA confirms. Administrators presented their building reports, as did CTA. Calendar items approved were the March 3 PD day, School Board appreciation week (and month) March 3-7, with no school on March 21-24.

Following a closed session, all returning administrators were rehired, and Rileigh Grunden was employed as the 5th grade Science and Social Studies teacher for 2025-26.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM. The March meeting will be on March 18 at 6:00 PM.



Welcome to Preschool!!



Dates:
Preschool Screening for the 2025 - 2026 school year will be held on April 8th, 9th, & 10th of 2025.

Location:
The Warsaw United Methodist Church
154 W Washington St, Warsaw, MO 65355

Preschool Eligible Students:
Who is or will be turning 4 years of age by August 1st, 2025.

Items to Bring to Screening:
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Case IH 3950 - 28' disk harrow,
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2500gal propane tank (non-certifiable), lot heavy cable on spools, 2 - grain bin fans, Misc. milk cans,
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iron bed & springs, Hiawatha girls bicycle, metal garden gate, walk behind garden plow, house jack,
misc. wooden boxes, wooden soda pop crates, lot milk cans, lot old hub caps, milk crates, pipe clamp,
Kerosene stock tank heater, misc. lanternes, steel traps, David Bradley walk-behind tractor hood,
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CIRCUIT COURT

CASE NO. 24BE-DR00082

IN RE THE MATTER OF: BRADY RAY HANNAH, PETITIONER,

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME

On this 3RD day of February, 2025, the Circuit Court of Benton County, Missouri, entered judgment in the above-captioned cause, changing the name of Brady Ray Hannah to BRADY ALLEN MICHAEL COUCH.

/S/ SHANDA SCHULTZ, Circuit Clerk

Dates of Publication: February 13, 20 & 27, 2025

NOTICE TO BID

Benton County Road Districts #1 and #2 are requesting sealed bids for the purchase of MC-250 cold mix asphalt. The asphalt must meet state specifications, including the use of ½ inch white rock. The minimum order will be 3,000 tons and the maximum order will be 8,500 tons. The bidders will provide a price per ton of material at the Quarry location and the price per ton if delivered to the District #1 and #2 Maintenance Sheds. For additional information, contact Associate Commissioners Scott Harms at (660) 287-2715 or Larry Berry at (573) 619-1750.

Specifications for MC-250 Pugmill Asphalt Mixture:

All material should conform to Missouri Standard Specification for Highway Construction, 1999 Edition.

Spec. 1 1004.1-Graded Aggregate for Bituminous Surface, Grade A.

3/4	100
1/2	95-100
3/8	65-95
#4	20-55
#8	2-20
#200	0-5

Prior to pugmill mixing, the aggregate shall appear surface dry, and shall not be heated. The temperature of the liquid asphalt shall be not less than 210 degrees F. and not more than 250 degrees F. The MC-250 liquid asphalt shall constitute no less than 4.7% weight of the total mixture.

Sealed bid quotations are to be mailed to the County Clerk's Office (P.O. Box 1238, Warsaw, MO 65355) by Friday, February 28, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. Bids can also be emailed to the County Clerk's Office (Susan.porterfield@bentoncomo.com). Bids will be opened at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, March 3, 2025 in the County Commissioner's Office. Benton County reserves the right to reject any and all bids or waive any irregularities contained in the bids and to accept the bid most advantageous to Benton County.

Date(s) of Publication: February 20 & 27, 2025

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the trust estate of MARY KAY MATTHEWS, decedent. The undersigned STEVEN LEE MATTHEWS is the Successor Trustee under the MARY KAY MATTHEWS Revocable Trust Agreement Dated August 25, 2011, (and as may be amended) the terms of which provide that the debts of the decedent may be paid by

the Successor Trustee upon receipt of proper proof thereof. The address of the Trustee is: c/o Jeremiah Mosley, LLC, Attorney & Counselor at Law, 601 Commercial Street, P.O. Box 1119, Warsaw, Missouri 65355; Phone (660) 530-0103.

All creditors of the decedent are hereby noticed to present their claims to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred.

STEVEN LEE MATTHEWS Successor Trustee.

First date of publication: February 13, 2025.

To be published in the Benton County Enterprise, Warsaw, Benton County, Missouri, for four (4) consecutive weeks.

