

# **Need A Ride? Clinton ATS Will Pick You Up**

**BY JENNIFER JACKSON** Staff Reporter

As the community development director for Clinton, Chuck Bailey is in charge of transportation in the city, meaning ATS, the Area Transportation Service. ATS runs three white buses, which are dispatched on request to people's homes, and will take them anywhere in the city limits for \$1 one way. Two of the ATS buses have lifts to accommodate wheelchairs, but the buses are available for anyone to use. The destinations that are

most often requested by riders? "The hospital, health clin-

ics, dialysis and Walmart," Chuck said.

ATS's origins date back to 1972, when a local non-profit provided a station wagon to elderly residents of Camelot, according to Sherri Farmer. Sherri retired in mid-February after being a driver with ATS for 36 and half years.

Camelot was an affordable housing complex now known as KATY Trails Estates.

When she started in 1988, the ride service was still run by a local non-profit. The non-profit partnered with the city, Chuck said, which eventually took it over in 1995. ATS is now 50 percent funded by the Federal Transportation Authority, he said.



PROVIDING THE FREEDOM TO MOVE about Clinton are ATS Driver David Nichols and Dispatcher Chris Bridges. They keep the local transportation service buses rolling out of the parking lot of the Boy Scout Building on Augusta, off Price Lane.

ATS will pick you up where you live, and take anyone anywhere they want to go in the Clinton city limits for one dollar, Chuck said. The advantage is the price. It's not just for the elderly, or people with handicaps. Students take the ATS to private schools, working people to their jobs, and people who just want to get out of the house and go out for lunch. Cyclists in town to ride the KATY Trail also take advantage of the bus to get picked up and taken to restaurants. "There are a lot of people

who depend on the bus," said David Nichols. "It gives people independence."

Nichols has been a driver for ATS bus for six years, a job that has taken him"down a lot of goat trails," he said, One time after a big snowfall, he was sent to a trailer park to pick up an elderly man. To get to the man's door, he had to drive the bus between a steep drop-off and a culvert.

"There was no margin for error, but we got him," he said.

Another time, he was sent

to pick up a rider at a motel on the highway. The man, who had obviously outstayed his welcome, had all his belongings out in front of the building, and asked to be taken to Artesian Park. The ATS bus is supposed to take only passengers and what they can carry, but David accommodated the man, who unloaded his stuff at the park. Sherri said she also had a rider who was waiting to be picked up by the bus with all her positions packed in pieces of luggage, expect-

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The Best Of The Best Gather At Clinton Chamber Banquet



BRINGING HOME BUSINESS OF THE YEAR, Mitchell Mills and his firm Mills & Sons Insurance were recognized during the annual Clinton Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Mills was presented an award by 2024 Board President Amber Hansen.

The 84th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet was held Thursday night (3.13) at the Benson Center. The dinner was catered by Dietz Family Buffet and the bar was a service of A.I. Brands.

Chamber Director David Lee was the Master of Ceremonies. The Clinton High School JROTC presented the colors last night...Johnny Crawford sang the National Anthem...and the Invocation was given by Monty Stratton from the Clinton Methodist Church.

After dinner, those who spoke included the City's Economic Development Director Mark Dawson... Mayor Carla Moberly... and 2024 Chamber Board President Amber Hansen. Hansen and Joyce Carr presented "Years of Service" plaques to Kyle Adkins, Adam Cummings, Matt Douglas, Tonya Gilley and Logan Modlin for their work on the Cham-

For the second year in a row, the "Olde Glory Days Hall of Fame" inducted individuals who have worked hard over the past 30+ years on this yearly 4th of July celebration. Banquet Page 3

**Charges Filed** In Catastrophic Vehicle Crash



**SETH BIRCH** 

Following a Clinton Police Department investigation into the March 13, 2025 crash at Missouri Highway 7 and Water Street, charges have been filed. Henry County Prosecuting Attorney LaChrisha Gray filed criminal charges against Seth Birch, 44, of Garden City, for assault in the second degree, driving while intoxicated, leaving the scene, and armed Birch Page 3

# Every Quilt Tells A Story: This Year's Walk To Feature 'Little House' Designs

#### **BY JENNIFER JACKSON** Staff Reporter

Every quilt tells a story —who made it, the name of the pattern, who it was made for and the clothes it was made from.

But for Judy Wampler, the stories came first.

On Friday, April 4 and Saturday, April 5, Judy will present her "Little House" quilt program, "From Wisconsin to Missouri," during the 2025 Clinton Quilt Walk. A former school teacher who lives on a farm near Carthage, Mo., Judy has made two and half dozen quilts based on the Laura Ingalls Wilder books, at least one for every book in the series.

"The majority are from 'Little House in the Big Woods," she said. "The stories illustrate so many aspects of pioneer life."

The "Little House" books are based on Laura's peripatetic childhood, which

started in a log cabin in Pepin Lake, Wisconsin, in 1867. Laura ended up living in white-frame farmhouse on an apple orchard in Mansfield, Mo., where she wrote the book series, a slightly-fictionalized version of her life, when she was in her mid-60s.

Judy had not read the "Little House" books when she was growing up in Pierce City, Mo. She was introduced to the stories by Jane Decker, Historian of the Missouri Council of the International Reading Association, when Jane visited the school where Judy was teaching. The books chronicle the last half of the 19th century through the eyes of a young girl, when Laura's family and others were pushing westward in covered wagons across the Great Plains, looking for a new start. Recognizing that the stories would make a good vehicle into



ARTISTRY ON DISPLAY, Judy Wampler's work "On the Banks of Plum Creek" is an embroidered quilt showing Pa stopping to his wagon to wave to Laura and Mary.

that era for her gradeschool students, Judy read the books to her classes, and started an after-school "Little House" reading group that did

activities from the books. "I used the Little House books to teach many of the social studies objectives that were part of the Quilts Page 3

ber's Board of Directors. The Chamber's Ambassador of the Year was Traci Choate...Citizen of the Year was Kent Oberkrom...and the Business of the Year for 2024 was Mills & Sons Insurance.

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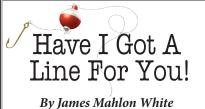


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# **OPINION** \_\_\_\_\_\_ 3/20/25





Aunt Jane died Thursday evening after a series of health setbacks that she fought courageously and with a sense of humor. She had an exuberant spirit that served her well for 94 years. She once remarked, "I'd like to see the ocean again and I know that's not possible, but I do have the trees on Locust Street." Aunt Jane's long life was endowed with an inner peace. She learned to separate those things she could control from the things she could not, she didn't worry about matters beyond her power. This ability was the secret to her longevity. In the last few weeks Aunt Jane faded a bit, not her mind but her eyes, ears and strength. More and more of our conversation had to do with her readiness for death. She wasn't depressed about the inevitable. Even less was she angry or fearful or wishing for the past. At the



end on Thursday it was if she had a long day of visiting friends and going to the Kauffman Center, all things she loved. And then it was time to leave. When she was gone I thought of Emily Dickinson: "Because I could not stop for Death-He Kindly stopped for me." I believe Aunt Jane was glad to see him. We could well learn a lesson from how she handled aging, for that matter life in general. God speed JWB and a fond farewell.

I'm going to bow off this keyboard early and will try to do better next week. Meanwhile, take care of yourself and take time to let the ones you care for know it. For nothing stavs the same, including human beings and animals. We have to love them while they're here. And that's life Old Buddy \*\*\*\*

Til Next Week:

## Mid-Missouri Artists March Program: Figure Drawing with Charcoal

Bek Campbell, a 23-yearold senior at the University of Central Missouri, pursuing a degree in Studio Art with a focus on Illustration, will present the program for the Thursday, March 27, meeting of Mid-Missouri Artists in the Arts and Crafts room of the Warrensburg Community Center, 445 E. Gay Street, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

All MMA programs are free and open to the public.

Bek's program will focus on drawing the human form using charcoal, with an emphasis on structure, form, and shading.

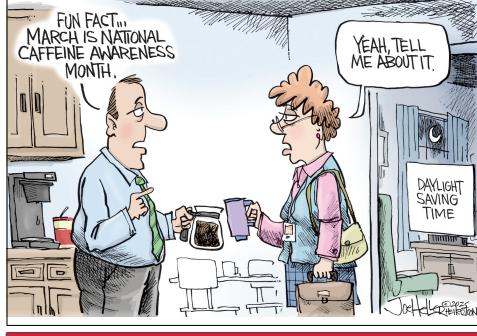
Working from a live model, participants will develop/practice foundational skills by learning to quickly sketch the skeletal framework before refining the figure with contour and wrapping lines. Participants will then explore techniques for adding depth and dimension through value and con-



#### **BEK CAMPBELL, SELF** PORTRAIT

trast, to create a more dynamic and realistic figure drawing.

Materials to bring if you have them- Larger than 8x10 drawing paper, soft vine charcoal and/or soft charcoal pencil, kneadable





Company Name: Katie Scott NPN:21502246-Missouri Symanctry Financial Group 660-207-2109. **Owner/Manager** Name: Katie Scott. Corporate/Family Operated: Family. Year started/Years in business: 1 year.

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eraser. If you don't have these materials, come anyway-we will have some we can share.

Bek specializes in illustration, watercolor, and charcoal, developing a personal style that blends figure drawing with influences from surrealism and

surance. If I can't help you, I have a network of people who will How many employees do

you have? Just me, but willing to expand. What qualities do you look for in new employees?

Happy, determined, don't give up easy, honest and helpful. What made you start a

company in this industry? turned defeat into success! What made you choose vour company's location? It's my home community. Does your company give back to the community? Yes. I give to the local school sports and volunteer.

What is unique about your company? How do you advertise? Through the local

expressionism. She has created album covers for various musicians and designed shirts, logos, and stickers for companies such as Midwest Pool Management, Warrensburg Parks and Recreation, and Cage-IQ. She also contributed to the creative process for stickers commissioned by the 476th Fighter Wing at Moody AFB in Valdosta. In addition to client work, she



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has led watercolor workshops at the Warrensburg Community Center, sharing her skills with the local community.

Now in the final stages of her college career, Bek aspires to become a concept and storyboard artist for animation studios such as Cartoon Network or Fortiche Productions, where she hopes to bring her surreal and expressive artistic vision to life.

Mid-Missouri Artists is a non-profit, tax exempt arts organization with members from 12 counties, but primarily from Johnson, Lafayette, Pettis, and Henry counties. Thank you for helping us tell the public about our programs.



WEEKLY UPDATE FROM THE GREATER **CLINTON-AREA** CHAMBER OF COMMERCE/BY DAVID LEE-DIRECTOR: 3.14.25 Welcome New Chamber Member

Henry County Sheriff's Foundation

The Henry County Sheriff Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing public Chamber Page 4



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not had the opportunity to attend the Big Purple Party and would like to learn more about how the fund can assist, please reach out to one of our committee members for more information. We would love to send you our information and answer any questions that you may have.

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On May 3rd 2025, the Henry County Memory Fund will host our Annual Big Purple Party. It will be held in Hawthorn Bank's parking lot at Old Country Club Park with registration at 9am and a ceremony at 9:30. The ceremony will be to honor our friends, family and loved ones struggling with or lost to Alzheimer's and Dementia.

All money raised will be distributed locally to those with Alzheimer's / dementia, to caregivers of those with Alzheimer's / dementia, and to research. Funds are provided through an application process for living expenses, medication, medical equipment, respite stays and other uses. Applications are available to anyone that needs assistance. Please contact hcmemoryfund@gmail.com, Christa Atchison 660-525-1338 or Ranae Walrath at GVMH at 660-890-7294 for applications or questions. Are you interested in supporting this worthy cause? Donations can be made online at http://cfozarks. org/donate, at the bottom of the page, type Henry County Memory fund into the box and select it when it pops up. It will take you to a new page to donate. If you would like to donate by check please make it payable to Henry County Memory Fund and mailed to PO Box 741, Clinton, MO 64735.

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### ATS

Continued from page 1 ing the bus to move her entire household.

Pets are another bone of contention — only service animals are allowed on the bus, Sherri said, but people often want to get on with their pets—small dogs, large dogs, even cats.

Dispatcher Chris Bridges said he gets calls from people who want to move to Clinton because they are no longer able to drive and need the service. One man was paying \$32 one way to be taken to dialysis in town, David said, which he couldn't afford, so was skipping some of his appointments. Once he got connected to ATS, he was able to make all his treatments, and eventually got off of them. People who are in physical or occupational rehabilitation often ride the ATS buses, David said, as do people going to optometrist appointments.

