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New principal at OES brings strong resume´ of technology integration into R-2 school

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Dr. Scott Davidson has five months remaining on his contract at his current job but he's already thinking about Owensville and his next job as principal at Owensville Elementary School.

"I'm pretty excited about this. I think there's a good platform there," said Davidson about the school's use of technology.

He said he "looked forward to continuing" the development of the school's technology curriculum and to work with students and staff "to evolve it and evolve with it."


DR. SCOTT DAVIDSON

Davidson and his wife, Andrea, and their two children, Ella, 9, and Eli, 6, are planning to relocate locally. First, however, he must complete the school year where he's currently employed.

"It's apparent you have a very supportive community and school foundation and it seems like a very great place to move into and raise a family," said Davidson who was educated in the Wellsville-Middletown schools. "I'm a rural school kind of guy and want to get to know the community better. I like getting out and sharing information with people about what's going on in the schools."

His daughter will be a fourth-grader and his son will enter first grade next fall.

"Not only am I professionally invested in the school system, I'm personally invested as well," he said.

He said he looks forward to meeting with parents and community groups in his effort at "fostering these relationships" to promote technology and education programs. While working as principal for four years at Jonesburg Elementary, Davidson helped raise funds to buy Chromebooks as the Montgomery County school successfully implemented a "one-to-one" program for the devices in the third and fourth grades and obtain iPads for their first and second-graders.

Davidson noted that statistics show 80 percent of jobs these days require the use of technology. Preparing elementary children to be "future ready" is vital in educating young students.

He has spent the past year as an assistant principal at Bellerive Elementary School in the Parkway C-2 School District in Chesterfield, Mo. He earned his Doctorate in Eduction degree from Missouri Baptist University in St. Louis in 2014. His dissertation was on technology integration.

His specialist of education administration work was through William Woods University and included 2011 certification in K-8 administration. He earned a masters degree from Missouri Baptist in 2005 in K-12 special education. He completed his undergraduate work in business administration and economics in 2001 at Central Methodist University in Fayette, Mo., where he played collegiate basketball for a year.

In 2002 he began his eduction career in the Lincoln County R-2 High School in Troy, Mo., by developing the alternative classroom through their special education program. He created and taught a computer

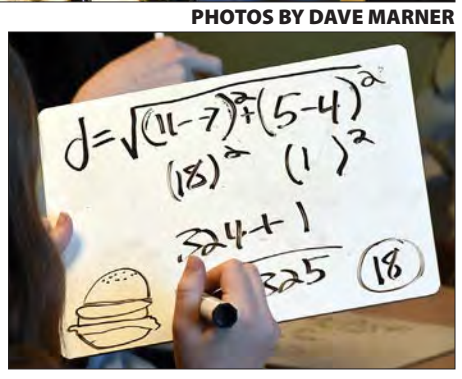
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OWENSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL math teacher Kris Altemeyer works with freshmen honors algebra student Jonah Hoffman as Tyler Heidbrink (on left), Jonathen Aytes (back left), and TJ Whelan (on right) work the equation. Also pictured are Taylor McClure (right) and (far right, from left) Cadi Ruth, Alyssa Belloir, and Dalton Halloran.

Altemeyer's new career equation equals assistant principal's position at OHS



A CHEESEBURGER drawing marks the successful completion of an equation.

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Kris Altemeyer's mathematics students begin their class period sharing quick stories before getting down to business working difficult equations.

"Who has a story?" Altemeyer asks as his group of freshmen honors algebra students settle in after their lunch period. A quick story or two, he says, helps them relax a bit before an intense period of working math problems on their white boards begins.

It's an honors class. Students want to be there and the pace is designed to stimulate this group of high achievers, Altemeyer says.

Altemeyer will leave the classroom at the end of the spring term after 15 years to become the school's assistant principal.

Altemeyer was offered an administrator's contract following a Jan. 23 special meeting of the R-2 Board of Education. Also offered a contract that night was Dr. Scott Davidson as principal of Owensville Elementary *(see related story)*.

"I'm excited about the energy they both bring," said R-2 Superintendent Dr. Chuck Garner.

In selecting Altemeyer, the district's directors chose a former student who has excelled in teaching mathematics to be their new assistant principal to Cindy Hawkins, who is completing her second year at Owensville High School.

"Kris is another good fit for the high school," said Garner said of Altemeyer. "He has historical knowledge of the district. His strengths in working together with Mrs. (Cindy) Hawkins and his knowledge of the classrooms are great."

Altemeyer is a 1998 graduate of OHS who went on to earn his undergraduate degree in secondary education at Fulton's Westminster College. He earned his masters degree in educational administration with certification as a secondary school administrator in May 2009 from Missouri Baptist University.

He taught and coached basketball in Hermann for a year following his undergraduate work and joined the OHS math staff the following year in 2003. He has been an assistant coach in basketball and baseball at OHS and also coached middle school basketball during two extended stints over the past 15 years.

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When I'm called…

Owensville Deputy Fire Chief Darren Knight presents his father, Terry Knight, with an award Saturday commemorating his 51 years of volunteer service as the department's chaplain as Chief Curtis Aytes reads from the retirement inscription. See page 8 for coverage of the department's annual awards banquet.

'Fed up': Ward 1's Buck resigns seat as Owensville alderman

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Although he said he's "officially still an alderman until they vote me off," Ward 1 Owensville alderman Karl Buck on Friday submitted a letter of resignation which he termed "effective immediately."

Buck on Tuesday said he would reserve comment on why he's quitting the board less than a year into his two-year term until after the Board of Aldermen had official accepted his letter of resignation. This is expected, he said, when aldermen convene again at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 5, at City Hall.

Buck said that according to city bylaws and state statute, "I am an alderman until the board votes me off. It won't be official until they meet next week and vote me off the board."

Buck said he submitted his letter of resignation in person to city staff just before closing time on Friday afternoon. It was "dated immediately…effective on that date," according to Buck of the letter's Jan. 26 delivery to the city's administrator, Nathan Schauf.

Asked why he was resigning now, Buck replied, "Just fed up." He declined to comment further until his resignation is officially accepted by the board. "I have reasons," he said. Asked if he would reconsider, he said, "I find that highly unlikely."

Buck was unopposed in the April 2017 election and was serving his first term as an elected official. Since his term has time remaining, it will be up to Mayor John Kamler to appoint a replacement to complete the unexpired term through April 2019 with approval by the remaining aldermen.

"It is with great regret that I wish to inform you that I feel I can no longer serve the city of Owensville as an alderman," Buck wrote to the mayor. "After serving only a short portion of my term it has become clear to me that it would not be in the city's best interest to me to continue to serve."

Although he wrote he was pleased with helping make some "rewarding changes," he didn't have the "time, patience, or fortitude required to serve" the city "in the way it should be served."

Driver examination schedule changes, then changes back to original proposal

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Michael Stillman is commander of the VFW Post in Owensville where the Missouri Department of Motor Vehicles operates driver's license testing. Scheduling rentals of their facility isn't usually a big deal — until it is.

Stillman, a U.S. Navy veteran of the first Gulf War era, earlier this month called to have a news item placed in *The Republican* announcing scheduled changes in DMV operations. No more testing on the first, third and fifth Mondays of the month. Move all testing to the first and third Wednesday each month starting Feb. 7. No testing in January at all.

Done deal. Included in News Briefs in the Jan. 17 issue.

Stillman called back this past Wednesday to say the DMV had change its mind.

Back to Monday testing schedule "until further notice," Stillman said he was told.

Could the paper run an announcement about the change?

Yes, we would. In the Jan. 31 issue. We'd put something up on Facebook before the next paper (today) comes out.

He was frustrated. He said an examiner told him the state agency had been waiting for the phone call from their higher-ups confirming the change in scheduling.

"They called us back today (Jan. 23) and told us they were staying the same. Now 'Mike' looks like an idiot," Stillman told the paper this past Wednesday.

He had contacted the high school. The senior centers. He had notified the media.

Could we still run a new announcement?

Sure, commander. Not a problem.

We were about to post an update on the change on Friday morning when Stillman called back. The DMV called him Thursday and now testing is back to the Wednesday schedule. No more Mondays. First and third Wednesday at the times previously announced. Those are included below. No testing during the lunch hour.

At least that's the schedule as of now.

Oh, and there was testing on Monday, Jan. 29. We were able to post that on Facebook before the weekend. Hopefully that helped someone who needed to know what was going on.

As for the commander…he's not an idiot like he fears people will think he is.

He's rightly frustrated over the changes to changes and he's doing his best to keep the public informed. If you're following this time-line still, you'll know he's doing a pretty good job at that.

He'll be posting new signs on the doors soon. Unless plans are changed again, they should read something like this:

Hours of testing: (First and third Wednesday each month)

- Written 9:45 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:50 p.m. (no testing during lunch break);
- Driver's skills: 9:45 to 11:35 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. (staff lunch break in between — no testing); and,
- Motorcycle skills: 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

NITU extension granted by STB

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The Surface Transportation Board (STB) has approved an extension of Notice of Interim Trail Use (NITU) to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources

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Homecoming court set



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What Prop. P means for Gerald police

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SPORTS

Diestelkamp hits 1,000 pts.



A NEW ADVENTURE

Following in my uncle's footsteps



by DENNIS WARDEN

It has been stated that the oldest profession is prostitution. But that is a misnomer. The oldest profession is actually sales. In the beginning it was the snake who sold Eve on the idea of eating the forbidden fruit in the garden of Eden.

Like my father, sales is the profession I chose.

It was my uncle Tom Warden who "toiled in the vineyard of words known as community newspapering."

I started working at *The Republican* as head janitor when I was 12-years-old. So I guess you could say that ink runs in my veins.

After attending the University of Missouri School of Journalism in Columbia and working five years at the *Hannibal Courier-Post*, I returned to Owensville to sell advertising in 1987.

At one time I considered being a photojournalist but it didn't take long to figure out that a photojournalist in a small community newspaper needed to have some skills with the written word. In high school English was my worst subject.

One of my most useful high school graduation presents was a large Webster's Dictionary (given to me by the employees of *The Republican*.) They knew it would come in handy in college.

At that time, in 1978, stories were written on a typewriter. The only 'spell check' was the dictionary.

My gift is and has always been in the art of selling. So it has been in this "vineyard" that I have used my talents to help the family business.

I can remember my father, Don telling me in my 20's that he would have been better off had he went to work for the U.S. Post Office. They have better working hours, better retirement and a lot less headaches. I didn't listen.

He has always been my hero. I have looked up to my dad and tried to be like him in every way. He is, and has always been my role model in life, in business and in my faith.

It was on Oct. 1, 1965, that uncle Tom started writing his column, "Our Back Yard" for the *Gasconade County Republican*. I was 5-years-old. That column remained a large part of this publication until his retirement in early 2001.

Tom's final column, after over 44 years, was published on Feb. 21, 2001.

For a few months the "Best of Our Back Yard" appeared on this editorial page until Bob McKee, the managing editor, took over the reins and started his weekly column "Going South."

Bob started working on the staff of *The Republican* in 1972 as reporter and photographer, moving on to news editor and managing editor.

That first column of Bob's appeared on this page on Sept. 12, 2001, just one day after terrorists flew planes into the world trade center in New York City and into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., forever changing life in the United States.

Bob retired as managing editor in January 2007 from *The Republican,* going south to his home in Bem. From there he continued to provide us with his wit and wisdom through his column "Going South," until last week.

After over 16 years and 852 columns I join everyone in thanking Bob for sharing his life and his stories with us. Bob may have grown up in Springfield, Mo., but the best part of his life has been here in Owensville/Bem where he has influenced us with the printed word.

Some of you may be aware that on Oct. 12, 2016, we started a second newspaper in our neighboring county called the *Maries County Advocate*. It was then that I went out on a limb, expanded my horizons and followed in my uncle's footsteps with my own column, "A New Adventure." It has been well received from readers of *The Advocate*.

Since that time, a few of those columns have appeared in *The Republican*. Many of you have relayed your approval when we met.

Thanks to the advent of spell check, one thing I don't have to worry about is my spelling. Of course during the last 30 years my spelling has improved to where I consider myself a decent speller.

As far as writing is concerned, I will let you be the judge.

I don't kid myself. Both uncle Tom and Bob spent their lives communicating with the written word. I have a lot of catching up to do.

I hope you'll join me in this new adventure.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Tax-payer funded non-disclosure agreements can hide big problems

BY NICOLE GALLOWAY, CPA
Missouri State Auditor

A recent audit by my office found Missouri taxpayers were on the hook for more than $115 million in legal settlements and judgments against state entities over the past six years — including more than $9 million paid out in cases involving allegations of workplace discrimination and sexual harassment. But the dollar figure wasn't our only concern.

We also discovered state officials lack the ability to produce basic electronic reports, making it difficult to track the cost to taxpayers. That also makes it challenging to identify if a state agency has had numerous claims against it — a possible sign of a toxic workplace culture, such as what came to light with the Department of Corrections in the past year.

There was another troubling part to the audit. Just as we've seen in Washington D.C., the state of Missouri has used non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) in some legal settlements. These agreements, a legal tool that prevents a public discussion of settled claims, can hide long-term, festering problems — problems that often result in more lawsuits and greater costs to taxpayers.

I oppose the use of NDAs in settlements by the state. Especially when coupled with the compromised legal protections for whistleblowers under a bill signed into law by Gov. Eric Greitens last year over my objections, these prohibitions can allow details of improper or illegal activities by government agencies to remain shrouded in secrecy.

Missourians have a right to know what is happening with the tax dollars they send to Jefferson City, just as workers have a right to know what is happening in their workplaces.

The last thing citizens expect when they send hard-earned tax dollars to their government in Jefferson City is for that money to be used to pay out million-dollar lawsuits that are preventable. But the reality is that Missourians would have very little ability to know any of this if it were not for brave whistleblowers who told their stories publicly, unfettered by non-disclosure agreements.

That's why I am supporting legislation filed in both the Senate (SB 786) and the House (HB 1515) that protects whistleblowers and specifically prohibits non-disclosure agreements as part of legal settlements by the state.

The Whistleblower and Taxpayer Protection Act positions Missouri as a leader for those who speak out against fraud, public corruption and government wrong-doing — and reverses our state's troubling trend toward secrecy.

Toxic workplace cultures, especially those found in the public workplace, should be dealt with in the light — not swept under the rug. The Missouri General Assembly can bring much-needed light to how taxpayer dollars are used by changing the law to get rid of taxpayer-funded non-disclosure agreements.

REPORT FROM THE 16TH DISTRICT

Limited growth of state general revenue will impact final budget preparations

BY STATE SEN. DAN BROWN
Missouri's 16th District

This past week, the governor released his recommendations for the state's $28.7 billion operating budget — a roughly $200 million increase compared to the current year's budget.

Right after the release, Senators and staff quickly began diving deep into the recommendations during a Senate Appropriations Committee meeting.

The governor has recommended nearly 50 new spending items, yet he is recommending cutting college and universities' budgets by $68 million. This recommendation for Missouri's higher education institutions represents about a 7.7 percent drop in state funding compared to the current budget year.

While changes and reforms are needed in higher education, those reforms can be carried out without steep cuts, and not at the expense of higher tuition and more loans for students and parents. The Missouri economy needs a skilled workforce, and we shouldn't be making it harder to acquire to those skills and stunt the growth of our economy.

Other budget recommendations from the governor includes a nearly $163 million increase in infrastructure funding for Missouri's 34,000 miles of roads and 10,000 bridges. There has been much debate in the General Assembly on how to fix the state's infrastructure's funding shortfalls and get the much needed funds to repair our state's roads and bridges.

In early January, the governor joined lawmakers from the Senate and the House of Representatives to announce Missouri's Consensus Revenue Estimate (CRE) for the 2019 Fiscal Year.

The CRE is a number established by state budget experts and used by the legislature and governor to build and balance Missouri's budget. The key figure in the CRE is the projected general revenue collections for Fiscal Year 2019.

Total general revenue collections are expected to be $9.418 billion. This number reflects a growth in general revenue of 2.5 percent over last year's budget.

Moving forward, the Senate will craft our own budget recommendations. We will take into account the one-tenth of a percent tax cut resulting from Senate Bill 509 in 2014, the rising health care costs, and the cuts made in last year's budget. We are also watching how the federal government tax cuts will affect us in Missouri. While general revenue growth is good, however, it's limited growth.

Fiscal Year 2019 starts on July 1, 2018. The General Assembly must approve and send its proposed budget to the governor by May 11, 2018, for his approval. While the constitutional deadline for approval is still months off, budget work is in full swing.

Senate Majority Leader's view of budget process

State Sen. Mike Kehoe is the majority floor leader for the Republican-dominated Senate. He offers this view of the budget process in his column for the week:

"The governor's recommendations are an important part of the appropriations process, but they remain recommendations," Kehoe wrote. "Every budget is a process and every budget is a reflection of priorities. I was pleased with some of the components of the governor's budget and was disappointed with others.

"I was pleased to see the governor's proposed budget includes a long-overdue pay increase for state employees. This is a critically important and my top budget priority. I was disappointed to see approximately 50 new line-items in the governor's budget alongside significant cuts to higher education, in particular Lincoln University and State Technical College of Missouri.

"A great deal of time, energy, and discussion remains in the FY'19 budget process, however one thing is certain: the budget the legislature passes and delivers to the governor will look different than the budget the governor proposed.

"This is the case with every budget, every year, under every governor."

HOMETOWN BOY

Farmers to see price drop if free trade exports stop

"Go count the cows." That chore went to this farm boy when Dad needed to know that none had found a hole in the fence and fled the pasture.

Coming up one short, meant recounting and then starting a long look for a cow. First, look in the cornfield.

When you read this, USDA cow counters will have done a near impossible task. Count all cows in the country.

The census will be as of January 1, but not released until the 31st.

Last year, Missouri had 2,052,000 cows. I think there might still be a cow hiding out behind Timber Hill on our farm.

In 2017, Missouri ranked third in the nation, behind always first-place Texas and sometimes second-place Oklahoma. In the past, Missouri was 2nd.

In a great southwest drought of 2012, Oklahoma depopulated herds.