Date(s) of Publication: February 13, 20, 27 and March 6, 2025

TRUSTEE'S SALE

IN RE: Danny L. Cox and Debra E. Cox, husband and wife Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Danny L. Cox and Debra E. Cox, husband and wife dated January 7, 2022 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Benton County, Missouri in Book 2022, Page 243 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Friday, March 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:

SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BENTON, STATE OF MISSOURI: PART OF LOT 1, BLOCK 46, CITY OF WARSAW, MISSOURI, A SUBDIVISION IN WARSAW, BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AND PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 22 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M. IN WARSAW, BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT 163.0 FEET NORTH 01 DEGREE 09 MINUTES WEST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER SOUTHWEST QUARTER SECTION 16; THENCE EAST 133.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 53.20 FEET; THENCE NORTH 66 DEGREES 43 MINUTES EAST 58.02 FEET; THENCE NORTH 124.20 FEET; THENCE WEST 93.84 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREES 48 MINUTES WEST 213.18 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 50 DEGREES 00 MINUTES EAST 46.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPT FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16 RUN NORTH 163.0 FEET; THENCE EAST 133.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 53.20 FEET; THENCE NORTH 66 DEGREES 43 MINUTES EAST 58.02 FEET; THENCE NORTH 64.20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 60.0 FEET TO THE

NORTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT DESCRIBED AT BOOK 252, PAGE 247; THENCE WEST 93.84 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREES 48 MINUTES WEST 27.92 FEET; THENCE EAST 86.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY 45 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. ALSO, PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 22 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M. IN WARSAW, BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT 163.0 FEET NORTH 01 DEGREE 09 MINUTES WEST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16; THENCE EAST 133.0 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE NORTH 53.20 FEET; THENCE NORTH 66 DEGREES 43 MINUTES EAST 27.2 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 64.0 FEET; THENCE WEST 25.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C., Successor Trustee 612 Spirit Drive St. Louis, MO 63005 (636) 537-0110

File No: 215478.031425.453463 FC

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Date(s) of Publication: February 20, 2025 02/27/2025, 03/06/2025, 03/13/2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BENTON COUNTY, MISSOURI

JUVENILE DIVISION

Case No.: 25BE-JU00004

In Re The Adoption Of: MELISSA NOVIE MAELLA BELSHA, a Minor, and MASON DOUGLASS BELSHA and CHARLOTTE RACHEL BELSHA, 2043 Northview Road, Marshfield, Missouri. Petitioners. vs REBECCA TAYLOR, 1412 S. Grand Sedalia, Missouri. and TYLER DEAN BELSHA 18639 Highway P Ionia, Missouri Respondents.

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

You are hereby notified that a petition for adoption has been filed by Mason Douglass Belsha and Charlotte Rachel Belsha regarding the minor child, Melissa Novie Maella Belsha. The respondent in this case is Rebecca Taylor. Please take notice and govern yourself accordingly. You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear

and defend against the aforesaid Petition within 45 days after the date of FEBRUARY 27, 2025, Judgment by Default will be rendered against you.


Witness my hand and the seal of the Circuit Court this 21st day of FEBRUARY, 2025.

Circuit Clerk of Benton County, Missouri /s/ MARY SIERCKS By: Deputy Circuit Clerk

Date(s) of Publication: FEBRUARY 27, 2025; MARCH 6, 2025; MARCH 13, 2025; MARCH 20, 2025



BENTON COUNTY Sheriff's Report



ERIC KNOX
Benton County Sheriff

Sheriff's Report 2/14/25 to 2/20/25

Briona Loraine Soliz of Sedalia, MO was arrested on 2-15-25 for Assault on Law Enforcement. Subject was booked, printed and placed on a 12 hour detox hold and released with a court date upon completion.

Jerry Lyn Ward of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 2-15-25 for Driving While Suspended. Subject was booked, printed and released.

Bert W Oettmeier of Manhattan, KS was

arrested on 2-16-25 for Domestic Assault. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

James A Grable of Warsaw, MO was arrested on 2-17-25 on a Johnson County Kansas warrant for Larceny. Subject is being held in the Benton County Detention Facility on a Kansas only bond.

Nathan Wayne Pendleton of Clinton, MO was arrested on 2-19-25 for Domestic Assault. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.

