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Government shut-down concerns unwarranted, area superintendents agree; food services OK

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Area school district superintendents say food services programs will continue, despite the partial government shut-down.

While balances are either over-budget or closeto budgeted amounts, superintendents say it has nothing to do with the government shut-down.

Maries R-2 School District Superintendent Dr. Patrick Call said their lunch account has a negative balance of \$32,273.68. However, he attributes that to shorter months in November and December.

“It’s not due to the government shut-down,” Call said. “We always run behind, especially this time of year. It’s typical that since December is a short month, the payment for December is smaller. So we are playing catch-up.”

He said the district does not expect to receive a payment in January.

“The way things are going, they will catch it up, but the district has to carry the negative balance longer,” Call said.

He added that the Belle schools receive a higher reimbursement payment in June when everything is done. That amount helps to balance the account.

Gasconade County R-2 in Owensville has a year-to-date expense of \$327,206.94 and year-to-date revenue of \$328,054.47.

“We are about \$1,000 above water,” said Owensville Superintendent Dr. Chuck Garner. “That is about \$10,000 less than last year.”

Garner said it isn’t the government shut-down that has affected the lunch account as much as a decrease in participation and an increase in cost of supplies. He listed the cost of food, supplies, equipment, and salaries to name a few.

“We can’t afford for participation to go down,” Garner said, while adding that

there was a federally mandated minimum 10-cent increase last year. “We also have to keep a line on expenses,” Garner said.

The Owensville district is right under half of their expected food program budget for the year.

Superintendent Chuck Woody in the Osage County R-3 district located in Westphalia, said the shut-down has not affected their food service program to-date.

“I also saw an article (Monday) dealing with SNAP which is a portion that ties in for students on either reduced or free meals and that program is still okay at least at the moment,” Woody shared. “As far as year-to-date, we are within our outlined budget and have no concerns in that area.”

The Westphalia district’s budget is currently \$114,639.40 in year-to-date expenses on student portion or 57 percent of the line item. The adult lunch account has expenses is \$5,767.95 or 44 percent of the line item.

Superintendent Lyle Best, Osage County R-1 District in Chamois, echoed Woody’s response.

“Same as Chuck (Woody) on reimbursement for meals,” Best said. “I believe the latest notice was that funding was good through February service.”

Best said the district’s food service program is right in line with their projected expenditures as well.

“We have spent \$65,965 on food service through December — 44 percent of the (food services) budget. Federal revenue (reimbursement) is \$29,611. Local revenue \$18,783,” Best said. “No concerns as of now relating to the shut-down.”

It may be that the Osage County R-2 district in Linn has communicated the most with students and parents regarding the lunch situation. Superintendent Dr. Lenice Basham said despite false rumors that the shut-down would force all students

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PHOTO BY DAVE MARNER

KRIS ALTEMEYER, assistant principal at Owensville High School, visits Thursday with students during the first lunch shift including (from left) Jessica Gill, Reba Hupfeld (partially hidden), Taylor Lancaster and Gracie McGee. Altemeyer was selected the night before as principal for the 2019-20 school year following the announcement by Cindy Hawkins that she would retire in June to focus her attention on a family health concern.

Altemeyer named next OHS principal

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Kris Altemeyer, Owensville High School (OHS) assistant principal, was awarded the OHS principal position Jan. 16 with a 5-0 vote by the Gasconade County R-2 Board of Education.

When asked about his goals for the school, Altemeyer said he wants to continue the legacy.

“We have a great student body and a great faculty,” Altemeyer said. “I want to continue to help with the successes we have. Mrs. (Cindy) Hawkins has been a great influence for me and I can’t thank her enough for helping me. I am excited.”

Altemeyer is a “hometown boy” and says the Owensville school district is exactly where he wants to be.

“This is my home, my hometown,” Altemeyer said. “I love this district and I love working here. My goal is to do what I can, help the building grow, and help the district grow.”

“We are excited that Kris was selected,” said Superintendent Dr. Chuck Garner. “He has a lot of energy and is going to do great things. It is bitter-sweet to say good-bye to Ms. Hawkins.” Altemeyer has been with the district since August 2003 and

was promoted from coach and math teacher at OHS during the 2018 school year to assistant principal under Hawkins. Hawkins was hired in August 2015 following a string of short-term administrators. Altemeyer does not plan to follow the same pattern as the last few.

“I can speak for myself honestly, I have every intention of working in this district until I retire and want to make sure I do everything I can,” he said. “I went to school here. I want to make sure I focus on this building specifically.”

Altemeyer started his teaching career at Hermann High School from 2002-03 before he came to Owensville in 2003.

He has a Bachelor of Arts degree in secondary education from Westminster College in 2002; a master of educational administration certificate for grades 7-12 in 2009; and holds certificates in Missouri Initial Administration and Missouri Career Continuous Teaching.

“Dr. Garner and Dr. (Jeri Kay) Hardy also have been great,” Altemeyer added. “They have supported me a lot the whole time I have worked with them and I look forward to continue working with them.”

Altemeyer will ascend to principal’s job at OHS in July for the 2019-20 school year.

Hale, Huff received Honorary Trooper awards

JEFFERSON CITY — Two Owensville teens, crediting with saving the lives of themselves, a sibling and their father during a medical emergency while he was driving last fall through Osage County, were presented Honorary Missouri State Highway Patrol Trooper Certificates on Thursday during a ceremony at Troop F headquarters.

Capt. Michael A. Turner, commanding officer of Troop F in Jefferson City, said Gabby Hale and Arissa Huff were awarded Missouri State Highway Patrol Honorary Trooper Certificates because of their coura-

geous actions on Oct. 30, 2018.

According to Turner, the Honorary Trooper Certificate is presented to a non-employee who performs in an exemplary manner, and under dangerous conditions, to aid another, or who unselfishly assists a member in the performance of their duties. The young women were nominated due to their actions after an incident in Gasconade County.

On Oct. 30, the girls’ father, Ian Huff, of Owensville, was driving eastbound on U.S. Highway 50, between Linn and Mt. Sterling with his three children. At some

point while he was driving in Osage County, Huff suffered a medical emergency and could no longer influence the speed and direction of the vehicle.

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OWENSVILLE TEENS Arissa Huff (left) and Gabby Hale were recipients Thursday of Honorary Trooper Certificates from Missouri State Highway Patrol Capt. Michael A. Turner, Troop F commander. Their father, Ian Huff, had a medical emergency during the October 2018 incident which resulted in their award.



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Local schools awarded \$200 OACF grants for emergency student supplies

Owensville Area Community Foundation (OACF) on Monday awarded \$200 grants to all four schools in the Gasconade County R-2 School District and to Immanuel Lutheran School in Rosebud for their respective emergency student supply funds.

These grants will provide much needed funding to assist with student emergency needs such as warm coats, shoes, and school supplies.

“Students at our area schools are sometimes facing family crisis situations that impact their ability to have access to basic needs,” according to a release from the OACF’s board of directors. “These students are facing very difficult odds when tasked to focus on school work. Imagine not having a warm coat and waiting for a bus on a



PHOTO BY ROXIE MURPHY

SHANNON GRUS (center), president of the Owensville Area Community Foundation, on Monday presented \$200 grants for local school emergency student supply programs. Administrators accepting the grants included (from left) Teresa Schulte (OMS), Julie Wilson (Immanuel Lutheran in Rosebud), Cindy Hawkins (OHS), Jennifer Hall (Gerald), and Dr. Scott Davidson (OES). Grant were presented during the Gasconade County R-2 School District’s Board of Education meeting.

cold day and then being expected to take a test or write a paper with clarity and focus.

“The OACF hopes these funds will pro-

vide some much needed funding to make a difference in the lives of area students,” OACF directors added. “We are pleased to

be able to assist the schools as they work to ensure all area children receive the quality education they deserve.”

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Science night a hit at OES

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County bicentennial prompts name study

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Dutchmen win two in OT

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“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’” — MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



A NEW ADVENTURE

The real climate deniers

Who are the real climate deniers? That is my question for this week. Last week the big climate news was a report claiming that the oceans are warming 40 percent faster than predicted five years ago.

In the report they stated that in 2018 the ocean was at it's "hottest on record."

These two statements, "40 percent faster" and "hottest on record" are meant to scare you and me.

They are presented as undeniable truths to keep any dissenting views from being heard.

To say hottest on record is like me saying that yesterday was the coldest day in 2019. It is relative. When they say hottest on record understand that we have only been keeping track of the ocean temperature for around 130 years. We have been keeping track of air temperatures for a little over 150 years.

Compared to the age of the earth — approximately 4.5 billion years — 150 years is infinitesimally small. Everyone calls those like me climate deniers because we don't believe in man made climate change. Notice I said man made. The real deniers are those who only believe that man can change the climate and that the changes that occur in the climate cannot be part of any natural climate cycles. They are the deniers.

From the 16th to the 19th centuries scientists know there was a period of cooling called the "Little Ice Age." Coincidentally this comes after a time that is

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referred to the "Medieval Warm Period" that lasted from 950 to 1250.

According to Wikipedia the possible causes of the Medieval Warming Period include increased solar activity and decreased volcanic activity. Causes for the Little Ice Age are cited as cyclical lows in solar radiation and heightened volcanic activity.

These are all just theories. The climate change we are currently going through is just assumed to be the fault of humans and not part of some natural cycle in the climate system.

Let me be totally honest with you. I am not a climatologist. My expertise is limited to publishing a newspaper, selling advertising and singing. Most of what I have just said is my opinion based on experience and a little research.

But, most of those trying to scare us by telling us

the earth is going to come to an end are not climate experts either. Many are journalists and politicians.

A climatologist I like to reference is Dr. Roy Spencer. You can see what Dr. Spencer has to say about this claim — that the oceans are warming 40 percent faster — along with his credentials, at Dr-RoySpencer.com.

This figure was the result of one of 33 reanalysis from a study of ocean temperatures from 1971 to 2010. The one they chose to report on had, you guessed it, the most warming.

According to Dr. Spencer "the reason why there are so many reanalysis is because the signal they are looking for in the ocean data amounts to about 3- or 4-hundredths of a degree Celsius per decade, that's less than 4-thousands of a degree per year warming."

But no story would get any attention, or scare the public about global warming with numbers like that, because they are trivial.

On the next point of contention — that in 2018 the ocean was the hottest on record — the average temperature of the ocean, from the surface down to 200 meters is only in the 40s degree Fahrenheit.

These are just examples of how figures get exaggerated for attention and to scare us.

Years ago, in July, on a trip to San Francisco I put my foot into the Pacific Ocean. I stopped with my foot because it was too cold. In my opinion the

Pacific Ocean, at least, could use a little warming.

Another good point from Dr. Spencer is "the rate of warming of the whole climate, supposedly the result of CO2, all temperature change is all a function of energy gained and energy lost, that temperature imbalance in the climate system is responsible for the warming we're seeing is one part of 260. We don't know any of the energy flows in and out of the climate system to that level of accuracy."

They generate these climate models where the climate system is forced to be in balance. They jimmy the numbers until the climate models don't cause warming or cooling then they put CO2 in, CO2 causes warming, then they say see our models agree."

In other words they twist the facts to suit their theories instead of changing the theory to suit the facts.

I don't believe those who keep telling us the world is coming to an end.

On Jan. 27, 2006 Al Gore predicted that there would be an Armageddon doomsday if drastic measures were not taken in the next 10 years to reduce our energy usage. Well those 10 years have come and gone. We're still here.

On Monday another politician, Democrat Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez warned us that "the world is gonna end in 12 years if we don't address climate change." Start the countdown.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Can Trump Administration use asset forfeiture funds to build border wall?

BY KANYA BENNETT

Hawaiian vacation. Margarita machine. Sparkles the Clown. Are we going to add Trump's border wall to the list of "ridiculous things" that civil asset forfeiture funds have been spent on.

It seems so if left up to this administration.

Two congressional Republicans recently told the Associated Press that the administration had been looking at civil asset forfeiture funds to finance the border wall's construction. And it's easy to see why. The federal government's forfeiture fund currently has \$3.7 billion in cash, but over \$7.6 billion in assets. For the Trump administration, what could be more tempting than liquidating this slush fund to build the wall it wants a new influx of \$5.7 billion for?

This scheme exemplifies all that is wrong with civil asset forfeiture, which occurs when law enforcement takes property away from someone based on the mere suspicion it is connected to a crime. To be clear — because people can't believe this is a thing — you do not have to be arrested or convicted of a

crime to have your property seized and taken under civil asset forfeiture.

And once forfeited, local law enforcement in many places can use this money for almost anything it wants. This is how civil forfeiture has earned the nickname "policing for profit." And this is why the Trump administration thinks forfeiture funds are on the table for a border wall.

That assumption at the federal level, however, is mistaken.

Building a wall with federal forfeiture funds is no slam dunk. Federal law limits the use of such funds to certain law enforcement purposes. "Border wall" is not one of them. And it doesn't look like Congress would take action to change the law so that "border wall" is a permissible expense. Even though we've heard a member of Congress suggest that a wall should be built with forfeiture funds, most federal officials are strongly opposed to civil forfeiture.

Sen. Mike Lee (D-Utah), a civil forfeiture reformer, questioned attorney general nominee William Barr on the practice earlier this month. Lee got Barr to concede that you "have to strike the right balance" on civil forfeiture. In 1991, Barr

said that civil asset forfeiture could give law enforcement a "speed-trap mentality" where agencies pursue forfeitures to line their own coffers.

And last week, Reps. Tim Walberg (R-Mich.) and Jamie Raskin (D-Md.) kicked off the 116th Congress by participating in a briefing on civil asset forfeiture reform, with Walberg sharing his plan to again reintroduce the FAIR Act, a comprehensive reform bill on the subject. Last Congress, the House adopted bipartisan amendments to a spending bill that would have prohibited the Justice Department from using federal dollars to increase forfeiture practices, but those amendments were not included in the final package.

When 84 percent of constituents oppose civil asset forfeiture, and 76 percent of voters are more likely to support candidates who back forfeiture reform, elected officials better listen. And this administration should listen to those who are saying building a wall with forfeiture "might be the worst idea yet."

(Kanya Bennett is a senior legislative counsel at the American Civil Liberties Union).

HOMETOWN BOY

Old skill of livestock judging still used in genomic test era

Tradition provides building blocks, the foundation of our future. Tradition ties us to the past, slowing of forward progress.

Ideas hit extremes as the MU animal science department struggles with teaching livestock judging. Our tradition contains award-winning livestock judging teams.

A few years back judging teams were cut. Teams are expensive. They aren't needed now. Modern livestock evaluation isn't based on looks. Genetic testing is better. DNA guides animal selection, today.

Ideas divided faculty. But, cuts in budgets weighed more than reasons. The coach and teams went away.

Reactions from former livestock judges were harsh. Upset alums threatened no more gifts.

Bill Lamberson, current director of animal science, opened a search for a faculty member to coach and teach livestock evaluation. Pros and cons arose again.

I favor teaching live animal judging. But I see judging as a small part of livestock farming. Now data guides replacement selection. Genomic testing changed things.

I recall the reluctance of a former animal science faculty member. He didn't buy into DNA testing. "I want to see if the animal can walk," he said.

My judging days are long past. It was part of 4-H beef projects. Club project taught showing and judging livestock. Evaluation was a part of animal husbandry in college, long before DNA tests were known.

Today we do both. I see it happen at the MU Show-Me-Select replacement heifer sales. But, some buyers look only at sale catalog data. They don't bother looking at what they plan to buy.

What you see in the pens out back are body conditions of heifers. Too fat or too thin makes differences in those future cows.

Friday, I listened to the third candidate for the MU coach and teacher. He came from a nearby land-grant university where they still teach judging teams.

He gave a well-reasoned talk on what evaluation should be today. It's looks and data. Livestock judging must change. It's looks and genetics.

For a few years, MU had training at Trowbridge Center for 4-H and FFA members from across the state. The teens were given herd scenarios to frame their decision thinking. Then a large group of animals was brought in. These came on loan from nearby livestock farms. The students' job, pick the top animals to save for breeding stock.

Those events sponsored by MU and Missouri Department of Agriculture went away. The MU faculty leader was gone.

In livestock judging there's more than ranking placements of four animals, top to bottom. The vital part becomes "giving reasons." After animals are taken away, each student must tell their judge why they placed the number four animal as No. 1 and on down the line.