Good news for Missourians is Oklahoma regrowth came from Missouri. Some ranches bought truckloads of Show-Me-Select Heifers. That gives those herds a huge genetic boost.



by DUANE DAILEY

Future profitable cow herds depend more on genomics than on cow count. Prime quality beef sells for much more than a Select calf.

We're still in danger of outgrowing demand. Now we sell surplus beef in export, a reliable market.

As world economy grows, people eating rice diets find they like U.S. beef. They pay bigtime.

That demand keeps meat prices high, boosting our rural economy. Forecasters said that with more cows that beef prices would drop. They didn't.

This was a case where plain old economics, supply and demand, shifted.

Selling quality meats abroad saved our bacon, so to speak.

Last week, our president shocked the rural economy. Trump, the deal maker, hinted he'd drop renewal of NAFTA. That's the North American Free Trade Agreement which allows Missouri farmers to benefit by selling to our closest neighbors: Mexico and Canada.

Our president may have overlooked the vital nature of free trade. It's not just beef, which I follow closest. Corn and soybean farmers are hit hard.

A shocking story came from a group I'd never heard before: Farmers for Free Trade. They listed the impact of putting tariffs on our products. I suppose Trump thinks tariffs will fund building a wall.

The new report names states hit hardest by the lost trade. This is where Missouri doesn't want to be No. 1, but we are.

At the Missouri Cattlemen's Convention, Scott Brown asked for a show of hands. How many have more cows now than last year. Lots of hands went up.

At that point the MU economist said we'll have to eat more beef here in the U.S. if trade is cut.

Domestic demand for beef remains strong. But, that demand is located in cities where rich folks live.

I tried to find this week the numbers on disparity between rural and big city economies. No luck, yet.

But the *Wall Street Journal* ran a story on U.S. economic growth. Just look at the soaring stock market. For the first time I've seen the *WSJ* say stock market growth is based on greed rather than reality. Our president doesn't see it that way. His leadership makes stocks rise, he says.

Farmers have stepped up to their challenge. A growing world population needs more food. Farmers responded by growing more.

But if we build walls and deport consumers, we'll have to eat more at higher prices. That trend might hurt rural areas.

I have a suggestion for herd owners. When counting cows, use an aerial drone with video camera.

When Bill Wiebold used a drone to scout crops, I said, I needed that as a boy to count cows. He assured me I wasn't the first to say that. The drone flies to the far side of Timber Hill faster than I can run.

Meanwhile, eat more meat. Maybe even wrap it in a corn tortilla.

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CAPITOL PERSPECTIVES

A looming budget cliff

BY PHILL BROOKS



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Missouri's legislature is facing one of greater budget precipices I've covered in some five decades.

The magnitude of the budget crisis was demonstrated by Gov. Eric Greitens when he unveiled his spending plans. It includes the largest percentage cut in state funds for public higher education in more than one quarter of a century — a 10.8 percent cut in the prior-year appropriation.

Further, in this current budget year that runs until June 30, the state will not have enough cash to pay your tax refunds on time.

So rather than delaying tax refunds until next summer or cutting funds from other agencies to pay your refunds, Greitens' budget proposes borrowing more than $250 million from private lenders to pay your refunds on time. That would kick the cost of tax refunds into the next year when those loans will have to be repaid.

The budget calamity facing Missouri is so bad that the governor had to engage in a bit of financial fantasy to put a rosy face to his budget.

He proposed $163 million in new funding for state highway construction and maintenance. But Transportation Department is funded primarily from dedicated funds — like the gasoline tax — over which the Constitution gives the governor and the legislature little control. The governor's budget already has come under attack from legislative Republicans.

Just hours after the governor's budget announcement, the Senate's Appropriations chair voiced concerns about the proposed higher education cuts. Greitens' plan to borrow money for prompt payment of tax returns raised immediate concerns about Missouri's constitutional ban on the legislature authorizing loans to fund budget obligations.

"We're probably not going to do this, I think," proclaimed House Budget Committee Chair Scott Fitzpatrick, R-Shell Knob.

Just think of the financial turmoils of Illinois and California to understand the wisdom of the authors of Missouri's Constitution banning deficit spending.

In his defense, the budget problems Greitens now faces are, in part, the result of earlier Republican-controlled legislative sessions that passed business and other tax cuts despite warnings about the long-term financial consequences.

In response, tax-cut proponents argued the cuts would spur economic growth which would generate more tax revenue. But that has not happened to the degree promised by supporters — despite a rebounding economy.

At the start of this year's legislative session, Senate President Pro Tem Ron Richard, R-Joplin, warned of the damage to the state from any new large tax cuts. Later, a legislative budget leader expressed concerns about the past tax cuts.

The answer to Missouri's current budget woes won't come from the politically easy proposals like improving efficiency. Reducing paper clip purchases will not resolve the budget cliff Missouri now faces.

The alternative of raising taxes would seem unlikely in an election year. Besides, any significant tax increase would require statewide voter approval.

So, what about restructuring government in ways that truly reduce costs?

What about consolidating the more than 500 separate school districts to lower the cost of education administration?

What about consolidating the various competing higher education institutions? That could reduce both duplication and administrative costs.

What about returning to counties rural roads the state maintains that really are not part of the statewide highway system?

What about consolidating the departments of Social Services, Health and Mental Health to reduce administrative overhead for an array of family, medical, nutritional and well-being programs?

If the vision for welfare is a pathway to work, why not consolidate welfare programs with the Labor Department, as one Senate Democratic leader proposed years ago?

These are not the kind of structural ideas I'm hearing from our state leaders to provide long-term solutions to the state's budget realities. Instead, so far, it strikes me this could be another year when the budget problem again is kicked down the road.

(Phill Brooks has been a Missouri statehouse reporter since 1970. He is the 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).

No increase to K-12 transportation funding in Greitens' budget, House panel warns

MISSOURI DIGITAL NEWS

JEFFERSON CITY — Elementary and secondary education would receive a substantial financial boost under Gov. Eric Greitens' proposed 2019 budget, but some areas would be left unaddressed.

While almost all of the funding requests made by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education were included in Greitens' proposal, the department would still be about $50 million short of fully funding its foundation formula, which augments the basic aid schools get from the state. The formula was fully funded last fiscal year, an achievement hailed by both Greitens and state lawmakers.

While Greitens claimed Monday that his budget proposal adds $2 million to the department's transportation fund, it won't come from any new general revenue money, but rather a reallocation of funds that had already been withheld by Greitens.

This year, just over $105 million was appropriated for the department's transportation fund. But, Greitens withheld $15 million of that, leaving $90 million in the fund. His 2019 proposal provides $92 million. So, it's less than what was appropriated last year, but $2 million more than what remained after Greitens withheld the money.

Several members of the House subcommittee on education appropriations pointed out the technicality during a Jan. 23 hearing. Officials from the department testified before the committee, where they outlined their budget requests compared to what was in Greitens' proposal.

Rep. Justin Alferman, R-Hermann, disputed Greitens' claim that the $2 million is an actual increase.

"That is like taking a $10 bill out of my pocket and then giving me $2 and saying, 'Hey, guess what? I gave you $2,'" Alferman said. "That's not an increase."

Rep. Donna Lichtenegger, R-Jackson, whose legislative district includes the Jackson School District, said a continued lack of transportation funding is detrimental to large-area districts.

"We have a lot of hard-working people that live in rural Cape County, which is my district," Lichtenegger said. "How are we supposed to get these kids to school?"

Greitens' proposed budget would add about $55 million in general revenue to DESE, and he said Jan. 22 that he wants school districts to focus on increasing teacher pay.

More funding for drug treatment courts a judiciary priority

MISSOURI DIGITAL NEWS

JEFFERSON CITY — New Missouri Supreme Court Chief Justice Zel Fischer outlined his priorities for Missouri's court system in his inaugural State of the Judiciary Address on Jan. 24.

Fischer outlined priorities in how the judiciary, legislative and executive branches can work together to improve Missouri courts and the state's criminal justice system and spoke at length about the need to invest in drug treatment courts during the ongoing opioid crisis.

"We anticipate our treatment courts will be on the front-lines of the opioid battle," Fischer said.

He said treatment courts should be available to everyone in Missouri. Admissions in drug treatment courts dropped 23 percent since July 2017, coinciding with a cut in funding. There are 15 Missouri counties without a treatment court program available.

"Please help us with that. We can't do it without your help," Fischer said to the legislature.

Gov. Eric Greitens' proposed budget calls for a nearly $3.6 million increase in drug courts funding for fiscal year 2019. The proposal would bring funding up to $10.6 million.

Fischer also spoke about the need for bail reform. He said a criminal justice reform task force is expected to recommend how to improve the bail and court cost systems. He called for a plan to transform the bail system so it is based less on a defendant's financial standing and more on a defendant's risk to the community and possible flight risk.

"It ought to seem obvious and important to us, that before a trial is held, and guilt or innocence determined, that we reserve our jail space for those who pose the most danger to our communities or a risk of fleeing the jurisdiction, and not those who are simply poor and can't post bail," Fischer said.

The speech was Fischer's first state address — he began his two-year term as Chief Justice on July 1. Fischer has served as a Supreme Court judge since 2008.





PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER

KRIS ALTEMEYER greets freshmen honors algebra students Julianna Bayless and Macen Blankenship with handshakes prior to their class session on Thursday. **THE CLASS** period included a brief lecture on solving the formula for determining distance between two points and the chance for students to solve the problem in small groups.

New equation • From page 1

He has helped with overhauling the school's student handbook and in analyzing and developing math curriculum across the district.

"He's been a great math teacher for us," said Garner. "He knows that side of the of the educational equation well, and knows the kids really well, so the transition will be really smooth."

Altemeyer is ready for the new challenge.

"I'm excited," he said. "I'm looking forward to the new challenge and the chance to do something different to help out at the school."

He and his wife, the former Anita Farris, have two young sons, Alex, 5, and Leo, 3. Their oldest will enter kindergarten in the fall; the youngest will begin preschool.

"It's a great opportunity for me and my family and the next step in my career," said Altemeyer.

His honors students were working the equation to determine distance between two points. Altemeyer walked between rows of chairs Thursday as they worked together to help each other understand the formula. One added a cheeseburger to her white board to signal success in solving the problem. There was some serious learning going on that afternoon.

But first — there were a couple of quick stories.

OHS Class of 1998 produced several educators

Several of Kris Altemeyer's classmates from the OHS Class of 1998 went into the education field.

Among those are Tina (Lewis) Wnuk, Andy Jahnsen, Neil Nowack, Dustin Gross, and Hillary (Alexander) Winter.

Wnuk left the OHS science program this past year to teach at St. James High School. Jahnsen teaches math and is head basketball in Ashland at Southern Boone County High School where he's taught since 2003.

Nowack is head football coach at Ft. Zumwalt West High school near St. Louis and teaches physical eduction. Gross taught and coached at Holt High School outside St. Louis before relocating to the east coast to join his wife's family's business. Winter was assisting with the OHS marching band this past fall.

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(MDNR) and Missouri Central Railroad (MCRR), formerly known as the Rock Island Line, to allow property ownership negotiations to continue and the potential Rock Island Trail to be built.

MDNR sent a request Dec. 4, 2017, to STB to extend the Feb. 21, 2018, notice of interim trail use deadline to Feb. 21, 2019. Negotiations have been going between MDNR and Ameren Missouri's subsidiary since Dec. 23, 2016, to turn the abandon rail line into a recreational hiking and biking trail.

Missouri Rock Island Trail, Inc., Executive Director Greg Harris said the parties would not be able to take action prior to A&K Railroad Materials, Inc., completing salvage removal of tracks and railroad ties.

In the STB's release, it notes MDNR and MCRR have previously informed the board that the parties intend to wait until the rail line salvage is finished before completing the interim trail use agreement negotiations.

The report also states that "it was originally thought that salvage would be completed at the end of 2017, but now it is clear that the salvage activities will continue beyond Feb. 21, 2018. Therefore, additional negotiating time is needed."

A&K Materials began the salvage process on the 144.3–mile former Rock Island Line in late 2015. The project was expected to be completed by November 2017. Harris said the salvage of the line should be completed soon, according to his sources with A&K Materials. The STB granted the extension on Jan. 19.

Missouri senators propose bill allowing utilities to increase rates due to changes in customer usage

MISSOURI DIGITAL NEWS

JEFFERSON CITY — Two bills allowing utility providers to temporarily adjust rates were heard Jan. 24 by a Senate committee.

Republican Sens. Ed Emery and Jeanie Riddle sponsored the bills. Supported by industry lobbyists, they said that the measures are aimed at managing volatility. Consumer protection groups warned the new bills could open a path for providers to take advantage of customers.

Under current Missouri legislation, only gas corporations can apply for temporary rate adjustments in case of unexpected costs caused by weather conditions or conservation.

The two acts sponsored by Emery and Riddle are designed to broaden this measure, and include water and sewer suppliers — and in Emery's case, electrical — into the list of businesses that can submit applications for the rate adjustments to Public Service Commission.

The bills also seek to provide gas, electrical, water and sewer corporations with the opportunity to adjust rates in more cases than weather or conservation-related losses.

Speaking in favor of the bill, energy lobbyists and environment advocates formed a rare alliance. Representatives of Empire District Electric Company and Missouri American Water argued that the measure will manage the volatility risk and benefit customers.

Ashok Gupta, a senior energy economist at the Natural Resources Defense Council, said similar bills were passed in 25 states throughout the nation. He said that, under the proposed acts, consumers who are involved in efficient energy consumption "will see their bills go down significantly."

Consumer advocates disagreed.

David Woodsmall of Midwest Energy Consumers Group criticized the legislature as "overbroad" and said that in the current form, it will make suppliers eligible for rate adjustments to reimburse any change in customer usage, including economic downturn. He said the bills shouldn't include water and sewer companies, as well as electricity suppliers with more than 200,000 customers.

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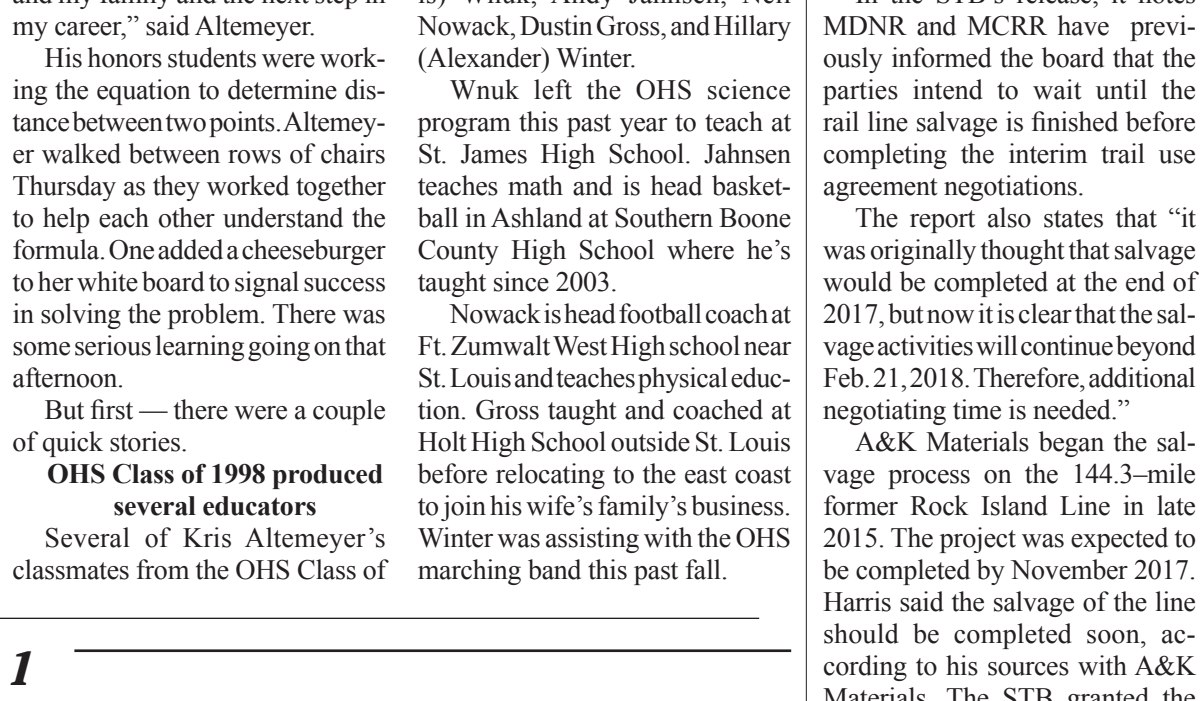
curriculum class for fifth and sixth-graders in the intermediate school in Troy until 2009 when he moved to the middle school. There he taught in the special eduction and computer curriculum programs through 2013.

Leading the Jonesburg administrative team for the next four years, Davidson implemented a programs which decreased disciplinary problems by 42 percent while increasing student test scores on APR and MAP. He was elected president of the Northeast District of Missouri Association of Elementary School Principals.

"Dr. Davidson comes in with some great experience and we expect to tap into that knowledge and experience," said R-2 Superintendent Dr. Chuck Garner. "I think he'll be a great fit for the Gasconade County R-2 School District."

Davidson's expertise in the technology field was a key reason for the Board of Education offering him his contract, said Garner.

"That's another reason he's a good fit because the district's certainly been a leader on the technology side of education and he'll be a leader in that as well," said Garner.



MRTA installs chapter officers

Missouri Retired Teachers Association (MRTA) Region 7 Vice President Georgia White (left) installed officers for the local MRTA Maries-Gasconade chapter during the December meeting held Monday, Dec. 4. Local chapter officers installed were (from left): Bob Niebruegge, treasurer; Joyce Medlock, secretary; LaDonna Heck, vice president; Liz Rowden, president. Maries-Gasconade MRTA will hold their next meeting Tuesday, Feb. 5, at 10 a.m. at Community State Bank of Owensville.

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PAGES FROM OUR PAST

Sieker crowned as OHS homecoming queen ~ 1998

50 years ago - Feb. 1, 1968
Newspaper visitors



Members of Dens 1 and 3 (above) of the Owensville Cub Scouts were visitors Monday to the printing plant of The Gasconade County Republican, where they toured the building and inspected various equipment. Viola Miller is the den mother of Den 1 and Douglas Reed is the den chief. Melba Medlock is the Den 3 den mother with Dennis Kramme as Den chief.