Dawn Marie Honer of Lincoln, MO was arrested on 2-20-25 for Operating a Motor Vehicle Without a Valid License, and Failure to Maintain Financial Responsibility. Subject was booked, printed and released with a court date.



BENTON COUNTY PROPERTY TRANSFERS

*PLEASE NOTE: ONLY THE FIRST GRANTOR & FIRST GRANTEE ARE LISTED. OTHER NAMES MAY APPEAR ON THE DOCUMENT.

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BROCKEN, DAVID K BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	JONES, MEGAN	CLTD	REAL	202200335	2025	335	L.T 5 BL 3 EAGLE BAY PL 1	01/27/2025	
COOK, PRESTON	BARNETT, KIM	QCD	REAL	202200336	2025	336	L.T 17 BL 70 BENT TREE HARBOR PL 10	01/27/2025	
HENDERSON, SCOTT E CO-TRUSTEE	HENDERSON, THAD W CO-TRUSTEE	WD	REAL	202200337	2025	337	STB 6-39-21	01/27/2025	
HENDERSON, SCOTT E	HENDERSON, THAD W CO-TRUSTEE	WD	REAL	202200338	2025	338	STB 5-39-21	01/27/2025	
DAEE, BRETT	SLATER, ROY D.	WD	REAL	202200339	2025	339	STB 6-39-23 AC 100	01/27/2025	
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STONER, MICHAEL	VENKUZOV, GARY	WD	REAL	202200346	2025	346	L.T 6 RIDGE ROAD ESTATES+	01/27/2025	
PAXTON, RHONDA JEAN	PAXTON, EARL D	QCD	REAL	202200347	2025	347	L.T 3 BL 1 SPRING LAKE ADD TO GREEN VALLEY ESTATES	01/27/2025	
MOCAL INVESTORS LLC	ACE ELITE PROPERTIES LLC	WD	REAL	202200354	2025	354	L.T 7 BL 2 WHIPPLE AND BALLOU'S ADDITION TO WARSA	01/28/2025	
PAXTON, RHONDA JEAN	PAXTON, EARL D	QCD	REAL	202200356	2025	356	L.T 3 BL 1 SPRING LAKE ADDITION TO GREEN VALLEY EST	01/28/2025	
TURNER, MILES TRUSTEE SUCCESSION	TURNER, MILES CHRISTOPHER TRUSTEE	WD	REAL	202200357	2025	357	L.T 10 BL 1 LAKE PLACID RESORT+	01/28/2025	
HAGSTON, CHARLES E.	COLLIHAN TRUST DATED DECEMBER 8TH, 2003	WD	REAL	202200360	2025	360	L.T 1 LAKEVIEW HEIGHTS SECOND ADDITION	01/29/2025	
LUMPE, MARIE TRUSTEE	MISSOURI PRAIRIE FOUNDATION THE	TD	REAL	202200361	2025	361	STB 27-40-21	01/29/2025	
LOPEZ, ANIRULU A AKA	AAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC	QCD	REAL	202200363	2025	363	STB 5-42-21 PP TRACT 4 WITH EASEMENTS- SEE LEGAL	01/29/2025	
BROCKEN, DAVID K BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	BARLOW-CARSON, HEATHER	CLTD	REAL	202200369	2025	369	L.T 5 BL 16 UT 2 OZARK NORTH SHORE	01/29/2025	
BLUM, CHRISTOPHER ADMINISTRATOR	CLUBINE, ARTHUR A	DEED	REAL	202200379	2025	379	L.T 213 UT 3 LAKEVIEW ACRES	01/29/2025	
GRABLAUSKAS, VINCENTINA	SCHULTZ, DENNIS	WD	REAL	202200380	2025	380	L.T 2258 UT 1-3 FORBES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK	01/29/2025	
MORAN, MICHAEL J	RTIO LAND INC	QCD	REAL	202200381	2025	381	L.T 3661 UT F-3 FORBES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK+	01/29/2025	