First they give their placings. "I rank this class four, two, one, three." Then they recall and tell why for each animal.

Student judges learn to see and retain those images and then tell in a brief summary their reasons. This takes skill that can be learned. Students learn to reason and speak up.

I'm amazed watching this part. It's ultra-communications.

Over the years, I saw that some of our best Extension livestock agents were former livestock team members. They reasoned and spoke up. We need more of that especially in political leadership.

Our job seeker pointed out that many people in state leadership in government and commodity groups come from livestock teams.

Judging teaches social skills that last a lifetime. I favor bringing that tradition back. I've seen so many former team members make meaningful talks to farmers. They still use their "reasons" skills.

As we left the seminar Friday, a retired faculty member who had heard all candidates noted this one was a former MU judging team member. And, noted he was most articulate in his thought process. I noted he showed excellent, concise, PowerPoint slides.

There is more to judging than livestock. It teaches communications. We need that tradition.

Send your reasons to duanedaily7@gmail.com



by **DUANE DAILEY**

REPORT FROM THE 62ND DISTRICT

House adopts new rule to protect constituents; SNAP benefit for February expected this week

BY STATE REP. TOM HURST

Missouri's 62nd District

The Missouri House took action this week to implement the rules members will follow and operate under for the 100th General Assembly. The rules govern everything from the authority granted to the Speaker to refer bills, to the makeup and responsibilities of House committees, to the decorum that must be maintained in the House Chamber.

The rules adopted this week also contain a new provision meant to address the sensitive and private information that constituents sometimes share with their elected officials. Voters approved Amendment 1 in November to make member emails and correspondence subject to the state's sunshine law. Members are working diligently to fulfill the sunshine requests they have received, and to make government as open and transparent as possible. At the same time, they remain sensitive to the need to maintain the privacy of constituents who share personal information that is not meant for public consumption.

The new rule approved by the House simply gives members the ability to protect the private, personal information shared by their constituents. Members have noted that constituents sometimes share information ranging from a social security number to the details of a serious health condition. In an effort to keep this type of information out of the public domain, House members voted this week to protect their constituents and the private information they share.

Food stamp (SNAP) benefits will arrive a month early due to partial federal government shutdown

Missourians who are eligible for food stamp (SNAP) benefits were to receive their February allocation starting Sunday (Jan. 20). The United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), which administers the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or food stamp program, informed states that payments for the February SNAP benefits must be issued early due to the partial federal government shutdown.

Missourians will be notified of this

change and must be aware that this is an early payment of the February food stamp benefit.

"It's important for families to understand that they will not get a food stamp benefit again in February, and we caution them to not immediately spend the benefit because it must feed their family for both months," said Steve Corsi, who serves as the director of the Missouri Department of Social Services.

Food stamp benefits are 100 percent federally funded and are not appropriated through the Missouri state budget. In December 2018, the food stamp program served 327,740 Missouri families or 703,365 individuals and the average benefit per household was \$256.81 or \$119.66 per person. Each month, Missouri receives approximately \$84.2 million in food stamp benefits from the federal government.

Although the Department of Social Services, Family Support Division continues to accept and process food stamp applications, FNS does not guarantee eligible applicants will receive SNAP benefits during the partial shutdown.

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CAPITOL PERSPECTIVES

State of the State

BY PHILL BROOKS

Missouri's new governor, Mike Parson, has done something simple, but remarkable to return one of the governor's major duties to a more substantive platform.

He changed the time of the annual State of the State address from the evening hours to mid-afternoon.

That's more significant than you might realize. It returned the State of the State address from a theatrical show designed for a TV audience back to a more substantive public policy presentation to lawmakers.

The state Constitution actually does not require a speech to the legislature. It does not even use the term "State of the State."

Instead, the Constitution only requires that the governor deliver "to the general assembly information as to the state of government and shall recommend to its consideration such measures as he shall deem necessary and expedient."

For as long as I've covered the statehouse, the nicknamed "State of the State" presentation always has been a formal speech to a joint session of the legislature—just like the "State of the Union" address to Congress by the president.

For many years, governors made their legislative presentations during the day. But in 2005, that changed. Gov. Matt Blunt gave his address in the evening to get a television audience in prime-time hours. Although being a bit brief, the content of Blunt's speech retained a focus on policy.

However, many subsequent governors seemed obsessed with the video possibilities, both for what they hoped would be a large TV audience, but also for potential campaign video. It changed the address from a policy discussion with legislators to a TV show.

It had become a stage performance that I suspect would be unimaginable to the earlier governors I have covered. One demonstration of this focus on a TV appearance was governors practicing their presentations behind closed doors of the House chamber the night before.

I was not surprised at Parson's decision about the timing of his speech. As a legislator, I found him to be more focused on policy and process than theatrics.

His speech was not a detailed policy presentation. But it also was not a speech to rally the public. Instead, it was a presentation to inspire legislators about Parson's vision—more akin to what I suspect had been the objective of our Constitution's authors.

But there also were some surprises on the day of the State of the State.

Unlike prior administrations, for the pre-speech briefing by the governor's budget director, Parson's administration did not provide a summary table breaking down how the governor was recommending funds be allocated among state departments.



by PHILL BROOKS

So our questions of the budget director were not as focused on policy decisions like past years, but were dominated by questions that easily could have been answered by the two-page summary showing how much would be spent on areas like education and welfare—leaving time for more substantive and detailed questions.

I wondered if the administration thought that by delaying release of that information, it would be difficult in the hectic hours later in the day to uncover an ugly truth about the budget—that a projected small growth in tax collections and legally mandated spending increases for Medicaid were leaving fewer extra dollars for public schools and universities.

But the biggest surprise on the State of the State day for me was Parson's decision to continue the practice of recent governors refusing to take questions about the details of his recommendations immediately after his speech.

Previous governors had an excuse when their speeches were given in the evening—it was too late for a news conference. But with Parson's speech in mid-afternoon, there was plenty of time. To his credit, he did have various executive branch officials in his office after his speech for us to ask questions about the governor's plans.

But I wanted to ask the man himself about his recommendations for the next day stories.

Does the growth in Medicaid costs, despite a declining number of recipients, cause Parson to wonder whether the recent expansion of managed care was a mistake?

As a Republican conservative, does he have any concerns about a \$350 million bond-issue debt to repair and replace deteriorated bridges?

Avoiding those kind of questions after his address is so out of character for the man I covered when he was in the legislature and lieutenant governor. He had been among the most accessible and candid officials I've covered.

But I'll write more about that in a future column.

(Phill Brooks has been a Missouri statehouse reporter since 1970. He is the statehouse correspondent for KMOX Radio, director of Missouri Digital News and an emeritus faculty member of the Missouri School of Journalism. He has covered every governor since the late Warren Hearnes).



PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER

Knight honored

Owensville Fire Department Deputy Chief Darren Knight (above, on left) was selected by the volunteer members as their 2018 Fire Fighter of the Year. Presenting the award was Chief Scott Stranghoener. Knight, shown covered in insulation in early 2018 at a house fire in Tea, is credited with the countless hours he spends helping with vehicle maintenance and training activities. Knight received his award at their Jan. 12 banquet.



OACF grants • From page 1

The foundation is an affiliate of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks. The foundation has a local board of directors who direct and guide the foundation. The current board of directors are Shannon Grus, Kyle Laimore, Rich Niewald, Glenn Ely, Teresa Schulte, Robin Leach, Tyler Ahring and Julie Peanick.

The mission of the OACF is to establish, maintain and distribute a fund, or funds, for the purpose of providing grants to charitable, educational and municipal organizations or individuals in the Owensville area with the purpose of addressing health and wellness, education, hunger relief, environment and community betterment. Since its inception the foundation has provided grants to area organizations including Helping Hands Outreach, Owensville Community Theatre, and MOB.

The foundation's ability to be diverse is one of its greatest assets. As an affiliate, the foundation not only has their own endowment and grant-making funds, but provides support to those individuals and organizations in the community who wish to partner with the foundation.

Partner organizations and individuals receive benefits of being under the umbrella of the CFO which includes fund management, 501(c)(3) status, investment management, donor management, and scholarship management. Currently the OACF has 13 funds totaling just over \$226,500 under their umbrella. These funds include the Owensville Chamber's fully endowed scholarship fund, the Owensville Veteran's Memorial Fund which includes the land management portion of the fund, and the MOB (Making Owensville Better) fund.

For a complete list of funds visit <http://cfo-ozarks.org/owensville/>.

Foundation directors encourage everyone who might be interested in finding out more about starting a scholarship fund, creating a family foundation, or those looking to provide support to the various established organizations in the area through a donation of land, stock or other assets, to contact the OACF.

The Owensville Area Community Foundation awards funds on as-needed basis through their grant-making fund. All area organizations are encouraged to apply for grants from the foundation.

Contact any of the OACF directors or the group's president, Shannon Grus, at either 636-358-2228 or by email at Shannon.grus@gmail.com.

MSHP award • From page 1

Gabby, 14, who was in the back seat, called their mother and 911. Arissa, 14, was in the front passenger seat and took over steering the car from her father.

Their father's foot was still on the accelerator.

With instruction over the cellular telephone from Osage County dispatcher Colet Davis, Arissa steered the car for several miles as they headed east toward the Gasconade River bridge.

During the long, downhill descent into the river valley, Davis provided instruction to the young driver. As they approached the bridge complex, Arissa shifted the car in neutral and safely steered the car to the right shoulder as they approached the incline leading up onto the bridge. They had traveled an estimated four to five miles since

Gabby first made contact with Davis at the 911 center in Linn.

When they came to a stop, Huff's foot was still on the accelerator. As instructed, Arissa turned the engine off and placed the transmission into park. A third child who was sitting

in the back seat, a younger brother, was also unharmed. Troopers located the vehicle on the shoulder of U.S. 50 at the Gasconade River Bridge. Huff was conscious, but unresponsive. EMS was directed to the location and treated him for

what was believed to have been a complication from diabetes.

"Miss Hale and Miss Huff acted quickly and decisively in a dangerous situation," said Turner. "We are certain their actions prevented a traffic crash and likely saved lives."

Former area woman dies in Lincoln County crash caused by alleged drunken driver

A former area woman died Jan. 15 in a head-on crash on Highway 79 in Lincoln County as result of an allegedly intoxicated motorist who drove into her lane.

Zola A. Rodey, 60, Winfield, Mo., was pronounced dead at the scene of the 12:35 p.m. crash this past Tuesday. Rodey was driving a 1999 Jeep Cherokee south on Highway 79 south of Route C when a 2008 Dodge Ram pickup truck traveling north crossed into her path.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol Major Crash Unit reconstruction of the incident, Cannon J. Alonzo's Ram truck hit Rodey head-on and rotated, im-

pacting the front of a third vehicle, a 2006 Ford Explorer driven by Marilyn K. Tillotson, 72, Elsberry, Mo. She was not injured. Rodey and Tillotson both wore seat belts the MSHP reported. Cannon did not.

Cannon, 55, also of Winfield, was seriously injured. He was arrested at 1:01 p.m. at scene and released to be taken by St. Charles County ambulance to St. Joseph Hospital in St. Charles. He faces felony charges for driving while intoxicated as a chronic offender and causing another person's death.

Court records show Cannon has prior guilty pleas in Lincoln County to driving while intoxicated charges

from 2003 and 2007. The second resulted in a 90-day county jail term and two years of supervised probation (completed in April 2009).

He was issued citations on Jan. 2 in St. Charles County for speeding 26 to 30 miles and hour over the posted limit and driving while suspended or revoked. Those cases are from a Nov. 20, 2018, report.

Rodey was raised and schooled in Bland. She raised her son, Robert Huesgen, now in Florida, and daughters, Heather Bossaller (Sullivan) and Sarah Parker Texas) in Owensville. She is also survived by sons Adam and Joseph Rodey of Winfield and Arizona respectively.

Food services • From page 1

to pay full-price for lunches, the district will continue to provide free and reduced-price meals.

"Linn will continue to provide meals for our free/reduced lunch students during the shut-down," Basham said. "An email went out to all of our parents last week telling them that."

Basham said the district has expended 52 percent of its Food Service Program budget year-to-date, which is in line with their projections.

"Meal prices for parents will remain the same as they were prior to the shut-down," Basham reassured parents. "We have no concerns right now."

Rescheduled meeting needed to pay bills, approve emergency truck repairs

BY ROXIE MURPHY
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Bland's Board of Aldermen held a rescheduled city meeting at 8 a.m. Thursday to approve repairs to the city's dump truck before the forecasted Jan. 19 weather event.

Rodney Turner, the city's Public Works director, said the small dump truck made it through the Jan. 11-13 snow storm, but then broke down the following Monday. City Clerk Rachel Anderson shared Turner's concerns with the Maries County Advocate Thursday morning after the meeting.

"The cylinder went out on the plow Sunday, and they couldn't lift or lower the plow," Anderson related. "Monday they had it back out, but then the clutch went out."

The clutch and fly wheel were diagnosed as the problem, and Turner said he already spoke with Ira Thompson in Belle about repairs. The parts are in stock. The board approved repairs between \$2,500 and \$3,000, said Anderson.

Turner has been using the new dump truck with attachments the city purchased in June 2018, and approved to sell at the Dec. 10, 2018, meeting to clear up the streets.

However, he and Mayor Ron Shafferkoetter said the new dump truck is too big for the city streets for that situation to continue.

"Every time they met a car, they had to back up to an intersection to let the vehicle through," Anderson said. She added that the plow was too big to clear under mailboxes and other similar structures.

Shafferkoetter asked how the repairs would be paid for and the City Treasurer Lyndsay Gray said it would come out of the budget for sewer and streets. "What happens if we run short in May in those departments," Shafferkoetter asked. "We borrow from reserves," Gray said.

The board voted 3-0 to pay the bills and repair the dump truck.

This meeting was rescheduled from Jan. 14 when the regular meeting was canceled for lack of quorum. Anderson said aldermen were going to meet long enough to pay the bills at a later date, but when the dump truck broke down, they needed to schedule repairs quickly.

Aldermen Gary Lee, Sherry Spradling, and Tommy Thompson were present. However, at 8:30 a.m., Lee excused himself for an out-of-town appointment, leaving the board without a quorum, and the meeting ending abruptly.

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Newman benefit at Owensville Moose Lodge raises \$6,644

A barbecue and silent auction benefit held Jan. 12 for the late Rhonda Newman's family at the Owensville Moose Lodge's Family Center raised \$6,644 to help cover expenses related to her cancer illness. Newman, administrator for the city of Owensville's Municipal Court, died Dec. 28 after being diagnosed with cancer last fall. Lodge members grilled up 95 pork steaks, 64 chicken halves and 20 pounds of rope sausage for the event which was well attended despite heavy overnight snowfall which blanketed the region. A dessert auction was also held.

PAGES FROM OUR PAST

Owensville Roller Mill changes ownership ~ 1914

115 years ago - Jan. 25, 1904

Church organized

Rev. Havener of Windsor organized a Christian Church at Bland.

Food costs in 1904

Butter per lb 13c; eggs per dozen 21c; bacon, ham and lard per lb 10c; hens and spring chickens per lb 7c; turkeys, per lb 10c; geese per lb 5c.

According to www.in2013dollars.com, the value of one cent in the year 1904 is equivalent to the value of 28 cents today.

105 years ago - Jan. 27, 1914

Business news

L. J. Helling traded the Owensville Roller Mill to J. M. Renick of Red Bird.

J. H. Kormeier sold his photographic studios at Owensville and Gerald to George H. Buddemeyer of Manda.

85 years ago - Jan. 25, 1934

Appointed Retail Price Enumerator

H. M. Caldwell has received notice from Ray Porter, State Retail Price Agent for Missouri, that he has been appointed Retail Price Enumerator for Gasconade county.

75 years ago - Jan. 27, 1944

Service notes

T-Cpl. Roberson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roberson of Canaan, was inducted in March,

1941, and is now stationed with the Army at Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill.

Pvt. Roberson, another son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roberson of Canaan, is serving with the Army in North Africa. He was inducted in August, 1942.

Lt. Arthur Ott, son of Mrs. Minnie Ott of Owensville, spent from Saturday until Monday with his mother and other relatives and friends. Lt. Ott has completed officers' training at Fort Sill, Okla., and will report for duty at Camp Roberts, Calif.