When Sherri started driving for the service, the charge was 75 cents, she said, and it's only gone up a quarter. Now that she's retired, it's the people she misses —she has driven three generations, grandmothers, moms and kids.

ATS gives people free rides during Olde Glory Days, David said, dropping them off at the Chamber of Commerce depot to go to the parade, and ATS buses run until 10 p.m. during Olde Glory Days for people who want to attend evenings concerts.

Normally, ATS buses only operate on weekdays, Monday through Friday. Chris accepts calls from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m to 4:30 p.m. On busy days, they transport 50 people to and from their destinations, he said.

"It's pretty unique," David said. "The city should

#### QUILT

Continued from page 1 fourth-grade curriculum," she said.

Judy made her first Little House quilt after she retired from teaching in 2005. Her daughter had opened a quilt shop in Carthage, Block by Block, where Judy helped out.

be proud to have this. We haul a lot of people to a lot of things.

He can put 100 miles on a bus in a day, he said.

There are very few rural, small transit providers left in the state, Chuck Bailey said, as most of them have been taken over by larger servers. Clinton is also served by OATS, whose buses will take you anywhere in the state, he said, including medical appointments in Lee's Summit and Kansas City, and is subsidized by Medicare and Medicaid.

Clinton's ATS owns two larger buses that hold 18 people each and have lifts for wheelchairs, and one smaller bus that holds 11 passengers, Chuck said. ATS usually runs two buses a day, and keeps one in reserve, at the bus barn in the Boy Scout building on Augusta.

Clinton Area Transportation Service has a Facebook page and the City of Clinton website has a whole page devoted to ATS -- hours of operation, rules, etc. Clinton ATS picks you up at your Clinton residence and will take you anywhere within the Clinton city limits, and pick you up and take you home. To schedule a ride, call 660-885-3114.



**CLINTON CITY HALL threw** Sherri Farmer a retirement party with cake after 36 and half years as a driver for ATS.

ry from "On the Banks of Plum Creek." Another Plum Creek quilt shows Pa driving a wagon and stopping to wave to Laura.

In 2010, Judy and a friend decided to make a week-long road trip to visit the places where Laura and her family — Pa, Ma, sisters Mary and Carrie and their brindle bulldog, Jack — had lived. The car trip took them to Pepin, Wisconsin, where there is a replica of the cabin in the Big Woods where Laura spent her first years. Judy and her friend stopped at Burr Oak, Iowa, along the way, then after Pepin, drove through Minnesota on the Laura Ingalls Wilder Historic Highway. They visited the spot on Plum Creek where the Ingalls family lived in a home dug out of the banks of Plum Creek. The home is no longer there, Judy said, but you can see an indentation where it was.

recurring theme in Laura's life — and eventually ended up in Mansfield, Mo., east of Springfield. There. they bought 40 acres they named Rocky Ridge Farm and planted an apple orchard. Laura started writing, and Almanzo built a farmhouse. Laura died in Mansfield in 1957. Rocky Ridge Farm is now the Laura Ingalls Wilder Historic Home and Museum, open to the public March 1 through November 15. Judy has traveled to schools, guilds and civic organizations to share the "Little House" stories, adding quilts to the program. Two years ago, she was on a quilt store 'Shop

Hop' and visited the White Flower Quilt Shop in Clinton, where she met the owner, Mary Cupp, one of the Quilt Walk organizers. White Flower partners with Clinton Main Street

to host the Clinton Quilt Walk, which started in 2000, and is free. Receive a guide to stores displaying quilts around the Square at White Flower Quilt Ship, 140 W. Jefferson, and pick up a free pattern for a quilt block at each store to make the 2025 Quilt Walk Quilt. The Walk is from 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. each day. See a finished version of the Quilt Walk guilt at the White Flower Quilt Shop, on the southwest corner of the Square. Contact White Flower at 660-492-5379 for more information. Stores displaying quilts will stamp your Quilt Walk 'passport,' which can be turned in at White Flower to enter a drawing.

presentation, Judy's "From Wisconsin to Missouri" will be at the WW & H Exchange Building, next door to the main entrance of the Henry Countv Museum, 203 W. Franklin. The Exchange is part of the museum complex. just off the northwest corner of the Square. Judy will be showing "Little House" quilts at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 4, and repeating the program at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 5. The presentation is free, as is parking on the streets around the museum, as well as in the parking lot across from the museum's main entrance in the Adair Annex and around the Clinton Square.

DEMOCRAT

Judy lives on the Century Farm near Carthage that originally belonged to her husband's great-grandparents. She uses a sewing machine to make quilt blocks, which are pieced, some with embroidered elements. She has a longarm sewing machine to quilt her work. The hardest quilt she ever made was "Cabin by Pepin Lake," she said, which she made from a pattern from the book, "Not Your Grandmother's Log Cabin."

She also brings household artifacts to her programs from the "Little House" books, ones people may never have seen - a spider skillet, a candle mold, a hog scraper, animal traps and a mold like Pa used to make his own bullets. One of Judy's quilts is a friendship quilt called "If Laura Had a Facebook Page," with embroidered 'signatures' of characters in the books, including that of Charlotte, the homemade rag doll Laura received one Christmas. Judy even has a Charlotte rag doll she brings to her program.

Judy, who has a Master of Science in Education from Missouri State University, gives programs on other authors of children's books- "Stepping into Literature Block by Block" and Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women." She also gives programs on Underground Railroad quilt blocks, and "Seeing Red and Loving It," on Redwork embroidery quilts.

For more information about Judy Wampler, go to storytellingwithquilts. wordpress.com.

### BANQUET

Continued from page 1 Of course, OGD will continue this year, scheduled for July 3rd-6th. Those honored with this award in its first year, which was last year, included David Mills, Tim Glasscock, Dan Wallace, Dave Garnett, Craig Thompson, and Jim Raysik, Dennis Sieger and Debby Van Winkle.

Sabrina Harris is the Chamber's Board of Director's President for 2025. She spoke to those in attendance about her 2025 theme: "Driven to Grow".

Jared Goodbrake is President-Elect and Hansen is the Past-President. Others on the Board include Steve Bradley, Daniel Dody, John French, Sabrina Harris, Jim Huenefeldt, Donni Kuck, Landon Modlin, Tammy Nadler, Jeff Stone, and Lori Taber. Roger House continues as a Board member representing the City.

Lee, Dawson, and Carr continue their work as the Chamber of Commerce employees.



**BRINGING HOME ADMIN-ISTRATOR OF THE YEAR**, Traci Choate was recognized during the annual Clinton Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Choate was presented an award by 2024 Board President Amber Hansen.

#### BIRCH Continued from page 1 criminal action.

According to the probable cause statement filed in the case, the Clinton Police Department responded to a crash at Missouri Highway 7 and Water Street in Clinton involving a motor vehicle and an individual on a motorized scooter. The individual on the scooter had obvious and significant injuries. The operator of the motor vehicle continued driving after the crash. The Henry County Sheriff's Office shortly thereafter located the motor vehicle and apprehended Birch.

In 2024, 26 new busiindividuals, nesses, non-profits and more signed up to be members of the Clinton Chamber.

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Stacy Hinkle, President of Clinton Main Street, provided an update on all the activities, promotions, events and more this organization has planned for 2025.

The Chamber gave away gift certificates from Dietz Family Buffet and Smith's Edible Creations, a gardening basket from Seeds of Faith Preschool, and some went home with a beautiful flower arrangement, courtesy of TC-Transcontinental, to conclude the evening.

Entertainment was provided by Dennis Laffoon, The Piano Man.



**BRINGING HOME CITIZEN** OF THE YEAR, Kent Oberkrom was recognized during the annual Clinton Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Oberkrom was presented an award by 2024 Board President Amber Hansen.

that Birch was intoxicated. Assault in the second degree for recklessly causing serious physical injury and driving while intoxicated causing serious physical injury are both class D felonies, which carry a range of punishment up to seven years in the Missouri Department of Corrections. Leaving the scene of a crash with physical injury, as a class E felony, carries a range of punishment of up to four years in prison. Armed criminal action for committing a felony while using a dangerous instrument carries a minimum of three years in prison.

Judge Harold Dump is-

One day, Judy saw a pattern, 'Grandma's Dancing Shoes," that reminded her of Grandma Ingalls' "Little 'dance-off' in House in the Big Woods."

"That got me thinking of other quilts I could make from stories in the books," Judy said.

"Laura's Pumpkin Patch" quilt was inspired when Judy was rereading a sto-



JUDY WAMPLER with a friendship quilt she calls "If Laura Ingalls Wilder had a facebook page."



JUDY WAMPLER of Carthage, the featured presenter at the Clinton Quilt Walk, will show "A Dove in the Window" quilt she made, like the first quilt Laura made as a girl and took with her when she married.

"I stood and listened to the wind blow through the prairie grass, like Laura did," Judy said.

The most well-known Laura Ingalls Wilder book is "Little House on the Prairie," which was made into a television show that ran from 1974 to 1982.

Judy and her friend ended their pilgrimage in De Smet, South Dakota, at that time the Dakotas Territory where Laura's family homesteaded. The Ingalls had to spend a winter in town, where they were shut off in a blizzard with little food and Ma showed Laura how to make lamps out of a saucer, a button, a piece of thread and scrap of fabric dipped in wheel-axle grease.

That's also where Laura met and married her husband, Almanzo Wilder. The couple tried farming in the Dakotas, but were defeated by plagues of locusts, so packed blankets, cornmeal and other basic items into a wagon — a

Martin. This year's Hall of Fame inductees included Gail Mothersbaugh, Larry Mothersbaugh, Jim

Additionally, the probable cause statement further states that officers made observations indicating

sued a warrant holding Birch without bond at the request of the Prosecuting Attorney.



## ACROSS

- 1) At a good clip, poetically
- 6) Belinda Carlisle's all-girl
- group
- 11) White House URL suffix
- 15) Apt rhyme for "anticipate"
- 16) Feeling of rage
- 17) Noisemaking bug
- 19) Common soccer score
- 20) Works the soil
- 21) Mooched
- 23) Job hunter's handout
- 27) "The Wizard of Menlo
- Park" 28) Sit-down affair
- 29) Put two and two together
- 30) Emergency paper money
- 32) Native of Israel
- 35) Mortgage, for instance
- 37) It's wreaked

#### **HIVE GOT IT**



- 39) Sweetheart
- 40) Butte relatives
- 42) San Diego athlete
- 44) Conclude
- 14) Hurled entangling weapons 45) Husband and brother of Isis
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  - 49) Not upset
  - 51) Selected
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  - 53) "Balderdash!"
  - 55) Make a sheepshank
  - 56) Give in to decay
- 26) Some large wine containers 61) The first to hear "Madam, I'm Adam"
  - 62) Fine with the Stooges
  - 63) Mourning band
  - 64) Make calls on the court, briefly
  - 65) Bring joy to
  - 66) Flanges

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- 3) Ryan's "Love Story" co-star
- 4) Desert growth
- 5) Mukluk wearers
- 6) Highlander
- 7) Has a payment booklet
- 8) B-movie shooter
- 9) Container with a spout
- 10) The "S" in T.S. Eliot
- 11) Some spicy drinks
- 12) Corbeled bay window
- 13) South African grassland
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- 22) View with anxiety
- 23) The sea, to Poseidon
- 24) The youngest Munster
- 25) What Rocky sparred with
- 26) Certain rifle stand
- 28) Many opera headliners
- 31) Like rushing white water
- 33) One spelling for a Hindu princess
- 34) Beauty expert Elizabeth
- 36) Like some voices
- 38) Nativity representation
- 41) Pretty big
- 43) Add some pizazz to
- 46) Cap again
- 48) Not away from
- 49) Complete and total
- 50) Green, so to speak
- 53) Role
- 54) Eyelid problem
- 57) Part of history
- 58) Move one's tail, as a dog
- 59) Orangutan, for one
- 60) Positive answer

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# LOCAL

# 3/20/25

### P.E.O. Sisters Kick Off Anniversary Year



**INSTALLING THE NEW OFFICERS** of Chapter EN: Pat Brock, standing left, Mary Lou Philpott, president, Linda T. Wilson, vice-president, Sandy Wagoner, recording secretary, Sunny Johnson, corresponding secretary, Connie Grisier and Shirley Jordan, treasurers, Judy Doll, chaplain, and Marge Beasley, guard.