MORAN, MICHAEL J BY ATTNY IN FACT	RTIO LAND INC	WD	REAL	202200382	2025	382	L.T 1215 UT D-1 FORBES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK+	01/29/2025	
MORAN, MICHAEL J	RTIO LAND INC	WD	REAL	202200383	2025	383	L.T 1205 UT D-1 FORBES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK+	01/29/2025	
COCHRAN, KAREN K	COCHRAN, STEPHEN N.	WD	REAL	202200385	2025	385	L.T 55 BL 20 PALO DURO VEST+	01/31/2025	
BROCKEN, DAVID K BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	WILLIAMS, ANDERSON B.	CLTD	REAL	202200386	2025	386	L.T 9 BL 3 TEAL BEND 1ST ADD.	01/31/2025	
BROCKEN, DAVID K BENTON COUNTY COLLECTOR	WILLIAMS, ANDERSON B.	CLTD	REAL	202200387	2025	387	L.T 9 BL 3 TEAL BEND 1ST ADD.	01/31/2025	
WILLIAMSON, AARON	DANICA INVESTMENTS LLC	WD	REAL	202200389	2025	389	L.T 5 BL A HYDE PARK FREDERICKS ADD TO COLE CAMP	01/31/2025	
SPROUSE, NINA G. TRUST DECLARATION EXECUTED FEB 8, 2016	GEISE, KEVIN	TD	REAL	202200390	2025	390	L.T 11 FOXFIRE VALLEY	01/31/2025	
WILLIS, BRADLEY S.	ACEITTING, THOMAS ANDREW JR	WD	REAL	202200391	2025	391	STB 24-40-23	01/31/2025	
JOERG, WILLIAM C.	LAKE GETAWAY LLC	WD	REAL	202200392	2025	392	L.T 3400 UT G-2 FORBES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK	01/31/2025	
JOERG, WILLIAM C.	J & B HOLDINGS LLC	WD	REAL	202200393	2025	393	L.T 3400 UT H-2 FORBES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK	01/31/2025	
SEYMOUR, ERICA	WYING, LINDSE	WD	REAL	202200395	2025	395	L.T 13 BL 21 COLE-TURKEY ACRES FIFTH ADDITION+	01/31/2025	
COLLIER, DAVID WILSON	COLLIER, BERRY THOMAS	QCD	REAL	202200396	2025	396	L.T 30 BL 3 SYCAMORE VALLEY 1ST ADDITION AND AMEN	01/31/2025	
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LAND OF THE FREE LLC	POWERS, DEVEN	WD	REAL	202200402	2025	402	L.T 304 UT L-3 FORBES LAKE OF THE OZARKS PARK	01/31/2025	
LAND OF THE FREE LLC	LAND OF THE FREE	WD	REAL	202200403	2025	403	L.T 3 BL 1 UT 3 LAKEWOOD VILLAGES+	01/31/2025	
GOLDEN, DOUGLAS ANA	GOLDEN, DOUGLAS REX	QCD	REAL	202200404	2025	404	L.T 789 LAKEVIEW ACRES, FOXBOROHTYS ADD+	01/31/2025	
HESLIN, LLOYD W.	CHAMBERS, JOHN W.	WD	REAL	202200406	2025	406	L.T 5 PACHE WELLS ACRES, 3RD ADD	01/31/2025	
TAYLOR FAMILY TRUST DATED SEPT 4, 2016, AS AMENDED	VONDERKAM, JAMIE	TD	REAL	202200407	2025	407	L.T 5 KESTERLEY'S BROWN RESORT NO 1	01/31/2025	
WRIGHT, MADINE	WRIGHT, LESLIE TRUSTEE	WD	REAL	202200409	2025	409	L.T 13 BL 2 WEST MANOR HEIGHTS FIRST ADDITION+	01/31/2025	
ROARK, SANDRA S.	HEAD, JAMES D. JR	WD	REAL	202200410	2025	410	L.T 17 BL 10 COLE CAMP, HALLSROAD ADDITION	01/31/2025	