Bluejacket Eugene Earl Giedinghagen, 18, Owensville, was given the petty officer rate of Gunner's Mate, third class in graduation ceremonies held last week.

S-1c Sylvan Greunke, who is stationed with the Coast Guard at Wilmington, N.C., is spending a seven-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Greunke of Rosebud.

Garrett Steinbeck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Steinbeck of Kansas City, was recently inducted into the Army and reported at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for training. Garrett formerly lived in Owensville with his parents.

Cpl. Thomas Spradling, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Spradling of Owensville, was recently transferred from North Africa to Italy. He is serving in the Signal Corps.

70 years ago - Jan. 27, 1949

Accepts teaching position

Miss Vivian Spurgeon, daughter of Mrs. Mattie Spurgeon of Red Bird, has accepted a position as

assistant professor of mathematics at Ouachita College in Arkadelphia, Ark.

65 years ago - Jan. 28, 1954

Service notes

Bobby F. Kosark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kosark of Owensville, is completing his AF basic airman indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force, San Antonio, Texas.

Raymond M. Enke of Owensville was recently promoted to Airman First Class while serving with the administration section of the 6147th Tactical Control Group in Korea. Airman Enke is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Enke of Owensville.

Cpl. Lawrence A. Picker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Picker of Owensville Route 3, returned Saturday from Korea to spend a 30-day furlough with his parents and friends. Lawrence has been reassigned to Camp Carson, Colo.

40 years ago - Jan. 24, 1979

Service notes

Bradley M. Dorrrough, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne B. Dorrrough of Route 3, Owensville, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program. He is scheduled to receive technical training in the Missile Facilities Specialist Career Field.

Staff Sergeant Steve D. Brewer, son of Mrs. Ruby M. Whithouse of Bland, is now wearing a distinctive service ribbon as a member of an organization which recently received the U. S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

COLLEGE CLIPS

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN HONORS

Southeast Missouri University

Sue Meyer of Gerald has been named to the Fall 2018 Dean's List at Southeast Missouri University.

East Central College

The following local students have been named to the Fall 2018 President's List at East Central College: Lane Adkison of Rosebud; Grace Baker of Leslie; Regina Grube of Gerald; Amber Gerlemann of Beaufort; Austin Gerlemann of Hermann; Renee Elliott, Jessica Godi and Shianne Thomas of Owensville; Madison Blackwell, Jason Burks, Annie Page, Teresa Pasch, Linsey Richards, Lillian Ruwwe and Ethan Schoonveld of Bourbon; and Kristen Smith of Cuba.

The following local students have been named to the Fall 2018 Vice President's List at East Central College: Teri Abela and Unger Tanner of Hermann; Courtney Barylski, Madison Czapla and Anna Wright of Gerald; Danielle Becker, Louis McCurry, William Misener and Ashley Schlottach of Rosebud; Marissa Boyd, Elizabeth Feth, Victoria Jacquin and Karlie Peth of Beaufort; Marscella Brenner, Brayden Grannemann, Clayton Metzger and Kelsey Ryerson of Owensville; Maxwell Clark of Leslie; Brittany Hill and Sierra Jones of Bourbon; and Rachel Bennett, Emily Hagene, Adam Koepke, Alaina Rapp, Kristi Warden and Christine Yearwood of Cuba.

University of Missouri

The following local students have been named to the Fall 2018 Dean's List at the University of Missouri: Haley Chantelle Bordelon and Cassidy Lyn Prater of Gerald; Amanda Kay Lauer and Andrew Bryan Schatz of Leslie; Emilie Grace Diebal, Allison P. Edwards, Kara Michelle Hughes, Gwen Ellen Leroy, Jamie Anthea Limberopoulos and Claire Louise Schneider of Hermann; Adriene E. Aubuchon, Anna Marie Massey, Marie Shea Richardson, Alex M. Ryals, Jessie L. Smith and Allison Marie Walker of Owensville; and Lydia Jean Kappelmann of Rosebud.

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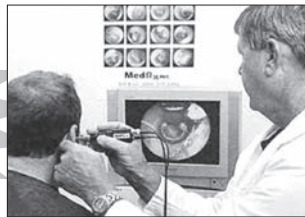
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Federal legislative priorities discussed at MRPC board meeting

Bennie Cook with U.S. Rep. Jason Smith's office met Jan. 10 to discuss federal legislative priorities set by Meramec Regional Planning Commission's (MRPC) board.

Conversation included topics such as the government shut down, rural broadband access and the upcoming Fairness for Every Driver Bill. MRPC board members reminded Cook about the potential of Fort Leonard Wood as an economic hub and for expanded military missions.

The board also shared its federal priorities with Cook.

Priorities are voted on by the board and were given final approval during the meeting. The list will be presented to federal legislators by MRPC Chairman Larry Miskel, Executive Director Bonnie Prigge and Assistant Director/Environmental Programs Manager Tammy Snodgrass during a trip to Washington, D.C., in March. The trip coincides with the National

Association of Development Organizations (NADO) national policy conference.

MRPC's top federal priorities are:

- Continue to protect Medicare and Social Security, encourage all parties to work together for the betterment of our country and overturn "Citizens United" supreme court ruling;
- Encourage federal funding for improvements to U.S. Highways 50 and 63, provide enhanced and sustainable funding for the nation's highway, aviation and transit needs and find a means to fund the Federal Highway Trust Fund and establish federal funding for freight corridors identified in the Missouri State Freight Plan;
- Provide more federal assistance for public infrastructure by fully funding the existing portfolio of federal community and economic development programs; support efforts to provide high speed internet

to all residents; make adjustments to Davis/Bacon Act that allows small, rural communities to waive prevailing wage requirements for all projects costing less than \$250,000; and continue to support Fort Leonard Wood as a premier training base;

- Continue to support and protect national parks, monuments, wildlife reserves and public lands and reauthorize the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF);

- Equalize Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement rates for rural and urban hospitals; continue to fund quality health care for the uninsured, underinsured, and the underserved population in the region; support full administrative funding for public housing agencies; and repeal or correct nonworking components of the Health Care Reform Act;

- Continue to work toward energy independence and continue to oppose Cap and Trade legislation;



DR. DONALD Claycomb (left) discusses federal priorities at MRPC's Jan. 11 board meeting with Bennie Cook (second from right) from U.S. Rep. Jason Smith's office while MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge, (right) MRPC secretary Linda Carroll, (back), and Osage County Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin listen in.

- Build upon the experience, capacity and skills of the regional planning commissions to coordinate, plan and implement homeland security and emergency preparedness activities on a regional basis and allow local decision-making and ensure rural regions receive adequate and equitable access to the broad portfolio of homeland

security and emergency preparedness programs;

- Support technical training initiatives such as the MO Wins and MO Health Wins program or our labor force and encourage greater emphasis on reading, writing, math and science competency; and

- Eliminate unfunded federal mandates to states such as federal elections and wastewater/storm water regulations or provide funding options/opportunities to state and/or local governments to fund them; continue mandatory funding for Payment of Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program and Secure Rural Schools Act and make these funds more flexible; and preserve the current

tax exemption for municipal bonds.

The board also elected Steve Vogt as the new vice chairman, filling the unexpired term of Larry Miskel who became chairman last month.

Board members also discussed plans for the MRPC Day at the Capitol, scheduled Jan. 29 and learned that the Meramec Regional Development Corporation has funds to loan to small businesses needing financing.

MRPC will observe its 50th anniversary celebration from 1 to 4 p.m. today (Wednesday). The next MRPC board meeting will be held on Feb. 21, one week later than the regular meeting.

AREA OBITUARIES

Dorothy Dahl



Dorothy Marie Dahl, 87, Washington, formerly of Stony Hill, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2019, at New Haven Care Center in New Haven.

She was born May 26, 1931, to William H. and Ida Freda (Greunke) Lottmann, in Drake. She was united in marriage to Vernon H. Dahl, Sept. 2, 1950, at St. James E&R Parsonage at Stony Hill by Rev. Herbert Kuhn.

Dorothy was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Washington. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, gardening and baking for family and friends.

She was preceded in death by parents, William and Ida; husband, Vernon; and son, Larry Dahl.

She is survived by daughter, Mary Dahl of Washington; sons, Stanley "Butch" Dahl of New Haven, Paul Dahl of Berger and Roger Dahl and wife Kathy of Rosebud; and grandchildren, Mark Dahl of Catawissa, Ashley Crisp and husband Shaun of Jefferson City and Eric Dahl and fiancé Kaley Brandt of Owensville.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 19, at Faith Lutheran Church in Washington with Rev. James Rhiver officiating. Burial was in Dahl Family Cemetery at Stony Hill. Memorials contributions suggested to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

Charles Holzschuh Jr.



Charles Leslie Holzschuh Jr., 90, Owensville, passed away Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019, at Frene Valley Healthcare in Owensville.

He was born March 8, 1928, to Charles Leslie Sr. and Sarah Eunice (Krause) Holzschuh.

He was united in marriage to Delsea Jean Weller, April 5, 1951, at Poplar Bluff.

Charles had served with the U.S. Army and the Merchant Marines. He enjoyed farming, working in his woodworking shop and watching John Wayne movies. He also loved spending time with his family and being outdoors.

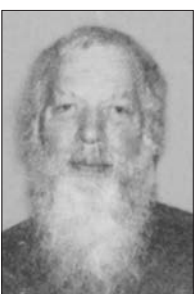
He was preceded in death by parents, Charles Sr. and Sarah; wife, Delsea; and sisters, Willadeen Carpenter, Adelene White and Mary Jane Angell.

He is survived by daughters, Melanie Kottwitz and husband George of Owensville and Melissa Howard and husband William "Bill" of Rosebud; sister, Adoree Brandt of Owensville; brother, Carl Holzschuh and wife Margaret of St. James; grandchildren, Joshua Kottwitz and wife Chandre of Pacific, Heather Giles and husband Spencer of Robertsville, Dakota Howard of Rosebud, and Clayton Howard of Berlin, Germany; and great-grandchildren, Logan and Lucy Giles and Charlie Kottwitz.

Visitation will be Saturday, Feb. 2, from 9-11 a.m. at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville. Memorial services with full military honors will follow with Rev. Kevin Sullivan officiating.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

Marvin Rosenkoetter



Marvin William Rosenkoetter, 69, Mountain Grove, passed away Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, at his home.

He was born June 27, 1949, to Louis Wallace and Leona Alma (Weinrich) Rosenkoetter, in St. Louis.

He was united in marriage to Renata Rosenkoetter.

Marvin grew up in Rosebud and was a 1967 graduate of Owensville High School. Following graduation, he attended the University of Missouri, Rolla. The final 23 years of his career, he worked at Heintz Steel and Manufacturing company, starting as the project estimator and retiring as president of the company. For his retirement, he sold the family farm in Rosebud and moved to Mountain Grove.

He was preceded in death by parents, Louis and Leona; and wife, Renata.

He is survived by brothers, Arthur Rosenkoetter and wife Dorothy of Rogersville and John L. Rosenkoetter and wife Marlene of Brunswick, Ga.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Feb. 2, at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Hall in Rosebud. Memorial contributions suggested to the Community Betterment Foundation, P.O. Box 307, Hartville, Mo., 65667. Arrangements entrusted to Craig-Hurt Funeral Home, Mountain Grove.

Janice Spurgeon



Janice Irene (Hesemann) Spurgeon, 77, of Raymore, Mo., formerly of St. James, passed away on Friday, Jan. 18, 2019, at Research Medical Center in Kansas City.

She was born on May 31, 1941, to Chester and Helen Ruth (Landwehr) Hesemann in Owensville and was raised on the family farm north of Owensville.

Janice married the love of her life, Doyle Spurgeon, on Sept. 20, 1958, at the United Methodist Church in Owensville. They raised their family in Chamois

and later moving to St. James. She and Doyle shared many interests but particularly enjoyed fishing and summer evening motorcycle rides.

She was a member of First Church of God in St. James. She retired from her work as an administrative assistant at the University of Missouri Rolla (UMR) in the electrical Engineering Department. She took great pride in her work and made several lifelong friends. Retirement gave her more time to pursue her love of quilting, resulting in many beautiful quilts and new friendships with others who shared her passion.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Chester and Helen Hesemann; husband, Doyle Spurgeon; sister, Avonell Hesemann; and grandson Dean Spurgeon.

She is survived by her daughter, Anita (Spurgeon) Sandwell and husband Don of Springfield; sons, David Spurgeon and wife, Deborah (Luetjen) of Mt. Sterling, Earl Spurgeon and wife Susan Walker of Peculiar, and Brian Spurgeon of Raymore; brothers, Nolan Hesemann and Clyde Hesemann and wife Lynn (Ritterbusch) all of Owensville; grandchildren, Jessica (Sandwell) Denkler and husband Brandon of Lohman, Adam Sandwell and wife Amy (Mongler) of Peculiar, Roy Spurgeon of Belton, and Nicole Spurgeon of Columbia; great-grandchildren, Makenna and Paige Denkler and Nan and Alfred Sandwell; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was loved by many and will be deeply missed by all.

Visitation will be on Saturday, Jan. 26 from 9-11 a.m. at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville.

Memorial services will follow at 11:00 a.m. at the chapel. Ashes will later be interred at Licklider Cemetery.

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Parson emphasizes infrastructure, development in first state address

BY THOMAS COULTER
Columbia Missourian

JEFFERSON CITY — In his first State of the State address, Gov. Mike Parson proposed borrowing \$351 million to improve Missouri bridges as well as creating new job-training programs to assist workers throughout the state.

Before a joint session of the Missouri General Assembly at the Capitol, Parson outlined the priorities of his proposed \$30 billion budget, which will be sent to committees for consideration.

“While some of our priorities may not be the same, when we try to make everything a priority, the fact is nothing is truly a priority,” Parson said. “So let me be crystal clear: Cultivating and training our workforce for high-demand jobs

and investing in critical infrastructure are the priorities we must address this session.”

The proposal for the \$351 million bond package to repair about 250 bridges comes after Missouri voters rejected an increase to the state’s fuel tax in November that would have freed up money to fund roads and bridges. Parson had been a supporter of the tax increase.

“Over the years, we have seen proposals go before the voters and fail, but this cannot and does not mean we are expected to do nothing,” Parson said.

The proposed bonds would be paid over the next 15 years, likely beginning in the fiscal year 2020 or 2021. Annual payments would be \$30 million, according to budget director Dan Haug.

Senate President Pro Tem Dave

Schatz, R-Sullivan, said infrastructure improvements are necessary to move Missouri forward.

“Addressing it this way is a little different than what we’ve done in the past, but after we failed with this on the ballot in the November election, it doesn’t take the problem away,” said Schatz, who has served as chair of both the Senate and House transportation committees. “You have to find a way to take care of the system that we have.”

The budget also calls for \$5 million to be invested in broadband funding, which will be paired with \$255 million in federal funds that Missouri has secured to expand internet infrastructure throughout the state.

“We currently have about 10 school districts and many rural communities that lack access to

high speed broadband, and that is unacceptable,” Parson said.

The governor also unveiled new workforce-training programs that would cost nearly \$75 million in total. These programs would provide funding for adults working toward degrees in high-needs skills and training for workers at existing businesses.

“We are well into the 21st century, and, yes, extra levels of education are needed to meet the demands of our workforce,” Parson said. “These jobs are going to provide higher wages, which will benefit Missouri families.”

Parson drew notable bipartisan applause while discussing the need for re-entry programs for those leaving the criminal justice system and alternative sentencing.

“As governor, I am not interested

in building more prisons,” he said.

The governor then announced plans within the Department of Corrections to move the current staff and inmates from Crossroads Correctional Facility to Western Missouri Correctional Facility, while caretakers will maintain the Crossroads prison. The plan involves no layoffs and helps provide funding for a pay raise for correctional officers.

After the address, Democratic leaders expressed concerns about fiscal responsibility and the governor’s ability to meet his ambitious goals. During a press conference after the speech, Rep. Kip Kendrick, D-Columbia, said he was concerned about how a potential economic downturn could affect the proposed budget.

“We aren’t the federal govern-

ment,” Kendrick said. “We can’t pass tax cuts then blow up the deficit.”

After former Gov. Eric Greitens did not reveal his budget concurrently with his State of the State address the last two years, Parson’s decision to do so reflected a return to the norm in the Capitol.