#### **BY JENNIFER JACKSON** Staff Reporter

Chapter EN of the P.E.O. Sisterhood started its 100th year at its new meeting place, the Back Room at Clinton Methodist Church last Thursday, March 13. The afternoon meeting, attended by 26 members, was chaired by President-elect Mary Lou Philpott, with Mary Ann Bath and Carolyn Walden as hostesses. Connie Grisier read the slate of officers nominated for the 2025-2026 year, who were elected and installed by Pat Brock.

Kay Grunig gave the treasurer's report, and Marge Beasley reported that the auditing committee had found the books correct. The new budget will be presented at the next meeting. The dues increase was discussed.

The chapter president talked about social events planned for the anniversary year, and ways chapter members could strengthen relationships and raise money for P.E.O. projects. P.E.O. is an international organization that promotes higher education opportunities for women through low-interest loans for tuition, Star and International Peace scholarships, Scholar Awards for doctoral students and Continuing Education grants. For more information, go to peointernational.org.

P.E.O. started as a women's society at Iowa Wesleyan College in 1869. Headquartered in Des Moines, it now has thousands of members in chapters throughout the United States and Canada. Clinton has two P.E.O. chapters, Chapter EN, a day chapter organized in July, 1925, and Chapter IU, which meets in the evening.

### **Celebrates 69 Years** As Chapter IU

The March meeting of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, Chapter IU was held at the Rotary Building Thursday night, March 13, 2025 with 21 sisters in attendance. Festive birthday decorations celebrating our 69 years as Chapter IU and scrumptious treats were provided by hostesses Allison Schilling and Susan Scott. The evening included the initiation of our officers for their second year and a stroll down memory lane of Chapter IU by Dinah Scott.

A huge thank you to each of the officers, President Deb Mills, Vice President Peggy Arthur, Recording Secretary Brenda Ford, Corresponding Secretary Lisa Wallace, Treasurer Margaret Barr, Chaplain Janet Akers and Guard Vivian Taylor for their dedication, hard work and support these past twelve months and their continued commitment for the coming vear.

Susan Hutcherson passed out the 2025-2026 yearbooks with an exciting agenda of monthly programs centered in the stars. The Chapter's monthly mystery babe was Judy McVeigh.

State Convention is June 6-8 at Columbia, Missouri this summer. President Deb Mills and Susan Scott will be attending. P.E.O Day at Arrowrock will be July 1st featuring Legally Blonde.

The next meeting will be held April 10, 2025 at the Rotary Building. Co-hostesses will be Jennifer Kiely and Marnie Bellamy.

Attended Legislation Day At Jefferson City



SAMMEE LESMEISTER

Sammee Lesmeister attended Disability's Legislation Day at Jefferson City. She is in a job-coaching program through Center for

## Henry County SWCD 2025 Outstanding Conservation Farmer



2025 OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION FARMER Bryan Dehn; with his wife Melinda, daughters Laurel & Adriane, and grandson David.

The Henry County Soil and Water Conservation District's (SWCD) Outstanding SWCD Open house break-

Conservation Farmer for 2025 was announced at the



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fast on March 6, this year the award went to Bryan Dehn. His farming operation is located northeast of Clinton.

Bryan has held a conservation plan with the SWCD since 1994. He has completed several conservation projects through the years including: 3.3 acres of CRP buffers, 1.8 acres of grassed waterways in 2012 and 4.6 acres of waterways in 2024. Bryan graduated from Clinton High School. He is married to Melinda (Huey) Dehn. She is the owner of Huey's Deluxe Catering.

They have two daughters. Laurel Rittman and Adriane Dehn. Laurel lives on a farm outside of Knob Noster with her husband Sam and their 2 children Aubree, 13, and David, 19 months. She is an occupational Therapist at GVMH. Adriane works for Bayer as a Climate Enablement Manager at Fieldview. She lives in Clinton and helps on the farm when she can

Brvan is member of First Presbyterian Church in Clinton and also a member of Clinton Elks Lodge #1034.

Bryan is a 5th generation farmer. He started farming full time right after high school. Their operation

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### Dear Friends of Education:

The Society for Academic Excellence invites students who have achieved a 3.5 or higher grade point average during this school year to be recognized. Last year, 303 students were honored, including 40 graduating seniors who maintained a 3.5 GPA each year throughout high school. In addition, four seniors from Clinton High School and one senior from Clinton Christian Academy received \$500 scholarships. We invite you to join other individuals and businesses in the Clinton area to help honor the scholastic achievements of Clinton High School and Clinton Christian Academy students.

This year marks the 37th anniversary of the Academic Excellence Program, all because of our supportive community which has taken an interest in education for the youth within our school districts. Our program this year will be focused on providing a quality experience for our students and an opportunity for the graduating seniors to be recognized with scholarships to encourage furthering their education.

The consistent support of the program from sponsors like you have allowed the Society to provide this recognition for our top performing students and their families. Your contribution of \$50.00 as a Silver Sponsor or \$100.00 as a Gold Sponsor will benefit the students as they receive their official Academic Excellence medals and ribbons. For your support, you will receive the following:

1. Recognition in the CHS Academic Excellence Ceremony's program with that ceremony being held on April 16th. CCA includes A.E. as part of their year-end ceremonies, and you will be recognized there as well.

2. Listing as a Silver or Gold sponsor in Chamber of Commerce Facebook posts before and after the CHS and CCA ceremonies.

3. Either a walnut plaque as a first-year sponsor or a 2025 date plate as a returning sponsor.

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1307 N Washington St., Clinton, MO Mon thru Fri 2pm to 6pm Sat noon to 4pm. consists of row crop; including corn and soybeans and background feeding heifers. Bryan has always been great to work with on Conservation Practices.

#### **CHAMBER** Continued from page 2

safety, fostering community trust, and partnering with life-changing resources for Henry County, Missouri.

Clinton Schools--DONATION ALERT Thank you to the Clinton Tourism Association for supporting our Home Run for the Future campaign!

Want to be part of this game-changing project that will benefit students and the entire community for years to come? All contributions are tax-deductible, and gifts of \$25,000 or more can be pledged over a four-year period.

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Also, many continuing sponsors may need a new plaque for additional year bars. Let the office know when you send your sponsorship. Please make your checks payable to Greater Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce with a memo for Society for Academic Excellence. Checks can be mailed or delivered to the Depot, 200 South Main, Clinton, MO 64735. Your Chamber will also pick up checks if needed. Please respond by April 7th.

Thank you for your consideration and support of our youth and education.

We've had people come into the Chamber over the years wanting some item with Clinton on it...either as a souvenir, gift, school project, etc. We've had some items, but never... magnets. Well, here they are! \$5.00 at 200 S. Main St. M-F 8am-4:30pm.

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# 3/20/25 SCHOOL/LOCAL

# Get Real Spiritual Conference Brings Joy And Inspiration



**STUDENTS ENGAGE IN WORSHIP** music during the Get Real Spiritual Conference on March 11, 2025. The event was sponsored by the Skidmore Foundation and held at First Baptist Church Clinton.

The Get Real Spiritual Conference, held on March 10 and 11, was a resounding success, thanks in large part to the generous sponsorship of the Skidmore Foundation and the gracious support of First Baptist Church Clinton. The event hosted three engaging and spiritually enriching gatherings: a Student Conference for grades 9-12, a Student Conference for grades 5-8, and a Parent Seminar. Over 180 students from Clinton Christian Academy, Training Center, Plaza Heights, Holden Covenant Church, along with several homeschoolers participated in the event, which focused on fostering personal growth and deepening their spiritual connections.

On Monday, March 10, high school students gathered for a day filled with laughter, games, worship music, and Biblical lessons. The following day, Tuesday, March 11, the conference continued with an equally successful Student Conference for grades 5-8. The younger students enjoyed a similar program that included engaging activities designed to help them connect with one another while exploring their faith. During this time, 29 students made commitments to Christ, a powerful testament to the impact of the event on their lives.

The Parent Seminar, held on the evening of March 10, focused on the importance of developing a Biblical worldview in today's us," said CCA Administrator Robin Ritchie. "Their support made a significant difference, from providing refreshments to helping with cleanup, and we couldn't have done it without them. It was truly a blessing to partner with such wonderful organizations to make this conference a reality."

With a successful conference behind them, organizers are already looking forward to the possibility of future collaborations to continue offering such life-changing experiences to the community.

For more information on upcoming events and initiatives, visit www.clintonacademy.org.

# Townsend Selected As CHS Assistant Principal

Clinton High School is pleased to announce that Jordan Townsend has been named Assistant Principal for the 2025-2026 school year. Jordan transitions into this role from Henry Elementary School, where she has served as Assistant Principal for the past three years. Townsend will step into the position currently held by Dr. Rob Anthony, who has accepted a school leadership position in the St. Louis region.

With a strong background in education and leadership, Townsend is dedicated to student success and academic growth. At Henry Elementary, she played a key role in enhancing student managing engagement, student discipline, and improving instruction through curriculum development and data analysis. Mrs. Townsend is also a Leader in Me trainer and implementer, and helped establish a Student Leadership Team at Henry Elementary. Her ability to collaborate with teachers and staff to drive meaningful progress makes her an excellent fit for Clinton High School.

time at CMS and continue building strong relationships with all students. I am eager to collaborate, learn, and contribute to the continued

success of our students and school community!" Please join us in welcoming Jordan Townsend to Clinton

High School.



Named Next Assistant Principal of Clinton High School

# Nearly 100 Requests Filled From Henry And Surrounding Counties



**VOLUNTEERS** Sharon Ogle and Marsha Crutchfield prepare customized Bunny Blessings Baskets for kids in care. Birthday Blessings filled 115 requests from children in need of some Easter cheer. Emotional support is an important part of their mission.



JAKE RIGDON serves on the Birthday Blessings board of directors and works at Children's Division in Sedalia. She helps with transport of goods to Warsaw Christian Church where a team prepares them for delivery to Truman Lake area kids.

Birthday Blessings filled nearly 100 requests from Bates, Benton, Henry and St. Clair County foster kids in 2024. Focusing on providing needed resources to kids in care, the honprofit will be holding an annual Birthday Bash Donor Match Event March 28th – April 1st . An anonymous business will match up to \$5000 in donations during this event. "Our Birthday Bash is a huge opportunity for people to double their impact in the lives of at-risk children," said Shannon Von-Allmen, Executive Director of the 501c3 organization. "The cost of operations is increasing, and grant funding opportunities are decreasing. This event will help us continue to meet needs in the foster community." Last year Birthday Blessings filled more than 2200 requests from kids in 30 Missouri counties. This included birthday party bags with gifts targeting physical and emotional needs, care packages for struggling teens, bedding sets, household goods, baby care items, graduation cel-

ebration bags and Easter baskets.

"Kids in care aren't used to people doing special things for them. Many have never owned new items or received a gift of any kind. When we send new bedding to promote healthy sleep, we are also letting children know we value their existence. When we send a birthday party bag with supplies to bake a cake, we are letting kids know we celebrate them. Our donors become part of that support team."

## Fundraiser For Civil Air Patrol Cadets



Civil Air Patrol NCR-MO-009 Sedalia Cadet Flight Civil Air Patrol is holding a fundraiser to raise funds to defray costs for our team of cadets to participate in the world's largest rocketry competition. This competition is called the American Rocketry Challenge. The Sedalia Cadet Flight is competing against over 1,000 teams nationwide. Fifteen teams are participating from the state of Missouri. The top 100 teams are selected for a national final contest outside Washington DC. The top 10 teams split a prize pool of approximately \$100,000 split between team members and their school/organization. The team that achieves First Place will represent the USA at the Paris Air Show in Paris France in the summer of 2025 against the winning teams representing the United Kingdom, France, and Japan.

Sedalia Cadet Flight Cadet members C/Msgt Isaiah Groshart, C/CMSsgt Jerimiah Harner, C/SMSgt Caleb Mallardi, C/Amn Hannah Mallardi, and C/MSGt Leah Mallardi have designed, built and tested rockets to carry two eggs to an altitude of 790 feet and recover them undamaged in an elapsed time between 41 and 44 seconds. The goal of the unit is to raise \$2,500 to cover the costs of building materials, electronics (altimeters), launch equipment, motors and transportation to the national finals in The Plains, VA in May 2025. By the numbers: 1,001 total teams nationwide. 15 teams from the state of

Missouri. These teams are from 11 cities and towns. From 12 participating schools and youth organizations. Only ne (1) from west central Missouri-Sedalia Cadet Flight Civil Air Patrol

The fundraiser extends to 15 May 2025.