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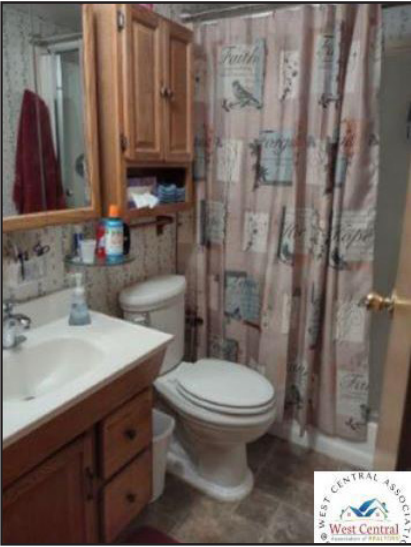




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Paul Robert Estes



Paul Robert Estes age 91 of Warsaw Missouri passed to his eternal home on February 18, 2025 surrounded by his family. Paul was born on March 14, 1933 the son of Elmer and Eula (Hensley) Estes. Paul was born on the family farm in Warsaw Missouri, where he remained until his death. He was a Warsaw High School graduate of the class of 1951. Paul loved the outdoors where he worked on the family farm until he was drafted into the United States Army in 1953. Paul spent three years in Korea

and found a brotherhood that stands until this day. After returning from his tour in Korea, he went back to the family farm, was united in Marriage to Janie Higgins of Warsaw where two children were born Sheri Paulanne and Robert Ray. Upon Janie's passing, Paul later married Jo Dee Walthall of Warsaw, MO on February 7, 1964 where he gained a daughter Greeta Faye and later the birth of Kelli June. Paul spent many years working amongst the community. He worked for Skelly Oil Company, Skelgas, construction, building homes in the Warsaw and Edwards area, served fourteen years as the South District Commissioner of Benton County, and shared a family farm and fertilizer business with his dear brother Junior. Paul and JoDee also spent several years in the food industry owning the Dari-Kup, Wildcat Drive In,

Dairy King and JoDee's Café. Later Paul took to the General Store Business with PJ's. All the while, he continued raising Charolais and Charolais Cross cattle which was his true passion. Paul also had an enthusiasm for Classic cars. Showing and rebuilding Ford Mustangs. Paul was preceded in death by his wife JoDee, his daughter Sheri Paulanne Chance and son Robert Ray Estes, Brothers Gene Estes, Junior Estes and sister Christine Ward and Sister in Law June Walthall. Paul leaves behind him a legacy in many ways, especially his most fulfilling accomplishment -his family. Survivors include his daughter Greeta Estes of Highland Illinois, daughter Kelli (Steve) Daleske of Warsaw Missouri, Grandchildren Jeremie (Shannon) Gregory of Topeka Kansas, Sheri (Chad) Starwalt of Highland Illinois, Jacob

Porter of Los Angeles California, Kayla Redwing (John Steenburgen) of Warsaw, Missouri and Kody (Rebekah) Redwing of Springfield Missouri. Great Grandchildren, London Gregory, Brinley Gregory, Bo Starwalt, Avery Starwalt, Bentley Steenburgen, Bailey Steenburgen, Owen Redwing and Jackson Redwing and Brother in Law Larry Walthall of Lincoln Community Nursing Home. Funeral Services & Military services for Paul R. Estes will be held at 11:00 A.M. Saturday, February 22, 2025 at the Reser Funeral Home in Warsaw. Visitation will be one hour prior to service from 10:00 until 11:00 AM. Memorials contributions may be made to Benton County Hospice or Benton County Cancer Fund c/o the Reser Funeral Home 101 W. Main Street Warsaw, Missouri 65355.

her own and was considered the best aunt. She is preceded in death by her parents, five brothers; Eldon, Lester, Elbert, Delbert and Darrell Smith, four sisters; infant twin sisters, Mearl and Pearl Smith that passed at birth, Leona McNutt and Armolene Walker. Vaneta is survived by her three brothers; Clifton Smith, Ronnie Smith and Ivan Smith, all of Warsaw and two sisters; Sharlene Kellner, of Lebanon, Missouri and Joyce Cardwell, of Warsaw, numerous nieces and nephews other relatives and many friends. Funeral Services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at the Davis-Miller Funeral Home in Lincoln, Missouri. Interment will follow at the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery near Lincoln.

family dinners. Larry is preceded in death by his parents, a daughter, Kimberly Knowles, a son Brian Knowles, a grandson, Bo Knowles and his twin brother, Jerry Knowles. He is survived by his wife, Pam (Hubbard) Knowles, four children; Larry Knowles, Jr., Mark Burnup, Chris Burnup and Larissa Evans, a brother, Ollie Knowles, a sister Pam Blair, ten grandchildren, five great grandchildren, several nieces and nephews other relatives and friends. Funeral Services for Larry L. Knowles will be held at 2:00 P.M. Monday, February 24, 2025 at the Reser Funeral Home in Warsaw. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral from 1:00 until 2:00 P.M.