“I will commit to you that bold ideas and tough challenges will not be something we shy away from, but my administration is willing to work with this legislature in a disciplined and focused way,” Parson said. “Together, we can achieve big results and lay a solid foundation for our state’s future.”

(Missourian reporter Abigail Shaw contributed to this report. These stories appear courtesy of the MU School of Journalism School’s Capitol reporting program).



GOV. MIKE PARSON (middle, on left), Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe (top) and House Speaker Elijah Haahr applaud Jan. 16 after Parson introduced police officers injured in the line of duty who were attending his first State of the State Address. **STATE SEN. DAVE SCHATZ**, president pro tem (seated, above, left), visits with members of the Missouri Association of Counties prior to the governor’s address. **STATE REPRESENTATIVES** Aaron Griesheimer (top right, on left) and Tom Hurst (lower photo, on right) greet the governor as he exits the House Chamber following his budget message.

Parson’s proposed budget funds education, bridge repairs, workforce development

BY MADISON MCVAN
Columbia Missourian

JEFFERSON CITY — After several years in which lawmakers have targeted higher education spending, core funding for Missouri’s colleges and universities would hold steady under Gov. Mike Parson’s proposed 2020 budget.

With his first budget since becoming governor, Parson is requesting a \$61 million increase in the “foundation formula,” or per-student funding for elementary and secondary education, plus other funds, which bring the total increase to \$116 million. He is also seeking a \$22.2 million grant program for workforce education.

The budget proposal released Jan. 16 is a starting point for the legislature, which will approve appropriations bills throughout the session to fund the state from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020.

If approved by the legislature, core higher education budgets would stay about the same as in the previous year, with the exception of an additional \$2 million for each four-year institution for deferred maintenance.

Parson also recommended \$1 million for MU’s nuclear medicine program, which university officials said represents part of the plans for a \$220.8 million Translational Precision Medical Complex. UM System leaders are hoping to get \$50 million to \$75 million from the legislature for the project, according to previous Missouri reporting.

The suggested increase to el-

ementary and secondary education includes \$10 million for busing.

The budget also accounts for the creation of Missouri Excels, a \$16.3 million program to encourage colleges and universities to create job training programs.

A Fast-Track Workforce Initiative Grant Program would cover tuition and fees for adults over 25 who make less than \$80,000 per year and are working on degrees in high-demand areas.

Parson proposes spending \$10 million on covering employee training for businesses of all sizes through the creation of Missouri One Start, a consolidated version of the existing Missouri Works program.

If Parson has his way, all state employees will get a 3 percent pay increase, except for those in the Missouri Department of Transportation, which has a separate pay plan. Budget Director Dave Haug also said that, additionally, more than 4,000 employees would have their salary raised to the specific market minimums.

Also, \$8.2 million would go toward pay raises for employees of the Department of Corrections, paid for by moving all prisoners out of the Crossroads Correctional Facility in Cameron and redistributing corrections officers around the state.

The budget relies on a predicted revenue increase of 1.7 percent in fiscal year 2019 and 2 percent in fiscal year 2020, despite revenues being down 2.9 percent for the first half of the current fiscal year.

Haug said he expects revenues

to rebound in the spring and make up for the current losses. “We are monitoring this closely,” Haug said. “If we feel like actions need to be taken to make sure the budget is balanced, we will do that.”

The proposed budget eliminates 436 full-time jobs, but Haug said there would be no layoffs and all affected jobs are already vacant or held by people who will soon retire.

Of the \$29.7 billion operating budget, about a third of the funds go toward social services like Medicaid, making it the largest expenditure in the budget.

Despite a decrease in Missouri Medicaid enrollment, Parson requested a \$424 million increase in MO Healthnet funding. Haug said the additional money was needed to cover the increased cost of health care, including prescription drugs, and an aging population.

In his address, Parson highlighted that he wanted to set aside \$116 million for any unexpected costs that may come up throughout the fiscal year.

Just like families across Missouri, having a responsible budget is “important and a way of life,” Parson said. “For the first time in more than a decade, the governor’s budget does not plan to spend every tax dollar.”

Parson also dedicated \$5 million for improvements to rural high-speed internet access and \$50 million for a transportation cost-share program with localities. The budget also calls for \$351 million in bond money to fix bridges in need of critical repairs or replacements.



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News Briefs

A PARK BOARD workshop session originally announced for 6:30 p.m. tonight (Wednesday) at the Owensville Lions Club Den has been moved to City Hall due to a conflict with availability of the Lions' facility.

GASCONADE COUNTY Democrat Club members will meet 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Owensville Library. For more info call 573-437-8979 or email gasconadedems@gmail.com.

AN AMERICAN RED CROSS blood drive will be held Wednesday, Jan. 30, from 12:30 to 6 p.m. at Hermann High School, Highway 100 West.

THE OSAGE COUNTY Sheriff's Office reports the Jan. 17 arrest of Scott Andrew Abernathy, 45, of Owensville, to serve seven days of shock jail incarceration. Jenny Marie Cureton, 29, of Hermann, was arrested on Jan. 8 by the sheriff's department on a Franklin County warrant. She was released Jan. 11 to the custody of Franklin County Sheriff's deputies.

BRETT HOLTMEYER was inadvertently omitted from the Owensville Fire Department's listing volunteers with five years of service. The firemen were recognized at the department's Jan. 12 banquet. He was not present. *The Republican* regrets the omission.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, Gasconade County Extension Council and the MU Graduate Studies host a visit at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, from the program Science on Wheels at the Owensville branch of Scenic Regional Library. This event is free and open to the public.

HELPING HANDS Outreach Center of Gasconade County holds its annual meeting and dinner Monday, Jan. 28, at Owensville Christian Church. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with the meeting at approximately 7 p.m. Members, volunteers and contributors are invited. RSVP to Roger Jett by Wednesday, Jan. 23 by email at rogerdjett@aol.com, by text at (573) 301-2379 or by phone at (573) 437-2774

OWENSVILLE RURAL Fire Protective Association's Board of Directors hold their annual meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, at station No. 1 on West Franklin Avenue in Owensville. Annual dues of \$48 per parcel of land outside the city limits of Owensville in the ORFPA coverage are due by March 1.

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OWENSVILLE HIGH School's Child Development program is looking for pre-school-age children for their free spring 2019 program. Registration forms are now available from the high school's front office. OHS students will lead activities for children 3 to 5-years-old from 8:30 to 9:55 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 9 to 10:25 a.m. each Friday from Feb. 18 through April 12 with teacher supervision. Call OHS at 437-2174. Preschool is not held when R-2 schools are not in session.

Owensville skate park benefit dinner, auction set Feb. 16 at Lions Club

The group raising funds for developing a skate park in Owensville has a special treat in store for you on Feb. 12 with a dinner and auction planned at the Owensville Lions Club's Den on Krausetown Road. So far, the group has raised a little over \$3,000 with events including a chili cook-off last fall, a bake sale, and a campaign to set pink flamingos in yards. Doors open at 5 p.m. for the Saturday dinner auction on Feb. 16. A silent auction is scheduled for a closing at 7:30. Dinner will be at 6:30 and a live auction is starting at 8 p.m.

"If people have four hours to spare this would be a great time and make it a date for Valentines weekend," said Kyla Thomas, an organizer of the event and dedicated "skater mom."

No one under the age of 18 allowed at the event and tickets are \$25. Contact Thomas at 573-680-9742 for reservations or email owensvilleskatepark@gmail.com.

If you are unable to attend but would like to donate an item or monetary you can contact Thomas for pickup or go to the Skateparks donation page at www.tinyurl.com/owensvilleskatepark.

All donations are tax deductible through the Owensville Area Community Foundation.

"The kids have been going around to the businesses taking letters and talking to them," said Thomas. "They went out Monday in 30-degree weather and went to local businesses. I am really proud of the kids for stepping up and wanting to make these contacts. These

kids really want this and we need this for the community. They are just normal kids wanting something to do and safe place to skate, scoot and ride."

If you wish to mail a donation you can mail it to the Ozarks Community Foundation at P.O. Box 89660, Springfield, Mo., 65801.

The OACF is affiliated with the OCF.

Doing your research on this group, you can find out more information by checking out their Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts under Owensville Skatepark to keep up on the progress and upcoming events.

Other events on their schedule include a visit tomorrow (Thursday) to White Mule Winery where they will be doing a live Fidelity TV Channel 95/Radio 1560 AM interview and talking about the skate park with host Charlie Schlottach. Walter, her son, Aidan, Dana Hampton, president of the Owensville Park Board, and Matt Fletcher, a member of the skate park committee, are scheduled to be interviewed by Schlottach and his son and guest host, Gus.

Miller House Pub & Cafe' is also collecting cash donations and silent auction items for the skate park now until Thursday, Feb. 7. Brenda Miller, owner, asked that donations be dropped off by 5 p.m. Feb. 7. She is also planning to make a donation at that time, according to her establishment's Facebook page.

"Let's help the skate park and the community!" she posted. "Any donations will be accepted and appreciated."

Jan. 31 deadline approaches for MRCF community grants

Schools, churches or charitable organizations contemplating a small community project that needs funding should apply for a grant from the Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF).

For the last seven years, MRCF has "funded many diverse grants" to further local projects through its community foundation program, according to Maria Bancroft, foundation coordinator.

"The foundation has assisted with many projects in the past, such as local food pantries, community park improvements, downtown revitalization and early childhood and welfare programs," Bancroft said.

An estimated six grants of \$250 each will be available to nonprofit, 501(c)3 organizations, schools, faith-based organizations and governmental entities looking to address local needs that will enhance the quality of life within the community.

2012 marked the inaugural year for this grant program, and in the last seven years \$10,200 in grant funds have been awarded to 41 community projects throughout the region. Award recipients in 2018 included CASA of South Central Missouri, Art Works on Main, Dent County Community Foundation, Caledonia Community Foundation, University of Missouri Extension-Crawford County and the Ya Ya's of Belle.

Applications for the 2019 grant round will be accepted online only until 5 p.m. on Jan. 31. Online applications may be found and submitted at www.formstack.com/forms/CFO-mrcfgrantapp.

Organizations, schools and governmental entities must be based in the Meramec Region to qualify. This includes Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Osage, Phelps, Pulaski and Washington counties. For more information, contact Maria Bancroft at mbancroft@meramecregion.org or call 573-265-2993, extension 114.

MRCF is an outgrowth of the Meramec Regional Planning Commission and is an affiliate of Community Foundation of the Ozarks in Springfield. The regional affiliate was formed in 2010. Its 12-member board includes representation from each of the eight Meramec counties and from MRPC. Vicki Lange of Osage County serves as president of MRCF. MRCF has 55 funds totaling over \$2.3 million.

Four water tampering cases result in warrant arrest for Bland man

BY ROXIE MURPHY, REPUBLICAN STAFF WRITER
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BLAND — Joshua L. Burrow was arrested in Osage County Jan. 16 for four outstanding Bland Police Department misdemeanor warrants.

Burrow, 29, of Bland, was arrested at 1:25 p.m. by Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop F and taken to the Osage County Jail on the bondable warrants. According to the arrest report, the warrants were a result of two counts of tampering with utilities and two counts of theft of water.

Bland Court Clerk Rachel Anderson explained the charges. "Every (unresolved) ticket results in a warrant," Anderson said. "It was all over a water issue. He got arrested for not appearing in court after he was caught tampering with his water."

Anderson said the city did not receive a call from Osage County until around 6 p.m. Wednesday evening — two hours after city hall is closed for the day. She said the city will be responsible for a jail boarding bill since Burrow was held over night. She also added that the case has already been disposed.

"The case was disposed of and paid in full by his fiancé this morning (Jan. 17)," Anderson said. "She was paying as he was being released."



PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER

Robotics show

Owensville High School Robotics Team members (top, from left) Justin Roethemeyer dumps items from a robot he was demonstrating to Riley Sieber on Friday during Owensville Elementary School's STEAM Night and science fair as Corvin Bertram looks on. Reece Wehmeyer and Julianna Bayless tend their informational booth (in back). Emma Reed explains how a robot is raised and docked (left) to its platform.



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GASCONADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

JAN. 10, 2019

The Gasconade County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel, Southern District Commissioner Jerry Lairmore, Northern District Commissioner Jim Holland present at the Courthouse beginning with Pledge of Allegiance.

PRIOR MINUTES

Commissioner Jerry Lairmore made a motion to approve prior commission minutes dated Jan. 3, 2019. Commissioner Jim Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote:

Jerry Lairmore (Yes),
Jim Holland (Yes),
Larry Miskel (Yes).

PRIOR MINUTES

Commissioner Jerry Lairmore made a motion to approve prior commission minutes dated Jan. 7, 2019. Commissioner Jim Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote:

Jerry Lairmore (Yes),
Jim Holland (Yes),
Larry Miskel (Yes).

ROAD CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

Commissioner Lairmore said road department is working on cutting overhang along county roads and Commissioner Holland added that they were dealing with some road sign issues also. Consent form was received for file from Jerry L. Zessinger on Doll Road; road department had prepared bid specs for Commission approval for gravel stockpiles at Drake and Swiss. Clerk Lietzow will advertise and send specs to vendors after getting through the budget process.

Regarding budget, the changes were applied as Commission indicated and the bottom line is now minimally above board.

Commissioners' extend their sympathies to employee Herbert Fitzgerald whose wife passed away this week.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Before Commission began budget work, Treasurer Mike Feagan gave them the monthly sales tax report for January and it was up almost \$4,200 compared to one year ago.

Commission had asked for budget cuts from offices within

General Revenue and most were able to comply; Prosecuting Attorney Mary Weston had not been able to and wanted the opportunity to explain why not. Since her 2019 budget includes an increase of \$6,000 in pay to her part-time assistant prosecutor, she had reduced her expenses by \$4,000 to help offset that; she anticipates a change in the assistant prosecutor position and is trying to prepare for it. The cuts she has already made have created a budget that is already considered bare bones.

She addressed the discretionary fund Administration Handling Cost that she has; this fund was established originally with fees from bad checks, but that is no longer a funding source, along with the lack of restitution being paid as it should be. When this fund is depleted, then all expenses move to General Revenue; she is currently spending it on technology, i.e.: internet and computers.

In addition, the state of Missouri has decided to disband the Fine Collection Center they had established several years ago, and pass the administration of that back into the county's hands; obviously, this means all fines will now be paid through the county offices rather than state, which is just one more example of what the state can pass down to the county with no recourse.

Based on this information, she asked for exemption from the cuts and Commission understands and agrees. There was further discussion about the recent news that city of Owensville was disbanding their municipal court system and Commission asked the impact on the county and Prosecutor Weston said it most definitely will affect the court system.

They also briefly discussed the idea of developing a plan for more consolidated IT services within the courthouse which can be done to a degree but takes significant amount of time to study before any implementation.

John Romanus, sheriff, came in next and the first item of discussion was the possibility of a city within the county wanting to contract with the county for law enforcement services; he has met with the mayor and it is something both would be interested in, but many questions remain as to how it would be worked

out, except that Sheriff's department will definitely not enforce city ordinances.

Clerk Lietzow thought a number should be in the budget for both revenue and expense, if there is a chance this could happen in 2019. Regarding his budget cuts as Commission had asked, he has complied within limits they had set; there was discussion regarding raises for his deputies. Commission wanted it made clear to them, that if they are able to give a percentage raise to employees, that would include these deputies, but Sheriff Romanus said it only complicates the salary grant he has from Department of Public Safety.

Currently, each deputy that is paid less than \$30,000 by the county, receives the balance from this grant to reach \$30,000; those numbers are set by the state's fiscal year, which does not coincide with county's calendar year. His deputies are aware of how the system works and according to Sheriff Romanus, understand why they would not receive the raise from the county.

Last official coming in to discuss budget was Collector Shawn Schlottach; she too had asked for exception to the request for cutting. Unfortunately, she had forgot to budget to pay for her bond which is every four years and is over \$2,000; she will absorb that amount within more than one line item to cover cost. She also explained about her firewall management agreement with Huber, much like Clerk Lietzow's, which is to be prepaid for the year; again, due to that large expense, there doesn't leave much for any repairs if needed throughout the year.