30 years ago - Feb. 3, 1988
$1,000 donation



Wal-Mart store manager Pete Buxton, right, presents a check for $1,000 on behalf of the Owensville Wal-Mart to Carole Dotson, manager of the Owensville Senior Center. The donation will help fund an activities center for the local senior facility.

Volunteers make bereavement pins



A group of volunteers at the Owensville Senior Center last week finished making 500 bereavement pins for the St. Louis County Police Department. The order was part of a fund raising project sponsored by the group shown above.

20 years ago - Feb. 4, 1998
Sieker crowned queen of OHS homecoming



Leslie Sieker (center), daughter of Brenda and Gary Sieker of Gerald, was crowned queen Friday of Owensville High School's winter homecoming. Sieker is shown with fellow senior classmates and queen candidates Kathy Sander, left, daughter of Sylvia and Gary Sander, of Owensville, and Martha Hoenemann, daughter of Sharon and Jim King, of Owensville.

Honored for 55 years of service



Leslie resident Stanley "Pee-Wee" Greife, right, a charter member of the Beaufort-Leslie Volunteer Fire Department, received a 55-year-service award from Bill Diez, president of the fire district's Board of Directors. Greife received the plaque at the department's Jan. 18 awards banquet at the Beaufort Lions Club Hall. Greife calls himself "semi-retired" from firefighting and rescue work but still responds to the station during calls.

10 years ago - Feb. 6, 2008
Progress Bank honored for beautification



Progress Bank was recognized Jan. 19 by the Owensville Chamber of Commerce for their beautification at the site on the corner of Highway 28 and Fourth Street. Pictured from left are E. Louise Baker and Crystal Vogt (presenting the award) and Progress Bank's Jackie Wisdom, Todd Lawrence and Angie Ransom.

COLLEGE CLIPS

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN HONORS

Central Methodist

Jessica Lynn Delmont and Haleigh Madison Roberts of Bourbon; Trey Paul McKague, Emily Ana Engemann and Joshua Cole Schannuth of Hermann; Crystal Ely of Rosebud; and Dorothy Ann Perfecto, Kayla Lowder, Grace Kathleen Schlottach and Thomas Matthew Jose of Owensville have been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2017 semester at Central Methodist.

University of Missouri

Emilie Grace Diebal, Allison P Edwards, Sara Renee Fahrenholtz, Emma Marie Gloe, Paige Christine Hellmann, Kara Michelle Hughes, Emily Louise Kunz, Kirsten Brooke Leimkuehler, Gwen Ellen Leroy, Claire Louise Schneider and Hayley Meaghan Stiers of Hermann; Dayla Marie Gruenloh, Haylee Elizabeth Reid, Allison Marie Walker and Abigail Catherine Warden of Owensville; Lydia Jean Kappelmann of Rosebud; Faith VanLeer Groenke and Cameron Joseph Rolf of Beaufort; Haley Chantelle Bordelon and Cassidy Lyn Prater of Gerald; Nicholas Adan Cardoza and Anthony Joseph Timlin of Leslie; and Charlie E Harris and Kristy Marie Wiley of Cuba have been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2017 semester at the University of Missouri.

Missouri Western State University

Sydney Ryals of Owensville has been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the Fall 2017 semester at Missouri Western State University.

Health care: get the most out of your benefits, reduce expenses

BY PAT QUINN
UNITED HEALTHCARE CEO, MISSOURI

For many Missourians, new health plan benefits began in January, so now is a good time to understand your coverage so you can get the most out of your plan, stay healthier and even help save money in 2018.

Many people can save hundreds, even thousands, of dollars a year by learning how to maximize their health plan's offerings. Here are some tips I recommend to help you get the most out of your benefits this year:

Learn the lingo – Make sure to understand basic health plan terms such as deductible, copay, coinsurance and out-of-pocket maximum. A recent UnitedHealthcare survey found that just 9 percent of Americans could successfully define all four of these important terms. Need a refresher course? If so, spend a few minutes to better understand common health insurance terms and your specific plan amounts to help you make more informed decisions.

Know what's covered – You can usually find your coverage and benefits information on your insurer's website or in plan documents so you know what's covered and what's not. Review this information before you start using your plan and receiving treatment so you're not surprised by costs later.

Stay in network – Choosing doctors in your plan's care provider network will most likely mean you'll pay less. Also, check out 24/7 telehealth services. "Virtual visits" can help save you time and money by providing convenient access to care for certain medical issues including allergies, bronchitis and seasonal flu.

Save on medications – Make sure your medications are covered by your plan, and ask your doctor about generics to see if there's a more affordable and equally effective alternative. Also, getting prescriptions through the mail is often a good cost-saving option. Most plans enable you to order up to a three-month supply of medication you take regularly, sometimes at a discount. Your medication will be delivered right to your home, saving you a trip to the pharmacy.

Shop around and get cost estimates – Several health insurers offer online health care tools and resources that enable you to check on the quality and cost of health care services and care providers before you make appointments. Be sure to double-check the cost with your care provider before getting treatments, as prices can vary significantly for the same procedure within the same city.

Take advantage of wellness programs – Many health plans offer discounts on gym memberships and provide financial incentives, some more than $1,000 per year, for completing health assessments, signing up for health coaching programs, lowering your cholesterol, losing weight, meeting walking goals or stopping smoking. Incentive-based wellness programs are designed to reward people for making healthier choices and being more engaged in improving their well-being.

Look for medical grants – Some charitable organizations offer child medical grants to middle- and low-income families who don't qualify for Medicaid. For example, the UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation (UHCCF) provides families with grants of up to $5,000 annually per child ($10,000 lifetime maximum per child). Recipients do not need to have insurance through UnitedHealthcare to be eligible. Since 2007, UHCCF has awarded more than 15,000 grants valued at over $40 million to children and their families across the United States. Families can read eligibility criteria and complete an online application at www.uhccf.org.

SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Jan. 31	10:30 a.m.	Lil' OWLs Storytime
	4:30 p.m.	Inspire Your Heart with Art (youth program)
Feb. 2	7:00 p.m.	First Friday Movie Night
Feb. 7	10:30 a.m.	Lil' OWLs Storytime
Feb. 8	6:30 p.m.	Wine Glass Painting
Feb. 10	11:00 p.m.	Read Build Play: Valentine's Day

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~ Terry Knight

GASCONADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, JAN. 18, 2018

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

PRIOR MINUTES

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion to approve prior Commission minutes dated Jan. 10, 2018. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous yes vote.

PRIOR MINUTES

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion to approve prior Commission minutes dated Jan. 11, 2018. Commissioner Miskel seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous yes vote.

ROAD CONCERNS

Commissioner Lairmore said road department is finishing brush cutting on Boettcher Road and working on pipes on Lahmeyer and Redbird Roads; he also had pictures of one of our county road name signs being displayed on the side of a business in Sullivan and he wanted Sheriff John Romanus to see it. He also said the furnace quit working at the Drake shed so it was replaced this week.

Regarding budget, Commission gave Clerk Lietzow the breakdown on three percent raise for road department employees; her office will then add five cents per hour for another years' service to all who qualify.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Condolences were offered on the passing of former Presiding Commissioner Charles Schlottach's mother.

Correspondence received included annual billing from MAC for dues; annual report of donations to Gasconade County Disaster Relief fund at Community Foundation of the Ozarks; warranty from TREMCO for installed roofing system along with maintenance procedures necessary; records request from International Association of Sheet Metal Workers Union #36 for all payroll, certifications and compliance records for the roof project to which Commission will officially respond in writing; copy of bonding application signed by Public Administrator Fay Owsley to answer question of legal fees to be paid by whom, for which a letter will be drafted by Clerk Lietzow.

Regarding Courthouse interior work, painting is finished in Prosecuting Attorney's office and will be done this week in Assessor's office; floor refinishing starts Tuesday in those two offices; painting is beginning in Sheriff's north office; electricians are working today installing additional plug-ins and removing 220 plug-ins for those three offices. Glen Englert will be called to look at a door frame needing work in Assessor's office and will be reminded about work needing to be done on steps leading from Assessor's office to attic.

Joe Brazil at TREMCO notified Commission that Mark Schaefer will be here Monday morning to use infrared to sweep attic one final time to assure of no moisture; if any dampness, remains it will be researched for cause and will be fixed.

Final budget numbers were presented to Commission by Clerk Lietzow's office showing General Revenue bottom line to be nearly $23,000 at year end 2018 but only if all was spent; emergency fund set-aside of approximately $68,000 is calculated in as required by law.

Commissioners Lairmore and Miskel thanked all elected officials and department heads for another job well done in preparing their budgets being conservative as always. Clerk Lietzow said this year's budget has even less room for overages than years past and it will have to monitored closely as the year goes by. They also thanked Clerk Lietzow's office for all their hard work in budget prep work, all the calculations and re-calculations to arrive at these final numbers; she appreciates their recognition and reminded them that after session today, there will be no more changes made and final stages will be completed so it will be available for public inspection starting Monday, Jan. 22 as required by law.

She also thanked them for being able to give three percent raises and the five cent per hour longevity; it is very important to all elected officials that their employees be shown Commission appreciation for their efforts. Commission agreed there will be no more changes to budget.

Assessor Paul Schulte was present for session and said he had help in preparing this first budget by former Assessor Joe Mundwiller; Commissioner Lairmore said it is thanks to Mr. Mundwiller's frugal ways that there is a significant balance accumulated in Assessment fund that requires zero contribution from General Revenue which is rare in Missouri counties. Assessor Schulte appreciates and respects that and will maintain the same diligence; he is faced with replacing some hardware and upgrading some software all in an effort to better serve the public, both electronically and through printing new plat books and county road maps.

Sheriff John Romanus, Major Eric Wilbanks and Dale Maune appeared before Commission to officially ask them to place a 1/2 cent law enforcement sales tax on the April 3 ballot; he had prepared a plan as they requested and provided it to them yesterday for review in advance of session today, detailing the need and its intended use. First question asked is if there is enough time to educate the voters, which is a must, before April 3; Sheriff Romanus said that effort has already started by this citizens group who has been working on it for quite some time.

Commissioner Lairmore was very clear in that he supports Sheriff Romanus and law enforcement, but can't support advertising it with a set amount to still be provided by Commission for law enforcement out of General Revenue every year. He understands that the sales tax would generate basically the same amount yearly as General Revenue provides now, and if there isn't a significant commitment from General Revenue additionally, Sheriff Romanus is not gaining anything to allow for implementation of the plan to benefit the citizens.

Commissioner Holland agrees in his support of Sheriff Romanus and law enforcement, but he thinks it's too late to get the word out for April 3; he has the five page plan and will have five days to absorb and understand it all before ballot deadline and that is not enough time for him. He wants to be 100% behind it, but can't be yet.

Presiding Commissioner Miskel agrees in his support of Sheriff Romanus and law enforcement and he also knows that if the tax passes, it will help General Revenue in a roundabout way, which is the whole picture Commission has to look at. He agrees with Commissioner Lairmore that there can't be an amount agreed upon now to still commit from General Revenue. Everyone does agrees a sales tax is paid by everyone coming into the county to stay or shop, particularly via tourism industry, and is not just paid by property owners.

Commission asked Mr. Maune if the citizens group will work hard for passage without this specific financial commitment by Commission and he assured them they will. His fear, along with Sheriff Romanus, is they have seen in other counties where once the sales tax is passed, Commissioners have gone back on their word to contribute from General Revenue. Everyone understands the situation and while these Commissioners currently serving in office do not see that happening here, they also can't commit future Commissions to the same actions.

Presiding Commissioner Miskel asked Sheriff Romanus if they would like to take a brief recess to discuss and he agreed; upon returning, Sheriff Romanus wants to proceed with the plan developed and asked Commission for it to be placed on April 3 ballot. Based on Sheriff Romanus' recommendation, Commissioner Lairmore made the motion to place this question on the April 3, 2018 General Municipal Election ballot.

MOTION/VOTE

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion shall the County of Gasconade impose a countywide sales tax of one half (1/2) of one percent (1%) for the purpose of providing law enforcement services for the county? Commissioner Miskel seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote:

Commissioner Holland (No),
Commissioner Lairmore (Yes),
Commissioner Miskel (Yes).

Commissioner Holland explained his no vote is not at this time.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Clerk Lietzow will prepare Commission's order calling for the election along with Notice of Election and Sample Ballot; all three Commissioners will be asked to sign prior to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2018 which is the deadline for submission.

Sheriff Romanus then asked Commission to go into closed session to discuss legal matters and they agreed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters authorized by RSMo 610.021 and in compliance with RSMo 610.022. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous yes vote.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion to close Executive Session and reconvene as the Gasconade County Commission. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous yes vote.

No motions were made, and no votes were taken on any matter.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Last issue Sheriff Romanus presented was a revised Mutual Aid Agreement with City of Owensville; Prosecuting Attorney Mary Weston has approved it and city attorney is reviewing it and then it can be signed and implemented by all.

Collector Shawn Schlottach came in with four tax payments she received after Dec. 31 deadline to accept them without penalties, but all had been postmarked before that date and Commission agreed as follows:

Florence C. Griese $401.70,
Dianne Chetta $90.24,
Rhonda Wehmeyer $2149.37,
Twyla L. Haley $336.51.

Commissioner Holland told other two Commissioners that he will not support Assessor Paul Schulte buying a new vehicle for his position as it had not been done in the past and he thought a used vehicle would suffice; Commissioner Lairmore disagrees.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Lairmore motioned that the Commission adjourn until Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018. Commissioner Holland seconded it and meeting adjourned.

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On February 4, the eyes of most of the country – and much of the rest of the world – will be on Minneapolis, site of the most-watched football game in the U.S. As a fan, you can admire the way quarterbacks in the Big Game direct their teams. But as an investor, you can learn something from the big game by putting together your own team to help you achieve your financial goals – and you may find it helpful to have your own "quarterback."

Who should be on your team? Your financial strategy will involve investments, taxes and estate planning, so you will likely need a financial advisor, a tax professional and an attorney. Ideally, your financial advisor – the individual with the broadest view of your financial situation – should serve as the quarterback of this team. And, just as a quarterback on a football team must communicate clearly with his teammmates, so will your financial quarterback need to maintain consistent contact with the other team members.

Let's look at a couple of basic examples as to how this communication might work.

First, suppose you are self-employed and contribute to a Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) IRA. Because your contributions are made with pre-tax dollars, the more you put in, the lower your taxable income. (In 2018, the maximum amount you can contribute is $55,000.) Your financial advisor can recommend investments you can choose from to help fund your SEP IRA. Yet you will want your financial advisor to share all your SEP IRA information with your tax professional. When it's near tax-filing time, your tax professional can then let you and your financial advisor know how much room you still have to contribute to your SEP IRA for the year, and how much you need to add to potentially push yourself into a lower tax bracket.

Now, let's consider the connection between your financial advisor and your attorney – specifically, your attorney handling your estate planning arrangements. It's essential that you and your financial advisor provide your attorney with a list of all your financial assets – IRAs, 401(k)s, investments held in brokerage accounts, insurance policies and so on. Your attorney will need this information when preparing your important legal documents, such as your will and living trust – after all, a key part of your estate plan is who gets what. But it's imperative that you and your financial advisor convey some often-overlooked details that can make a big difference in the disposition of your estate. For example, your financial advisor might suggest that you review the beneficiary designations on your IRA, 401(k) and life insurance policies to make sure these designations are still accurate in light of changes in your life – new spouse, new children and others. These designations are meaningful and can even supersede the instructions you might leave in your will or living trust. Consequently, it's important for you and your financial advisor to share this information with your attorney.

It can be challenging to meet all your financial objectives. But with the right team in place, and a quarterback to help lead it, you can keep moving toward those goals – and you might cut down on the "fumbles" along the way.

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OES / GES School Lunches

Wednesday, Jan. 31
Hot Ham/Cheese, Steamed Broccoli, Tropical Fruit

Thursday, Feb. 1
Chicken Patty/Bun, Sweet Potato Mini Puffs, Carrot Sticks, Pears

Friday, Feb. 2
Pizza Crunchers, Steamed Carrots, Pineapple

Monday, Feb. 5
Chicken Nuggets, Macaroni/Cheese, Peas, Peaches

Tuesday, Feb. 6
BBQ Rib/Bun, Creamy Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Applesauce

Wednesday, Feb. 7
Scrambled Egg/Cheese/Sausage Biscuit, Potato Smiles, Mandarin Oranges

Thursday, Feb. 8
Cheesy Beefy Rotini, Garden Salad, Breadstick, Apple

Friday, Feb. 9
Cheesy Ravioli, California Blend Vegetables, Mixed Fruit

Chef Salad or Cereal and Yogurt w/ sides offered Tues. and Thurs. and PB&J w/fruit and veggies offered daily as alternative Entree.

OMS School Lunches

Wednesday, Jan. 31
Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Thursday, Feb. 1
Chicken Patty/Bun, Sweet Potato Mini Puffs, Carrot Sticks, Pears

Friday, Feb. 2
Mozzarella Sticks, Steamed Carrots, Pineapple

Monday, Feb. 5
Chicken Nuggets, Macaroni/Cheese, Peas, Peaches

Tuesday, Feb. 6
BBQ Rib/Bun, Creamy Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Applesauce

Wednesday, Feb. 7
Scrambled Egg/Cheese/Sausage Biscuit, Potato Smiles, Mandarin Oranges

Thursday, Feb. 8
Cheesy Beefy Rotini, Garden Salad, Breadstick, Apple

Friday, Feb. 9
Cheesy Ravioli, California Blend Vegetables, Mixed Fruit

Chef Salad offered daily except Wed., as alternative Entree. Hot sandwich on bun with fries offered daily, as alternative Entree.