Howard T. Mowell



Howard T. Mowell, 83, of Warsaw, MO, passed away on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at Katy Manor Nursing Home in Pilot Grove, MO. He was born on July 27, 1941, in Warsaw, the son of Norris Mowell and Doris (Robinson) Mowell, who preceded him in death. On April 15, 1988, in Warsaw, MO, he was united in marriage to Lucille (Williams) Eye, who resides in the home. Howard was a proud graduate of Warsaw High School, Class of 1959. Later, he enlisted in the United States Army and served his country honorably from 1964 to 1966. Howard worked at Associated Wholesale Grocers for 30 years. Retiring in 1999. After retirement, he worked as a high school crossing guard for Sacred Heart High School in Sedalia. Howard volunteered at Bothwell

Vaneta F. Glenn



Vaneta F. Glenn, age 78, of Warsaw, Missouri passed away Friday, February 14, 2025 at the Research Medical Center in Kansas City, Missouri. She was born on December 17, 1946 in Warsaw, Missouri the daughter of Henry and Dortha (Sumners) Smith. She grew up in Warsaw and graduated from Warsaw High School. Vaneta was united in marriage to Hobert Roy Simmons who preceded her in death. She later married Ralph Glenn who passed in 2020. Vaneta enjoyed traveling to Port Isabel, Texas in the winters and loved to hunt for shells. When in Benton County she enjoyed arrowhead hunting. While Vaneta had no biological children of her own, she loved all her sibling's kids as

Larry Lee Knowles



Larry Lee Knowles, age 87, of Warsaw, formerly of Blue Springs, Missouri, passed away Monday, February 17, 2025 at his home. He was born on January 3, 1938 in Centerville, Iowa the son of Orville and Mildred (Hurley) Mowell. He grew up in Odessa and graduated from Odessa High School where he was a standout in football and basketball. After high school he enlisted in the United States Navy, serving as a medic. Larry was stationed in Greece and Italy for a time. After his honorable discharge he worked in road construction for Tobin, Clarkson and others until his retirement. In his younger days he enjoyed fishing, hunting and sometimes a party or two with friends or family. He also looked forward to

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On behalf of the Noland family, I want to convey my deepest appreciation to everyone who wrapped their arms around us during the tragic loss of my father. The outpouring of support, through kind words, physical presence, flowers, donations, food, and countless other acts of kindness, have left me deeply moved. Although it is impossible to name everyone individually, please know that your collective support has been a source of strength during this devastating time. I truly wish I could personally thank each and every one of you. It was clear that my Dad's love for this community was reciprocated, and the way everyone rallied around us is a testament of compassion and the power of community. I'm humbled by the realization that my dad's legacy & dedication to helping people has left an indelible mark, and I'm so grateful to have witnessed it. His celebration of his life was a profound reminder of the impact one person can have, and I will carry that with me forever. I am forever grateful for the generosity & compassion shown to my family & I. Again, thank you so much.

My dad was an incredible man to all of you. And to me, he was the ultimate Dad and epitome of fatherly love. To my 6 year old daughter, he was her best & only Papa. To my grandma, he was a loving son. We held him in the highest esteem and needed him terribly. I could scream forever about how unfair it is that he was taken from us. Dad, my love for you knew no bounds, and that will never change. I will miss you for the rest of my life. And I love you so much.

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Paul Estes

Regional Health Center. He was a member of the Open Bible Church, now Discovery Church, where he was involved in driving the church bus.

Howard enjoyed hunting, fishing, and traveling, but he especially loved spending time with his grandchildren and family.

In addition to his wife, Howard is survived by three children, Carolyn Malaer (Scott), Marvin Eye, and Gary Eye, all of Sedalia; two sisters, Ann Breshears (Voyn) of Lone Jack, MO and Carol Blischke of San Diego, CA; two grandchildren, Jessica Lowther (Jose) of Smithton and Cory Evans (Chelci) of Florence, MO; four great-grandchildren, Zach Hoecker, Camden Hoecker, Brooklyn Hoecker, and Cass Evans; two nephews and two nieces.