She too, has no extra in her budget; Commission understands and appreciates the effort. They cannot state enough how the county elected officials time and again do everything they can to make it through the year on a budget that has literally no extra. They also mentioned to her, as they had with Prosecutor Weston, about the consolidation of IT services and she too, agrees there would be cost savings if the offices were able to do so.

Going with the numbers as they now are, with minor changes made this morning, Commission is provided with estimated balance showing General Revenue above board at year end. The last decision

to be made is regarding raises and benefits; Commission agreed there was no way to increase the amount they were paying for health insurance benefits, but did say if we get to July 1 when new rates go into effect, and find that sales tax has been exceptional for the first six months, they might consider raising at that time.

After discussing raises, they felt they could still go with three percent plus five cents for another year's service with each elected official disbursing the three percent within their office as they see fit.

Clerk Lietzow's office will now work on more accurately completing all calculations to determine the exact balances to see if it is manageable and will notify each Commission accordingly within a couple days. She reminded them at next week's session, the decision will need to be made if they are going to put the law enforcement tax issue on the April ballot or wait until later in the year; they held a conference call with Sheriff Romanus and told him they would prefer April because the cost of a special election for one issue in August would cost more than twice as much.

He is accepting of their decision and was asked to bring in the sample ballot language next session, particularly if it is to be different than one year ago. He asked all three of them if there was an amount they were comfortable with granting him from General Revenue to supplement the tax should it pass and Commissioner Lairmore said \$500,000 and the other two Commissioners concurred.

REPORT OF FEES

Commission received for file the December collections from Shawn Schlottach, Collector in the amount of \$9,554,510.40 for personal and real estate and \$1,519,727.86 for railroad and utility.

ABATEMENTS AND ADDITIONS

Commission received for file additions #8428 through #8459 and abatements #2028 through #2035.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Jerry Lairmore made a motion to adjourn commission until Jan. 17. Commissioner Jim Holland seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

SENIOR SERVICES

Owensville Senior Menu

214 N. First St.
Phone 437-3096

Wednesday, Jan. 23

Beef/Cabbage Casserole, Squash, Dessert, Breakfast Pizza, Potatoes O'Brien, Biscuit/Gravy, Sausage

Thursday, Jan. 24

Baked Pork Chop, Broccoli, Applesauce, Beef Stew, Sweet Potato Struesel, Dessert

Friday, Jan. 25

Fish, Roasted Mediterranean Blend, Peaches, Chicken Pot Pie, Salad, Dessert

Monday, Jan. 28

Hamburger/Grilled Onion, Green Beans, Peaches, Honey Bourbon Pork Chop, Sweet Potato Fries, Dessert

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Fruit Cocktail, Breaded Fish, Carrots, Dessert

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Easy Roast Chicken, Broccoli, Fruited Jello, Chopped BBQ Beef, Roasted Red Potatoes, Dessert

Thursday, Jan. 31

Meatloaf, Roasted Vegetables, Pears, Chicken Broccoli Casserole, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Dessert

Friday, Feb. 1

TBA

Owensville Senior Events

214 N. First St.
Phone 437-3096

Wednesday, Jan. 23

12:30 p.m. Pinochle

Thursday, Jan. 24

..... Birthday/Anniversary

Friday, Jan. 25

12:30 p.m. Pinochle

Saturday, Jan. 26

6:00 p.m. Pinochle

Monday, Jan. 28

12:30 p.m. Bingo

Wednesday, Jan. 30

12:30 p.m. Pinochle

Gerald Senior Menu

140 W. Industrial Drive
Phone (573) 764-2256

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 10:30 A.M. DAILY

Thursday, Jan. 24

Ham/Beans, Cornbread, Slaw, Pudding

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Chicken Strip, Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, Applesauce, Cake/Ice Cream (January Birthdays)

Thursday, Jan. 31

Spaghetti/Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread, Salad, Fruit

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The year ahead offers new opportunities and experiences. But as you make plans throughout 2019, be mindful of the things that can derail those plans – such as the natural disasters that affected so many families in 2018. Every area around the country is subject to natural disasters, whether they're wildfires, hurricanes or tornadoes. How can you prepare for them?

Here are a few suggestions: Maintain adequate insurance. It's a good idea to review your homeowners insurance at least annually to ensure it's still providing the protection you need. And make sure you know exactly what your policy covers in terms of natural disasters. You'll also want to review your life and disability insurance regularly. And, of course, you'll want to stay current on your premiums for all your policies.

Keep a record of your possessions. The insurance claims process will be much easier if you take the time, before a natural disaster occurs, to photograph or videotape the contents of your home. You also might want to list the brands and serial numbers of appliances and electronics.

Know your passwords. It's important to have ready access to the passwords for your financial accounts. You may be able to memorize them, but, if not, keep them somewhere – perhaps in your smartphone – that you can access anywhere. It's always possible that a natural disaster will strike so quickly that you can't even grab your phone, so, to be extra cautious, you might want to share your passwords with a trusted family member or friend. (Even then, though, you may want to change your passwords every so often.)

Build an emergency fund. During or following a natural disaster, you may need ready access to cash to cover some of the essentials of daily living, such as food and shelter. Keeping a lot of cash in your home may not be such a great plan, especially if you have to evacuate quickly. Consequently, you might want to create an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a low-risk, liquid and highly accessible account at a local bank or with your financial services provider.

Protect your documents. These days, many of your important financial materials, such as your investment statements, are available online, so they're likely safe from any disaster. But you may still have some items, such as checkbooks, birth certificates, passports, Social Security cards, insurance policies and estate planning documents (i.e., will, living trust, etc.) on paper. Even if some or all of these things could eventually be replaced, it would take time and effort. You're better off protecting them beforehand, possibly by keeping them in a safety deposit box at a local bank.

Save your receipts. You'll want to save receipts for repairs and temporary lodging to submit to your insurance company. If you are not fully reimbursed for these expenses, they may be tax deductible, though you'll need to consult with your tax advisor to be certain.

If you're fortunate, you'll never have to face a natural disaster that threatens your home and possessions. But it never hurts to be ready – just in case.

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OES School Lunches

Thursday, Jan. 24

Chicken Pot Pie, Mixed Vegetables, Mixed Fruit

Friday, Jan. 25

Cheese Bosco Stick, Salad, Pears

Monday, Jan. 28

Hamburger, Tater Tots, Mixed Fruit

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Baked Chicken, Garlic Spaghetti, Sweet Peas, Peaches

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Tater Tot Casserole, Salad, Roll, Baked Apples, Graham Cracker

Thursday, Jan. 31

Sloppy Joe, Baked Fries, Steamed Carrots, Pears

Friday, Feb. 1

Cheese Pizza, Salad, Pineapple

Menu subject to change without notice due to availability. Chef Salad offered daily as a choice. M-W-F PB&J offered with sides as a choice. T-T Grilled Cheese offered as choice.

OMS School Lunches

Thursday, Jan. 24

Chicken Pot Pie, Mixed Vegetables, Mixed Fruit

Friday, Jan. 25

Meatball Sub, Golden Corn, Applesauce, Cookie

Monday, Jan. 28

Baked Potato Bar, Chili, Broccoli/Cheese, Breadstick, Mixed Fruit

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Baked Chicken, Garlic Spaghetti, Sweet Peas, Peaches

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Thursday, Jan. 31

Sloppy Joe, Baked Fries, Steamed Carrots, Pears

Friday, Feb. 1

Chicken Poppers, Garlic Spaghetti, Green Beans, Peaches

Menu subject to change without notice due to availability. Chef Salad offered daily except Wed., as alternative Entree. Hot sandwich on bun with fries offered daily, as alternative Entree.

OHS School Lunches

Thursday, Jan. 24

Chicken Pot Pie, Mixed Vegetables, Mixed Fruit

Friday, Jan. 25

Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Monday, Jan. 28

Baked Potato Bar, Chili, Broccoli/Cheese, Breadstick, Mixed Fruit

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Baked Chicken, Garlic Spaghetti, Sweet Peas, Peaches

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Tater Tot Casserole, Salad, Roll, Baked Apples, Graham Cracker

Thursday, Jan. 31

Sloppy Joe, Baked Fries, Steamed Carrots, Pears

Friday, Feb. 1

Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Menu subject to change without notice due to availability. Variety of fruits & vegetables offered daily. Hot sandwich & fries offered daily. Cheese pizza offered daily. Chef salad offered daily except Fri.

GES School Lunches

Thursday, Jan. 24

Chicken Pot Pie, Mixed Vegetables, Mixed Fruit

Friday, Jan. 25

Cheese Bosco Stick, Salad, Pears

Monday, Jan. 28

Hamburger, Tater Tots, Mixed Fruit

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Baked Chicken, Garlic Spaghetti, Sweet Peas, Peaches

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Tater Tot Casserole, Salad, Roll, Baked Apples, Graham Cracker

Thursday, Jan. 31

Sloppy Joe, Baked Fries, Steamed Carrots, Pears

Friday, Feb. 1

Cheese Pizza, Salad, Pineapple

Menu subject to change without notice due to availability. Chef Salad offered daily as a choice. M-W-F PB&J offered with sides as a choice. T-T Grilled Cheese offered as choice.

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MR. EADS' BRIDGE: CHAPTER THREE Caissons in the Mississippi

"Sure," Becky said, "I'd like to know more. But first, what exactly is a diving bell?"

Laura thought. "Have you ever turned an empty glass upside-down and then pushed it under water? It traps a bubble of air in the glass that keeps the water out. If you make the glass big enough and heavy enough, you can put a person inside the air bubble and sink all the way to the bottom of the river."

"Wow! So then the diver could just walk around on the riverbed inside the diving bell?"

"That's right. They also pump air into the bell."

"More air? Doesn't the air bubble keep the water out?" Becky said.

"It does. But the deeper you go under the water, the greater the water pressure becomes. You must add more air under pressure to keep the water from pushing in. The diver also needs fresh oxygen to breathe."

"Okay, I understand the diving bell. How did Mr. Eads use that to build the piers?"

"Mr. Eads had a fleet of boats that could lower and raise diving bells into the river to salvage cargo that sank in shipwrecks," Laura said. "The bridge foundation needed something more permanent. While traveling in Europe, Mr. Eads saw a new technology for underwater construction called a caisson."

"A kay-son?" Becky said.

"A caisson is a large diving bell or often several bells close

together. Ships tow it to where the pier will be. You pile limestone blocks onto the top to sink it and use long wooden beams to guide it to the bottom. By leaving open shafts in the middle, workers can descend a stairway to the underwater air chambers which they then enter through airlocks."

Becky's eyes grew round. "They just walk down to the bottom of the river?"

"I've been there myself. Mr. Eads gave tours, taking people down to the air chambers when they started building. I was fortunate enough to accompany him one time. Because of the higher air pressure, our voices sounded thin and nasal, and you couldn't blow out a candle — it seemed to magically relight itself."

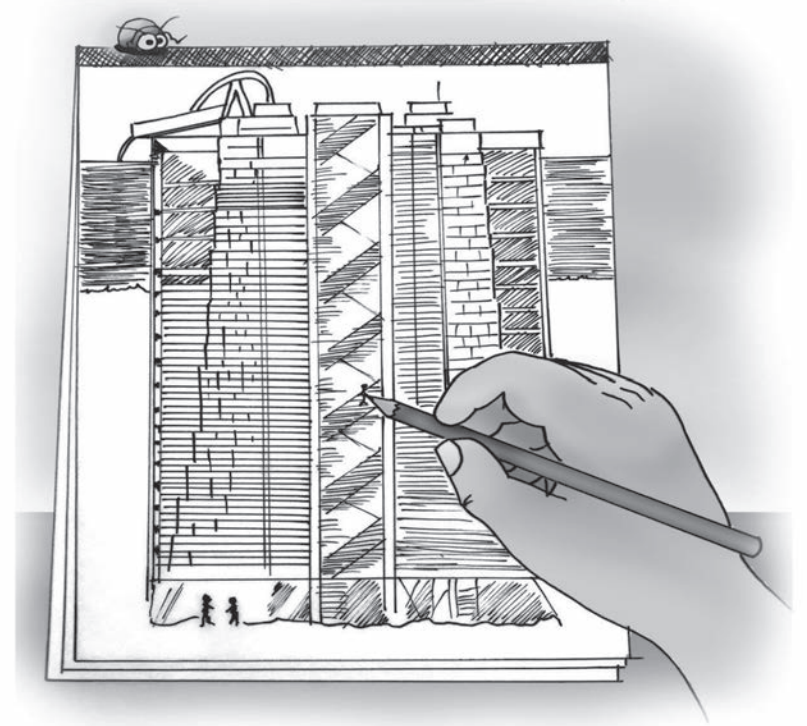
"That must have been something!" Becky said.

"It smelled terrible, but it worked. You can imagine what accumulates on the bottom of the Mississippi River."

"Not really. Yuck! So when they got to the bottom, they were finished?"

"They were just getting started! The river bottom is silt and mud, not at all suitable for anchoring a pier. Workers had to dig out the silt beneath them and let the caisson sink deeper and deeper until they reached bedrock."

"Engineers pioneered a new device called a sand pump to suck the mud and silt to the surface and dump it back into the river."



"Can I go down into the caisson?" Becky asked.

"I'm afraid not. Once the pier was complete, they filled the air chamber and stairwell with concrete to anchor it for all time."

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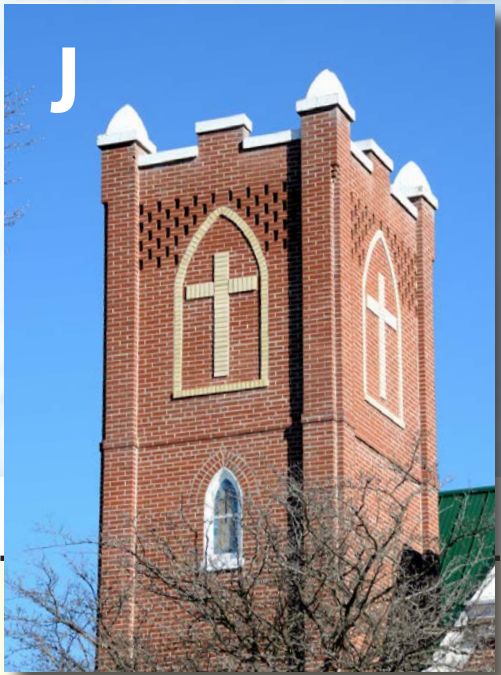
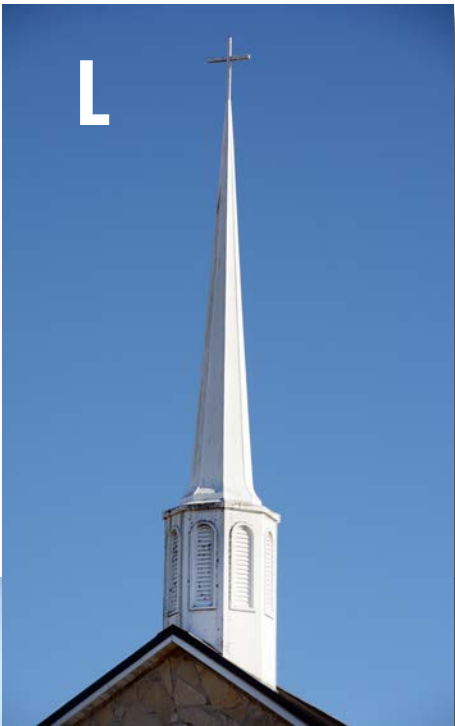
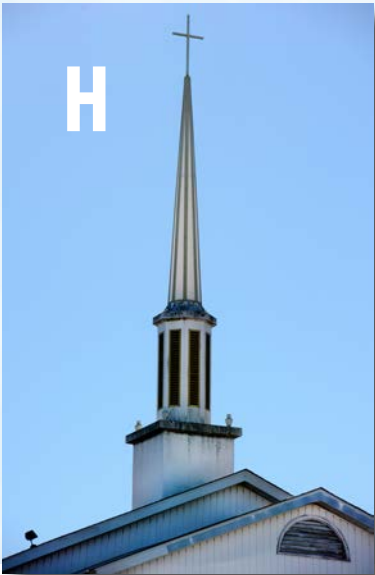
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It's a race
with familiar
faces

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Candidate filing for the April 2 Municipal Election closed at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15. As the deadline loomed, Brad Landwehr and Hillary Ward both signed up to run for mayor.