OHS School Lunches

Wednesday, Jan. 31
Hot Ham/Cheese, Steamed Broccoli, Tropical Fruit

Thursday, Feb. 1
Chicken Patty/Bun, Sweet Potato Mini Puffs, Carrot Sticks, Pears

Friday, Feb. 2
Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Monday, Feb. 5
Teriyaki Chicken, Broccoli/Brown Rice, Vegetable Egg Roll, Peaches

Tuesday, Feb. 6
BBQ Rib/Bun, Creamy Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Applesauce

Wednesday, Feb. 7
Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Thursday, Feb. 8
Cheesy Beefy Rotini, Garden Salad, Breadstick, Apple

Friday, Feb. 9
Toasted Ravioli, California Blend Vegetables

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Speech recognition apps can improve literacy, MU study finds

More than 71 million children and adults in the United States, or 22 percent of the population, are functionally illiterate. However, past research shows that when schools support children who struggle to read early in life, they are more likely to become sufficiently literate and perform better in school. In a recent study, Elizabeth Baker, professor of literacy studies at the University of Missouri, found that speech recognition apps used in early elementary classrooms can help give children who struggle to read an early boost in literacy.

First-grade students who used speech recognition tools averaged a 97.4 percent accuracy rate on post-study reading tests

"If speech recognition is available on mobile devices, then the mobile device becomes the proverbial pen," Baker said. "This means that the student controls what they learn to read; that can be very empowering."

In the past, an intervention strategy called the Language Experience Approach, where teachers transcribe students' words for them, was used to help students learn to read. Baker says that while the Language Experience Approach was effective with individual students, it was a time-consuming strategy for teachers and gradually fell out of popularity. Speech recognition technologies, on the other hand, can be used on mobile devices in classrooms to provide a similar individualized experience to students without overwhelming a teacher.

Baker observed a classroom of first-grade students who were learning to read by using speech recognition apps on mobile devices. Baker found that students who used speech recognition apps to learn to read were more eager to try new words and phrases, possibly because the apps allowed them to make mistakes and grow as readers without any embarrassment. A more significant end result, Baker found that the students averaged a 97.4 percent accuracy rate on their post-study reading tests.

"Speech recognition technologies are supportive of the learner because it allows them to use personally, culturally relevant grammar," Baker said. "Children all have different backgrounds, and this technology allows them to learn to read while using their own frame of reference."

Baker says the results provide encouraging evidence that speech recognition technologies may not only be beneficial for young students, but also could be adapted to help elementary, middle and high school students, as well as adults who struggle to read. However, Baker warns that many apps on the market do not yet have the safety features necessary to protect young children and be appropriate for school use.

"There's the possibility that a student says a phrase and an inappropriate word will pop up," Baker said. "One teacher may not be able to monitor the screens for all the students; an app that has a child safety button would make this learning method more practical."

"Apps, iPads, and Literacy: Examining the Feasibility of Speech Recognition in a First-Grade Classroom" was published in Reading Research Quarterly. Baker is currently reaching out to potential investors about her idea for a speech recognition-based app that has all the necessary features to help keep kids safe while they learn to read.

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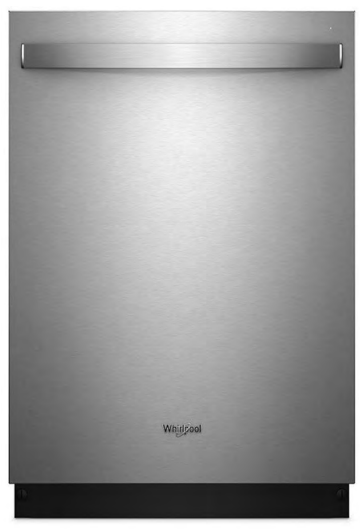
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AREA OBITUARIES

Charles Dotson



Charles Daniel Dotson, 87, Owensville, died Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018, at Gasconade Manor in Owensville.

He was born March 6, 1930, to Bluford and Dora Mae (Paasch) Dotson, in Owensville.

He was united in marriage to Leatha Schmiedeskamp, June 16, 1951, in Pocahontas, Ark.

Charles was a former member of the Presbyterian Church in Owensville and served nearly 15 years as Superintendent of Owensville Parks.

Charles enjoyed spending time outdoors and with family.

He was preceded in death by parents, Bluford and Dora Mae; wife, Leatha; brothers, Jackie, Rufus, Reuben and Tony Dotson; and sisters, Goldie Spurgeon, Courtney Jost and Marie Dotson.

He is survived by daughter, Charlotte Pinnell and husband Donald of Cuba; grandchildren, Daniel Pinnell and wife Michelle, Roger Pinnell and Anna Pinnell, all of Cuba; great-grandchildren, Olivia and Wyatt Pinnell; brother, Robert Dotson of Peveley; and sister, Shirley Schalk of Owensville.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 30, at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville with Rev. Terry Knight officiating. Interment was in Countryside Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

Leo Shockley



Leo Thomas Shockley, 90, Owensville, died Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2018, at Victorian Place, Owensville.

He was born Jan. 18, 1928, to Donald and Pearl (Page) Shockley, in Otoe, Neb.

He was united in marriage to Barbara Lewis, Nov. 22, 1980, at Bland.

Leo worked as a millwright at Chrysler Manufacturing Plant at Fenton. He was a member of New Hope United Methodist Church. Leo served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and belonged to VFW Post 6133.

He was preceded in death by parents, Donald and Pearl; and children, Gale Shockley and Judy Earnest.

He is survived by wife, Barbara of Owensville; son, Keith Shockley and wife Laura of Cuba; brothers, Donald Shockley and wife Bev of St. Louis and D.J. Shockley and wife Alice of Cuba; sister, Geneva Hendrix of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and 16 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 29, at Gottenstroeter Funeral Home Chapel in Owensville with Pastor Lindsay Walters officiating.

Interment was in Howard Cemetery at Bland with full military honors.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

John Signaigo

1976-2018

A celebration of the life of John Signaigo will be held Feb. 17th at St. Peter's UCC FROM 2-5pm. Weary of reading obituaries noting someone's courageous battle with death, John wanted it to be known that he died as a result of being stubborn, refusing to follow Dr's orders and raising hell for far too short of a time, but enjoying life to its fullest. We want to let him know that we will remember his laugh, his storytelling, his energy, his willingness to lend a helping hand to anyone who needed it, and most importantly, his love of family.

John was born Oct. 9, 1976 in St. Louis, Missouri, to Susan G. Lincoln and Jerry T. Signaigo. An avid skateboarder, bicyclist, ukulele player and teller of jokes. He loved to make people laugh and would hate the idea of people mourning his death but would rather have them celebrate his happier days.

John is survived by his beloved children, Richard Signaigo, and Hailey Tackett, his mother Susan G. Lincoln, father Jerry Signaigo, stepmother Laverne Signaigo, sisters Lee G. Baker, Michelle M. Signaigo, and brothers Billy Signaigo, Jason Signaigo, and Jerry Signaigo, stepsisters Melonie Patterson, Kim Galetta, and stepbrother Greg Patterson and their families. Nephews Tristen Signaigo, Noel Baker, Damien Signaigo, Darion Signaigo, Cole Signaigo, Jeffrey Allander, nieces, Nina Baker, Hannah Signaigo, Myranda Rogers, Madaline Mcgirl, and Great niece Marley Signaigo.

He asks that you stop by and re-tell the stories he can no longer tell and that you laugh and not cry for he's skateboarding in the sky, playing his uke, and telling his jokes to whoever will listen. He'd also like you to pay your respects to his beloved mother who unselfishly cared for him until his sweet escape.

In lieu of flowers he asks that you make a monetary donation to help with his final expenses and/or a donation, in his name, to the proposed skate board park in Owensville that he was so excited for and an advocate of.

Genevieve Mason



Genevieve (Fitzpatrick) Mason, 83, Maryland Heights, formerly of Owensville, died Monday, Jan. 22, 2018, at Mercy Hospital, Creve Coeur.

She was born Aug. 14, 1934, to Joseph and Grace (Lewis) Fitzpatrick, in Carthage.

She was united in marriage to Wilbur F. Mason, Feb. 13, 1955, at Carterville.

Genevieve was a former member First Baptist Church in Owensville and current member of Fee Fee Baptist Church in Bridgeton.

She was preceded in death by parents, Joseph and Grace; husband, Wilbur; brothers, Merl and Max Fitzpatrick; and twin sister, Genalee Morelock.

She is survived by children, Denny Mason and wife Joan of Bridgeton and Brenda Shepherd and husband Buck of Barnhart; grandchildren, Danny, Kati and Kelly Mason; and great-grandchild, Izzy Hunter.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 27, at First Baptist Church of Owensville with Pastor Kevin Sullivan officiating. Interment was at Countryside Memorial Garden Cemetery, Owensville.

Memorials contributions suggested to St. Louis ALS Association.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville

Serenity Strubberg

Serenity Jade Marie Strubberg, 3 months and 20 days, died Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2018, at St. Louis Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis.

She was born Oct. 3, 2017, to Demetre Strubberg and Emily C. Landwehr, at Mercy Medical Center in Creve Coeur.

Serenity was preceded in death by great-grandfather, Wilfred Strubberg.

She is survived by parents, Demetre and Emily of Gerald; paternal grandparents, Rick and Melissa Strubberg of Gerald; maternal grandparents, Brad and Tracey Landwehr of Gerald; paternal great-grandparents, Amy Strubberg of Union, Elizabeth Thomas of House Springs and Mark and Linda Mantel of St. Louis; and maternal great-grandparents, Delvin and Florence Landwehr of Gerald and Don and Janet Phillips of Washington.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 29, at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville with Paul Cook officiating. Burial was in Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery in Union.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home in Owensville.

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Annual Meeting of the
Owensville Rural Fire Proctective Association, Inc.
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Tuesday, Feb. 6 • 7:00PM
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Lawrence Picker



Lawrence Albert Picker, 85, Holts Summits, died Monday, Jan. 22, 2018, at Heisinger Bluffs in Jefferson City.

He was born Feb. 28, 1932, to Louis Henry and Ruth May (Licklider) Picker, in Red Bird.

He was united in marriage to Jean Darlene McDaniel, June 8, 1958, at Leduc Methodist Church.

Lawrence served in the U.S. Army from 1952 to 1954. He received his Bachelors Degree in Agriculture from the University of Missouri, Columbia in 1958. He retired from the Missouri Department of Transportation in 1993 after 35 years of service.

Lawrence spent his time in retirement traveling, visiting family and friends, going to Mizzou football games, watching his granddaughters play softball and basketball and playing music and going to bluegrass festivals.

He was preceded in death by parents, Louis and Ruth; wife, Jean Picker; brother, Melvin Picker; brothers-in-law, Edward Scheel Jr., Raymond Michael and Eugene Houseman.

He is survived by children, Keith Picker and wife Charlene of Port Orchard, Wash. and Karen Howard and husband Ricky of Fulton; grandchildren, Christina Picker, Amanda Howard and Taylor Howard; sister, Norma Thomas and husband Gerald of St. Charles; sister-in-law, Susan Picker of Simpsonville, S.C.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 27, at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville with Rev. Lindsay Walters officiating. Burial was in Leduc Methodist Cemetery near Red Bird.

Memorial contributions suggested to Leduc Methodist Cemetery.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

DEATH NOTICE

Herbert Benton

Herbert Benton, Gerald, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2018.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, Feb. 6, from 9-11 a.m. at St. Paul's United Church of Christ of Gerald. Funeral services will follow.

A full obituary will be published at a later date.

The Annual Meeting of
Freedom Mutual Insurance Co.
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CHAPTER FOUR OF EIGHT

KALI: A Polar Bear's Tale

AUTHOR: CAROLYN MUELLER | ILLUSTRATOR: JEREMY PATTON & JAYNE BALLEW



Chapter Four:

What name could they give the cub before he set out into the world to meet his future?

The school children in Point Lay had heard about the cub and were able to see him when he was brought to the village. A teacher even provided a large dog crate for the cub's transport. It was the school children who suggested the bear cub be named after their village: Kali.

"Kali," pronounced "Cully," means mound and is the Inupiaq name for their village.

It was decided. The polar bear cub had a name. The next day, Kali was flown to the town of Barrow from Point Lay. The 18-pound cub arrived in the teacher's dog crate with a little dish of water.

Kali had not had anything to eat since he'd been rescued from the den. With Kali's mother gone, the veterinarian would have to find something to replace her fatty polar bear milk, so he could continue to grow big and strong.



The veterinarian offered Kali a mix of seal blubber and muktuk, a traditional Inupiaq meal of whale skin and whale blubber. The bear sniffed the doctor's offerings, but would not eat it. She'd have to try something else.

The veterinarian began blending a concoction of distilled water, an electrolyte solution, dog-milk substitute, and half and half. She scooped Kali up and offered him the mixture in a bottle. The little bear licked the offering a few times and then began to drink.

The doctor was overjoyed! The most important part of raising any baby is getting it to eat. This is particularly important for a polar bear. The Alaskan Arctic can reach temperatures well below zero degrees Fahrenheit on an average winter day, making the land inhospitable to most mammal species. But polar bears thrive here. They're made for it. Polar bears are equipped to handle the cold, arctic weather in several ways. One adaptation is the 4.5-inch layer of fat that surrounds their bodies. The blubber keeps them warm, and helps them float while swimming and provides fat reserves to live off when food is scarce. Kali would start building his blubber layer drinking the milk mixture. Wild, adult bears maintain their fat levels by eating seals.

The veterinarian of the North Slope Borough found it hard to picture Kali as a large, fearsome predator. The ball of white fuzz drinking from a bottle didn't exactly look like a master of the Arctic world. Now that the she had found a winning formula, Kali could grow strong enough for his next journey.

Ask Zoo Keeper Julie

How do polar bears find food?

Polar bears have a very acute sense of smell and can smell a seal from more than half a mile away and 3 feet under snow.

Are all polar bears white?

Even though polar bears look white, a polar bear's fur is made of clear, hollow tubes filled with air. They have black skin under their coat, which helps them soak up the Sun's rays and keep warm.

Newspaper Connections

Look through your local newspaper for stories about your school. Use the internet to read stories about schools in the Point Lay area. Do the students participate in the same kind of activities as yours?



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Schlottach named top fireman

Martin Schlottach (with helmet) was named 2017 Fireman of the Year for the Owensville Fire Department. Chief Curtis Ayes (from left), Assistant Chief Scott Stranghoener and Deputy Chief Darren Knight presented awards during their banquet at the VFW Hall.



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OFD's Top Responder Awards for 2017

Top Responders for the Owensville Volunteer Fire Department during 2017 included (from left) Assistant Chief Scott Stranghoener (134), Randy Schweer (254), Jim Diestelkamp (147), Deputy Chief Darren Knight, Harold Hibler (156), Jon AufderHeide (130), Rodney Bossaller (179), Jeff Arnold (137), Matt Eiler (141), Eddie Bossaller (62), Brett Holtmeyer (122), Norman Buschmann (53) and Chief Curtis Aytes (169).



OFD presents service awards

Harold Hibler (above, second from left) was honored for 45 years of volunteer service to the Owensville Fire Department. David Frey (third from left, below) received a 20-year service award. Chief Curtis Ayes (from left), Assistant Chief Scott Stranghoener and Deputy Chief Darren Knight presented awards.







Garth, Eiler both on OFD 15 years

Mike Garth (top, second from left) and Matt Eiler (above, second form left) were each honored for 15 years of volunteer service to the Owensville Fire Department. Garth is based out the department's station in Mt. Sterling. Chief Curtis Ayes (from left), Assistant Chief Scott Stranghoener and Deputy Chief Darren Knight presented awards.



10-year awards for Gaska, Boda

Jerry Gaska (above, second from left) and Chris Boda (second from left, below) were each honored for 10 years of volunteer service to the Owensville Fire Department. Chief Curtis Ayes (from left), Assistant Chief Scott Stranghoener and Deputy Chief Darren Knight presented awards.







News Briefs

OWENSVILLE RURAL Fire Protective District, Inc., Board of Director members are scheduled to conduct their annual meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, at Station No. 1 on West Franklin Avenue. Membership dues to the rural fire association are due March 1 for each property owned. The meeting is open to the public.

HERMANN AREA District Hospital holds its 10th annual Red Heart Walk on Friday, Feb. 9, at Hermannhof Winery. The walk will start and end at the winery on Highway 100 on the east end of town and take 15 to 20 minutes to complete. A $5 donation will get participants a "heart healthy brown bag lunch" and proceeds will go to the food pantry in Hermann. Call 486-2154 extension 269 to sign up for a lunch. You can come anytime between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. and the deadline to sign up for a heart healthy lunch is Feb. 1.

SCUBA ADVENTURE DIVE Shop and the Mid-Missouri Sheriff's Dive Team host Diving with Disabilities (Dive with a Cop) from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 4, at the YMCA at 424 Stadium Boulevard in Jefferson City. Certified diving partners from law Enforcement, EMS, and fireman will lead participants in an underwater experience at no cost. If their skill levels allow, participants will be able to see what it feels like to be weightless in the water and swim like a fish. Friendly competitions and awards are planned. Email Maries County Sheriff Chris Heitman at sheriffchrisheitman@gmail.com if you know of anyone who would be interested. He will forward you a sign up form.

OWENSVILLE ELEMENTARY School is now accepting appointments for scheduled preschool and kindergarten screening sessions Wednesday, March 7 (preschool), and Thursday, March 8 (kindergarten). Appointments are required by calling 437-2171. Preschoolers must turn 4 before Aug. 1, 2018, to be eligible and kindergarten enrollees must be 5 before Aug. 1. There are only 15 openings for pre-school students in the morning and 15 in the afternoon. Morning session is from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and the afternoon session of is 12:45 to 3:15 p.m. Preschool is five days a week and is free of charge. Preschool placement is based on test scores with preference given to those who do not score as high, but is open to all if there is availability. Transportation is only provided in the morning for morning Pre-K students who can ride the bus to school but must be picked up after class at 11 a.m.; afternoon students must be brought to school at 12:45 p.m. and can ride the bus home at the end of the day.