A celebration of life service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at Rea Funeral Chapel, with Pastor Ed Spencer officiating. Full military honors will be conducted by the United States Army and Sedalia VFW Post #2591.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Discovery Church in the care of Rea Funeral Chapel.

Leslie Robert Winsauer, Jr.



Leslie Robert Winsauer, Jr. passed away from his temporary home here on earth to his forever home in Heaven on January 31, 2025. He was 94.

Leslie (known as Bob) was born to Leslie Robert Winsauer, Sr. and Harriet Marie Shields on April 15, 1930. He grew up living and working on a farm in Foosland, Illinois until moving to Galesburg, Illinois where he graduated high school. He then went on to play football alongside All-Pro linebacker Dick Butkus at the University of Illinois. He also became an active member of the ROTC at the university until enlisting in the U.S. National Guard. He was later called into active duty in the United States Army during the Korean War where he served as Sergeant Major. While in the military, he tested the effects of nuclear warfare.

Bob loved music. During his high school and college years, he played drums in a band called The Melody Kings. The band played for several weddings and USO shows, even playing on air for a local radio show in Champagne, Illinois. He

loved to sing and could often be heard whistling a tune or singing songs.

Bob was definitely a man of many talents and passions. He sold two patents, one to Outboard Motor Company (OMC) and underwater dive gear called a Hookah. He truly enjoyed hunting and fishing. He would pheasant and quail hunt in both Iowa and Illinois. His favorite vacation spot was in Hayward, Wisconsin where he would fish for muskie. One thing he enjoyed the most was to watch his boys play sports.

Bob loved the Lord. He would often drive a bus so he could take children to church. During his time here on Earth, he called Illinois, Tennessee, Arkansas and Missouri home.

Bob left behind his wife, JoAnn Winsauer of Warsaw; his children, Bob Winsauer (wife Debbie) of Morriton, Arkansas; Denise Crawford (husband Darrell) of Windsor, Missouri; Diane Kellner (husband Rocky) of Warsaw, Missouri; Jerry Lynn Dixon (husband Dextor) of Kirbyville, Missouri; Roger Winsauer (wife Dana) of Wylie, Texas; Mindy Baker of southern Mississippi; Travis Randall (wife Meredith) of Grain Valley, Missouri; 27 grandchildren, 35 great grandchildren, 11 great-great grandchildren, 2 nieces and great nieces and nephews.

Bob was preceded in death by his mother, Harriet Winsauer; father, Leslie Winsauer; son, Mike Winsauer; son-in-law, Darrell Crawford; and sister, Jolene Gehlin.

Bob will be greatly missed.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
JOHNIE J. LOGUE

Keep Pushing the Stone.
-2 Timothy 4:2

Laying here looking out my window at ten inches of snow caused me to reflect and be thankful this week. Yeah, my back still hurts and I can't whip five guys anymore, but I was warm and I had food to eat.

I want to thank William Mills for some thoughtful and encouraging words.

Thanks to Barry Edwards for delivering some needed medicine to Judy Forth in the midst of the blizzard-like conditions on Tuesday.

Thanks to Monnie Roberts for helping her sister.

Thanks to Bushman Mowing for plowing my driveway on Wednesday.

With all of the above in mind, the people and their good deeds; I want to tell a story I heard the other day.

A man once heard a voice that told him to push a stone. So he went out and found a huge boulder and he pushed it everyday for years. One day, he sat by the stone and gave up pushing the stone. The voice asked him who

told him to stop pushing the stone. The man said he couldn't move the stone and nothing had changed by pushing the stone.

The voice said to look at his biceps and how much stronger he had become by pushing the stone. He was never told to move the stone but just to push it.

The moral of the story for me is to keep doing what you are doing. We might not see results or receive a proper thank you, but to keep pushing the stone.

Personally, I like to think I am wiser than I was years ago. Stronger? No. I still agonize over losing a friend through death. I want to extend my sympathies to the families of Bob Winsauer and Bud Carey on their recent passing. Bob was one of the strongest men I had ever known, and my neighbor Bud pulled my truck out of the snow years ago. I think of that everytime we get a big snow.