Mayor Cary Parker had filed his intention to run again on Jan. 14. According to City Clerk Jane Hungler Parker withdrew his candidacy on Thursday, Jan. 17.

Landwehr and Ward faced each other in the mayoral race in April 2016. Landwehr and Matthew Van Buskirk had filed as candidates. Ward ran a write-in campaign and garnered 159 votes to Landwehr's 89 and Van Buskirk's nine.

All other incumbents have filed for reelection and only one of them drew a challenger.

On Jan. 15, Angie Koepke also filed her intent to run against Ward 1 Alderman Steve Grgurich who filed opening day.

Ward 1 Alderman Ruth Haase was recently appointed to fill a vacated seat and will be running for the unexpired one year term. Ward 2 Alderman Kent Richardson also filed.

This means Haase and Richardson should retain their seats, as will Ward 2 Alderman Ed Adams who still has another year in his term.

Voters will make their selections in the Tuesday, April 2, Municipal Elections.

Driver, distracted
by phone, hits
tree and barn

The Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) responded to an accident on Shotwell Road Friday, Jan. 18, at 11:13 p.m.

Destyn J. Payne, 24, of Union was driving a 2002 Chevrolet Avalanche eastbound west of Vossbrink Road while using his cell phone.

A report by Tpr. M. A. White, with Troop C of the MSHP notes that Payne distracted, crossed over the center line and ran off the left side of the roadway. He then struck a tree and a barn.

The vehicle was totalled and towed from the scene.

William R. Wilkerson, 44, of Gerald was a passenger in the vehicle and was not injured.

Payne had minor injuries and was taken to Mercy Washington by Gerald ambulance.

Both men were using seat belts.



Dance camp at GES

A dance camp was held at Gerald Elementary School the week of Jan 7-11 for girls in grades kindergarten through fifth. The camp was held after school hours in either the gymnasium or the cafeteria depending on availability. Members from the high school dance team taught the girls simple dance moves and drills. While waiting for their instructors to arrive at Gerald, the girls had a snack and then worked on stretching and warming up (above). Barbara Loyd, special education teacher at GES was the adult sponsor of the GES dance girls. After perfecting their moves through the week, the girls gave a live performance Friday, Jan. 11, at the high school between the varsity and junior varsity games boys basketball games.

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Black light art

At the rescheduled Art Show, held Thursday, Jan. 10, Gerald Elementary students again displayed their work displayed with black lights. A hallway bulletin board (above) was decorated as a collaborative effort by all participating classes. Kindergarten students created the scarves, second-graders made the portraits, while the fourth grade classes did the hats. Second-graders also created glowing ornaments (right) out of paint-spattered paper mache. One teacher called them glowing orbs. The show was under the direction of Jessie Bayless, GES art teacher.

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Crisis Intervention Team responds to situations involving
those with mental illnesses in Franklin County

The Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is collaboration and community partnership between law enforcement, mental health service professionals, families with lived experience, and consumer advocates.

CIT serves the community's needs, agrees on strategies for meeting those needs, and organizes police training.

Police officers often find themselves on the front lines of mental illness. Law enforcement and health officials estimate up to 20 percent of police calls involves someone experiencing a mental health crisis.

The CIT officers receive specialized training on the skills needed to respond to the individuals with mental health issues, including identifying people who are going through a mental health crisis. They learn effective communication skills to de-escalate

the situation.

CIT also emphasizes getting people the mental health treatment they need without sending them to jail.

Individuals in the community who call the police to respond to someone who is in a mental health crisis may specifically ask for a CIT trained police officer.

Franklin County Sheriff Steve Pelton says the law enforcement officers on this team are dedicated and committed to the citizens of Franklin County.

Each year a CIT Banquet is held to recognize those individual officers who have gone above and beyond the call to duty to positively affect the lives of those in need. Pelton says they have demonstrated tremendous kindness, patience, understanding, and advocacy while interacting with individuals in a mental health crisis.

On Jan. 13, Franklin County deputies responded to Highway 100 in the Berger area for a report of property damage and stealing. Sheriff Steve Pelton released information on the incident.

A woman told deputies she had left her vehicle on the side of the road due to a snow storm. While there, someone broke out the rear glass. The victim claimed items worth between \$7,000 to \$8,000 had been stolen from the vehicle.

Investigation and tips to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office led deputies to the 400 Block of Market Street in Berger where a 33-year-old female was found in possession of approximately half of the items.

Tonya Gerlt from Berger was taken into custody and charged with felony stealing and misdemeanor property damage.

Bond was set at \$10,000.

FRANKLIN COUNTY
BICENTENNIAL

What's in a name?

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While doing research for this Bicentennial series, I came across some explanations for some of the strange names of things in Franklin County. I also learned of some strange names of which I wasn't aware. This is for the ma-

Big Creek: A northern tributary of Bourbeuse River, which rises in the north central part of Boone Township. It is so named on account of its extensive size at flood time.

Boeuf Creek: The stream was named by the early French settlers for the buffalo then found near it, the term "boeuf," cattle, being usually applied to buffalo by the French. The name was later Anglicized by American pioneers to Buffalo River (spelled Buffalow River by Lewis and Clark), or Buffaloe River; but the original French name prevailed and is the only form now used. However, it is more or less Americanized in pronunciation and sometimes erroneously spelled Beouf, Beouff, Boeuse, or Beef. It was called Beef River in Clark's Journal when the Lewis and Clark Expedition passed its mouth on May 26, 1804. McDermott says of the term "boeuf" in Mississippi Valley French: "A buffalo. The term "buffle" was in occasional use; precise travelers used the word "bisen." In the Mississippi Valley the common term was "boeuf sauvage," generally simplified to "boeuf." It is not to be translated "wild cattle."

Bourbeuse River: Rises in Gasconade County and enters Franklin County at the southwest corner of Boone Township, flowing northeast through the township. The name is a very early one, conferred by the French pioneers: "bourbeux,-euse" means muddy, miry, sloughy, sloshy, and adjective derived from the noun "bourbe," mud. In Gasconade the name does not seem very appropriate, for there the Bourbeuse is a comparatively clear stream; but it fits better the lower part of the stream in Franklin County. Variants in spelling that occur are Bourbois, Bourboise, Burbois, Burbus, etc.

Canaan Road: A name given to the road running from Gasconade County into Newhaven, across the southern part of Lyon Township.

The road doubtless took its name from Canaan Township in Gasconade where it started. According to Mr. Weber's thesis, the familiar Bible name was chosen by some settlers from Tennessee in the 1840s who considered Gasconade their "promised land." (HIST. FRANKLIN, 203; Mr. Weber's thesis under "Canaan".)

Champion City: Available in the centennial comes from an M. A. thesis written by Eugenia L. Harrison, University of Missouri-Columbia, 1943 titled, "Place Names of Four River Counties in Eastern Missouri." The post office was established on August 20, 1877, but has been discontinued since May 20, 1911. It was named for the Champion Flour Mill, operated there by Mr. Everhard Giebler, who suggested the name in 1872. Mr. Arthur Keller, in a letter, says that Mr. Giebler wanted to call the place Champion, but since there was already one Champion in Missouri added the word "City." If the story is true, the other place must since have changed its name, for there is no such place-name in the state at present.

Dissen: A post office in the south central part of Boeuf Township, established in 1899 and discontinued in 1909. It was named for Dissen, Germany by early settlers who came from there.

Japan: A village of ten inhabitants, in the southwest part of Boone Township, which has received considerable publicity since the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, in December, 1941. Since it had been ceded locally that the place had been named by its first postmaster, Absolam R. Dyson, for the country of Japan, patriotic enthusiasts suggested that the village be given a new name. Further investigation by Reverend John H. Lakebrink proved that such a procedure was unnecessary because the place had been named in honor of a church that has been here for more than a century, i.e., the Church of the Holy Martyrs of Japan, which was so named for twenty-six Catholic priests and lay brothers of Japanese, Spanish, and Portuguese blood, who were crucified in Japan by Japanese fanatics, February 5, 1597. He maintains that the name is really patriotic because this heartless massacre only serves as a reminder of the cruelty of the Japanese. The post office was established here in 1860 and was discontinued about 1908.

Leslie: A village and station on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad, in the northeast part of Boone Township. The post

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Bill Schuck and Lindsay Mohr of Exceptional Equestrians accept a check from Knights of Columbus Council #9465 president John DeBroeck and Frank Kloeppel (above, front row at right). Knights also present were (above, back row) Fr. Jim Foster, Kevin Aiken, Steve Grgurich, Mike Schatzler, Don Vogt, Norman Kloeppel, Mark Jasper, Jim Greife, Joey Jasper, Mark Redhage, Ken Laboube, Wayne Stallmann. The Knights raised a total of \$1,400 in their annual Tootsie Roll Drive. They were able to keep \$700 of that for distribution to charities of their choice. The Exceptional Equestrians received \$350 and Grace's Place in Washington also received \$350.

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office has been established since 1901. According to one informant, the Christian name of Leslie Wood, Recorder of Deeds at Union from 1882 to 1896, was used to name the place. Another said it was the first name of one of the civil engineers on the Rock Island Railroad who helped to extend the line through the village.

Reed's Defeat School: A rural school in the southeast part of Boone Township. The school was built in 1874, and its first teacher was named Reed. The big boys made life so hard for him that his work was a failure. The directors discharged him. The people of the district called the school Reed's Defeat, and it has borne that name ever since.

Seminary School: In the south-central part of Boone Township. The school was at first called Sego Seminary, by way of jest, for a man named William Sego who lived close by. Sego had little education and was practically an illiterate; and some of the boys in the community suggested that it be named Sego's Seminary, or Sego Seminary. In the course of time the Sego part was dropped, but the Seminary part remained.

Springfield Road: A public road which follows the Pacific Railroad from Pacific to Sullivan, and also one which runs from Jeffriesburg to Gerald via Beaufort and Leslie. No positive reason for its name has been found, but it was evidently so named for its terminus.

Strain: A village in the west-central part of Boone Township. The name Central, a name of position, which was first proposed, was rejected because it was the name of a town in St. Louis County. J.E. Hulsey, the first postmaster at Strain, named the place after an active promoter, John M. Strain, who was the father of the last postmaster, Andrew J. Strain. The place is also known as Strain Community.

Walbert: A post office in the western part of Boone Township, established in 1895 and discontinued in 1910. Ulrich K. Baur, a merchant, was its first postmaster. His sons were named Walter and Herbert; and the first syllable of Walter's name and the second syllable of Herbert's name were combined into Walbert, which was made the name of the place.

News Briefs

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE meets next today, Jan. 23, at 5:30 p.m. at their depot in Legion Park.

FOOD FIGHT winners at GES were kindergarten class of Jena Alaimo and the preschool class of Jessica Toelke. The entire school collected 3,700 Box Tops for Education labels. This translates into \$370 the school can use to purchase equipment and supplies.

THE GERALD SENIOR CENTER will celebrate birthdays and anniversaries next Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 11:15 a.m. Cake and ice cream will be served following the 11:30 meal. For more information, call the center at 764-2256 on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.



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City installs new box for payments

The city of Gerald recently installed a new drop box for utility payments in the parking lot at City Hall. The box cost \$228.95 and was paid with water funds. The old box, a metal box similar to those used to collect mail, was no longer water proof. City Clerk Jane Hungler said that sometimes payments would get almost to wet to salvage. The old box was also poorly located in the only entrance to the parking lot.

ECC presents James and the Giant Peach

East Central College Theatre is proud to present the local premiere of James and the Giant Peach by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul. Directed by Grace Austin with music direction by Colin Healy, the beloved children's book by Roland Dahl comes to life on the ECC stage Feb. 14-17.

Starring more than 45 local and St. Louis area actors, the show also includes choreography by Chris Page-Sanders, set design by Chris Swanson, lighting design by Oliver Kassenbrock, costume design by Marci Franklin and sound design by Sam Kresse.

"The same team that wrote the music for The Greatest Showman wrote the music for James and the Giant Peach," said Austin. "We are so excited to bring a show the entire family can enjoy to our stage. The book is such a multi-generational classic and the musical version is incredible."

Tickets can be purchased at ecctheatre.com or by visiting the East Central College Box Office. For more information including running time, visit ecctheatre.com.

Man steals truck with handgun in glove compartment

Franklin County Sheriff Steve Pelton says his department assisted with the recovery of a stolen truck and a handgun.

On Jan. 17, St. Clair Police took a report of a black, 2001 Ford F-250 truck stolen from inside their city limits. There was a handgun in the glove compartment of the truck at the time of the theft.

Information was dispatched to surrounding agencies, including the Franklin County Sheriff's department with details of the theft.

Later that day, a witness spotted the vehicle pulling into Red Barn Mobile Home Park in Villa Ridge and contacted the Sheriff's Office. Deputies responded to the 200 block of Arborview Drive and confirmed the vehicle in question was the stolen truck. They also determined the handgun was not in the vehicle.

Deputies went to the residence and contacted a male subject who attempted to flee out the rear of the residence, but he was apprehended and detained.

The handgun was located in a closet in the bedroom that the male subject had been in when deputies arrived.

Pelton said that multiple witnesses identified the male suspect as the person that had been driving the truck and had parked it at that location.

Cody Wayne Davis, 31, of Bourbon was taken into custody and held at the Franklin County Adult Detention Facility. A warrant was issued for tampering with a motor vehicle first degree and unlawful possession of a firearm, both felonies.

A bond of \$50,000 was set for Davis.

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CITY OF BELLE ~ SEMI-ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT — JULY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018

Capital Improvements Dept.- Budget	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
INCOME								
Curbing Reimbursement	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 10,950.00
Johnson Ave Grant	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	214,178.00
Reserve for Sidewalks & Curbs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	81,702.00
Sales Tax-Cl.....	8,818.62	3,712.32	4,638.04	7,576.53	4,213.14	8,451.00	37,409.65	71,500.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 8,818.62	\$ 3,712.32	\$ 4,638.04	\$ 7,576.53	\$ 4,213.14	\$ 8,451.00	\$ 37,409.65	\$ 378,330.00
EXPENSE								
401k Retirement	\$ 405.21	\$ 528.23	\$ 326.23	\$ 326.28	\$ 325.77	\$ 365.45	\$ 2,277.17	\$ 4,076.00
Asphalt/Overlay	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	8,555.00	-0-	8,555.00	29,500.00
Audit	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	750.00
Equip. Rental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	100.00
Health Ins	579.25	557.78	557.79	139.52	557.79	557.78	2,949.91	6,697.00
Johnson Ave Grant	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	214,178.00
Johnson Ave Match	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	55,385.00
Payroll and Payroll Taxes	2,188.84	2,418.83	1,531.66	1,468.63	1,380.70	1,499.27	10,487.93	20,168.00
Repairs/Maintenance on Vehicle	-0-	-0-	68.40	-0-	-0-	-0-	68.40	125.00
Reserve	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	21,251.00
Rock, Dirt, Ect	100.00	56.08	214.42	582.80	63.63	120.27	1,137.20	10,000.00
Sidewalk/ Curbs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,000.00
Workman's Comp.....	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	5,100.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 3,273.30	\$ 3,560.92	\$ 2,698.50	\$ 2,517.23	\$ 10,882.89	\$ 2,542.77	\$ 25,475.61	\$ 378,330.00

Community Center- Budget	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
INCOME								
Cleaning Deposit	\$ 180.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 210.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 1,125.00	\$ 3,000.00
Merchant & Manufacture Surtax	347.50	440.47	383.40	543.36	403.09	1,526.50	3,644.32	13,830.00
Miscellaneous	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	278.00
Rent	545.00	100.00	925.00	300.00	575.00	1,270.00	3,715.00	6,400.00
Rollover Reserve	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	28,915.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 1,072.50	\$ 610.47	\$ 1,558.40	\$ 1,003.36	\$ 1,188.09	\$ 3,051.50	\$ 8,484.32	\$ 52,423.00
EXPENSE								
401k Retirement	\$ 89.19	\$ 133.89	\$ 89.90	\$ 89.95	\$ 89.43	\$ 89.72	\$ 582.08	\$ 1,112.00
Advertising & Publications	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	22.50	22.50	100.00
Audit & Consulting Service	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,000.00
Building Repairs/Resurface Drive	160.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	160.00	28,915.00
Electric	90.00	184.00	174.00	170.00	229.00	221.20	1,068.20	1,900.00
Equip. Purchase	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,200.00
Health Ins	246.02	236.85	236.85	69.54	236.85	236.85	1,262.96	2,844.00
Janitorial Supplies	-0-	9.17	84.80	22.85	-0-	18.75	135.57	700.00
Parts & Materials	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	165.17	20.98	186.15	500.00
Payroll & Taxes	266.50	612.33	412.97	352.79	449.79	421.83	2,516.21	8,502.00
Propane	141.25	-0-	205.20	-0-	-0-	-0-	346.45	800.00
Reserve Expense	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,334.00
Trash	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	258.00	516.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 1,035.96	\$ 1,219.24	\$ 1,246.72	\$ 748.13	\$ 1,213.24	\$ 1,074.83	\$ 6,538.12	\$ 52,423.00