Mail a check or Money Order (NO CASH) to:

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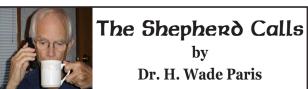
Information on the American Rocketry Challenge: https:// rocketcontest.org/

Civil Air Patrol is the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force and, as such, is a valued member of its Total Force. CAP Missouri Wing operates a fleet of 8 single-engine aircraft. one glider, and several small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) in its auxiliary role. CAP Missouri Wing's 915 members also perform homeland security, disaster relief, and drug interdiction missions at the request of federal, state, and local agencies. As a nonprofit organization, CAP also plays a leading role in STEM/aerospace education. Its members serve as mentors to almost 400 young people participating in CAP's Missouri Wing Cadet Programs. Sedalia Cadet Flight is also a funded partner of the Pettis County United Way.

Visit https://www.facebook. com/sedaliacadetsquadron/ for more information.

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#### HEAVENLY TREASURES

Jesus said, "Do not store up for yourselves treasure on earth where moth and rust destroy, and thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasure in heaven." (Matthew 6:19–21)

rapidly changing culture. Parents were provided with practical tools for fostering a faith-based perspective in their children's lives. In addition, the seminar offered vital insights on tech-savvy parenting, addressing the challenges and opportunities that come with raising children in a digital age. This session empowered parents to navigate the complexities of technology while maintaining a strong spiritual foundation in their homes. All three events were lively, interactive, and filled with positive energy, making them a memorable experience for attendees. The blend of fun activities and deep Biblical teachings allowed both students and parents to engage with one another and grow in their understanding of faith.

The Get Real Spiritual Conference would not have been possible without the vital support of the Skidmore Foundation. Their sponsorship ensured that the events were accessible to all, helping to create a meaningful experience for the community. Additionally, a heartfelt thank you goes to the dedicated folks at First Baptist Church Clinton for their warm hospitality. They graciously provided free snacks and drinks during the morning break and lunch for the students attending the conference. Their efforts didn't stop there-volunteers also assisted in cleaning up the Sunday School areas where students had lunch, ensuring everything ran smoothly and efficiently.

"We are so grateful to the Skidmore Foundation for their generosity and to First Baptist Church Clinton for opening their doors to Townsend's teaching experience includes roles as a 6th Grade English Language Arts teacher at Clinton Middle School and as a Special Education teacher at Warsaw and Lebanon Middle Schools.

Mrs. Townsend holds a Bachelor's degree in K-12 Cross Categorical Special Education from Missouri State University, a Master's degree in Educational Administration from Missouri State University, and an Education Specialist degree in Educational Administration from William Woods University.

"A respected leader within our district, Mrs. Townsend has consistently shown her dedication to student success, strong leadership, and academic excellence," says Mrs. Jennifer Corson, CHS principal. "Her collaborative approach and commitment to creating a positive learning environment make her an excellent fit for CHS."

Jordan Townsend is looking forward to beginning her journey at CHS this coming school year. "I am thrilled to join the team at Clinton High School and work alongside Mrs. Corson, the dedicated CHS staff, and, most importantly, the students. It is especially exciting to reconnect with some of my former students from my Birthday Blessings is supported in part by the Truman Lake Area Community Foundation. Warsaw Christian Church hosts a monthly volunteer event led by Marie Bowman that serves kids in the Truman Lake area.

To take advantage of this event, online donations can be made at birthday-blessings.org. Checks can be mailed to Birthday Blessings, 429 Aid Ave, West Plains MO 65775. For more information about this campaign or how to support foster children year-round, contact Von-Allmen at 417-372-5306. Gotrocks died and was on his way to heaven. He had been told, "You cannot take it with you." Still, he thought he would try. There was a mix-up at the pearly gates; and sure enough, Gotrocks got in. After being shown his digs, which he thought rather droll, he stuffed his pockets full of money and took a heavenly stroll. He met an angel and inquired, "Where are the stores? Is there a heavenly mall?"

"We don't have those here," the angel said simply. "Here in heaven, everyone has everything they need. There is no reason to shop."

"But that is hell!" Gotrocks cried.

"Precisely," the angel responded smiling.

Of course, the story above is fiction. Heavenly treasures will not be earthly like silver and gold. They will be spiritual, i.e., heavenly----like seeing your long-gone family and friends. It might be best to describe these treasures as what they will not be rather than what they will be. There will be no pain, no sorrow, no evil---just goodness and love.

Leslie Weatherhead, a noted theologian, dreamed he died and went to heaven. Standing in a long line before the throne of God, Leslie mentally noted all the questions he had planned to ask God when he got to heaven. As the queue diminished, he set aside numerous inquiries. Just before his turn, he had only two or three questions. When he finally arrived before God's throne, he discarded all his questions and chose to sit at God's feet and bask in the presence of our perfect Heavenly Father. Nothing else mattered.





# PAGE 6 OBITUARIES 3/20/25

### JANE WHITE



#### BROWN

Jane White Brown, age 94, died on March 13, 2025.

Jane Ellen White was born on October 31, 1930, in the home of her grandparents, Ellen R. Kelly and John S. Kelly in the Glenaire Community of Liberty, Missouri. She was the daughter of Kathleen Kelly White and Mahlon Neil White of Warsaw, Missouri. She was the wife of Leo Conboy Brown, who preceded her in death. She grew up in the old riverboat town of Warsaw, Missouri, where her great-grandfather founded the Benton County Enterprise in 1879. Her mother inspired her love of nature by taking her on woodland walks, exploring caves and star gazing. Jane's love of music also stemmed from childhood memories of her mother singing around the piano and listening to records on the phonograph. Her father taught her the value of appreciating and respecting people from all walks of life. He once took her to have breakfast with members of a circus. He said, "Jane it takes everyone to get the circus tent and the performance on; from the clean-up crew to the trapeze artist's. She never forgot that. Jane and her father brought food for the tramps who slept overnight in railroad cars at the train depot. Joining her father in the Ozark Hills to watch a baptism in the river made a lasting impression. Jane's childhood experiences served her well as she later wrote a newspaper column titled "Pardon Me, If

My Slip Is Showing", interviewing everyday people in Clinton, Missouri.

Jane graduated from Warsaw High School in 1949, with leadership experience as Class President. She attended William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri and later obtained a journalism degree from the University of Missouri where she was a member if Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Following graduation in 1953, she worked as a reporter and advertising sales person for the Clinton Daily Democrat, before moving to Kansas City, Missouri in 1955. She had an extensive career in communications as a reporter, editor and fundraiser for not-for-profit agencies in the Kansas City area. She married Leo Conboy Brown in 1973 at the nostalgic Saint Patrick's Catholic Church and they eventually bought a home in Brookside.

Jane served as President for Kansas Industrial Editors, Estate Planning Council, The National Society of Fund-Raising Executives, The Greater Kansas City Council of Philanthropy and The Women's Committee for the UMKC Conservatory. She also organized and led a weekly discussion group at Saint Andrews H.P. Community Center covering national and local news. She volunteered her time reading law textbooks to visually impaired UMKC students. She was a Nelson Adkins Musuem volunteer for 44 years and served six years as a tour guide at the Kansas City Musuem of Contemporary Art.

In retirement, Jane enjoyed meeting friends for coffee at Bella Napoli, mediating near Grape Arbor in Swope Park and shopping for antiques at estate sales. She loved attending concerts and plays at the Kansas City Actors Theatre, Missouri Reparatory, The Unicorn Theatre and UMKC Student Recitals and the Kansas City Symphony.

Jane White Brown was preceded in death by her husband, Conboy; parents, Mahlon Neill and Kathleen Kelly White; brother, Mahlon Kelly White; and sisters, Lydia Alice White and Kathleen White Miles.

She is survived by her nephews and nieces John Kelly White, James Mahlon White, Ellen Miles Cullings, Julie White Lorenz, Amy White Jeffries and other family that includes great nieces and nephews.

A graveside memorial service will be held at Riverside Cemetery in Warsaw at 10:00 A.M. Saturday March 22, 2025, with lunch following at Hilltop BBQ.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Benton County Musuem, P.O. Box 1082 Warsaw, Missouri, 65355; The Women's Committee for the UMKC Conservatory c/o Mrs. John D. Turner, 649 West 69th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 64113; or Development Director of UMKC Conservatory with funds going towards the Lydia Alice White and Mahlon Kelly White Piano Scholarship Fund.

#### CODY J. STROUSE

Cody J. Strouse, age 36, of Clinton, Missouri, passed away, Saturday, February, 8, 2025.

Cody was born April 6, 1988 to Jennifer and Randy Strouse in Clinton, MO. Raised and graduated in Clinton in 2006. He moved around and ended up settling in Kansas City where he eventually met Angela in 2013 moving back to Clinton. We married in April 2019 and welcomed our first daughter Isla-Rose February 1, 2020.

Cody was a devoted husband, father and friend to everyone who knew him even if they had just met. His love for dancing was known to all and his laughter contagious to everyone around him. He loved entertaining his friends, making sure everyone was laughing and having a good time. Spending time at the lake, flying his plane, dreaming of his next business adventure. hunting with his friends and daughter, fishing, and

having countless pool parties with his family.

Survivors include his wife daugh-Angela, ter Isla-Rose, expecting daughter Aurora, Father Randy, Mother Jennifer (Russ), Sister Cassie (Jeff) Norman, Brother Casey (Andrea) Strouse, Grandmother Judy, Father & Mother in law David and Doreen Plank, Brother in Laws Corey and Shawn Plank, Sister in laws Nicole (Michael) Beck, Alicia Plank and Christina (Isaac) Geisinger, Nieces Ava, Isabella, Sage, Vivianne, Nephews Quentin, Karson, Kendrick, Brennan, Blayne, Michael, Kannon, Knightly and many loving cousins, aunts and uncles. Preceded in death by his daughter Blair, nephew Aiden, grandparents Harold and Belva Strouse. grandfather Jim Vickers.

A Celebration of Life was held February 22, 2025 at the First Baptist Church, Clinton, MO with Rev. David Mills officiating. Special music included "Dancing In the Sky, Remember When and When I'm Gone."

Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

## **REBECCA CROWDER**

Rebecca Crowder, age 59, passed away peacefully on Tuesday February 25, 2025 at her home in Deepwater, Missouri surrounded by close friends and family.

Rebecca was born March 7, 1965 in Clinton, MO the daughter of Charles Wayne Nation and Shirley E Clark. Rebecca spent her life in the service of others and in 2024 she was baptized. Devoting her time to friends, family, and growing closer to her Lord and Savior. She loved her family, the outdoors, fishing, and a good conversation.

Rebecca was preceded in death by her parents, numerous uncles and aunts. Survivors include her partner in crime and husband, John Crowder of the home, two sons Nathaniel A Thornley of Deepwater, MO, Leonard Crowder Springfield, MO, her brother Jim Houk (Erin) of Clinton, MO, her goddaughter Jessica Dawn Calhoun, MO, Bailev grandson Braden Conner Smith of Iowa, numerous

nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday, February 28, 2025 at the Mound Baptist Church with Brian Miller officiating. Special music included "Hallelujah, Amazing Grace and I Think It's Jesus." Interment followed in Urich Cemetery, Urich, MO.

Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

#### **BETTY BRAUN**

Betty Braun, age 98, passed away on Sunday, February 23, 2025 at her home in Clinton, Missouri. Betty Jean Braun was born on January 30, 1927 in Henry County, the daughter of Walter Batschelett and Ruth Robertson Batschelett. On November 17, 1946, Betty married Walter Eugene (Buddy) Braun.

Betty attended Clinton High School, where she twirled the baton. After graduation, she attended the college now known as the University of Central Missouri. She was a member of the Meadowlake Ladies Golf Association, Chapter EN PEO, the Clinton Methodist Church, and a charter member of GFWC Lorna Kemper Club. Betty loved to play bridge with her friends and was the first lady to make a hole-in-one at both Clinton and Meadowlake Country Club. Betty also loved traveling the world and enjoyed traveling with her sister, Darlene. Betty was known for her many friends and her style. Betty and Buddy purchased a farm after marrying and she continued to run the farm until her final day.

Betty is survived by her granddaughter Lana Markway and husband Taylor Markway; her sonin-law Richard Wirsig; her step-grandson Blaik Wirsig and wife Cindy Wirsig; her sister Darlene Woods; her niece Janet Parks; her nephew Mike Woods; her sister in-law Mary Batschelett; her niece Suzette Batschelett; her nephew Anthony Batschelett; and her niece Angelia Batschelett Entrop; niece Jennifer and David Cummings.

ters Suzetta Busby and Sharlene Wirsig; her parents Walter and Ruth Batschelett; her brother Dale Lee Batschelett; and her father and motherin-law Henry and Violet Braun.