OES KINDERGARTEN is a full day of school. The screening on March 8 is free and consists of vision and hearing examinations along with a test of readiness skills so it is necessary for your child to accompany you for enrollment. Please allow at least 90 minutes for this appointment. At both preschool and kindergarten screenings you must bring in the following information and fill out an enrollment form. Documents required include a state-issued birth certificate, the child's Social Security number, immunization record, proof of residency (electric, water, phone, utility or some sort of bill with your name and address on it or a rental or lease agreement). Call the OES office to schedule an appointment at 437-2171.



'Back to the Future' homecoming for OHS on Friday

Owensville High School seniors vying to be crowned king and queen during this year's winter homecoming festivities (in front, from left) include Kory Bauer, Alli Dintelman, Sean Irwin, Grace Toelke, Nick Hinch and Kelsey Ryerson; attendants and escorts include freshmen Bryor Bogle and Taylor McClure, sophomores Brendan Smith and Caitlyn Linders, and juniors Ohm Pawit and Abby Koepke, sophomore Gracie McGee, and freshmen Kate Angella and Tristan Liebi . Not pictured are sophomore Tighe Bombach and juniors Mackenzie Armstrong and Gage Belloir. Coronation will take place between the varsity games against Hermann on Friday, Feb. 2. The varsity girl tip off at 5:30 p.m. A student dance is from 8:30 to 11 p.m. in the small gym. The court and king and queen will be announced and will have a special dance between 9:30 and 10.

Injuries reported in head-on crash early Saturday on U.S. 50, drivers transported for care

Motorist runs off 19, strikes tree near Swiss

Two motorists who hit head-on on U.S. 50 near Fowler Road early Saturday morning were transported by ambulance for treatment at Jefferson City hospitals.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol report filed by Trooper Tye DeCramer, a westbound 2007 Toyota Camry driven by Derek L. Smith, 20, of Willow Springs, Mo., crossed over the center-line into the path of an eastbound 1998 Ford Escort being driven by Jerri P. Mistler, 34, Eldon, Mo.

Both men were wearing seat belts at the time of the crash. Smith had minor injuries and was taken by ambulance to Capital Region Medical Center in Jefferson City for treatment. Mistler sustained moderate injuries and was transported to SSM St. Mary's Hospital. The incident was reported at 4:15 a.m. Jan. 27. The wreck occurred one-tenth of a mile east of Fowler Road.

Owensville Fire Department volunteers from the Mt. Sterling and Owensville stations responded to the crash scene. Triple L Towing removed both cars from the scene.

Off Highway 19 into a tree

Trooper Evan Hane's report of a midnight crash on Jan. 27 indicates a Wildwood, Mo., man received moderate injuries when the 2011 Ford Fusion he was driving south on Highway 19 near the Swiss community went off the right side of the road and struck a tree.

Charles M. Buchek, 72, was transported by ambulance to Mercy Hospital Washington. Buchek was a tenth of a mile south of Route Z when he went off the highway. He was wearing his seat belt.

And, in Crawford County at 5:35 p.m. Monday, Gary L. Nelson, 53, Owensville, sought his own medical attention for minor injuries sustained after the 2002 Ford F150 he was driving northbound on Route C left the east side of the road and struck a tree. He was not wearing a seat belt, according to Trooper J.M. Vanmeter's report. The crash occurred a half mile north of Argo Road.

Area man arrested on Phelps County grand jury indictment warrant

A 36-year-old man from Bland was arrested Jan. 26 by the Missouri State Highway Patrol on a felony warrant out of Phelps County alleging second-degree domestic assault.

Thomas J. Lingo was taken into custody at 6:25 p.m. in Osage County and transported to the jail in Linn. Lingo, who has addresses listed in Owensville and Bland on recent court cases, was indicted Jan. 23 by a standing Phelps County grand jury. A class D felony warrant issued was Jan. 24, according to records on Case.net. The warrant was served Monday. Bond was set at $25,000. The charge stems from an incident at a residence on Phelps County Road 7480 and reported New Year's day.

Lingo is "alleged to have punched 'A.K.,'" who was "a family or household member in a continuing romantic relationship," according to Bradley Neckermann, assistant prosecutor for Phelps County. The couple is not married. Lingo was no longer in custody of the Osage County jail as of Tuesday morning.

Proposed broadband grant system may provide relief for rural areas

MISSOURI DIGITAL NEWS

JEFFERSON CITY — A proposal to improve broadband access would create a grant system to fund service expansion in rural areas.

The bill, which had its first hearing Jan. 24, would establish the Missouri Rural Broadband Development Fund. The fund would provide matching money to companies or entities that wish to enter communities without broadband access. Rep. Delus Johnson, R-St. Joseph, wrote the bill in response to a special report of broadband in rural areas, published by the *Columbia Missourian* in early January.

Broadband, also known as high-speed internet, is important for business growth, agriculture, education and telemedicine services. Without reliable broadband, rural areas are falling behind. Johnson proposed different legislation in 2011 and 2012 that would have authorized a tax credit for costs of the broadband equipment but it failed. He said this bill is a more permanent solution.

"The initial bill we were working on was basically only going to allow this in rural areas in second (and) third-class counties," Johnson said. "This is going to open it up to every single county in the state, because there are first-class counties — like Jefferson, St. Louis, Jackson — that are underserved, so we didn't want to eliminate those first-class counties."

A county's population determines its class. Johnson said the bill isn't written to "step on toes" of service providers that administer high-speed internet services in rural areas. "We want to make sure that we don't overlap services, and one of the priorities is going to be to bring broadband into an area that doesn't have it," Johnson said.

If there is a broadband provider in that area, and someone comes in with a grant and they want to try to increase the speed, we're going to give the Department of Economic Development (DED) the opportunity to possibly have a "challenge period, because we don't want to replicate services."

If created, the DED would accept applications, Johnson said, which would give preference to neglected areas. Areas that have limited services like telemedicine or educational institutes with weak broadband access would be given priority. He also said the department will give preference to a group that might have private funding "already locked in for the match," according to current wording in the bill.

The fiscal year 2019 budget, which Greitens released Monday, would allocate $6 million to continue funding an initiative that provides fiber optic broadband service to rural public schools. Greitens began this initiative in April 2017.

Audiologist joins HADH clinic staff

Starting Feb. 6, audiologist Dr. Cynthia Modrosic will begin seeing patients at Hermann Area District Hospital's outpatient clinic.

Modrosic, in practice 16 years, operates Professional Hearing Center in Union. She will have office hours for current and new patients the first Tuesday each month at the HADH clinic near the entrance.

She purchased Professional Hearing Center, in operation since 1982, eight years ago. Modrosic has Masters degrees in Speech and Hearing (University of Illinois) and Audiology (Central Institute for Deaf at Washington University), and a Doctorate of Audiology from AT Still University.

"I am looking forward to being closer to some of our Hermann area patients, and providing the same excellent quality service in Hermann as we do in Union," she said.

She offers medical evaluations with reports on hearing tests which can be sent to primary care providers, otoacoustic emissions testing (OAE), and speech mapping verification of hearing aids. She can also supply most national brands of hearing aids. She can be reached at her practice at 636-583-4902 or through the HADH clinic at 573-486-2045. She and her husband Bill have two sons, Liam, 10, and Sean, 7, They live near Desoto, Mo.



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What passage of Prop P could mean to the GPD

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On the April ballot, Franklin County residents will be asked to approve Proposition P. This would allow an increase of 1/2 cent sales tax county-wide to aid law enforcement throughout the county, including municipal departments.

If approved, 1/2 of the tax increase (1/4 of a cent) would fund necessary improvements and expansion of the county jail. The remaining 1/4 of a cent would go directly to each city police department in the county and the Sheriff's office.

Gerald Police Chief Jim Helton and Mayor Cary Parker attended a meeting of police chiefs, city officials and county commissioners earlier this month concerning Prop P.

During a discussion on how the funds would be dispersed to local agencies, Parker said that a city official of a large town in the county pushed to have it divvied out according to the population of each town. That official noted that his town would pay in over $1 million in the new tax.

Helton, according to Parker, fought for Gerald and other small towns. He pointed out that the $1 million would not be collected by only that town's residents. He noted that residents throughout the county spend money in that town.

Helton suggested, and was backed by most of the other chiefs, that the money be divided according to the number of officers employed by each town. The Franklin County Commission agreed.

"Everyone who takes part in a community puts money in the kitty," Helton told *The Republican*.

Using 2017 figures, Helton believes the passage of Prop P could bring in an additional $50,000 to the Gerald Police Department. This money could arrive as early as this fall. The projected budget for the police department this year is only $221,346.

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The chief and one other officer are the only ones currently on staff in the Gerald Police Department. This week, one of them has the flu, but must continue to report for work. Efforts are being made to hire more officers, but with a starting wage of $11.25 per hour it is hard to attract good applicants.

Franklin County Sheriff Steve Pelton says, "It has become increasingly difficult for law enforcement agencies in Franklin County to recruit and retain a sufficient number of qualified employees. This impacts every Franklin County citizen."

Pelton continues, "Competition from other agencies in the St. Louis area compounds this problem when they can offer better salaries and benefits for the same type of work even when it involves a commute."

In the last year and a half, Franklin County has lost seven deputies who have moved on to higher paying jobs, according to Pelton.

St. Louis County has already passed their own Prop P. Pelton realizes that even if Franklin County does pass Prop P, it will still not be able to match the salaries offered in St. Louis County departments, but it will narrow the gap.

Recruitment of officers has become increasingly competitive.

"My office is down six deputies and several municipalities in Franklin County are also short police officers. We have been assisting Gerald Police with calls due to recruitment issues, although we will always give assistance where needed to support all Franklin County citizens, it does create an extra demand for law enforcement," Pelton explained.

Current and future crime trends must be considered as well. Pelton says, "We can provide the services and meet the need for the future with additional investigators and deputies." Helton said law enforcement deals with one percent of the population. As the population grows, so do the numbers included in that one percent.

"The Sheriff's Office employs a great group of law enforcement professionals and we need to keep the knowledge and experience they have right here in our own communities," Pelton stresses. "We cannot afford to lose the training, expertise, and skills they possess to another agency."

Due to its close proximity to St. Louis County, this area has taken a hard hit by the increases in police pay by its neighbor.

More resources are needed to retain, recruit, offer increased services and offer competitive wages. This will allow law enforcement to provide essential services to every citizen. Pelton also believes more resources are necessary to meet the increase in services that technology has created.

"These are issues being faced by all law enforcement agencies nationwide, but most specifically these are issues being faced by the citizens of Franklin County. It is our goal to ensure Franklin County remains a safe place to live, work and raise a family," Pelton stated.

Helton wholeheartedly concurs.

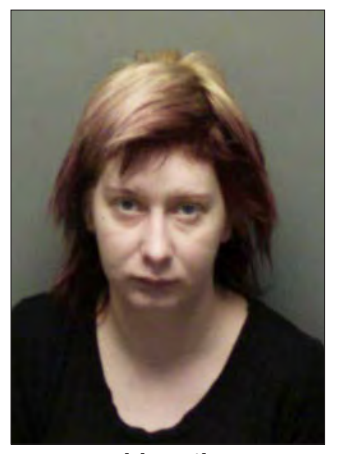
Domestic disturbance call leads to arrest of Gerald woman

A domestic disturbance was reported outside of Gerald on Jan, 23, reports Franklin County Sheriff Steve Pelton. Deputies were dispatched to the 7100 block of Grob Road.

When they arrived at the scene, family members reported Ashley Eilers, 25, of Gerald, had reportedly pushed a family member and "placed family members in apprehension for their safety."

During the disturbance the family locked Eilers out of the home and she broke a window to gain entry.

When deputies attempted to place her into custody for assaulting her family, Eilers resisted arrest and assaulted the deputies by kicking at them. They were able to subdue Eilers after a brief altercation.


Ashley Eilers

A warrant application was forwarded to the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. A resulting warrant was issued on Ashley Eilers for misdemeanor assault and resisting arrest. Bond was set at $7,500.

News Briefs

STORM SIRENS will be tested Monday, Feb. 5 at noon.

THE GERALD PARK COMMISSION will meet Tuesday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m. at City Hall

THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD meets Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.

THE GERALD BOARD OF ALDERMEN meet for their regular monthly meeting Thursday, Feb. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

GASCONADE COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS will be planting more daffodil bulbs near the eastern city limits on Highway 50, Sunday Feb. 11, weather permitting. The planting begins at 1:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed.

A BLOOD DRIVE will be held Monday, Feb. 12, from 3 to 7 p.m. at Beaufort Elementary School, 3200 Highway 50 East.

Area accidents claim one life, send others to hospital

Wednesday, Jan. 24, an accident north of Gerald left a St. Louis man with minor injuries. Andrew L. Jackson, 28, was traveling too fast for the hilly roadway, when he swerved to miss an animal on State Route E near Dissen Road.

Jackson lost control of the 1999 Utilmaster he was driving, ran off the left side of the roadway, struck a ditch and overturned.

New Haven ambulance transported Jackson to Mercy Washington.

The Utilmaster had moderate damage from the crash.

An accident last Thursday, Jan. 25, resulted in serious injuries for Jason L. Reeser, 40, of New Bloomfield. Reeser was traveling northbound on Segelhorst Road, south of Old State Road when the crash occurred at 9:15 p.m.

The 2006 Ford F150 Reeser was driving traveled off the left side of the roadway and struck an embankment before overturning.

Reeser was transported by Arch Air ambulance to Mercy St. Louis. He was not using a seat belt.

The truck was totalled.

On Friday, Jan. 26, at 12:48 p.m., a two-vehicle crash in Beaufort sent three to the hospital with minor injuries.

James R. Orton, 48, of Leasburg, was traveling westbound on U.S. Highway 50, just east of State Route 185.

Orton made a left turn in a 2013 Ford F250 without yielding to oncoming traffic. His vehicle was struck a 2012 Chevrolet Sonic driven by Krystal D. Rapps, 30, of Sullivan.

Rapps and her passengers, Diann L. Lettmann, 55, of Owensville and Kyana S. Jones, 4, of Sullivan all received minor injuries. They were transported to Mercy Washington by Gerald ambulance.

All persons involved were using seat belts.

The F250 had only minor damage and was driven from the scene. The Sonic was extensively damaged.

A Union man was killed in an accident on State Highway 100 Saturday, Jan. 27. The fatal crash occurred at 11:20 a.m. west of Ridgefield Drive.

Kyle J. Seiss, 27, was traveling eastbound on a 2000 Kawasaki ZX600 when he crossed the center line and struck the front of a 2008 Honda Civic.

The Civic was driven by Jackson D. Hanify, 21, of Wildwood, who was not injured.

Seiss was declared dead by Meramec ambulance EMS personnel at 11:40 a.m. Both vehicles were totaled in the crash.

A one car crash sent a Rosebud teen to the hospital with moderate injuries Saturday at 4:45 p.m.

Kristin M. Hoenig, 19, was traveling northbound on State Route C, north of Old State Road, when she took a curve too fast. She traveled off the right side of the roadway and overturned.

Hoenig, who was using a seat belt, was transported to Mercy Washington by Gerald ambulance. The 2008 Dodge Caliber she was driving was totaled in the accident.

All information about the accidents came from reports filed by troopers with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Troop C.

Former mayor dies

Herb Benton, former mayor of Gerald, died early Tuesday, Jan. 30. A full article on Benton and his service to Gerald will appear in next week's edition of *The Republican*.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

ECC dedicated to improving

For the last 50 years, East Central College has provided a quality and affordable education to the community. We have been dedicated to continuous improvement as an institution, and we strive to be a dynamic, innovative college of choice for our community.

To ensure the integrity of our institution, we are currently undergoing the reaffirmation of our accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). This organization validates the quality of our institution as a whole and evaluates multiple aspects of our institution – from academic offerings to governance and administration.

Over the past few months, the HLC has identified several areas of opportunity for East Central College to improve upon – including the strengthening of current processes, procedures and operations. A report provided to ECC in November highlighted the following areas for improvement:

- Develop a new strategic plan
- Formalize the documentation of college-wide processes
- Implement institution-wide academic assessment plan
- Enhance campus-wide communications
- Develop shared governance
- Develop retention, completion and persistence goals
- Ensure critical and strategic decisions are data driven
- Conduct and document routine faculty and staff evaluations

The report is recommending to the HLC governing board that ECC be placed on probationary status. The college is developing a written response to the team's findings, and a hearing on the recommendation will be held in late April. A final determination regarding whether to place the institution on probation could be as late as fall.

Rest assured, we have taken these recommendations to heart and are diligently working on making the necessary changes and improvements. It is important for the community to understand that ECC remains fully accredited by the HLC, and will maintain accreditation if placed on probation. Current operations will proceed as normal. However, the College will be required to provide regular updates to the HLC concerning campus or organizational improvements.

Our operations are unaffected during the probationary status:

- Financial aid will not be affected in any way.
- Scholarships will not be affected in any way.
- Transfer credits and programs will not be affected in any way.
- The quality of our instruction and programs will not be affected in any way.

As we start the process of becoming an improved, stronger institution, we will still actively educate, recruit and enroll students every day. Incoming and current ECC students can still be confident in the quality of their education and their degree.

We are proud of our status in the community as an educational leader, a partner with business and industry and a community resource. We will use this situation as an opportunity to serve you better.

If there are concerns or questions about the process, please contact me at Jon.Bauer@eastcentral.edu or 636.584.6501.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jon Bauer, President, East Central College



GABE SIMPSON, Landon Diestlkamp and Tori Wright (above, left to right) created this display of beautiful butterflies on display in a hallway at Gerald Elementary School. **SUBMITTED PHOTO**

Paper project lights fire in GES art students

BY LINDA TREST
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You never know when a lesson will light a fire in a student.

Gabe Simpson had no idea a simple art project would turn into a passion.

Gabe was quietly working at a station of his choosing in art class one day when the origami bug bit him. He was so excited by his creations, he taught some of his friends how to do the creative folding. They watched instructional videos to learn more. Then they were hooked.

Soon Gabe, Tori Wright and Landon Diestlkamp were creating beautiful butterflies by simply folding paper.

Their art teacher, Jessie Bayless, is thrilled at their enthusiasm. "GES kids are amazing artists. They are so open, receptive and responsive. They embrace art, that comes through the community," she noted.