General Fund- Budget	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
INCOME								
Building Permits	\$ 50.00	\$ -0-	\$ 75.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -0-	\$ 70.00	\$ 345.00	\$ 1,300.00
Dog License/Dog Fines	43.50	42.00	15.00	138.00	38.00	7.50	284.00	350.00
Franchise Tax	3,665.40	3,887.13	6,723.73	7,125.20	6,947.66	-0-	28,349.12	62,900.00
Grant Money	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00
Interest	809.31	726.87	711.89	667.16	688.96	657.38	4,261.57	3,600.00
Merchant License	-0-	-0-	25.00	25.00	602.12	730.00	1,382.12	2,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	0.50	494.20	5.00	558.00	12.50	63.96	1,134.16	100.00
Real Estate	12,788.14	1,235.39	311.16	652.30	140.62	911.53	16,039.14	91,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 17,356.85	\$ 6,385.59	\$ 7,866.78	\$ 9,315.66	\$ 8,429.86	\$ 2,440.37	\$ 51,795.11	\$ 161,750.00
EXPENSE								
401k Retirement	\$ 267.63	\$ 401.64	\$ 269.69	\$ 269.89	\$ 268.30	\$ 269.18	\$ 1,746.33	\$ 3,337.00
Advertising & Publications	70.00	-0-	-0-	25.00	-0-	-0-	95.00	1,650.00
Audit & Consulting	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,500.00
Building Repairs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,100.00
Computer Equip. Software	152.65	-0-	1,029.95	-0-	25.50	-0-	1,208.10	1,000.00
Demolition/Inspection	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	6,000.00
Dog Gatcher	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	1,800.00	3,600.00
Dog pound	15.75	-0-	-0-	16.27	31.73	-0-	63.75	100.00
Drug Testing	-0-	180.00	-0-	25.00	-0-	-0-	205.00	100.00
Electric	261.80	334.93	521.16	476.81	365.74	92.23	2,052.67	6,000.00
Emergency	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	43,801.00
Equip.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00
Equip. Rental	194.73	162.60	162.60	193.57	162.60	162.60	1,038.70	2,000.00
Health Ins	738.12	710.56	710.56	208.57	710.56	561.98	3,640.35	8,331.00
Janitorial Supplies/Services	570.67	519.32	547.40	553.67	547.40	497.92	3,236.38	7,000.00
Legal Fees	-0-	-0-	276.00	-0-	-0-	180.00	456.00	1,500.00
License/Permits	100.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	100.00	200.00	300.00
Membership Dues	569.50	60.00	-0-	-0-	973.05	25.00	1,627.55	982.00
Mileage	-0-	-0-	133.68	-0-	93.90	-0-	227.58	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	15.88	-0-	-0-	187.52	557.00	110.00	870.40	1,000.00
MRPC Annual Dinner	-0-	-0-	-0-	75.00	-0-	-0-	75.00	90.00
Office supplies	854.16	1,260.35	130.39	-0-	46.46	160.61	2,451.97	3,500.00
Parts & Materials	112.65	108.08	240.00	5.56	17.38	210.36	694.03	3,200.00
Payroll & Taxes	3,908.21	5,304.29	4,651.28	4,417.13	4,058.46	3,996.05	26,335.42	39,303.00
Postage & Shipping	249.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	101.42	350.42	700.00
Propane	-0-	-0-	153.90	-0-	-0-	-0-	153.90	1,100.00
Property/ Liability Insurance	2,114.67	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-498.71	1,615.96	6,200.00
Repairs/Maintenance Equip.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	300.00
Security Cameras	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	700.00
Sign	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00
Telephone	382.73	379.40	395.59	399.34	376.50	388.47	2,322.03	4,800.00
Training	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	100.00
Transfer out- Park Dept.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Transfer out- Police Dept.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Transfer out- Streets	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Trash	11.35	11.35	11.35	11.35	11.35	11.35	68.10	156.00
Website	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,000.00
Work Comp	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-634.28	-634.28	5,100.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 10,889.50	\$ 9,732.52	\$ 9,533.55	\$ 7,164.68	\$ 8,545.93	\$ 6,034.18	\$ 51,900.36	\$ 161,750.00

Park Fund- Budget	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
INCOME								
Belle Fair Gate Sales	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,123.25	\$ -0-	\$ 104.40	\$ 1,242.65	\$ 0.00
Grants	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	10,000.00
Merchant & Manuf Surtax	955.62	1,211.30	924.65	1,494.21	1,108.58	4,197.91	9,892.27	38,033.00
Miscellaneous	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00
Real Estate Taxes	3,288.38	317.67	80.01	167.73	36.16	234.39	4,124.34	24,000.00
Rent	230.00	-0-	538.00	338.00	242.00	348.00	1,696.00	3,500.00
Rollover	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,643.00
Sales Tax - STR	1,410.98	593.97	742.16	1,212.13	674.09	1,352.24	5,985.57	11,417.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 5,884.98	\$ 2,122.94	\$ 2,299.82	\$ 4,335.32	\$ 2,060.83	\$ 6,236.94	\$ 22,940.83	\$ 99,093.00
EXPENSE								
401k Retirement	\$ 463.84	\$ 616.17	\$ 384.86	\$ 384.91	\$ 384.38	\$ 424.06	\$ 2,658.22	\$ 0.00
Audit & Consulting Service	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	22.50	22.50	750.00
Electric	352.25	411.49	446.35	1,590.62	613.47	532.72	3,946.90	5,700.00
Fuel & Oil	98.11	142.39	349.07	261.32	282.47	333.19	1,466.55	2,500.00
Health Ins	670.94	646.05	646.05	144.11	646.05	646.06	3,399.26	-0-
Janitorial Supplies/Cleaning	15.00	-0-	46.20	-0-	-0-	379.24	440.44	500.00
Lake Maintenance	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	150.00
Miscellaneous	38.41	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	194.98	233.39	100.00
Park Improvement/Grants Match ...	-0-	500.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00	12,289.00
Parts & Materials	123.00	314.07	131.58	297.62	286.76	650.18	1,803.21	2,775.00
Payroll & Taxes	2,448.06	4,320.41	3,207.89	3,270.91	3,123.56	4,019.71	20,390.54	-0-
Property/ Liability Ins	2,114.66	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-498.72	1,615.94	6,200.00
Purchase of Equip.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance Equip.	-0-	-0-	-0-	133.03	-10.00	129.75	252.78	150.00
Repairs/Maintenance Vehicle	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	300.00
Reserve for Park	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Trash	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.33	67.98	136.00
Uniform Expense	70.08	76.84	106.55	85.24	110.01	170.08	618.80	1,100.00
Work Comp Ins	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-634.29	-634.29	5,100.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 6,405.68	\$ 7,038.75	\$ 5,329.88	\$ 6,179.09	\$ 5,448.03	\$ 6,380.79	\$ 36,782.22	\$ 40,750.00

Police Dept. Fund- Budget	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
INCOME								
Accident Reports	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -0-	\$ 150.00	\$ 210.00
ATV License	45.00	15.00	30.00	60.00	60.00	105.00	315.00	540.00
Court Fines	2,052.46	2,817.01	3,610.36	907.80	2,497.46	2,106.31	13,991.40	50,000.00
Law Enforcement Training (LET)	16.00	26.00	36.00	10.00	16.00	26.00	130.00	382.00
Miscellaneous Income	3,044.22	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,044.22	1,00

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IN DEFAULT: Tanya Barnhart, Chelsey Dorris, David Kelly, David Rasmussen, Jason Roberts, Felicia Schmidt, and Lynnette Seamon.

Renters have until the above date and time to redeem their contents by paying in full all back rents and fees.

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our sincere thanks for the prayers, cards, visits, food and memorial contributions at the loss of our loved one...

Ronald H. Bueker

Thank you to Rick and the staff at Gottenstroeter Funeral Home for their courteous, professional service.

Our special thanks to Pastor David Roth for the funeral service, to the pallbearers, to the organist, Laura Hengstenberg, and to the members of St. Peter's UCC for the luncheon. Your kindness will always be remembered.

Sandy Bueker
Linda Melchior
Kyle Melchior

Thank You to One and All...

The family of
Nora Kottwitz
would like to extend their sincere gratitude to everyone for their prayers, expressions of sympathy, and love during the recent hospitalization and passing of their beloved aunt, great aunt, and great-great aunt. Your acts of kindness and compassion will not be forgotten.

~ The Nora Kottwitz Family

**In Loving Memory of
Elsie L. Schulte**

March 14, 1933 ~ January 26, 2015

*Time slips by and life goes on,
But from our hearts you're never gone.
We think about you always, we talk about you too,
We have so many memories
but we wish we still had you.*

We Love You!

Melvin Schulte
Vicki & Ivan Bock and family
Kevin & Cindy Schulte and family

In Memory of...

Leo Shockley

There's a little place within our hearts
That's with us every day,
A place where all our memories
Are safely tucked away.

It is the perfect place
In our grief for us to go,
For words alone could not explain
How much we miss you so.

And now that lonely time of year
Has again come around,
It's when the sweetest memories
And thoughts of you are found.

*Sadly missed by his wife,
family, and many friends*

**CITY OF OWENSVILLE
Semi-Annual Financial Report
July 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018**

GENERAL FUND:

REVENUE:

Taxes & Associate Revenue.....	\$ 429,841.90
Licenses and Permits.....	4,012.88
Court Fees	10,698.88
Franchise Fees/PILOT.....	246,107.03
Grants	0.00
Transfers	31,012.92
Miscellaneous Revenue	30,753.87
Total Revenue	\$ 752,427.48

EXPENSES:

Admin Salaries & Benefits	\$ 134,299.27
EMA Salaries & Benefits	2,680.33
Elected Officials Salaries & Benefits.....	6,620.46
Police Salaries & Benefits	233,253.48
Mun Court Salaries & Benefits.....	26,758.19
Fire Dept. Salaries & Benefits	10,000.00
Transfers	0.00
Administrative Expenses	114,266.95
Elected Officials Expenses	1,834.98
EMA Expenses	1,595.75
Municipal Court Expenses	3,740.66
Police Expenses	126,002.48
Fire Dept. Expenses	61,954.71
Total Expenses	\$ 723,007.26

PARK DEPARTMENT

REVENUE:

Taxes & Associate Revenue.....	\$ 128,978.80
Park Revenue	12,416.48
Golf Revenue.....	21,657.68
Pool Revenue	43,289.75
Total Revenue	\$ 206,342.71

EXPENSES:

Park Salaries & Benefits	\$ 76,344.46
Golf Course Salaries & Benefits.....	27,689.77
Pool Salaries & Benefits.....	45,204.17
Park Expenses	31,649.46
Golf Course Expenses.....	26,797.01
Pool Expenses	27,051.66
Total Expenses	\$ 234,736.53

STREET DEPARTMENT

REVENUE:

Taxes and Fees.....	\$ 244,455.59
Surplus Property Sold.....	0.00
Miscellaneous Revenue.....	3,503.42
Transfers	0.00
Total Revenue	\$ 247,959.01
EXPENSES:	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 94,203.80
Capital Improvement	104,647.00
Supplies & Materials	20,740.88
Lease Payments	0.00
Miscellaneous Expenses.....	65.00
Other Services & Charges	11,215.19
Transfers	0.00
Total Expenses	\$ 230,871.87

WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT

REVENUE:

Water Receipts	\$ 593,134.53
Miscellaneous Revenue	6,244.79
Transfers	0.00
Total Revenue	\$ 599,379.32

EXPENSES:

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 45,784.09
Debt Principal, Interest & Reserves.....	236,400.00
PILOT	29,523.38
Sales Tax.....	8,999.04
Supplies & Materials	24,736.73
Capital Improvement	6,065.90
Lease Payments	0.00
Other Services & Charges	74,685.58
Miscellaneous Expenses.....	2,088.54
Total Expenses	\$ 428,283.26

**City of Gerald, Missouri
Statement of Income and Expenses
January 1, 2018 thru December 31, 2018**

GENERAL/PARKS AND 1/2%SALES TAX

(Governmental Funds)	
Beginning Audited Fund Balances	\$ 712,284
INCOME:	
1% & 1/2% Sales Tax.....	\$ 171,952
County Sur Tax	22,216
Donations	479
Fines & Forfeitures.....	27,325
Franchise Tax	137,850
Investment Income.....	381
Grants.....	43,500
Law Enforcement Training	623
Lease Revenue	10,316
Licenses & Permits.....	7,266
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	9,931
Motor Vehicle Taxes	54,333
Park Charges for Services.....	1,665
Property Taxes.....	151,882
Railroad & Utility Tax.....	10,202
Sale of capital assetsSales Tax ...	125,145
Trash Service Collections	87,561
Total Income & Beginning Fund Balances	\$1,574,910

EXPENSES BY DEPARTMENT:

ANIMAL CONTROL	
Operating Expenses.....	\$ 59 \$ 59
ADMINISTRATION	
Debt service	7,937
Interest & fiscal charges	1,162
Operating Expenses.....	164,133
PRINCIPAL	
Salaries & Allowances	52,638
Trash Service Expenses	81,860 307,728
MUNICIPAL COURT	
Operating Expenses.....	14,095
Salaries & Allowances	8,621 22,716
POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Debt service	8,535
Operating Expenses.....	28,372
Repairs and Maintenance.....	5,199
Salaries & Allowances	25,299 167,405
STREET DEPARTMENT	
Operating Expenses.....	25,673
Salaries & Allowances	15,864
Repairs and Maintenance.....	2,496 44,033
PARKS DEPARTMENT	
Operating Expenses.....	6,881
Repairs and Maintenance.....	3,526
Salaries & Allowances	10,417 20,824
1/2% SALES TAX	
Capital Outlay	210,875 \$ 210,875
Total Expenditures.....	\$ 773,641
Ending Unaudited Fund Balances	\$ 801,269

TOTAL FUND BALANCES

TOTAL INCOME & BEGINNING FUND BALANCES:	
General/Parks/1/2% Sales Tax ...	\$ 1,574,910
Waterworks/Sewer System	2,001,761 \$3,576,670
TOTAL EXPENSES:	
General/Parks/1/2% Sales Tax ..	\$ 773,641
Waterworks/Sewer System	289,916 \$1,063,557
Total Ending Fund Balances.....	\$2,513,114

I, Cary Parker, Mayor of the City of Gerald, do attest, under oath, the above is a true and accurate account of the unaudited financial transactions of the City of Gerald for the period of January 1, 2018 thru December 31, 2018
Cary Parker, Mayor ~ January 10 , 2019 ~ Jane Hungler, City Clerk

WATERWORKS/SEWER SYSTEM

(Enterprise Funds)	
Beginning Audited Fund Balances	\$1,470,259
SEWER INCOME:	
Sewer Charges for Services.....	\$ 335,376
Sewer-Other	-
Sewer-Investment Income.....	165 335,541
WATER INCOME:	
Water Charges for Services.....	183,967
Water-return check / other revenue	5,347
Water - late charge	3,820
Water Reconnect Fees	2,350
Water-Investment Income	478 \$ 195,961
Total Income & Beginning Fund Balances	\$2,001,761

EXPENSES BY DEPARTMENT:

SEWER EXPENSES	
Electric to Operate Pumps	\$ 18,637
Engineering Fees	6,269
Interest and fiscal charges	34,202
Operating Expenses	24,079
Repairs & Maintenance	14,988
Salaries & Allowances	93,236 \$ 191,410
WATER EXPENSES	
Electric to Operate Pumps	12,781
Interest and fiscal charges	5,604
Operating Expenses	12,006
Repairs & Maintenance	6,801
Salaries & Allowances	61,314 \$ 98,506
Total Expenses.....	\$ 289,916
Ending Unaudited Fund Balances	\$1,711,845

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES

GENERAL/PARKS/1/2% SALES TAX:	
General Checking Accounts.....	\$ 353,531
Petty Cash	50
Park Checking & Savings	51,583
1/2% Sales Tax Accounts	388,366 \$ 793,530

WATERWORKS & SEWER SYSTEM:

Checking Accounts	533,534
Certificates of Deposit.....	117,058
Restricted Cash - USDA.....	305,653
Petty Cash	100 \$ 956,345
Total Bank Account Balances	
at 12-31-18	\$1,749,875

BANK ACCOUNTS + OTHER ASSETS/LIABILITIES

Total Bank Account Balances	
at 12-31-18	\$1,749,875
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:	
Special Assessments Rec	\$ 813
Payroll Liabilities	(163)
"Due To" "Due From" Assets.....	650
ENTERPRISE FUNDS:	
Capital Assets, Net.....	\$ 2,888,980
Special Assessments Rec	2,616
Certificates of Participation	(112,000)
Liabilities.....	(17,821)
USDA Loan.....	(1,980,586)
Water Meter Deposits.....	(18,600) \$ 762,589
Total Ending Fund Balances	\$2,513,114

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1 Administrator's Notices

**IN THE 20TH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT COURT,
GASCONADE COUNTY,
MISSOURI**

ADA BREHE -KRUEGER
Case No: 18GA-PR00077
In the Estate of THOMAS LJULIUS,
Deceased,

**NOTICE OF LETTERS
TESTAMENTARY GRANTED
(Supervised Administration)**
**To All Persons Interested In The
Estate of THOMAS L JULIUS,
Decedent:**

On December 20, 2018, the last will of the decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of THOMAS L JULIUS, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Gasconade County, Missouri. The name and business address of the personal representative is:

SHARON G JULIUS,
402 Wehmeyer Ave.,
Rosebud, MO 63091
The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is:

STEVEN P KUENZEL,
ECKELKAMP KUENZEL, LLP,
200 W. Main St.,
PO Box 228,
Washington, MO 63090-0228
(636) 239-7861.