Funeral services were held March 1, 2025 at the Clinton United Methodist Church, Clinton, MO with Pastor Monty Stratton officiating. Special music included "Somewhere Over the Rainbow and Friends" with David Cummings as pianist. The casket bearers were Grantt Wirsig, Andy Cummings, Adam Cummings, David Cummings, Jake Wirsig and Mike Woods. Johnny Knaus, Blaik Wirsig, Dr. Gus Wetzel and Russell Rhoads were honorary bearers. Interment followed in Englewood Cemetery, Clinton, MO.

Services were under the direction of Vansant-Mills Funeral Home of Clinton, MO.

# Death Notices

Oliver "Buster" Albin,-Jr., 64, died Tues, March 11, 2025. A memorial service was held at 2 PM on Friday, March 14, 2025 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel in Clinton, with visitation from 1-2 PM prior to the service. Memorial contributions: Oliver William "Buster" Albin Memorial Fund, left in care of the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO.

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**Donald Elliott,** 71, died Mon, March 10, 2025. Donald's wishes were to be cremated with no services. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO.

Melissa Monique Hensley (49) died March 7, 2025. A memorial service will be held at 2 PM on Friday, March 21, 2025 at the Vansant-Mills Chapel in Clinton with visitation from 1-2 PM prior to the service. Memorial contributions: Clinton Animal Rescue Endeavor



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fer and David Cummings. She also leaves behind numerous friends. Betty was preceded in

MO.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband Buddy Braun; her daugh-

> **Guadalupe Cortez**, 77, died Sat, March 15, 2025. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO and are pending at this time.

Funeral Home in Clinton,

**Thomas Allen Ribby,** 72, died Mon, March 10, 2025. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO and are pending at this time.

Audrey Mae Huffman, 89, died Thur, March 13, 2025. A graveside service will be held at 2 PM on Fri, March 21, 2025 at the Chapel Hill Cemetery in Kansas City, KS. Memorial contributions: Susan G Koman Breast Cancer Foundation, left in care of the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO.

Lonnie Schirmbeck, 74, died Wed, March 12, 2025.Lonnie's wishes were to be cremated. No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are under the direction of Hadley Funeral Home, Windsor, and condolences may be left online at www. hadleyfuneralhome.com.

Mark W. Lewis died Sat, March 15, 2025. Arrangements have been entrusted to Vansant-Mills Funeral Home in Clinton, MO and are pending at his time.

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# CHURCH

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## Calhoun Community Church Greetings from Calhoun Community Church where ev-

Greetings from Calhoun Community Church where everyone is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord. We are located on the southeast corner of the Calhoun square. We are a MultiDenominational congregation and gather for prechurch food and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. This is a special time for visiting, signing cards of encouragement for our card ministry, and welcoming guests for worship. Pastor Jerry Reed rang the church bell at 9:45 a.m. to call our church families to worship at 10:00.

We extend our Sympathy and Christian love to the family and Friends of Teresa Stockwell and Jim Johnson who were called to their heavenly home this week. Others on our prayer list include Jan Reed, Janice Hill, Marlene Hall, Debbie Joy, Adam Wall, Carrie and Nathanal Hix and family, Patty Dump's Mother Mary, Gerald Barrow, Taylie Stauber, Grayson Lowe, Sondra Short, Amber, Patrick, and Brecklynn Dittmer. Tragedy is only a moment away as this community realized last week with a house fire, one day and a tragic fire truck accident the next; without injury in either case. We are ever Thankful for a merciful Father. We continue to pray for our military men and women and their families, as well as others in service jobs that we depend upon daily.

Joys to celebrate: Mother nature is a fickle lady, 72 Friday and snow this morning, Surprise,!! We were excited to being able to gather today as a church family to glorify our Lord. We sang Happy Birthday to Beverly Siercks and are pleased to wish her many more. Ms. Carol brought chocolate krinkle cookies for our fellowship time, we extend our Thanks. Steve Siercks lit the altar candles . Gary Conner and Dalton Conner served as ushers collecting the offering. Verna Walters sang "If Jesus Comes Tomorrow," and Shelby Bicknell sang "He's Waiting at the Gate for Me," a song of his own composure for special music as a tribute to the memory of his brother Brian, with Jeremy Reed accompanied him on the drums. Carol Lane and Shelby Thanked the church family for prayers of concern in the passing of son and brother Brian Bicknell. Patty Dump visited her mother in Illinois last week and thanked the church family for travel mercy prayers. Today was our monthly Birthday Dinner, delicious food, and great fellowship, praise God it doesen't get any better, Amen. Nathinal Hix was our guest this morning. The monthly Harvesters Food Distribution was Friday with the usual large crowd. It was a beautiful day for an extremely worthwhile event sponsored by Mt. Moriah Church, Rev. Joe & Marlene Hall Pastors. We are pleased and blessed to be a part of this community program.

We are a country church where country folk gather to glorify the Lord and socialize one with another. We are a diverse group and invite you to be our guest any Sunday for worship, we promise you will receive a blessing for your effort and we will be blessed also. Come dressed as you are comfortable and bring the children for Sunday School during the service. Follow us on Facebook each week@Calhoun Community Church.

## Church of Jesus Christ (of Latter Day Saints)

FREE Family History and Genealogy training and support to the local Clinton community, and the surrounding counties of Henry, Benton, Johnson and St Clair. When: Every Wednesday

Time: 6:20 pm

Time: 6:30 pm

Where: 297 NW 40 Rd, Clinton, MO 64735

We provide **FREE access** to the following ancestorial databases and websites:

Ancestry, American Ancestors, Family Search, Find-MyPast, Geneanet, MyHeritage

We have **access to a huge archive** of historical documents, a record of key life events of your ancestors, to help you find and tell the story of your family.

that, while Satan seeks to destroy, God pursues us with relentless love. It's a call to recognize our tendency to pass blame and hide from God, and instead to embrace His grace and forgiveness. Through this lens, we're invited to see our struggles, not as defeats, but as opportunities to draw closer to a God who clothes us in His righteousness, just as He clothed Adam and Eve after their fall. This message resonates deeply with our daily choices and encourages us to choose the abundant life Christ offers over the destructive path of sin. Jesus came because God knows we stray and struggle. He invites us to draw near to Him and to know the full joy of surrender. Simply ask Him to be the Lord of your life! Christ pursues you because He loves you!

First Baptist Church services are streamed live on our Facebook page (FirstBaptistChurchClinton) at 11:00. You can also view services from our website www.firstbaptistclinton.church, and our app, which is available for Apple and Android products. For anyone with hurts, habits, or hangups, Celebrate Recovery is on Tuesday evenings at the Vansant location, following dinner served at 5:30 pm. For those mourning the death of a loved one, GriefShare is on Thursdays at 6pm at the Vansant location. Worship service times are 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and Sunday School is offered at 8:15 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

For more information and upcoming events, please visit www.firstbaptistclinton.church or find us on Facebook at 'First Baptist Church – Clinton, MO'. We invite those without a church home to join us in worship of our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ. First Baptist Church exists to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) by loving people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

## **First Presbyterian**

Like a loving mother and a caring father, God desires the best for us, good health and wholeness, peace and justice. We, however, often seek our own way, wandering toward the gods of success, popularity, wealth, and comfort. We look for immediate satisfaction, a quick fix, temporary relief. God always welcomes us home. With Him we will find rest for our weariness and peace deeper than our worry. His arms are as wide as a father's care and as warm as a mother's love.

Bringing the message this week was Rev. Robert Cromwell. Using scripture Luke 15: 1–2, 11–32 he titled his message "My Two Sons". Pat Brock on piano played the timeless hymn "How Great Thou Art".

Jello and pudding mixes of any flavor or size are being collected for the Samaritan Center food pantry. Donations are appreciated and may be left on the foyer shelves. The Presbyterian Women will have a work day on Tuesday, March 18 at 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall to begin work on the personal hygiene items for Little Girls in Africa. This is a yearly project for the ladies. Their dedication helps make it possible for young girls to attend school. All help is appreciated.

Interested in Tai Chi? Come join the classes here on Mondays and Wednesday at 10:00 am in our Fellowship Hall. Tai Chi helps strengthen your core and improve your balance.

An invitation is always extended for you to come be a part of First Presbyterian Church. Friendly people will welcome you and make you feel at home. Worship begins at 10:30 am. Check our website fpcclintonmo.net. to stay informed. The monthly Carillon newsletter and calendar are located there.

# Redemption Point Apostolic Church

115 W Henry St. Clinton, MO. 64735 660-386-0690 • Website: www.r.p.church Bible Study - Come and hear the truth of Gods word, the teaching of the plan of Salvation, Gods plan for Man. here, triplet grandsons were born into the family. She is looking forward to spending more time with them and writing the four books she has planned. She will continue to be active in The Episcopal Church as she has been elected at the National General Convention of The Episcopal Church to serve six years on the Executive Council. She will certainly continue her good work for the Church. The Diocese has sent her off with love and best wishes for her "retirement" with these three back-to-back receptions!

### Straight Up Ministries Pastor Tom and Vicky Smith

Pastor Tom and Vicky Smith Now located in Deepwater Mo. 408 South 8th Street



Services start on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am and currently have Sunday School class at 10:45 am

You are welcome to join us around 10:15 am on Sunday for coffee and donuts and to stay for the wonderful fellowship.

Eventually the church plans to have Sunday night service at 6pm and Wednesday night service at 6 pm as well.

They currently have fellowship, dinner after services every third Sunday, their motto is,"Loving GOD, Loving each other."

They have plans to expand their Church parking lot and are having a good will donation breakfast Saturday, April 5, 2025 at the church from 8am to noon, proceeds to go to the parking lot fund.

Come join us, make our wonderful church family your wonderful church family.

# **Trinity Lutheran**

"Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not will be condemned." Mark 16:16.

To a lot of people these days, regular church attendance is unnecessary. In fact, church attendance may even be harmful, since it can cause people to believe their church membership and regular church attendance is what saves them, rather than a personal relationship with God's son, Jesus Christ.

These same people argue that even belief in God is meaningless and maybe even dangerous.. "Even Satan believes in God," they like to say. Stay at home on Sunday mornings. Sleep in. Worship God on the golf course, or at the shopping mall. Regular church attendance may cause you to go to Hell with Satan! It sounds crazy, but you can't make this stuff up! The memes are all over Facebook.

What these people don't understand is there is NO DIS-TINCTION between people who believe in God, and those who have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. In fact, they are one and the same. Why? Because God is Jesus. Jesus is God. If you believe and have faith in the true God of Christianity, you also believe in Jesus, and have a personal relationship with God the Father, God, the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

The bottom line? It's never wrong to go to church. Believers should attend church regularly. God the Holy Spirit is waiting there for you, to work faith and salvation in everyone who believes. Praise God!

03/26/2025 - Lent service at 4:30

04/02/2025 - Lent service at 4:30

04/09/2025 - Lent service at 4:30

04/17/2025 - Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion

Including: Cemetery records, Birth, death, and marriage records, Census Records, Obituary records, And much more. We will have **trained Genealogists on hand** to answer any questions and guide you through the process. Contact info is below should you have questions or need help.

Caiden Wilkins (660) 351-4322, caidenwilkins14@gmail.com Bodey Paulson (208) 217-0574, bubbaman2224@gmail.com Sister Box (816) 812-2434, katlen124@gmail.com

Join us for a fun and inspiring evening as we explore the fascinating stories of your ancestors and discover more about who you are and where you come from.

In these uncertain times, what better way to find joy, comfort, and a sense of belonging than by connecting with your family history?

# **Church of Jesus Christ**

#### (Clinton Restoration Branch)

Pastor, Elder Duane Stowell

Sunday Morning: 9:45 Family Worship; 10:00 Class time; 11:00 Preaching Service

Please Join us at 1311 Event Space in Clinton, MO Monthly theme is: Jesus Said, when ye are converted, strengthen thy brethren. Luke 22: 32 Inspired Version.

# **Clinton Christian Church**

Our big Jeremiah 29:11 Giveaway is back at Clinton Christian Church!

SATURDAY, March 29, 2025 at 1201 East Ohio from 9:00 a.m. until Noon. There are no income requirements. Everyone is welcome!

Because we have reporting requirements, each participant will be required to provide name, address, contact number and signature agreeing not to sell any products taken from the giveaway. Participants also will be required to mark the number of items taken from each category before exiting the event.

Personal hygiene items, over the counter medicines, kitchen, home décor, bath, electronics, clothing, pet supplies, toys, sports, seasonal decorations, and more will be available.