The students learned about different ways to present their artwork to the world in art class. An installation is one way, so they decided to create A Butterfly Installation.

Enough bright, colorful butterflies were created to fill a section of ceiling in one of the hallways at Gerald Elementary School.

The lightweight paper they used lets the butterflies, hung by fishing line, to dance and fly with the slightest breeze. Their goal was to create a butterfly for each student in their grade to call their own. Perhaps even one for each student in the school. Maybe enough to fill the ceilings in the whole school.

Then they learned how to make origami boats.

Stay tuned.

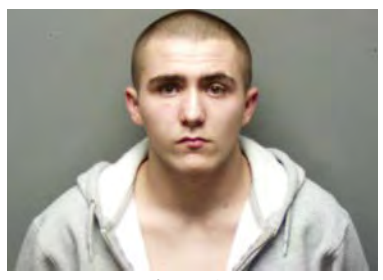
Three teens call 911 when drug deal goes bad

On Thursday, Jan. 25, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office investigated an alleged strong armed robbery.

Sheriff Steve Pelton says the incident was alleged to have occurred in the 200 Block of Hill Dr. in the Gray Summit area of Franklin County during the early morning hours.

Two 16-year-olds and an 18-year-old male victim alleged they went to a residence in the 200 Block of Hill Dr to purchase narcotics from a resident in this area.

When they contacted the suspect he entered their vehicle and proceeded to take their car keys from the vehicle ignition. He threatened



Travis R. Green

physical harm to the occupants if they did not give him their money.

The victim's allege the suspect stole $850 from them and then returned their car keys.

The teens were able to flee the area in their vehicle and then called 911.

Deputies, who were familiar with the suspect, responded to his residence and took him into custody.

Money taken in the crime was recovered at the residence.

Warrants was applied for with the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

A warrant was issued for Travis R. Green for second degree robbery and fourth degree assault.

A cash only bond of $40,000 was issued.

Green is identified as a 19-year-old white male from the Gray Summit area.

Pelton cautions that all persons are assumed to be innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

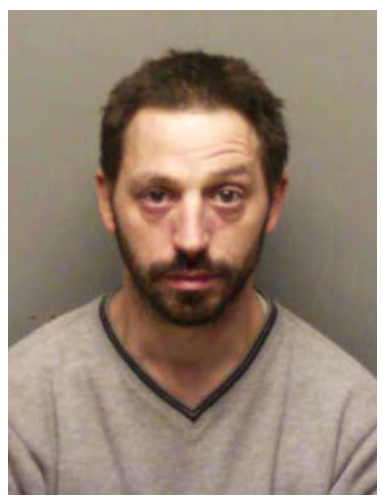
Alleged burglar found with stolen gun

Around 6 p.m. on Jan. 25, Franklin County deputies were dispatched to the 500 block of Delta Lane, Sullivan in reference to a burglary no longer in progress. The victim reported that when he had returned home from work he saw a door to his residence had been pried open.

Sheriff Steve Pelton reports the resident found .380 Caliber Bersa Firestorm firearm, a Barnett crossbow, a black powder rifle as well as a PlayStation 4 and several other items were missing.

Deputies canvassed the area and located items on the ground leading them to a residence located at the 3200 block of Lollar Branch Road. The occupant of the residence was known by the deputies, Kurt Mcklendin, 34, of Sullivan.

Mcklendin was placed under arrest for outstanding warrants. When he was searched, a firearm matching the description of the stolen firearm was located on his person. Deputies were able to locate additional stolen items located in his residence. A warrant was issued on Mcklendin for burglary with a bond of $10,000 He was taken to the Franklin County Adult Detention Center.



Kurt Mcklendin

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★	Nov. 21	Newburg
	Nov. 27-Dec. 2	New Haven JV Tourn
	Nov. 27-Dec. 2	Eugene Varsity Tourn
★	Dec. 1 (Boys & Girls, JV Only)	Belle
	Dec. 4	Missouri Military Academy
	Dec. 8	Linn
	Dec. 11	Cuba
★	Dec. 12	St. Clair
★	Dec. 18	Fulton
★	Jan. 2-6	Owensville Varsity Tourn
	Jan. 9	Steelville
	Jan. 15-20	Belle Tournament
★	Jan. 29 (Boys & Girls, Varsity)	Belle
	Jan. 30	Bourbon
★	Feb. 1 (Boys & Girls, JV Only)	Hermann
★	Feb. 2 (Boys & Girls, Varsity Only) (HC)	Hermann
	Feb. 6	St. James
	Feb. 7-10	Bourbon JV Tournament
★	Feb. 9	New Haven
★	Feb. 13 (Senior Night)	Pacific
	Feb. 16	Union
	Feb. 20 (Boys & Girls, JV Only)	Sullivan
★	Feb. 22 (Boys & Girls, Varsity)	Sullivan
	Feb. 26 - March 2	Districts

★ Home Games
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DUTCHGIRL BASKETBALL

	Nov. 17	Jamboree
	Nov. 27	Fatima
	Nov. 28 - Dec. 2	Hermann JV Tournament
	Nov. 30	Salem
★	Dec. 1 (Boys & Girls, JV Only)	Belle
	Dec. 4	Steelville
★	Dec. 5	Father Tolton Reg. Catholic
	Dec. 11-15	Sullivan Varsity Tournament
★	Dec. 18	Fulton
★	Dec. 19	Bourbon
★	Jan. 2	Cuba
	Jan. 8-13	South Callaway Varsity Tourn
★	Jan. 16	St. Clair
	Jan. 22-26	Hermann Varsity Tournament
★	Jan. 29 (Boys & Girls, Varsity)	Belle
★	Feb. 1 (Boys & Girls, JV Only)	Hermann
★	Feb. 2 (Boys & Girls, Varsity Only) (HC)	Hermann
	Feb. 3	Helias Shootout
	Feb. 5	St. James
	Feb. 7-10	Pacific JV Tournament
★	Feb. 8	New Haven
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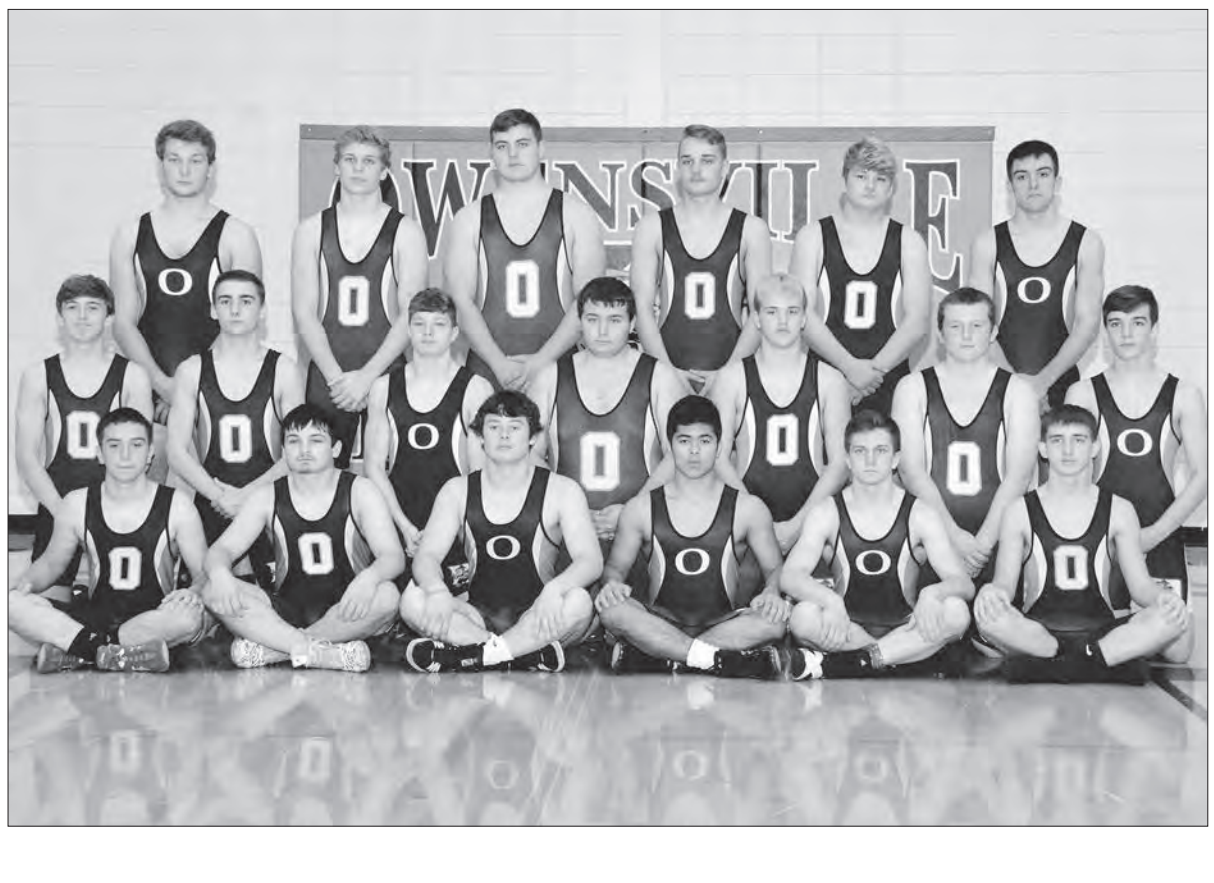


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	Nov. 28	Rolla / Washington Triangle
	Dec. 1-2	Pleasant Hill Varsity Tournament
	Dec. 8-9	Missouri Duals - Helias
	Dec. 9	Rolla JV Tournament
	Dec. 12	St. Clair / Union Triangle
	Jan. 6	Pacific JV Tournament
	Jan. 6	Ste. Genevieve Varsity Tournament
	Jan. 13	Moberly JV Tournament
★	Jan. 13	Owensville Varsity Tournament
★	Jan. 18	Blair Oaks/MMA
	Jan. 20	Fr. Zumwalt South Varsity Tournament
★	Jan. 23	Park Hills Central/St. James
	Jan. 25	St. James / Pacific Triangle
★	Jan. 26	Owensville JV Tournament
★	Jan. 30 (Senior Night)	Faitma/S. Boone
★	Feb. 1	Sullivan/Potosi
	Feb. 2	Willard
	Feb. 3.	Marshfield Varsity Tournament
	Feb. 9-10	Districts
	Feb. 15-17	State Wrestling

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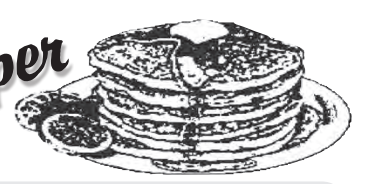
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HOSTILES
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Fri. ..... — 3:10 6:10 9:00
Sat. 12:10 3:10 6:10 9:00
Sun. ..... 12:10 3:10 6:10 —
Mon.–Thurs. ..... — 3:10 6:10 —

MAZE RUNNER
PG-13 • 2 hrs. 26 min. • Held Over
Fri. ..... — 3:00 6:00 8:50
Sat. 12:00 3:00 6:00 8:50
Sun. ..... 12:00 3:00 6:00 —
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12 STRONG
R • 2 hrs. 15 min. • Held Over
Fri. ..... — 3:20 6:00 8:45
Sat. 12:20 3:20 6:00 8:45
Sun. ..... 12:20 3:20 6:00 —
Mon.–Thurs. ..... — 3:20 6:00 —

JUMANJI
PG13 • 2 hrs. 3 min. • Held Over
Fri. ..... — 3:30 6:20 8:50
Sat. 12:30 3:30 6:20 8:50
Sun. ..... 12:30 3:30 6:20 —
Mon.–Thurs. ..... — 3:30 6:20 —

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Fri. ..... — 3:40 6:15 8:40
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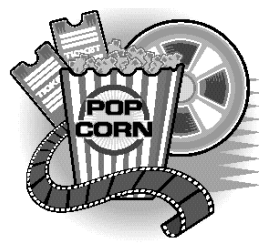
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Sun. ..... 1:20 4:20 6:50 —
Mon.–Thurs. ... — 4:20 6:50 —

✔ **3 BILLBOARDS OUTSIDE OF EBBING**
R • 1 Hr. 55 min. • **Starts 2/02/18**
Fri.–Sat. 1:40 4:30 7:20 10:00
Sun. ..... 1:40 4:30 7:20 —
Mon.–Thurs. ... — 4:30 7:20 —

HOSTILES
R • 2 Hrs. 13 min. • Held Over
Fri.–Sat. 1:10 4:20 7:10 9:50
Sun. ..... 1:10 4:20 7:10 —
Mon.–Thurs. ... — 4:20 7:10 —

MAZE RUNNER: The Death Cure
PG-13 • 2 Hrs. 21 min. • Held Over
Fri.–Sat. 1:00 4:00 7:00 10:00
Sun. ..... 1:00 4:00 7:00 —
Mon.–Thurs. ... — 4:00 7:00 —

12 STRONG
R • 2 Hrs. 10 min. • Held Over
Fri.–Sat. 1:20 4:10 7:00 9:50
Sun. ..... 1:20 4:10 7:00 —
Mon.–Thurs. ... — 4:10 7:00 —

PADDINGTON 2
PG • 1 Hr. 43 min. • Held Over
Fri.–Sat. 1:00 4:00 6:30 8:50
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Thurs. ..... — 4:00 — —

INSIDIOUS: THE LAST KEY
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Fri.–Sat. 1:50 4:30 7:30 9:50
Sun. ..... 1:50 4:30 7:30 —
Mon.–Thurs. ... — 4:30 7:30 —

JUMANJI
PG13 • 1 Hr. 58 min. • Held Over
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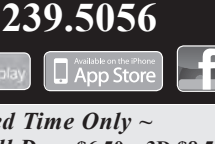
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FRENE VALLEY OWENSVILLE, A STONEBRIDGE COMMUNITY NURSING HOME NEWS

Resident celebrates a 100th birthday milestone

BY HEATHER HOLLAND
Frene Valley Activities Director

Jan. 31, 2018

Happy birthday Lydia! This past week we got to celebrate Lydia's milestone birthday with her. Her family held a 100th birthday party in honor this very special lady, Sunday, Jan. 21. She enjoyed the afternoon with friends, family and staff. The family offered cake and punch to everyone that took the time out of their day to come celebrate with them. All Lydia asked for for her birthday were hugs and smiles.

Her actual birthday was Tuesday, Jan. 23. Lydia wanted her hair dyed pink for her birthday. So, her niece Gloria gave us permission to dye her hair the way she wanted it. She also loved one of our shirts that we had previously ordered for the staff. So our DON had a special shirt made for her to wear that day while the rest of the staff wore ours. Some staff members and other residents put pink in their hair along with her.

Gloria took Lydia around the nursing home to hand out treats to everyone. I'm sure she felt like a celebrity after getting her picture taken so many times. I'm glad we are blessed enough to have the opportunity to take care of this beautiful woman. She also has an amazing family who is always there for her. Happy birthday Lydia, we love you!



LYDIA SCHMIDT, center, surrounded by Frene Valley staff members celebrating her 100th birthda.



HEATHER HOLLAND selected as Employee of the Year at Frene Valley.

Frene Valley names 'Employee of the Year'

BY HEATHER HOLLAND
Frene Valley Activities Director

Jan. 24 2018

Good morning everyone! I hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather. I personally wish it would stay this way but unfortunately we have to endure cold weather for a bit longer.

Every year we choose an employee of the year – someone who has gone above and beyond. Frene Valley staff, residents and family members were asked to nominate an employee the makes a big impact in our community.

The way this works is we have an employee of the month for each month. Than at the end of the year out of those 12 people we, as a community, get to choose who deserves employee of the year.

Friday we held a party to reveal who won "Employee of the Year". With that being said that person was myself, Heather Holland. I have worked at Frene Valley as the Activity Director for one year and three months. I was elected employee of the year in May of 2017. Some words that people used to describe me are: caring, awesome, exceptional, great, devoted and dedicated (to the residents). I would like to thank everyone who voted for me. It means a lot to know that you have so many people who see and appreciates what you do for the ones you care for and work with.

I'm glad that I get this opportunity to work for such a great family and with the coworkers and residents that I get to see spend almost every day with. They are truly the best.

SENIOR SERVICES

Owensville Senior Menu

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Wednesday, Jan. 31
Salisbury Steak, Zucchini/Tomatoes, Fruited Jello, Liver/Onions, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Bread Pudding

Thursday, Feb. 1
Hot Open-Faced Turkey Sandwich, Broccoli, Mandarin Oranges, Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Butterscotch Bars

Friday, Feb. 2
Fish, Mixed Vegetables, Fruited Jello, Chili Dog/Bun, Buffalo Fries, Cole Slaw, Cherry Dump Cake

Monday, Feb. 5
Ham, Roasted Sweet Potato, Baked Pineapple, Tater Tot Casserole, Peas/Onions, Mock Pecan Pie

Tuesday, Feb. 6
Marinated Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Orange Wedges, Ham/Beans, Cabbage/Carrots, Cornbread, Cake

Wednesday, Feb. 7
Beef/Cabbage Casserole, Peas, Fruit Cocktail, Chicken Tenders, Brussels Sprouts, Cookies

Thursday, Feb. 8
Baked Pork Chop, Broccoli, Fruited Jello, Beef Stew, AuGratin Potatoes, Fruit Crumble

Friday, Feb. 9
Fish, Roasted Mediterranean Blend, Peaches, Chicken Pot Pie, Corn Flaky Potatoes, No Bake Cookie

Owensville Senior Events

Wednesday, Jan. 31
12:30 p.m. ..... Pinochle
Friday, Feb. 2
12:30 p.m. ..... Pinochle
Monday, Feb. 5
12:30 p.m. ..... BINGO
Wednesday, Feb. 7
12:30 p.m. ..... Pinochle
Thursday, Feb. 8
12:30 p.m. ..... Free BINGO
..... Frene Valley
Friday, Feb. 9
12:30 p.m. ..... Pinochle
Saturday, Feb. 10
6:00 p.m. ..... Pinochle

Gerald Senior Menu

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Thursday, Feb. 1
Chili/Crackers, Hot Dog/Bun, Potato Chips, Deviled Eggs, Fruit

Tuesday, Feb. 3
Beef Stroganoff, Green Beans, Slaw, Peaches

Thursday, Feb. 8
Fried Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Salad, Mixed Fruit

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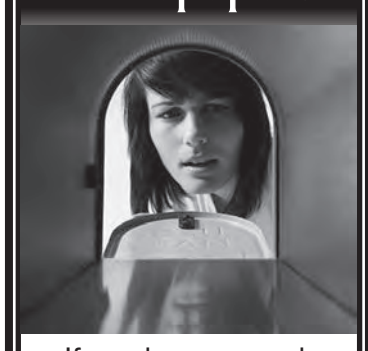
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OUTDOORS *IN THE OZARKS*

Old camera captures a miracle on a cedar limb



by LARRY DABLEMONT

Sometimes you have to just figure that the Great Creator fixed something especially for you to see and experience. I know most of my readers feel that way. Chances are you have felt His attention at some time or another in your life, maybe lots of times. The more time you spend outdoors alone, in a natural world, the more you tend to feel that way.