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In 1 Corinthians 2:1-16, Paul continues to deal with issues in the Corinthian church. Paul shows up and starts preaching the gospel, he didn't use big, large words. He preached Christ crucified. The people had no concept of who Jesus was, so he preached Jesus died on the cross for all our sins. It was as simple as Paul could make something that could be complicated. Paul did this because all around them it was thought you needed to be very educated, but Paul wanted to draw a clear distinction between the world's view and his. He just spoke the plain truth.

There are sometimes things come along when we will need more maturity. Sometimes we need to understand harder things. We find the answers in the spirit of God. There are some teachers who are great, but there are some teaching things counter to the word of God. The spirit comes to us the moment we find Jesus. The Holy Spirit is a piece of God. The Trinity, all three parts of God, while separate, all the same thing. The Holy Spirit guides our lives as a part of God living in us. It is in every Christian all at the same time, leading us, guiding us in what we should do. When we are struggling, we should lean into God. How often do we go through something difficult, and God is the last place we go for advice. We will find any excuse to find a human solution. When we leave God out, it's only ever going to be a Band-Aid. And sometimes the Band-aid leaves us worse off. Sometimes it takes so much time. When we struggle does not mean God has abandoned us. He will never leave us or forsake us.

We will see the new growth. Please do not give up hope because Jesus never gives up on us. Why, because He loves us! There's only one creation that God says is very good, humans. He gave us dominion over all of earth. Jesus loves us!

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The weather is finally warming up. Pleasant days ahead. Celebrating birthdays were Asia and Sylvia. Happy birthday to them. Many were in attendance for worship today. Children's church is going well. After service the children look for little Jesus. They have fun doing this. Pastor Jesse sang a song today. It was one he learned after he was saved.

Pastor Jesse's sermon was from Luke 12:13. How many times a day do we say I? The man in this passage had alot and wanted more. Everything he said was I did it. God told him that this night his soul would be demanded of him. Who will get what you have prepared for yourself?

If you have no time to serve God you have too much. It is time for a change if you have no time to serve God. Whose will do you follow? When things are going good we forget God. When we need Him, He is always there. We as people

covet things. Desire to do something more for Christ. God is your guide. Share if you have more than you need.

1 Timothy 6:5 was another passage for the sermon. Some men think godliness is a means to financial gain. But godliness with contentment is great gain. Chose God's will because He will take care of you.

Chose this next week to attend church. Our Sunday school is at 9:30 with worship at 10:30. Come and join us.

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Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. -John 4:8

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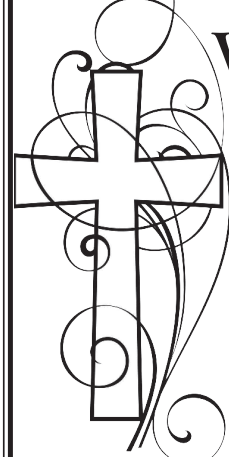
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F69929

SALE PRICE \$54,250^{AR}

2024 FORD ESCAPE

Was \$34,315



B37022

SALE PRICE \$28,565^{AR}

2025 FORD EXPLORER

Was \$54,035



A21209

SALE PRICE \$52,535^{AR}

2024 FORD BRONCO

Was \$34,265



F69062

SALE PRICE \$31,250^{AR}

- 802A
- Beadlocks
- 4:10 Axle
- Twin Panel Roof
- Graphics Delete
- B&O Unleashed

2024 FORD F150 RAPTOR

B81431



SALE PRICE \$91,895^{AR}

RAPTOR

2018 LINCOLN MKC



RAV

\$17,900

2019 FORD F150 XLT



RAV

\$32,900

2018 EXPLORER SPORT



RAV

\$22,900

2018 FORD FOCUS SEL



287146

\$11,500

2013 FORD TAURUS SHO



154083

\$10,900

2018 FORD F150 XLT



RAV

\$28,500

2019 FORD ESCAPE S



RAV

\$14,900

2021 FORD F150 XL



RAV

\$29,900

2022 FORD EDGE SEL



A33351

\$25,900

2017 FORD EXPLORER



RAV

\$18,900

2019 EXPEDITION MAX



RAV

\$26,900

2015 FORD FOCUS SE



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\$10,900

All RAV's come with a 12 month 12,000 mile bumper to bumper warranty.
AR stands for After Rebate on new vehicles.