Please bring something to carry your items in. Please note: No one will be permitted to make piles of items.

# **Corinth Baptist**

502 NW Highway N • Chilhowee, MO 64733 Rev. Dale W. Snyder • 660-351-9151 Sunday School 9:30 am • Worship Service 10:30 am.

# **First Baptist**

On Sunday, Pastor Pat Findley delivered a powerful message in the 'Paradise Lost' series titled "Five Steps to Wreck Your Life". In this exploration of Genesis 3, Pastor Pat delves into the timeless struggle between God's plan for our lives and the temptations that lead us astray. The fall of Adam and Eve serves as a powerful metaphor for our own battles with sin and doubt. Members and guests were challenged to examine how they might be 'editing' God's word to suit their own desires, doubting His goodness, or giving in to temptation. This message reminds us Service starts Sun. at 3:00 pm and Wed. at 6:30 pm. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:38.

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. Acts 2:39.

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. John 8:32.

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

2 miles past Walmart on Hwy 7

Sunday, March 16, the Rt. Rev. Diane M. Jardine Bruce, Bishop Provisional of the Diocese of West Missouri, visited St. Paul's Episcopal Church for her Annual Visitation and Confirmation. The service was followed with a reception for the confirmand, a young woman who has grown to adulthood at St. Paul's and made her adult commitment to follow Jesus.

At 3:00 PM, the Central Deanery of the Diocese of West Missouri gathered at St. Paul's for a retirement celebration for Bishop Diane. In May, the Diocese of West Missouri will consecrate its IX Bishop at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City. This day, however, was to honor and thank Bishop Diane for her time of service and love in our diocese as we transitioned from our VIII to IX elected bishop. Receptions were also held the previous two days in the Northwest-Metro Deanery and the Southern Deanery.

The celebration began with a Eucharist of song and praise, followed by a reception with much good food and conversation. She truly felt the love we all have for her as she said her farewells to us. Following the installation of the new bishop, Bishop Diane will return to her home in California. In her three years at 4:30

04/18/2025 - Good Friday service at 4:30

04/19/2025 - Easter Vigil at 7:00 (service at Appleton City, not at Clinton)

04/20/2025 - Easter Sunrise ser. 6:30. Easter breakfast at 7:30. Divine Service 9 am.

Divine Service 1 pm. SS Noon. Ch. ph. 660.885.4728. Rev. William Smith, pastor.

# **Urich Baptist**

The cool air and snow didn't keep the faithful from worship service. Clint Keeney rang the church bell. Mrs. Julia Klinefelter led in the congregational singing with Mrs. Dixie Collins playing piano and Mrs. Rebecca Sowell playing violin. Randy Vogt and Clint Keeney collected the offering.

The scripture passage from Pastor Joshua Sowell's sermon was from Galatians 1: 1-10. In this passage Paul is writing to the churches of Galatia imploring them that the power we have comes from Christ. Paul reminded them that through God's love, mercy, and grace that He sent His Son Jesus Christ to earth to die so we could be rescued from sinfulness and redeemed. Our salvation brings us peace which passes all understanding. By reading scripture in the Bible, His words are revealed to us so we will remain faithful and true to Christ who gives us eternal life. Have a blessed week.









George and Martha Washington at Mount Vernon After the Presidency – Part I

By Glynna Elliott Morse Glynna Morse presented the program for the March 8 meeting of the Windsor Historical Society. She reviewed George and Martha Washington's final years at Mount Vernon after he had served two terms as the first President of the United States during 1789-1797.

In 1797, George and Mar-Washington looked tha forward to returning to Mount Vernon which had become their home when they married in 1759. George Washington did not own Mount Vernon in 1759 but leased it from his brother Lawrence's widow, Ann Fairfax Washington. Washington inherited Mount Vernon after Ann Fairfax Washington died in 1761. George Washington had started with 3,000 acres at Mount Vernon and had acquired 8,000 acres by 1797. Washington made many changes in Mount Vernon's main house over the four decades he and Martha lived there. He raised the roof, making it into a two-and-a-half story structure, with twenty-one rooms (10 bedrooms) for a total of 11,028 sq. ft. The exterior walls were made of wood cut and beveled to look like stone blocks and sanded and painted to give a stone-like appearance.

George and Martha Washington had no biological children together, but several family members lived with them at Mount Vernon. They raised Martha's two children from her marriage to Daniel Parke Custis, her four grandchildren, and several nieces horses were used to turn equipment to separate the wheat grains from the stem and chaff. Mount Vernon also had a gristmill where wheat was ground into flour, stables for horses, and barns and buildings for cattle, sheep, hogs, and



**"WASHINGTON - FARMER AT MOUNT VERNON"** painted by Junius Brutus Stearns, depicts Washington on his daily tour of farm activities talking to farm overseer. Source: Mount Vernon Ladies' Association



"EAST FRONT OF MOUNT VERNON," painted by Edward Savage ca. 1787-1792



**RE-CREATED 16-SIDED** threshing barn at Mount Vernon Source: Mount Vernon Ladies' Association



poultry. Other buildings included a blacksmith shop, smokehouse, storehouse, and a spinning and weaving room.

Part II will continue next week with more information about the life of George and Martha Washington after they returned to Mount Vernon in 1797. Sources: [1] Mount Vernon Ladies' Association. [2] "Washington Post Presidency," Wikipedia.Org. [3] "George Washington's Mount Vernon," History. Com. Tootie remembered: "Luckily we didn't have many calls at night in those days, just a drunk ever now and again." On such occasions I'd bet Cousin Tootie longed to exercise the phone company motto of "Reach out and touch someone."

The telephone was invented by Alexander Graham Bell in March of 1876 and he introduced it to the world at the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia that summer. An unknown Hungarian built the first "telephone exchange" in 1877 and the first telephone was installed in the White House by President Hayes in 1878.

A decade later, 1888, the people of New York City were very annoyed with the large amounts of phone lines along their streets. When a snow and ice storm snapped some of the poles they fell on private buildings. Mayor Hugh Grant, in response to the citizens frustration, took a group of ax men around the town, cutting down poles. It was reported Mayor Grant cut down the first pole himself. Public Officials often took

a stance about the telephone system. In 1905 a local Editor set about correcting a phone problem with a scathing editorial: "One of the prevailing evils of the country telephone lines is the unfortunate habit of a good many people to run to their phones to listen whenever the bell rings, whether it is their ring or not. The identity of these eavesdroppers is always discovered by their neighbors, sooner or later. It may be the striking of a clock in the room or it may be some other familiar sound to the neighbor that tells the tale ...... Don't you think you had better cut it out and save your reputation?"

When the area phones went dial in the early 1960's service here on the creek was still "party line" with five or six houses sharing a common line. You didn't hear the neighbor's phone ring but inadvertently you could overhear a conversation when you picked up your own phone to use it. An elderly lady was very unhappy with the new system because most of her daily entertainment had been "listening" in on everyone's calls when we still had the wall mounted crank phones. Somehow she ingeniously discovered her new desk phone could be placed in a dishpan and it would make a vibration when calls were coming into the party line she shared. It didn't completely satisfy her nosiness but as she remarked to my Grandmother, "It was better than nothing." Our telephone operators handled everything. At Christmas time children would call asking for Santa. People would call wanting to be connected to the service station across from so and so and the Operator actually knew who they meant. Special events in town were advertised by the Operator calling out over the country lines. One long continuous ring brought everyone to the phone to see what "Central" had to tell us. I still recall the long continuous ring in the 1950's that warned us of the prison break in Jefferson City and a convicted killer's return to the County. It was the beginning of a giant man hunt that raged for over a week. Persons would leave word with "Central" where they could be reached if they were expecting a call and many times people would call for the correct time. It was always given in a pleasant tone just like when they said: "Number Please."

### Hunter – Program Speaker at Windsor Chamber of Commerce Meeting

Brad Hunter, Superintendent of Henry County R-1 School District, presented the program at the Windsor Chamber of Commerce meeting, held at the Wagon Wheel Café on Wed., March 12. Supt. Hunter provided information about the school operating tax levy on the ballot of the April 8 election.

The Henry County R-1 School District is proposing a 50-cent increase, which will move the current tax levy ceiling from \$2.75 to \$3.25. Windsor and Warsaw school districts presently have an operating tax of \$2.75, and share the 29th place of 30 school districts in this region. Twenty-five of the 30 schools presently have a tax levy from \$3.25 to \$5.65.

Supt. Hunter explained that the main reason the district is requesting the increase in the tax levy is because the Missouri State Legislature mandated minimum teacher salaries to be \$40,000, and the R-1 District will use the increased funds to bring teacher salaries up to the state-required minimum of \$40,000 per year. The tax increase would take effect for the 2025 tax year.

The ballot for the April 8, 2025 election will read as: "Shall the Board of Education of the Henry County R-1 School District, Missouri, be authorized to increase the operating tax levy by \$0.50000 to \$3.25000 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the purpose of



Brad Hunter, Henry County R-1 School Superintendent, provided information about April 8 school operating tax levy at Windsor Chamber of Commerce luncheon on March 12.

meeting additional operating expenses?"

Persons living within the boundaries of the Henry County R-1 School District may vote in the April 8 election. March 12 is the last day to register to vote. When asked what the district would do if the operating tax levy did not pass, Supt. Hunter said they would be forced to operate with fewer teachers and staff, and class sizes would be increased.

Brad Hunter encouraged persons to talk with him (660) 647-3533, and he is also willing to talk to business or civic organizations. He invited persons to view information on the district Facebook page. Henry County R-1 District residents are invited to town hall meetings scheduled at the Windsor High School Library on Tues., March 18, 6 p.m. and Thurs., Apr. 3, 6 p.m.

# Wesner Receives 32-Gallon Pin at Windsor Community Blood Drive



day, May 15, 12 noon to 6 p.m., at the Windsor United Methodist Church.



and nephews. George Washington had over 40 nieces and nephews, and Martha, too, had several nieces and nephews, many of whom lived at or visited frequently at Mount Vernon.

A large number of slaves lived at Mount Vernon. Martha Washington brought 64 slaves from her first husband's estate to Mount Vernon, and George Washington had inherited 10 slaves at his father's death. More slaves were acquired through inheritance and those born to enslaved families at Mount Vernon. The census of 1799 listed 317 enslaved people were living at Mount Vernon.

To provide food for all the people at Mount Vernon (both free and enslaved persons and visitors) required much food. The Mount Vernon estate included five farms, many acres of timber and woodlands, and home gardens and orchards.

George Washington was a progressive farmer and an advocate of rotating crops. He quit raising tobacco and experimented with different kinds of crops. (The Mount Vernon Ladies Association has a list of more than 140 different grains, crop seeds, and vegetables planted at by George Washington.) Wheat became the main crop at Mount Vernon with part of the wheat used for flour at Mount Vernon and the remainder sold as a cash crop to outside buyers.

Mount Vernon was like a small village with many buildings for agricultural and industrial purposes. Washington designed and built a 16-sided round threshing barn in which Number Please!

It's somewhat amazing the bizarre thoughts one can have while performing repetitious chores. Just yesterday it occurred to me that my cousin Tootie (now passed) was an endangered species. She was the only surviving telephone operator that I had known. You know what I mean, the person that operated the switchboard at "Central" in every town.

Tootie, along with her Sister and her Mother, who was my maternal Aunt moved to Chamois, Mo in the 1950's to operate the local telephone office. My Aunt knew it was a temporary job when she took the position because United Telephone was beginning the conversion of every community to the Dial system. The job provided a miniscule living space along with the front office which housed the switchboard.

The telephone operator plugged the answering cord into the subscribers jack when they rang in and they would then say "number please". The cords came in pairs and the operator plugged the other cord into the called party's jack and then began the ringing cycle. Cousin Tootie explained the ringing switch could be pushed forward and backward. Pushing it the wrong direction would cause the ringing to go back into the ear of the caller. A somewhat unpleasant experience that could have gotten her a real tongue lashing but as she happily recalled: "Everyone was always nice to me because the residents of Chamois were very kind."

To make long distance calls the operator plugged into a trunk circuit which took it to another town. Long distance calls were not fast and it was estimated to take fifteen minutes to place a long distance call in 1918. Poor connections were the rule, not the exception, especially for rural customers out in the country. Poor connections was how Tootie met her husband Louis. Louis was in the army and was trying to call home to his parents who farmed outside of Chamois. Neither party could hear the other but Tootie could hear them both so when Louis talked, Tootie would relay his thoughts to his parents. She would then repeat back to Louis what they said. On Louis' very next trip home he stopped by the telephone office to thank that nice girl and the rest is history as they say.