Time was when I was young, I just lived to catch or kill something. A big fish, an unusual waterfowl species, a rooster pheasant or wild gobbler, I just couldn't wait to get something wild and beautiful in my hands. When I did, I just couldn't stop looking at it and marveling at the beauty of wild things.

A lot of that longing to hunt and fish and explore was my heritage, my ancestors didn't raise much stock to eat, wild meat was important. I never thought anything would replace a rod and reel or a shotgun and rifle in my hands.

But that new Nikon camera I bought recently is something I intend to shoot a great deal more than my old model 12 Winchester. I got it out of the package, remembering my first camera when I went to work for the Arkansas Democrat newspaper just out of college as their 'outdoor editor'. It was a big heavy black box which took only black and white pictures.

The first month I was there, I won a little award of some kind for a photo I took. I nearly wore that thing out, and I still have some of the square negatives in my files that it created.

When I went to work as a naturalist for the state of Arkansas a year later, I bought a 35 mm Pentax camera that indeed took color photos in the form of slide transparencies. The state couldn't afford a camera for me but they did pay for film and developing. I kept duplicates and I now have a few thousand old slides and prints that camera gave me. I have added to that hundreds and hundreds of color prints and when I want to find a certain photo, it my take hours to run it down.

I sold hundreds of photos to magazines when I finally became a full time outdoor writer, and I think I sold more than 40 cover photos for various magazines. I learned that understanding the technology of a camera wasn't as important as just knowing what would make a photo, and being out there where you could see things not normally seen. There was indeed money to be made from selling photos, but not only that, if you sent an article to Outdoor Life or Field and Stream, you had a much better chance of selling it if really good photos came with it.

I have never been more than an amateur photographer but my cameras have been professional, and this new one is something spectacular. I am going to have to find someone to help me with the instruction book to ever find out how to completely understand it.

So recently, I just took a little walk down one of my trails to practice with it. Now remember that I have written recently about yellow-billed cuckoos, which are known as rain crows to us country folks. I have been here on Lightning' Ridge for 25 years and never had a clear view of one, although each summer they nest up here, staying high in the foliage of big trees, as if they are trying to hide. You see one for a second and then they are gone.

Walking down that trail with the camera and two lenses, a rain crow flew down and lit on a cedar limb I had trimmed along the trail. I brought up the camera and tried to see him through the lens. Nothing. The lens cover was still on! I took it off, and just chose a setting on the camera I thought would work, and clicked a couple of quick photos.

Too far—then I remembered the telephoto lens in my pack and my shaky fingers worked to find the way to push the right buttons to change them. I knew it was not going to work. He could see me so well, just 15 or 20 yards away. But somehow I got the telephoto lens on, found him in the viewfinder and began to click the shutter. That rain crow sat there for at least five minutes, turning his head to give me different shots, acting as if he was modeling for me. When he flew away, I headed for my office; so happy my feet scarcely touched the trail. I stuck the little card in the computer and there were the very first photos my new camera gave me… spectacular shots of a rain crow, something I thought I would never ever get.

So if you would like to see a few of them, go to my website, larrydablemontoutdoors.blogspot.com and see if you ever saw an amateur photographer get pictures of a rain crow any better than those.

I really am inspired by those photos, and such a rare opportunity, and sometime in the future I am going to find my best 100 photos, taken over 45 years as a naturalist and outdoor writer, and publish them, with a page of information about what each one is and where it was taken. I think it will make a good book, because if there is a photo of a bird or animal or whatever, I don't intend to just tell the facts about that creature that you can find in a dozen books, but I want to tell the story of my own experiences and observations and what I have learned that hasn't been printed on some internet account!

I am not sure that better photos than I ever taken aren't ahead, with this camera I have. I am certainly going to be spending a lot of time on the river and in the woods with it. That is the secret to getting good photos, being where they are found as much as possible.

It was only a short time ago that we obtained the ability to sell my magazines and books over the phone via credit card. I can't do it, being computer illiterate, but my secretary can. Folks have been calling wanting information about my ten books, and that is one thing I can do. We have made little sheets of info about each one and I can mail you all of those if you would like. Just call and ask for those, 417 777 5227. You can email me at lightninridge@windstream.net or write to me at Box 22, Bolivar, Mo 65613.

MDC and partners eliminate more than 6,500 feral hogs from Missouri's landscape in 2017

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) feral hog strike team has tallied up elimination numbers for 2017. The year yielded a total of 6,567 feral hogs removed by MDC, partner agencies and private landowners. In 2016, 5,358 feral hogs were removed from the landscape.

Crews in southeast Missouri removed 2,858 feral hogs, which is where the highest density of feral hogs occurs. The Ozark region removed 2,576 and the Southwest region removed 932 feral hogs. Other regions across Missouri had around 100 or fewer feral hogs removed.

"We're seeing positive impacts in areas with smaller feral hog populations, such as on the western side of the state," said Mark McLain, MDC's feral hog elimination team leader. "Our overall success for 2017 can be attributed to our strategic approach to eliminating populations of feral hogs." McLain said it's essential that the public understand why feral hogs must be eliminated.

"These are a destructive, invasive species that doesn't belong here; they're not a native species," McLain said. "They out-compete native wildlife for habitat and food. For example, places with a lot of feral hogs will see their wild turkey and deer population diminish."

McLain said feral hogs present potential for diseases to spread to humans, pets and livestock and that he hopes the message that hunting is not an effective method for eliminating feral hog populations is starting to catch on. "For over 20 years, unregulated take of feral hogs was allowed in Missouri, during which time our feral hog population expanded from a few counties to over 30 counties," he said.

In 2017, MDC, the Corps of Engineers and the LAD Foundation established regulations against feral hog hunting on lands owned and managed by these three organizations.

"A persistent piece of this story is continued illegal releases of feral hogs, which establishes populations and further spreads the problem," McLain said. "This is illegal and when caught, those who release feral hogs face hefty fines."

McLain said MDC and its many partners are committed to eliminating feral hogs from Missouri. Other attributing factors in the success of the feral hog elimination effort include MDC's "Report, don't shoot" message to encourage trapping, prohibiting the take of feral hogs on conservation areas, and a strong public awareness campaign.

"Landowners and the public are a crucial element of this effort, especially since most land in Missouri is privately owned," McLain said. "We must continue to educate on the dangers of feral hogs and engage landowners in elimination efforts."

McLain said landowners are responding to an increased public education campaign, centered on the knowledge that hunting feral hogs is not an effective way to eliminate them. Trapping with no hunting interference is the best method to eliminate them.

"They're [landowners] reporting feral hog signs and coming to us for help, which is exactly what we hoped would happen," he said. "We help by providing technical advice, on-site visits, loaning equipment and training of the trapping and removal process."To report feral hog sightings or damage, go online to mdc.mo.gov/feralhog

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Future Dutchgirls hit the court

Cameron Nowack (above) jumps up in the passing lane for her fifth-grade Dutchgirl basketball team Saturday morning in tournament action at Owensville High School. McKenzy Echols (top right, center) grabs a rebound while sixth-grade teammates (from left) Anya Binkhoelter, Allysan Gooch and Lily Steinbeck head down the court to the offensive end. Brynn Wright and Lily Reed (bottom right, from left) eye a loose ball during semifinal action against New Haven's fifth-grade Lady Shamrocks Saturday morning.

PHOTOS BY WILL JOHNSON



First Baptist Church of Owensville hosts Upward Basketball

Upward Basketball is back for another year at First Baptist Church of Owensville. The Upward program provides the "best sport experience for every child" participant from first to sixth grade in the Owensville area. Each team played their second game Saturday, Jan. 27, and will continue to play each Saturday through mid-March. Teammates from Matt Kramme and Jacob Koelling's green jerseyed "Kittens" and Teresa Schulte and Jim Smith's white jerseyed "Bunnies" are pictured above (from left): Hope McGee, Kabren Kelley, Kinley Troncin, Cambell Schulte, Brooklyn Kramme, Lydia Wilson, Anieya Bergesch, Delyla Crowe, Piper Koelling and Leighton Chambers. Photo galleries will be posted on the Republican website at GasconadeCountyRepublican.com later today (Wednesday, Jan. 31).

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BREANNA DIESTELKAMP (above, center) handles the basketball in front of Belle freshman Halle Smith during Monday's 58-53 Dutchgirl victory over the visiting Lady Tigers. Diestelkamp surpassed the 1,000-point mark on a 3-point shot at the 7:43 mark of the third quarter before finishing with 31 points. **PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON**

Another 1,000-point Diestelkamp

BY WILL JOHNSON
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Limited to 44 points in three games last week during the Hermann Tournament, Dutchgirl junior Breanna Diestelkamp went into Owensville's Monday night Highway 28 showdown with Belle's Lady Tigers just 14 points shy of becoming the fourth Dutchgirl basketball player in program history to reach 1,000 career points.

Splashing home a 3-pointer at the 7:43 mark of the third quarter, Breanna joined her sister Hailey Diestelkamp, Teresa (Holzschuh) Schulte and Kati Davis in the 1,000-point club.

"When I heard the little girls screaming in the stands, I knew I had passed 1,000 points," Breanna Diestelkamp said. "I couldn't have done it without my teammates and coaches over the last three years."

Finishing with a game-high 31 points, Breanna enters Friday's homecoming contest against Hermann's Bearcats with 1,017 career points.

Accounting for 11 of Owensville's 15 first-quarter points Monday night, Diestelkamp scored 19 second-half points help the Dutchgirls hold off a game Belle Lady Tiger squad, 58-53.

While Breanna added 13 rebounds, six blocked shots, three steals and three assists to her game-high point total, she had plenty of help from her teammates.

Taking over ball-handling duties after Morgan Lairmore left the game with an ankle injury, sophomore Destinee Busenhart scored four points in the second and fourth quarters to help the Dutchgirl offense. She also added three assists and three steals.

"Destinee, with her athleticism, puts the defense at a disadvantage because she has matured to see more than just the individual scoring opportunity," Dutchgirl head basketball coach Ryan Flanagan said.

Not seeing the court until the fourth quarter, Dutchgirl sophomore guard Stephani Elliot made the most of her playing time in the final eight minutes.

Hitting her first of three two-point shots

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'WILL'FUL THINKING



by WILL JOHNSON

Milestone weekend

It was a milestone weekend of sorts for the Diestelkamp family and the Owensville Dutchgirl basketball program throughout the state of Missouri.

Going into the Hermann Tournament last week, Dutchgirl junior Breanna Diestelkamp needed just 58 points to become the fourth girl's basketball player in Owensville history to surpass 1,000 points for her career.

While she may have been held to 44 points in three games at Hermann, the fun did not stop for the Diestelkamp's.

Down Interstate 44 at Drury University, Panther sophomore guard Hailey Diestelkamp was to receive a Special Achievement Award (SAA) from the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame Sunday night.

Before that, the elder Di-

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Dutchgirls claim consolation hardware at Hermann

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HERMANN — Falling to New Haven 60-41 Monday night in first-round action at the Hermann Girls Basketball Tournament, Ryan Flanagan's Owensville Dutchgirls navigated their way through the consolation side of the bracket the rest of last week in northern Gasconade County.

Earning a rematch with Bourbon's Lady Warhawks in the consolation semifinals last Wednesday night, the Dutchgirls blitzed Bourbon 20-3 in the first quarter before going on to a 53-19 victory at Hermann Middle School.

Even though she was surrounded by two Lady Warhawks while she was on the floor, Breanna Diestelkamp still managed to lead all scorers with a game-high 10 points.

With Bourbon's triangle-and-two defense, that opened the offensive door for other Dutchgirls in the scoring column.

Drilling a pair of 3-point shots in the first quarter, Katelyn Landolt finished with eight points all in the first half.

Ella Wright did the majority of her damage in the third quarter scoring six of her points to open the second half.

Anna Skornia and Destinee Busenhart both added five points while Skornia pulled down eight rebounds along with Diestelkamp to share game-high honors in that department.

Julie Wright and Luci Angell also contributed four points off the bench against Bourbon.

Another rematch awaited Owensville in the consolation championship game in Montgomery County's Lady Wildcats.

Edged 57-55 two weeks earlier at South Callaway, Owensville hit enough free throws down the stretch to leave Hermann with consolation hardware following their 62-58 win over the Lady Wildcats.

Nailing all six of her free throws in the fourth quarter, Diestelkamp led all scorers with 16 points for OHS. Morgan Lairmore dialed long distance twice for half of her 12 points reaching double figures.

Julie Wright just missed double digits scoring six of her nine points in the first half.

Taming Belle Monday night, OHS will go for three straight wins Friday night in homecoming action against Hermann starting at 5:30 p.m.



KATELYN LANDOLT (above, right) looks to drive past Montgomery County's Makenna Meyer during the consolation title game Friday at Hermann. **PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON**

Dutchmen complete sweep of Highway 28 tripleheader

BY WILL JOHNSON
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Seeing the Dutchmen freshman and varsity Dutchgirl basketball teams post victories over Belle Monday night, Todd Rehmert's Owensville Dutchmen varsity basketball team looked to make it a clean sweep for OHS of a Highway 28 tripleheader against the visitors from Belle.

Tied at 33-33 with 6:50 left in the game on a basket from Belle Tiger senior standout Skylar Smith, Dutchmen senior Kyle Bauer hit one of two free throws giving the Dutchmen a slim 34-33 lead.

Following a Belle turnover, Cason Gray scored and got fouled. Even though he missed the ensuing free throw, Brady Smith pulled down an offensive rebound and put it back in making it a four-point trip eventually leading to a 52-44 Owensville victory over their Highway 28 rivals.

"This was a big win for us tonight," Rehmert said. "Cason (Gray) and Brady

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TREVOR ABERNATHY (above, left) steals the basketball from Belle's Skylar Smith during the varsity boy's portion of a Highway 28 tripleheader Monday night at Owensville High School between the host Dutchmen and Belle's Tigers. Even though Smith led all scorers with 28 points, Todd Rehmert's Dutchmen hit five of their six attempts from the free-throw line in the final 41.1 seconds of Owensville's 52-44 victory over the visiting Tigers to avenge an earlier loss to their Highway 28 neighbors to the west in the championship game of the 2nd Annual Belle Boys Basketball Tournament just nine days earlier. **PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON**

OHS SPORTS THIS WEEK

V/JV Dutchmen Basketball
2/1 OHS vs. Hermann 5:30 p.m. (Junior Varsity only)
2/2 OHS vs. Hermann 5:30 p.m. (HC, Varsity only)
2/6 OHS at St. James 5:30 p.m.

V/JV Dutchgirl Basketball
2/1 OHS vs. Hermann 5:30 p.m. (Junior Varsity only)
2/2 OHS vs. Hermann 5:30 p.m. (HC, Varsity only)
2/3 OHS JV/V in Central Bank Shootout at Helias High School
OHS JVG vs. Monroe City Noon **(at Helias Gym)**
OHS VG vs. Jeff City JV 1:30 p.m. **(at Rackers Fieldhouse)**
2/5 OHS at St. James 5:30 p.m.

OHS Dutchmen Wrestling
2/1 OHS tri-meet vs. Sullivan and Potosi 5 p.m. (at OHS small gym)
2/2 OHS at Willard 1 p.m.
2/3 OHS V at Marshfield Duals Tournament 9 a.m.

Unless noted otherwise, all Dutchmen and Dutchgirl basketball games will be V/JV doubleheaders. Wrestling meets will also be JV and Varsity and all OMS and OHS Freshman basketball home games will be at OES.

Owensville Volleyball Club tryout dates set

Before parents know it, it will be time for fourth, fifth and sixth-graders to begin their respective volleyball seasons.

The Owensville Girls Volleyball Club will mark the beginning of the 2018 season with the first of four tryouts on Monday, Feb. 12 at Owensville Elementary School from 6-8 p.m.

Additional tryouts are scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 6-8 p.m., at OES.

Tryouts will conclude on Thursday, Feb. 15 from 6-8 p.m. A parent meeting for the fourth and fifth-grade teams will held at 7 p.m., that Thursday followed by a sixth-grade parent meeting at 8 p.m.

Players will be scored in six areas. Those include setting, passing, hitting, serving, footwork drills and listening ability.

Permission slips are available in the main offices of Gerald Elementary School, OES and OMS. Interested players must have one filled on the first day of tryouts in order to be able to participate.

Owensville will host their annual fourth, fifth and sixth-grade tournaments on April 13, March 24 and Saturday, April 14.

More information on these tournaments will be published in a future issue of *The Republican*.

SPORTS BRIEFS

DUTCHMEN basketball swept a non-conference doubleheader last night (Tuesday) on the road in Bourbon against the host Warhawks. Danny Mundwiller's junior varsity squad posted a 53-34 victory while Todd Rehmert's varsity basketball Dutchmen needed double overtime to post a 69-67 victory. More on these wins will be in next week's Republican.