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.

Pamela Greunke, Circuit Clerk
Margaret Coulter, Deputy Clerk
Date of Decedent's death: May 2, 2018.
Published in the Gasconade County Republican on: January 9, January 16, January 23, and January 30, 2019.

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These operations will be conducted during the approximate dates of March 1, 2019 to December 31, 2058.

Written comments or a request for an informal public meeting may be made by any person with a direct, personal interest in one or more of the factors that the Staff Director may consider in issuing a permit, as required by The Land Reclamation Act, sections 444.760 to 444.790 RSMo.

Mail written comments, or request for an informal public meeting to: Director, Land Reclamation Program, Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176. All comments and requests for a public meeting must be submitted in writing to the director's office no later than fifteen days following the final public notice publication date. For more information about this process, please contact the Land Reclamation Program by telephone at 573-751-4041.

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0100 Miscellaneous

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0200 Miscellaneous

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SETH MAYBERRY (above, left) looks to pass the ball inside the Dutchmen teammate Brady Smith (10) with Belle's Brett Stewart on defense for the Tigers during the Belle Tournament fifth-place game Friday night.

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Rehmert's Dutchmen work overtime

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BELLE — Dropping a pair of tough games to Newburg and Cuba earlier in the week, Todd Rehmert's Owensville Dutchmen looked to finish a stretch of four games in five days on a positive note.

Facing the host Belle Tigers in the fifth-place game of the Third Annual Belle Boys Basketball Tournament, OHS had just come off defeating Wright City 64-62 only

16 hours prior to their third game at Belle. Needing overtime yet again, a Cason Gray 3-point play with :03 left in overtime helped the Dutchmen leave Maries County with fifth-place medals following a 79-76 victory.

Sparked by four points from Zaid Epstein, Owensville opened the game on a 10-4 run against Belle.

Playing the rest of the first eight minutes to a 9-9 draw, the Dutchmen led the Tigers on their home floor 19-13 after one quarter. Seeing their lead cut to five on two occa-

sions in the second quarter, the Dutchmen put together a 9-2 run pushing their lead into double digits at 35-24 with 2:54 until halftime.

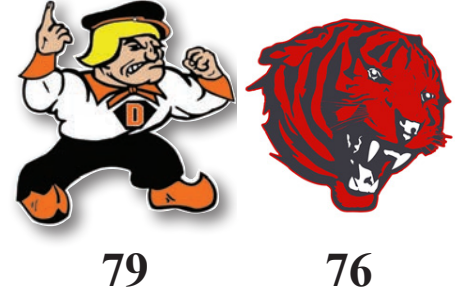
Seeing Belle double up Owensville 6-3 the rest of the half, the Dutchmen saw their halftime lead shrunk to single digits by a score of 38-30.

Behind three 3-point shots from Trevor Abernathy in the first half, he led OHS in scoring with 11 first-half points.

Those 3-pointers helped the Dutchmen junior tie the tournament record for most

3-point shots made in a tournament with

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Dutchmen, Falcons and Colonels

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After a 12-day break from the mats thanks in part to Mother Nature, Rod Barndollar's Dutchmen wrestlers finally returned to action Thursday night at Blair Oaks in a tri-meet against the host Falcons and the Missouri Military Academy (MMA) Colonels in Wardsville.

Opening the meet against the host Falcons, a win by injury default by Draiden Bush at 126 pounds and Kolby Jahnsen winning a 5-3 decision at 138 pounds kept Blair Oaks from shutting out the Dutchmen.

Falling 63-9 to the Falcons, Owensville ended their portion of the meet against the

Colonels out of Mexico.

In spite of winning just one of five contested matches, Barndollar's Dutchmen won the dual by a team score of 42-25.

Earning wins for forfeit for OHS were David Vincent (106), Dezmy Moore (113), Tighe Bombach (132), Jahnsen (138), Boston Belk (145) and Joseph Bauer (220).

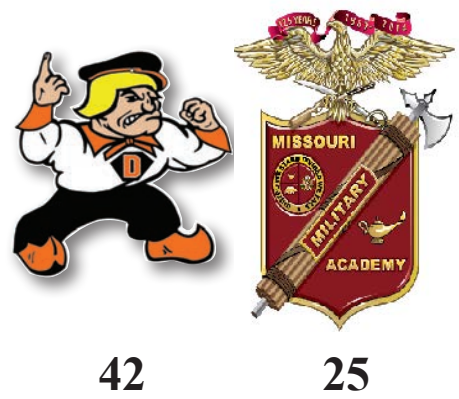
Both schools were open at 120 and 285 pounds.

Bouncing back from a loss by fall in 5:39 against Blair Oaks, senior Blaine Schoenfeld pinned MMA's Loic Munyura in 3:40 at 170 pounds.

Falling in contested matches for Owensville were Bush, Alan Kopp, Zach Adams and Hunter Hutchison.

OHS will host St. James and Pacific

tomorrow (Thursday) night in their final home meet of the regular season starting at 5 p.m. at Owensville High School.



JOE BAUER (above, orange headgear) controls his St. James opponent at 220 pounds during the Ste. Genevieve Duals Tournament held earlier this month at Ste. Genevieve High School down along Interstate 55 south of St. Louis.

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Mundwiller's freshmen score back-to-back victories

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Falling to Sullivan back on Thursday, Jan. 10, Danny Mundwiller's Owensville freshmen Dutchmen basketball team had two shots to get a win last week.

Facing Belle's freshmen Tigers in a Highway 28 showdown last Tuesday night, Owensville turned a 17-13 halftime lead into a 36-18 advantage after three quarters outscoring the visiting Tigers 19-5 to open the second half.

Going on to post a 52-32 victory, Mundwiller's Dutchmen saw all but three players find the scoring column against the Tigers.

Playing to a 10-10 deadlock after one quarter, OHS got four points from Brendan Decker followed by two each from Austin Lowder, Landon Valley and Derek Brandt.

Belle was paced in the first seven minutes by four points from Thomas Lingo along with two each from Keith Rose, Justin



ASHTON KRAMME (above, fourth from left) guards New Haven freshman Adam Homeyer during Owensville's 53-35 victory over the Shamrocks in freshmen basketball action last Wednesday night at Owensville Elementary School. Fellow Dutchmen defenders guarding their man and watching the ball at the same time include Austin Lowder (22) and Derek Brandt. After a 53-35 win over New Haven last Wednesday, Danny Mundwiller's Dutchmen freshmen basketball team will wrap up their season throughout this week during the annual Owensville Freshmen Boys Basketball Tournament being held at OES.

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'WILL'FUL THINKING



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OHS makes the grade

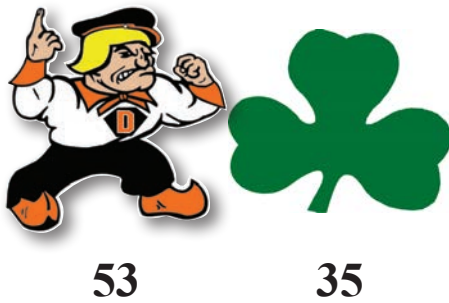
Now that first semester grades are official at Owensville High School for the 2018-19 academic year, student-athletes in cross country, volleyball, football cheerleading and softball were finally able to find out if they joined their football counterparts earning Academic All-State honors.

Matt Candrl's Owensville Dutchmen and Dutchgirl cross country team had nine harriers meet the requirements to be recognized for Academic All-State.

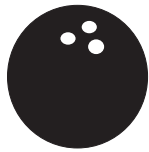
They included Austin Terry, Kendra Hulst, Alesha Shockley, Treyden Williams, Mekayla Gibson, Freddy Zheng, Katie Candrl, Christian Lowes and Abby Koepke.

Criteria for Academic All-State honors from the Missouri Track and Cross Country Coaches Association (MTCCCA) included maintaining a 3.6 cumulative grade-point average (gpa) or

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Owensville HS #2	55	15.5
Sullivan HS	44.5	25.5
Union HS	42	28
Borgia HS #2	35	33
Borgia HS #1	32	40
Owensville HS #1	29	41
Washington HS #2	23.5	46.5
St. Clair HS	20	45
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Dane Allen (Owensville #1).....288
Individual Girl's High Handicap Game
Courtney McEwen (Washington #1)....251

Individual Boy's High Scratch Series
Dane Allen (Owensville #1)..... 721
Individual Girl's High Scratch Series
Bryanna Winfree (Washington #2) 492
Individual Boy's High Handicap Series
Dane Allen (Owensville #1)..... 793
Individual Girl's High Handicap Series
Courtney McEwen (Washington #1)....656

Team Scratch Game	
Owensville HS #1	881
Team Scratch Series	
Washington HS #1	2361
Team Handicap Game	
Washington HS #1	1124
Team Handicap Series	
Washington HS #1	3138

OHS#1 team members are Riley Slawinski, Cole Allen, Branden Schuman, Brad Long, Dane Allen and Isaac Wells.

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DUTCHGIRL BASKETBALL opened the Hermann Tournament Monday night against Chamois' Lady Pirates with a 73-37 victory. A complete tournament recap will be in next week's *Republican*.

OHS WRESTLING saw the Fort Zumwalt South Tournament scheduled for Saturday canceled and rescheduled for this coming Saturday, Jan. 26.

BEN COOPER'S seventh-grade Dutchmen basketball team opened tournament action in Sullivan last night (Tuesday) against Pacific. A complete tournament recap will be in next week's *Republican*.

JOHN BUNCH'S eighth-grade Dutchmen basketball team also opened tournament action in St. Clair last night (Tuesday) against Sullivan. A complete tournament recap will be in next week's *Republican*.

BLAINE SCHOENFELD and Tristan Smith will be recognized during senior night and Dutchmen wrestling's final home meet of the season tomorrow (Thursday) night.



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nine joining South Callaway's Treysen Gray and the 2017 duo of Missouri Military Academy's Bayern-Erdine Oldckbayar and Wright County Home School's Ben Martin.

In the third quarter, Owensville would build their lead up to seven points on two occasions only to see the host Tigers cut it as close as one at 47-46 on a Colten Robinson bucket at the 1:24 mark of the quarter.

Ending the quarter on a 7-2 run sparked by four points from Austin Terry, Owensville entered the final eight minutes from Belle High School with a 54-48 lead.

Leading from the opening tip-off to the end of the third quarter, Rehmer's Dutchmen were going for a wire-to-wire victory.

Starting the fourth quarter on a 6-2 run capped by an Abernathy basket at the 5:50 mark of the final period, OHS saw their lead go into double digits for the first time with a 60-50 advantage.

That was when Belle began to make their latest move.

Started by a Brett Butler bucket and capped by a circus-like 3-point play from Lane Feeler, Belle scored 15 of the next 17 points to take a 65-62 lead with 2:00 remaining.

Stewart scored two of his five points 10 seconds later pushing the Tiger advantage to 67-62.

From that point, the Dutchmen got baskets from Abernathy, Epstein and Daxton Mehrhoff to knot the

game at 68-68 with :56 left before eventually winding up in a four-minute overtime session.

This game marked just the second contest in the three-year history of the Belle Tournament to go into overtime joining Missouri Military Academy and Bourbon who needed two overtimes to see the Colonels post an 83-73 victory over the Warhawks.

In overtime, Gray started the scoring 15 ticks in putting Owensville in front 70-68.

Another Butler bucket knotted the game back up at 70-70 before Gray scored again with 2:22 left in the extra session.

Four points from Epstein tied the game at 74-74 and gave Owensville a 76-74 lead before Gray broke a 76-76 tie with an old-fashioned 3-point play ultimately giving the Dutchmen a hard-fought win.

Accounting for seven of OHS' 11 points in overtime, Gray led all scorers with a game-high 23 points.

Abernathy also landed in double digits with 14 points followed by a dozen from Epstein.

Mehrhoth and Terry both added 11 points making it five Dutchmen in double figures.

Owensville's Friday victory quickly erased the memories of their two losses in pool play by scores of 57-56 to eventual tournament-runner up Newburg and 48-39 to Cuba's Wildcats who fell to MMA in the third-place game.

Having the entire week off,



Owensville will return to action on Monday, Jan. 28 with a short trek west on Highway 28 to once again face a Belle Tiger basketball team that will have revenge on

their minds.

Monday's four-game slate will begin at 4:30 p.m., with the JV girls followed by the JV boys and both varsity contests.

DUTCHMEN BASKETBALL team members (above) stand proudly with their fifth-place medals around their necks following their 79-76 overtime victory over Belle Tigers in the consolation championship game Friday night at the Third Annual Belle Boys Basketball Tournament. **TREVOR ABERNATHY** (left, far left) handles the basketball while Belle's Eddy Paz closely guards him. Abernathy tied a tournament record making nine 3-point shots in three games. Paz went 10-10 from the free-throw line against Owensville tying a tournament single-game record and setting a new tournament mark for best free-throw percentage.

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OMS Dutchmen end regular season at St. James

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Looking to avenge a sweep on their home court against St. James from mid-December, OMS Dutchmen basketball teams coached by Ben Cooper and John Bunch ventured into Phelps County Thursday night to take on the host Tigers.

Down 14-4 at halftime after being held scoreless in the first quarter, Cooper's seventh-grade Dutchmen bowed to the Tigers, 32-17.

Layne Evans paced the seventh-grade Dutchmen with seven points followed by four from Blake Elliott to go with two apiece by Landon Ely, Tyler Scheer and Morgun Stogsdill.

Looking to deny the Tigers a sweep on their home floor, Bunch's eighth-grade Dutchmen got their second shot at St. James.

Leading 19-17 at halftime and deadlocked at 30-30 after three quarters, Owensville was outscored 13-6 in the final six minutes falling to St. James 43-36.

Bryce Payne led the Dutchmen and all scorers with a game-high 18 points netting 11 of those in the second half.

Charlie Whelan and Rane Rehmer each kicked in five points for Bunch's OMS squad.

Will Mentz and Logan Slinkard added three points while Owensville got two markers from Dylan Slinkard.

OMS basketball wraps up their season this week in tournament action at Sullivan (7th) and St. Clair (8th).

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Future Dutch Divas at OHS

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