The living conditions provided by the phone company at "Central" was anything but luxurious. It was not only small but they actually had to step out on the back porch to enter the bathroom. The job was 24/7 so who ever was in charge of the switchboard at night had to sleep on a roll-away bed next to the contraption. At night the ringer was set on an alarm so the operator would wake up and hear the call.



**RODNEY WESNER** enjoyed a snack after donating his 256th pint of blood at the March 13 Windsor Community Blood Drive for which he received a 32-gallon pin.

By Glynna Elliott Morse Thirty-five pints of blood were collected from 40 persons registered for the blood drive held by the Community Blood Center of the Ozarks at the Windsor United Methodist Church on Thursday, March 13.

Rodney Wesner was awarded a 32-gallon pin as he was recognized for having donated 256 pints for a total of 32 gallons which he has donated over the past 68 years. Rodney remembered that he had donated blood for the first time on his birthday on September 9, 1957. He has donated blood at nearly every blood drive except four years when he was first married. He resumed donating blood regularly after his wife, Beverly, received a pint of blood for surgery.

Other blood donor pins were given to Twila Wolf, 9 gallons, and a member of the Amish community, 2 gallons.

Five volunteers assisted in providing snacks and beverages for donors. The women of the Windsor United Methodist Church provided sandwiches and beverages, and the First Baptist Church donated cookies, crackers, and cheese.

The next blood drive in Windsor will be on Thurs-

St. Goodwill donation; proceeds to benefit older adults in community

Sat., Apr. 5. (open 1st & 3rd Sat.), 9 a.m.-noon. Tabitha's Closet. First Baptist Church, 308 S. Tebo, Windsor. Clothing Infant to Adult 6X, bedding & curtains. All items free.

Sat., Apr. 5, 10:30 a.m. Harvester's Food Distribution. Windsor United Methodist Church, Windsor. Ministerial Alliance volunteers distribute food to vehicles lined up on Colt St. Sat., Apr. 12, Windsor Historical Society Monthly Luncheon, 12:15 p.m. and Program, 1:00 p.m. "Mc-Millen Drug Store in Windsor," presented by Mike McMillen. Open to Public; no charge.

Sat, April 12th, 10am, Cole Camp branch. 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. Join us for an exhilarating rocketry workshop and launch! Registration is required by April 5th. Please call 660-827-READ option 2 for more information.

**Every Monday**, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., Exercise Group, Windsor Senior Center. 201 S. Main St. Mostly chair exercises with some standing. Public invited. No fee.

Every Monday & Wednesday, 12:30 p.m. Line Dancing Exercise. Windsor Senior Center. 201 S. Main St. This is a wonderful exercise for all.

**Every Sat.** 9 a.m.- Noon (weather permitting). Tabitha's Closet, First Baptist Church, 308 S/ Tebo. Windsor. Clothing Infant to Adult 6X. bedding & curtains. All items free.

**Every Sunday**, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Windsor Historical Museum, Open Visiting Hours. 214 W. Benton St., Windsor. Guided museum tours open to the public. No charge.

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# Cardinals Will Take On Lincoln At Hammons Field



# CARDINALS BASEBALL @ HAMMONS FIELD

# PURCHASE 1 TICKET, WATCH 2 GAMES!!

CLINTON CARDINALS VS. LINCOLIN CARDINALS MARCH 25TH | 4:30 PM START

SPRINGFIELD CARDINALS VS. WICHITA WIND SURGE APRIL 4TH | 6:35 PM START

### TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW FOR \$12!

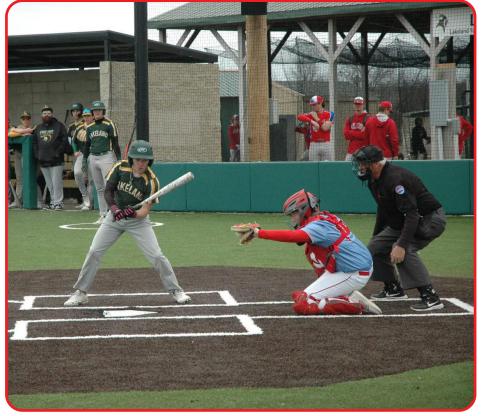
Your Clinton Cardinal Baseball Team will be playing in Springfield, MO at Hammons Field (Home of the AA St. Louis Cardinals Affiliate, Springfield Cardinals) on March 25, and you will not want to miss it! This game is slated to begin

at 4:30 PM. Tickets are on sale now for \$12. Each ticket includes entry to the Clinton Cardinals game on 3/25 and will also include entry to the Springfield Cardinals home opener on 4/4 against the Wichita Wind Surge!

This is an incredible opportunity for our players, and we'd love to see all of our Cardinals fans in attendance to support this talented team.

To purchase tickets, contact Coach Ross or any of the baseball players!

# Batter Up! Clinton Baseball Jamborees At Lakeland



Greyhounds Baseball, Golf Look Forward To Spring

Submitted By Dave Wanninger Windsor Preseason Sports Reports

Baseball: Head coach Brad Forrest and assistant coach Trenton Thompson return to coach the WHS baseball team that had a 19-7 record. Among their losses to graduation included Avvn Burkhart, Parker Craig, and Coby Rhoads. All three notched post-season honors. But that leaves plenty of returning starters for the 2025 campaign. Coach Forrest noted Reece Heany, Carter Miller, Brayden Pipal, Conner Barnes, Robb Hadley, Jude Burkhart, and Adam Hurd as key Greyhounds coming back. The Greyhounds had eighteen athletes out for the opening days of practice.

The Greyhounds first game is this Friday with a road game at Concordia. A new opponent for Windsor this year is Leeton who hosts Windsor April 26. Windsor's first home game is against Sherwood April 27.

Coach Forrest has put together a several good seasons in a row and hopes are high this spring. The Greyhounds have goals of winning conference, district and moving onto state.

**Golf:** Jack and Wendy Daugherty return to coach the golf team for the Greyhounds. Parker Hampton and Seth Roberts were lost to graduation in 2024. Jack Daugherty noted, "Parker especially was a big loss. He was our number one golfer



ADAM HURD

for the last two years. He had much success in the program and was a leader of the team. He was all conference, a state qualifier, and finished in top half in state."

Windsor has fifteen golfers out for the squad. Daugherty commented, "Chase Hampton (Junior) and Camden Harrison (Senior) are my two top performers from last year returning. Both put in a lot of work in the summer and are fighting to take over the number one spot that Parker held. Last year they shot good rounds at districts but narrowly missed the cut. I expect them both to be state qualifiers this year."

Daugherty added, "We had lots of players play golf throughout the summer. It has become tough for Windsor not to have a hometown golf course anymore, but we still have dedicated golfers who will drive and pay to play and stay sharp through the summer. We hosted a camp this summer at Clinton Country Club and even invited junior high students to come and learn the game in hopes of inspiring future players. The Country Club offered WHS golfers a discounted price for membership. Six players took advantage of the discount. We also have a location for our golf simulator, and players come in early before school to hit on it."

Daugherty stated, "My goals for this season would be to perform well at conference and to have a chance to take a team to state. With Tipton switching conferences and Smithton not having a team, I think Windsor might rank first this year for the conference. Cole Camp has been the golf giant for a few years now, but they lost two of their starters." Windsor opens the sea-

Windsor opens the season with the Hounds Invitational at the Clinton Country Club on April 24.



**'TIS THE SEASON** for Clinton baseball as the Cardinals played in a Jamboree at Lakeland where they faced off against the host Vikings and Appleton City. Many players saw time on the field for Coach Ross' team, giving him an insight to his 2025 lineup, including catcher Dylan Lutjen.

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In accordance with Sec. 106 of the Programmatic Agreement, AT&T plans 260' SELF SUPPORT TOWER at 6202 SE HIGHWAY U CLINTON, MO 64735. Please direct comments to Gavin L. at 818-391-0449 regarding the site KSL06248. 3/13, 3/20/25 m13x2c

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO SUBMIT CLAIMS PURSUANT TO SECTION 456-5.505 MISSOURI REVISED STATUTES

To all persons interested in the estate of Vera Lucille Clayton, decedent.

The undersigned, Joyce Elaine Bray, is acting as Trustee under a trust, the terms of which provide the debts of the decedent may be paid by the Trustee upon receipt of proper proof thereof. The address of the Trustee is 3131 South 127th Court, Apartment 310, Omaha, Nebraska 68144. All creditors of the decedent are 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.

Joyce Elaine Bray, Trustee

First publication: MARCH 20, 2025

Publication dates: MARCH 20, 2025, MARCH 27, 2025, APRIL 3, 2025, APRIL 10, 2025

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#### **BIDS WANTED**

BIDS WANTED: Lawn Care for GV Eagles #3667. Bids must be received by March 31, 2025. Mail or deliver to 723 N., 3rd St. Clinton, MO 64735

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#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

In the Estate of: LARRY H. COX, Deceased.

## NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

AND PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF LARRY H. COX, Deceased.

You are hereby notified that the Personal Representative of the above estate will file a Final Settlement and Petition for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest to the real and/or personal property of the decedent and of the extent and character of their interest therein and for distribution of such property in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of St. Clair County, Missouri, on April 8, 2025, or as may be continued by the Court, and that any objections or exceptions to such Final Settlement or Petition or any item thereof must be in writing and filed within twenty days after the filing of such Final Settlement.

Allen Huff, Public Administrator & Personal Representative 100 W. Franklin, Clinton, MO 64735

) Case No.: 24HE-PR00093

BAKER LAW FIRM, L.L.C. By /s/ James Race Leiber James Race Leiber, MBE 73814 P.O. Box 507 Clinton, MO 64735 Ph.: (660) 885-0202 Fax: (660) 885-0226 Em.: race@bakerlawfirmllc.com Attorney for Personal Representative. Dates of Publication: March 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2025 m6x4c

#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

For default under the terms of the Deed of Trust executed by Brian L Mullins, a single person, dated June 10, 2022, recorded on June 13, 2022, in Book 2022 on Page No. 2107, subsequently modified with an agreement recorded on April 23, 2024, in Book 2024 on Page No. 1038, Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Henry County, Missouri. The undersigned Successor Trustee, between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, will on **March 27, 2025, at 11:30 AM** at the North Front Door of the Henry County Courthouse, 100 West Franklin Street, Clinton, Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash (certified funds only) the following real estate:

#### **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Separate sealed bids for the construction of the Wastewater Infrastructure Project: Phase 2 Sewer Main Lining and Repairs – Calhoun, Missouri.

The project consists of lining and repairing existing sanitary sewer collection mains and service laterals.

Bids will be received by City of Calhoun, Missouri, at the office of the City Clerk at City Hall until 10:00 a.m. CST on April 29, 2025, and then publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after the time and date specified above will be returned unopened. Instructions for bid delivery and bid opening location are set forth in the bid documents.

The City of Calhoun reserves the right to award the contract to the "lowest and best responsible bidder". The City further reserves the right to waive any irregularities in any or all bids, reserves the right to determine which is the most responsive, responsible bidder, and to reject or approve the bids. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security of 5% of the total amount of the bid (bid bond, cashier's check, or approved money order payable to the City of Calhoun, Missouri). Work under this contract to be fully complete within 120 calendar days upon Notice to Proceed.

The project is financed in part by the Drinking Water Infrastructure Grant program through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) 2021 and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). The wage rates applicable for this project have been predetermined as required by the State of Missouri Prevailing Wage Law and are set forth in the bid documents. The Contractor shall comply with all requirements regarding immigration and e-verification of citizenship. The Contractor shall also comply with all requirements regarding OSHA safety training. Bonding, insurance, and other requirements and certifications are set forth in the bid documents.

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Copies of the plans, specifications, proposal forms and other contract documents are available to Bidders and may be viewed and ordered online at http://adsplanroom. net, or by contacting American Document Solutions, 1400 Forum Blvd. Suite 7A, Columbia, MO 65203, Phone: (573) 446-7768, Fax: (573) 355-5433, email: orders@adsmo. net, for \$50.00 for each set, which is a non-refundable deposit. Checks should be made payable to "ADS". Shipping and Handling costs will be determined at the time of purchase. m20x4c

#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

For default under the terms of the Deed of Trust executed by Helen M. Jurdan, dated October 23, 2008, recorded on November 10, 2008, in Book 684 on Page No. 1843 as Instrument No. 4069, Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Henry County, Missouri. The undersigned Successor Trustee, between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, will on **April 4, 2025, at 11:00** AM at the North Front Door of the Henry County Courthouse, 100 West Franklin Street, Clinton, Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash (certified funds only) the following real estate:

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to satisfy said debt and costs.