ROD BARNDOLLAR'S Dutchmen wrestlers swept their senior night tri-match last night (Tuesday) defeating Southern Boone 51-24 and Fatima 54-27. Before the dual with Fatima, Dutchmen wrestling seniors Austin Angell, Dustin Jahnsen, Cooper Bombach, Tanner Rector, Caleb Gray, Colton Moore and Bryce Mistler were recognized for their contributions to the Owensville wrestling programs. OHS will host Sullivan and Potosi in a tri-match in the small gym at Owensville High School on Thursday, Feb. 1 beginning at 5 p.m. Also at OHS that night, a junior-varsity basketball doubleheader between Owensville and Hermann will take place in the main gym beginning with the JV girls contest at 5:30 p.m.

Owensville JV Dutchmen Wrestling Invitational
January 26, 2018

Individual Champions
113 - Alexander Sederburg (Rolla)
120 - Dakota Arthur (Rolla)
126 A - Hayden Hicks (Rolla)
126 B - Patrick Cahill (Rolla)
132 A - Mason Harrison (Rolla)
132 B - Corey Hubkey (Osage)
138 A - Issac Hunter (Rolla)
138 B - Boston Belk (Owensville)
138 C - Johnnie Swizdor (Rolla)
145 A - Brian Hayes (Hillsboro)
145 B - Clayton McDonald (CPH)
152 A - JC Griffin (Hillsboro)
152 B - Jayden Purdy (Blair Oaks)
160 - William Mayberry (CPH)
182 A - Lucas York (Sullivan)
182 B - Oz Johnson (Osage)
220 - Steven Sanders (Union)

Dutchmen results
138 B - Boston Belk 3-0, 1st
152 A - Edward Delong 1-2, 3rd
160 - Owen Holtzer 1-2, 4th
220 - Joe Bauer 3-1, 3rd

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Dutchmen freshmen tame Belle

Playing their final game of the season, Owensville's and Belle's freshmen boy's basketball teams kicked off a Highway 28 tripleheader Monday night at Owensville High School that also featured varsity boy's and girl's action. Connor Lang (above, left) is shown playing defense against Belle freshman Jace Gieck. Doubling Belle 16-8 after one quarter, Terra Heidle's Dutchmen freshmen basketball team went on to defeat the Tigers 63-26 in a game that was made up from Tuesday, Jan. 16 due to winter weather that hit the area. Macen Blankenship led the Dutchmen and all scorers with a game-high 20 points. He was joined in double figures by Ethan Basham with 15 points and Tyler Heidbrink with 10 points all in the first half. Gentry Dunn led Belle with a team-high 11 points scoring nine of those in the first half. Last week during their annual freshman tournament, Owensville defeated Union before falling to Sullivan to end pool play at 1-1. Friday night, OHS fell to Pacific in the third-place game.

PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON



OMS Dutchmen ends seasons with tourney hardware

Ending their respective seasons along Interstate 44 last week, Owensville Middle School Dutchmen basketball teams left Sullivan and St. Clair with tournament hardware. Defeating Hermann for third-place at the Sullivan 7th grade boys basketball tournament, Owensville won over Washington in the first round before falling to Union in the semifinals. Team members (above, in front, from left) with their third-place plaque include Colin Bullock, Rane Rehmert, Reese Rehmert, Austin Luecke, Will Lauth and Will Mentz; and in back, Mark Jett (coach), Bryce Payne, Dillon Slinkard, Logan Slinkard, Joseph Skornia, Charlie Whelan, Michael Hair and Bruce Paneitz (coach). Over in St. Clair, Kris Altemeyer's eighth-grade Dutchmen defeated St. James and Union before falling to Sullivan in the championship game last week to settle for second place. Team members (below, in front, from left) with their second-place plaque from St. Clair include Dezmyn Moore, Brendan Decker, Logan Evans, Austin Lowder and Bailey Wehmeyer; and in back, Trenten Watkins, Ashton Kramme, Reagan Wehmeyer, Braedn Stone, Eli Wilson, Derek Brandt, Landon Valley and Carter Lairmore.

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5th, 6th grade Dutchgirls place second at OHS

Coached by Adam Daniels and Russ Farrell, Owensville's fifth and sixth-grade Dutchgirl basketball teams competed Saturday in the annual Owensville Basketball Boosters Tournament featuring several area teams. Farrell's sixth-grade Dutchgirls advanced to the championship game falling to Cuba and settling for second place. Team members (above, in front, from left) with their second-place medals include Allysan Gooch, McKenzy Echols, Emma Daniels and McKenna Edwards; and in back, Russ Farrell (coach), Lily-Kate Farrell, Anya Binkhoelter, Maddie Miles, Taylor Thompson, Kate Blankenship and Lily Steinbeck. Not pictured were Audrey Quilacio and Grace Abell. Fifth-grade basketball players are pictured (below) during a timeout in one of their morning games prior to their championship-game loss to St. James Saturday night. Team members playing for coaches Adam Daniels along with Jared Nowack include Lily Reed, Cameron Caldwell, Ali Daniels, Bailee Dare, Addison Menz, Brynn Wright, Maddie Lewis, Callie Koelling, Olivia Beste, Cameron Nowack and Kaydin Carr. On Saturday, Feb. 3, it will be the fifth and sixth-grade boys turn on the hardwood to host their annual Owensville Basketball Boosters Tournament. Tournament games in the fifth-grade bracket will start at 8 a.m., while sixth-grade action will start and noon and continue throughout the day at Owensville High School.

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at the 6:05 mark of the fourth quarter, Elliott capped her scoring with a bucket at the 2:33 mark of the fourth giving Owensville the lead for good at 54-43.

"Once my first couple of shots went in, my confidence really started to go up," Elliott said. "I'm happy I was able to help the team get a big victory over Belle."

Even though Belle trailed by as much as 18 points in the first half, they stormed back in the second half trimming the Dutchgirl lead to one at 40-39 on a pair of Gracie Schultz free throws with 6:18 left in the game.

Unable to get any closer, the Lady Tigers were led by Halle Smith with 16 points followed in double figures by Schultz with 14.

She scored 11 of her 14 during Belle's second-half rally.

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- **St. James** 9:00 a.m. Small Gym — **Bourbon**
- 10:00 a.m. Small Gym
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Owensville 6th Grade Boys Basketball Tournament

February 3, 2018 at Owensville High School

- **Washington** 12:00 p.m. Big Gym — **St. Clair**
- **Steelville** 12:00 p.m. Small Gym — **Linn**
- **Owensville** 1:00 p.m. Big Gym — **Bourbon**
- **Cuba** 1:00 p.m. Small Gym — **St. James**
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI

Division No. 2
Case No: 17GA-CC00044

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,
vs. ROSE MAE HURST, LINDA SCOTT, RONALD HURST, Defendants.

NOTICE UPON ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri to Defendant, LINDA SCOTT:

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court for Gasconade County, State of Missouri, the object and general nature of which is to rescind the foreclose sale that occurred on January 15, 2016 and Quiet Title as to the property secured by a deed of trust dated February 6, 2014, and which action affects the following described property to wit:

TRACT 1: PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 2 OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., IN GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7 AND RUNNING EAST 300 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUING EAST 300 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 450 FEET; THENCE WEST 300 FEET; THENCE NORTH 450 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SUBJECT TO ANY PART IN ROADS.

TRACT II: PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 2 OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., IN GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7 AND RUNNING EAST 156 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING EAST 144 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 302.5 FEET; THENCE WEST 144 FEET; THENCE NORTH 302.5 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SUBJECT TO ANY PART IN ROADS.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is:

Scott D. Mosier, Heather M. McPike, or Kip J. Bilderback, Millsap & Singer, LLC,
612 Spirit Dr.,
St. Louis, MO 63005,
(636) 537-0110.

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within forty-five (45) days after the 24th day of January, 2018, judgment by default will be rendered against you.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Circuit Court this 16th day of January, 2018.

Pamela R Greunke, Circuit Clerk

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1 Administrator's Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI

IN RE: RALPH E. BASS, a single person

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made in the payment of a certain Promissory Note described in and secured by a Deed of Trust dated May 11, 2007, executed by RALPH E. BASS a/k/a RALPH EVERETT BASS, a single person, and recorded on May 15, 2007 as Document No. 2007-1817, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for the County of Gasconade, State of Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, Patrick J. Boyle, the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note, will on

Thursday, February 22, 2018,

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (12:00 noon), at the South Front Door of Gasconade County Courthouse, in the County of Gasconade, Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate described in said Deed of Trust and situated in the County of Gasconade, State of Missouri, to-wit:

PART OF THE N-1/2 OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST LYING SOUTH OF THE RAILROAD AND NORTH OF BLOCK 16 OF JACKISH ADDITION TO THE CITY OF GASCONADE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 16 IN BLOCK 16 OF JACKISH ADDITION TO GASCONADE AND RUNNING NORTH 52°30' WEST 150 FEET ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF BLOCK 16 OF JACKISH ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 54°44'09" EAST 56.62 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 72°28'03" EAST 60.12 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 48°13'26" EAST 76.93 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 37°30' WEST 68.87 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING .22 ACRE AS PER DOPUCH SURVEY.

ALSO CONVEYING A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR ROADWAY OVER THE EXISTING DRIVEWAY AS THE SAME IS LOCATED OVER LOT 13 IN BLOCK 16 OF JACKISH ADDITION TO THE CITY OF GASCONADE AND OVER THE N-1/2 OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST LYING WEST OF ABOVE DESCRIBED .22 ACRE PARCEL.

PARCEL NO.: 04-1.0-11-1-09-002-020

for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the costs of executing this trust.

PATRICK J. BOYLE
Successor Trustee
St. Louis County, Missouri

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IN THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI

DIVISION 4
CASE NO. 07E2-AC00297
UNIFUND CCR PARTNERS, ASSIGNEE OF PALISADES COLLECTION
Plaintiff,
VS.
BETTY A BOWERS
Defendant.

Date, Time and Location of Hearing:
February 21, 2018 at 11:00AM
Gasconade County Courthouse,
119 E. 1st Street,
Hermann, MO 65041

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

The State of Missouri to: BETTY A BOWERS, 206 Springfield Rd., Owensville, MO 65066.

Upon application of Plaintiff filed in this cause it is hereby,

ORDERED: that you, Defendant, appear before the Circuit Court of Gasconade County, Missouri, Division IV, on the 21st day of February, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. and show cause why the judgment in said cause should not be revived.

SO ORDERED:
(seal)
Ada Brehe-Krueger, Judge,
January 16, 2018
U24 05-03068-0

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE`S SALE

IN RE: Erynn Passig a single woman Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Erynn Passig a single woman dated January 30, 2009 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Gasconade County, Missouri as Document Number: 2009-0312 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on

Friday, February 16, 2018

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 12:00 PM), at the South Front Door of the Courthouse, City of Hermann, County of Gasconade, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Gasconade County, State of Missouri, to wit:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF GASCONADE, STATE OF MISSOURI, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOTS 7 & 8 IN BLOCK 20 IN THE CITY OF OWENSVILLE, MISSOURI, AS PER PLAT THEREOF. TOGETHER WITH THAT PART OF THE VACATED ALLEY LOCATED ADJACENT TO SAID LOTS LYING BETWEEN MADISON AVENUE AND JEFERSON AVENUE IN BLOCK 20 IN THE CITY OF OWENSVILLE, GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS PER PLAT THEREOF.

to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C.,
Successor Trustee
612 Spirit Drive
St. Louis, MO 63005
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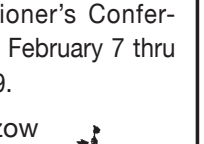


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Lesa Lietzow
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GASCONADE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

1 Administrator's Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF GASCONADE, STATE OF MISSOURI

DIVISION: PROBATE
Estate No: 15GA-PR00037
In the Estate of **JEANNINE M. STOLLMEYER,**
Deceased,

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION

To all persons interested in the Estate of: **JEANNINE M. STOLLMEYER,** Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that a Final Settlement and Petition for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest to the personal and/or real property of the decedent, and of the extent and character of their interest therein, and for distribution of such property, will be filed in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Gasconade County, Missouri, by the undersigned on the 26th day of February, 2018, or as may be continued by the court. Any objections or exceptions to such Final Settlement or Petition, or any item thereof, must be in writing and filed within twenty (20) days after the filing of such Final Settlement.

The name, address and phone number of the personal representative for the estate is:

FAY OWSLEY,
Gasconade County Public Administrator
Attorneys for Personal Representative
Grayson & Grayson, LLC,
Stormy J. Couchman,
915 Southwest Blvd., Suite N,
Jefferson City, MO 65109
Tel: 573-635-0308

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF GASCONADE, STATE OF MISSOURI

DIVISION: PROBATE
Estate No: 13GA-PR00069
In the Estate of **KEVIN SULLENTRUP,**
Deceased,

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION

To all persons interested in the Estate of: **KEVIN SULLENTRUP,** Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that a Final Settlement and Petition for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest to the personal and/or real property of the decedent, and of the extent and character of their interest therein, and for distribution of such property, will be filed in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Gasconade County, Missouri, by the undersigned on the 26th day of February, 2018, or as may be continued by the court. Any objections or exceptions to such Final Settlement or Petition, or any item thereof, must be in writing and filed within twenty (20) days after the filing of such Final Settlement.

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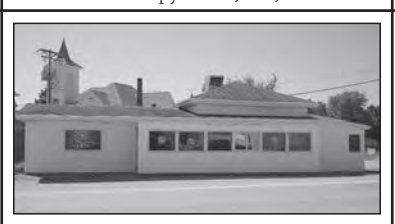
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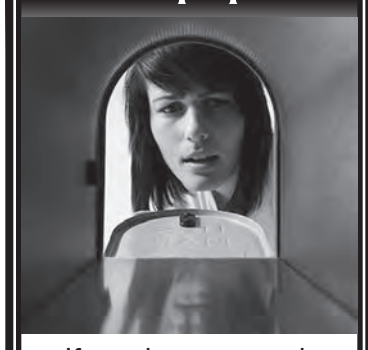
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Dutchgirls hold off Lady Wildcats consolation hardware at Hermann

Nursing a 41-39 lead going into the fourth quarter of their consolation championship showdown at the Hermann Girls Basketball Tournament against Montgomery County, Ryan Flanagan's Owensville Dutchgirls needed a 21-point fourth quarter to hold on for a 62-58 victory over the Lady Wildcats avenging an earlier loss to their Highway 19 foes from the seventh-place game at the South Callaway Girls Basketball Tournament two weeks earlier. Dutchgirls with their consolation medals and plaque (in front, from left) include Abby Koepke, Morgan Lairmore, Breanna Diestelkamp, Ella Wright and Julie Wright; and in back, Katelyn Landolt, Kate Angell, Anna Skornia, Destinee Busenhart, Almundena Imedio-Perez, Brooke Nowack, Luci Angell and Stephani Elliott.

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(Smith) stepped up big time for us rebounding the ball against a big, physically strong Belle team."

Opening the game on a 6-0 run, Owensville got a bucket from senior Michael Lahmeyer and two scores in a 20-second span from Bauer.

In the final four minutes, free throws from Wyatt Ellis, Bauer and Brady Smith helped the Dutchmen to an 11-6 lead after eight minutes of basketball.

In the second quarter, it was Belle's turn to open on a run. A Levi Fortner 3-pointer and a Skylar Smith basket knotted the game at 11-11 with 6:55 until halftime.

Behind points from Trevor Abernathy, Sean Irwin, Gray and Lahmeyer, OHS closed the first half on a 10-4 run helping them take a 21-15 halftime lead.

Even with Owensville building their lead back to eight at 25-17 with 6:28 for the third quarter, Tim Evans' Belle Tigers made yet another run.

Sparked by a Mason Butler 3-pointer, Skylar Smith added four more points cutting the Dutchmen lead to one at 25-24 with 2:26 remaining in the third quarter.

Buckets from Gray, Irwin and Ellis helped OHS to a 31-28 lead after three quarters of intense basketball in Gasconade County.

Nursing a 41-38 lead with 3:35 left, Bauer took charge in the scoring department for the Dutchmen.

Scoring eight of the next 10 points aside from an Irwin basket, the OHS senior connected on four straight free-throw attempts in the final 41.1 of Owensville's 52-44 victory over the Tigers.

Bauer led OHS in the scoring department with 15 points. He nearly had two teammates join him in double figures.

Gray and Lahmeyer each finished with nine points.

To go along with their points, both Dutchmen seniors patrolled the glass in the rebounding area.

Pulling down nine first-half rebounds, Gray finished with a game-high 15 rebounds. Lahmeyer also grabbed 11 boards. Brady Smith joined the rebounding frenzy also reaching double figures collection 10 rebounds.

Friday night, OHS will look to keep their winning ways going against Hermann for homecoming.



CASON GRAY (above, third, from left) draws contact and a foul on Belle's Trent Stockton after getting by Belle Tiger defenders Skylar Smith (34) and Tracy Skiles (3). Staying physical all night, Gray finished with nine points and a game-high 15 rebounds.

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estelkamp had two games to play in the Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) against the University of Illinios-Springfield (UIS) on the road Thursday at home in Springfield Saturday against William Jewell College.

In both games that turned out to be victories for Drury's Lady Panthers, Hailey recorded double doubles in both contest.

Against UIS on the road, HD pulled down 15 rebounds to go with 11 points. Saturday against the Lady Cardinals, Hailey grabbed 12 rebounds and added 10 points. Part of those 10 points included a perfect 3-3 showing at the free-throw line.

As it turns out, along with Diestelkamp getting her SAA for being named to the NCAA D-2 Bulletin Freshman All-American Team, she and the rest of her family were able to witness former Dutchgirl head basketball coach Steve Tappmeyer be among 15 individuals be inducted as part of the Class of 2018.

Former St. Louis Cardinal closer Lee Smith was also among the inductees Sunday night in Springfield.

A mere 24 hours after Hailey was given her award, it was Breanna's turn for one.

Splashing home a 3-ball at the 7:43 mark of the third quarter against Belle Monday night, she joined the Owensville Dutchgirl basketball 1,000-point club capping a memorable week for Tappmeyer and the Diestelkamp's.



HAILEY DIESTELKAMP AND STEVE TAPPMEYER (above, from left) stand together for a photo before the enshrinement ceremonies of the Class of 2018 at the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in Springfield. Coached by Tappmeyer, Diestelkamp led OHS to a 3rd place finish in 2016.

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