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KENTON GAGE SARGENT-WRISINGER

#### NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME

Case No.: 25HE-DR00015

You are hereby notified that the name of KENTON GAGE SARGENT-WRISINGER has been changed to KEN-TON GAGE SARGENT by Judgment of the Circuit Court of Henry County, Missouri which was entered on the 16th day of February, 2023.

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#### IN THE 27TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

In the Estate of ELIJAH JAMES ALBERS-HURT, Deceased. Case Number: 24HE-PR00127

NOTICE OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION GRANTED (Independent Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of ELIJAH JAMES ALBERS-HURT, Decedent:

On FEBRUARY 18, 2025, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of ELIJAH JAMES ALBERS-HURT, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of HENRY COUNTY, Missouri. The personal representative's business address is:

PATRICIA ALBERS-HURT, 605 NORTH WOOD, CLINTON,

MO 64735

The personal representative may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the court.

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:

JEFFERY ADAMS, 206 S BAIRD – PO BOX 226, CLINTON, MO 64735, (660) 885-2221

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after Decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo.

Date of the decedent's death: 06-OCT-2024 Date of first publication: MARCH 6, 2025

/S/ CRISSY JOHNSTON

PROBATE Clerk

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court. m6x4c

### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, GUYLENE RENEE JOHNSON (a/k/a GUYLENE RENEE FERRIN), a single person, by Deed of Trust, dated August 3, 2020, and recorded on August 18, 2020, in the Recorder's office for Henry County, Missouri in Book 2020, at Page 2355, conveyed to BRITT KROENKE, as Successor Trustee, the following described property, situated in Henry County, Missouri, to wit: FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE W-1/2 OF THE W-1/2 OF THE SW-1/4 OF THE NW-1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 40, RANGE 24, THENCE RUNNING S89°11'51"E 200 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT OF LAND HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE CONTINUE S89°11'51"E 200 FEET; THENCE S0°51'40"W 113.96 FEET; THENCE N89°20'48"W 200 FEET; THENCE N0°51'38"E 114.48 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI, SUBJECT TO A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER A STRIP OF GROUND 15 FEET IN WIDTH ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE THEREOF.

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to satisfy said debt and costs.

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> Marinosci Law Group of Missouri, P.C. Successor Trustee (816) 287-0800

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

Plaintiff/Petitioner: ) SAMUEL ELLIOTT LEDESMA)

EMILY KAY LEDESMA) Case Number: 25HE-PR00008Defendant/Respondent)Nature of Suit:)PR Guardianshi - Minor)

Notice Upon Order For Service By Publication The State of Missouri to: NATHAN D WALTERS, NATURAL FATHER

JOHN DOE, UNKNOWN FATHER

You are notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of Henry County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is Pr Guardianship - Minor and which affects the following described property:

The names of all parties in this action are stated in the caption above and the name and address of the attorney for the petitioner are:

JAMES A WAITS, 401 W 89TH STREET, KANSAS CITY, MO 641143501 816-363-5466

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or otherwise appear and defend against this action within 45 days after MARCH 6, 2025, judgment by default will be entered against you.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Circuit Court this 26th day of February, 2025.

<u>/S/ Crissy Johnson</u> PROBATE Clerk m13x4c

IN THE 27TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION In the Estate of PATRICIA SUE MALONE, Deceased.

Case Number: 25HE-PR00005

NOTICE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY GRANTED (Independent Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of PATRICIA SUE MALONE, Decedent:

On MARCH 7, 2025, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of PA-TRICIA SUE MALONE, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of HENRY COUNTY Missouri. The personal representative may administer the estate independently without adjudication, order, or direction of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court, unless a petition for supervised administration is made to and granted by the court. The name, business address of the personal represen-

tative is:

DONNA G. RYLES, 16504 GREENWALD COURT, BELTON, MO 64012

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:

JEFFERY ADAMS, 206 SOUTH BAIRD, PO BOX 226, CLIN-TON, MO 64735, (660) 885-2221

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after the decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo.

Date of the decedent's death: 21-SEP-2024

Date of first publication: MARCH 20, 2025

#### /S/ CRISSY JOHNSTON PROBATE Clerk

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court. m20x4c which conveyance was made to the above trustee In Trust, to secure the payment of a certain note in said Deed of Trust described; and

WHEREAS, BRITT KROENKE the named Trustee in the above-described Deed of Trust has resigned and pursuant to the terms of said Deed of Trust the Holders have by their Appointment of Substitute Trustee dated March 3rd, 2025, and recorded on March 4th, 2025, at Book 2025, Page 632, of the Deed Records of Henry County, Missouri, appointed the undersigned to serve as substitute trustee. WHEREAS, default was made and still continues in the payment of said note;

**NOW THEREFORE,** at the request of the legal holder of said note, and in pursuance of the provisions of said Deed of Trust, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will sell the property above described at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the north front door of the Henry County Court House in the City of Clinton , Missouri, on **APRIL 4, 2025,** between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and five o'clock p.m., to-wit; **1:00 P.M.** for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the cost of executing this trust.

/s/Gable B. Dull, MO Bar No. 74639 Gable B. Dull, Successor Trustee Dull Law, LLC. 220 W. Main St./PO Box 1495 Warsaw, MO 65355-1495 Tel. No. (660)438-7102 Email: gdull@dulllawoffices.com Dates of Publication: 3/13, 3/20, 3/27 & 4/3/2025

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Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c (b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior written consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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# **LEGAL NOTICES**

The Shawnee R-III School District is seeking bids for lawn care. For more information, please contact the school at 660-885-3620. The bid deadline is Monday, April 7, 2025 at 3:00 pm. Submit bids to Shawnee R-III School, 11913 N. 13 Hwy., Chilhowee, MO 64733 or fax to 660-885-4202. The Shawnee R-III Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. m20x1c

#### **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Leesville R-IX School District is now accepting bids for a new food service provider for the 2025-2026 school year. Interested parties may obtain additional information by contacting the District Office at 8229 E Hwy 7, Clinton, MO 64725, or by calling 660-477-3406.

Sealed bids must be submitted to the District Office no later than 3:00 PM on Monday, April 9, 2025. The Leesville R-IX School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. m20x3c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY, MISSOURI

IN RE: The Establishment of a **Common Sewer District**, Stoneridge Subdivision, Stoneridge Second Addition and Stoneridge Third Addition, Henry County, Missouri

#### Case No.: 25HE-CC00023

#### **County of Henry, Petitioner**

TO: Any Person Who Claims an Interest in any Property Located in Stone Ridge Subdivisions number One, Two and Three and Molly and Dusty Devasher, Henry County, Missouri and Any Person Who Owns any Interest in Property Adjacent thereto:

### NOTICE

A Petition has been filed in the Circuit Court of Henry County, Missouri, as above captioned, for the formation of a common sewer district in Stone Ridge Subdivisions number one, two and three and the adjacent property of Dusty and Molly Devasher. A meeting of the below listed Commissioners who were appointed by the Court to establish the boundaries of the proposed common sewer district will be held on the 5th day of May, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Commission Meeting Room in the basement of the Henry County Courthouse for the purpose of establishing the boundaries of the proposed common sewer district. You have the right to be present at said meeting and be heard as to the location of the boundaries of the proposed district and the common sewer district commissioners shall, after the hearing fix and determine the boundaries of the proposed district.

Michael L. Taylor, Commissioner Ron Arthur, Commissioner Dennis Sieger, Commissioner

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For default of payment, all items from the following storage units will be sold at auction on MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025. Registration begins at 3:30pm inside the **RE/MAX** building 5 NE 91 Rd. The sale, sold as whole unit lot(s), will commence at 5 NE 91 Rd, Clinton, MO at 4:10pm and progress to other locations. Unit(s) located at Remax: #1, #3 Unit(s) located on Swisher Drive: #103, #122, #214, #511, #513 Unit(s) located on Water St Ext: #149, #239, #279, #287, #303. #383 Unit(s) located on Washington: #23, #209 Call 660-885-2201 with questions. STORE-N-MOOR, Clinton, MO



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The Democrat is in search of an additional reporter to better cover our community. This individual should be friendly, hard-working, and reliable. Will be required to write, conduct interviews, take photos, etc. Experience is preferred. Please send resumes to: clintondailydemocrat@gmail.com or drop them off in person at 104 S Main St, Clinton, MO

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Ellett Memorial Hospital is partnering with Community Blood Center to host a Blood Drive at the Hospital Friday, April 4 from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the Outpatient Clinic. You can schedule your appointment at savealifenow.org/group. Enter Group Code: EG2B. For more information, contact Julie Grubb at 660-476-5243 or julie.grubb@ ellettmemorial.com or Kayla Orear at 660-476-5214 or kayla.orear@ellettmemorial.com.

Children's Center Casino Night is scheduled for April 5 at the Adrian Optimist Building. A catered dinner will be from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Casino and mouse races from 7:00 -9:30. A raffle and auction will take place after the casino. The cost is \$35 per person. Tickets will be available at the door. Proceeds benefit Children's Center serving child abuse victims and their families in Bates, Henry and St. Clair Counties. THE COUNTRY STORE Ellett Memorial Hospiat Shawnee Mound. 11761 tal Appleton City offers N Highway 13 Chilhowee, outpatient specialist ser-MO 64733. 660-525-2064. vices for March, 2025. Open 9-5 Monday-Satur-Call 660-476-2111 for apday, 1-5 on Sunday. We carpointments. Mar 20- Pory discount housewares, diatry- Dr. Pace, Mar 25clothes, perfume, jewelry, Rheumatology-Dr. John, furniture, and More! Don't Mar 26 Ortho – Dr. Gray, forget we have Vendor Mar 26 - Ophthalmolobooths with antiques and gy-Dr. Soni, Mar 27-Neucollectibles. We also offer rology-Dr. Shoaib. "The Little Apple" was outdoor vending \$ 25 for Friday and Saturday in our started by the A. C. Ecoparking lot. Come on out nomic Development as way of informing residents of news and events sponsored by area businesses **BIG JEREMIAH 29:11** and organizations. Items of a clearly personal nature, such as birthdays, anniversaries, awards (not SATURDAY, MARCH 29, group sponsored), personal sales and the like are 2025 at 1201 East Ohio not accepted for publicafrom 9:00 a.m. until Noon. tion. Items may be edited There are no income refor accuracy, grammar or quirements. Everyone is space restrictions. Please email articles for "The Lit-Personal hygiene items, tle Apple" to dcp81@emover the counter medibargmail.com by Tuesday cines, kitchen, home décor, evenings or bring them to bath, electronics, clothing, Dr. Payton's office to be inpet supplies, toys, sports, cluded in that week's ediseasonal decorations, and tion. To receive "The Little Apple" free by e-mail, Please bring something to or to be removed from the email list, send your Please note: No one will be e-mail address to dcp81@ permitted to make piles of embarqmail.com If you have changed your email address, please send the current address, so the list can be updated. **CALENDAR OF EVENTS** March 20 Spring begins March 21 Immaculate Conception Church Lenten Fish Fry Dinner 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's School Hall

# **NOTICE OF SALE** m5x4p **LEESVILLE** Preschool and kindergarten screenings This screening is for stu-

dents who will be entering preschool or kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school vear. Students must be 3 on or before July 31, 2025 to be

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eligible for our preschool program. We have a limited number of spots available so preference is given for developmental needs and age.

Students must be 5 on or before July 31, 2025 for kindergarten.

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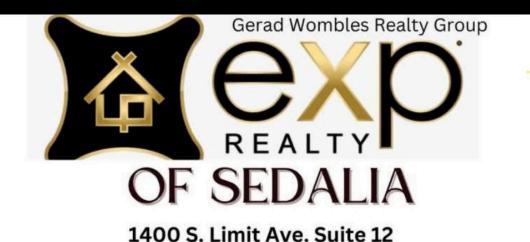
#### MARCH 12, 2025

Immaculate Conception Church Lenten Fish Fry Dinners will be served March 21 and April 4 from 5:00 -7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's School Hall, Montrose. They plan to serve dine-in and carry out. The menu is fried fish, Suzy Q's, cole saw, corn bread, cookies and a drink. Adults eat for \$12, children under 10 for \$6. They are serving the best fish around!

St. Clair County Quilt Guild will sponsor a second Quilters and Crafters Day Out 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. March

March 22 St. Clair County Quilt Guild Quilters and Crafters Day Out 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Lowry City Community Center





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