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Extreme winter weather leads to city water line problems under 28. See page 8.

Warrant arrest

Blake DeBoeuf was arrested Sunday morning off Price Road by Gasconade County Sheriff's deputies on four outstanding warrants after he was spotted passing by a separate incident on Fourth Street south of Owensville that was being investigated. He fled the scene and was caught after a foot pursuit. In the other incident, Zachary McLaughlin fled into the woods after abandoning his pickup truck in the middle of Fourth Street outside town following an argument with his father, according to the sheriff's department report. DeBoeuf remains jailed without bond in Crawford County on allegations of probation violations. McLaughlin remained at large on Tuesday afternoon. He was spotted later Sunday driving on Route V but fled an attempted traffic stop then fled on foot into the woods.



PHOTO BY DAVE MARNER

County voters will decide LE sales tax in April

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Gasconade County voters will have the chance in April to vote on whether or not to fund a half-cent sales tax to support law enforcement for the sheriff's department.

Commissioners on Thursday split their votes on placing the measure on the April 3 Municipal Election ballot, 2-1.

County Clerk Lesa Lietzow said commissioners meeting that morning in Hermann had an extended discussion on the proposal pitched by first-term Sheriff John Romanus and a citizens committee over how much benefit approval of the tax would have to the county's General Revenue fund.

Romanus and a representative of the citizens group had previously proposed returning up to 25 percent of the funding normally appropriated from General Revenue back to the county should the sales tax be approved. Lietzow said commissioners were proposing to allocate \$977,000 in GR funding for sheriff's operations for the 2018 budget which is being finalized this month.

Lietzow said commissioners did not want to make a commitment on how much the General Revenue fund will supplement the sheriff's budget above what the law enforcement sales tax is projected to bring in annually.

"There was a lot of discussion about the General Revenue budget for law enforcement and the sales tax," said Lietzow. "They're not committing a specific amount."

Lietzow said the citizens group used a 25-percent figure as a "talking point" during the initial presentation as the amount which would be returned to General Revenue should voters approve the sales tax.

Supporters of the sale tax proposed using 75 percent of the annual current General Revenue appropriation to fund sheriff's operations along with the projected tax revenue which was anticipated to be around \$965,000 annually.

A plan submitted to the commissioners by Romanus showed upgrades to deputy safety equipment, vehicles, salaries and additional manpower for detectives and road deputies could be funded with the additional sales tax revenue along with a portion of the current annual appropriation. His plan noted the cost for these additions in equipment and services would add up to \$1,513,345 including a provision for \$230,000 for jail board bill due to the anticipated increase in arrests due to increased investigative abilities.

Jim Holland, commissioner for the Northern District, voted against placing the measure on the April 3 ballot. Lietzow said Holland's concerns, made for the record, was there was "not enough time to review the plan as presented" to fully support the proposal. Lietzow said commissioners received an email the day before their meeting outlining the sheriff's final proposal for the tax initiative.

Romanus said he compiled the data for his report as quick as he could.

Commissioners Larry Miskel, presiding, and Jerry Lairmore, Southern District, both voted in favor of placing the proposal on the April ballot. The county will spend

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County fair's 99-year lease for Memorial Park unanimously approved by Owensville aldermen

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Gasconade County Fair's 2018 theme "Proud of the Past; Poised for the Future" was never more evident Monday as Owensville aldermen gave unanimous approval to an ordinance authorizing the mayor to sign a 99-year lease of Memorial Park ground for a \$1 annual rental.

Ordinance No. 1255 grants the Gasconade County Fair Association exclusive possession of the park, excluding the golf course and water park, for 14 days prior

to the fair's scheduled opening and 14 days after its close. This summer's fair is scheduled July 25-28. Last summer was the 70th annual Gasconade County Fair.

Under the agreement approved on a 4-0 vote, the Fair Association "guarantees" that "it shall invest annually in maintenance, repairs and improvements" no less than \$6,500 "per lease year in the lease property."

Starting in the 11th year of the lease, the Fair Association, a 501c4 not-for-profit organization, pledges to increase its annual guarantee for improvements by \$1,000 for the next 10-year period. And, the fair will do so again each subsequent 10-year period

until the lease expires in 2116 when that guarantee reaches \$15,500 annually.

The city of Owensville receives a \$6,500 payment in advance from the Fair Association for the first year of the new lease, which began back in October 2017.

The 99-year lease is separated into 5-year terms and successive terms "shall commence automatically without any action required by the lessee." The first segment of the lease begins with the current fair year.

If the city was to seek a termination of the lease agreement, two-year written notice would be required and the city would be required to pay the Fair Association an

amount equal to the three previous year's worth of gross receipts.

Gross receipts from the three previous fairs was around \$1.5 million, according to a long-time association member.

Nicholas Baxter, president of the Fair Association and Owensville Mayor John Kamler are designated to sign the lease for their respective boards.

Nearly 50 visitors attended the meeting including at least 32 from the Fair Association, representatives of the Owensville Park Board, and several Planning and Zoning Commission members. Additional coverage will continue in next week's edition.

SRO report shows 'homeless student' numbers increasing in R-2 District

Shared, transitional housing issues cited for hike in local cases

BY ROXIE MURPHY
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According to a report presented Monday, prepared by Ashley Kopp, family school liaison officer, the Gasconade County R-2 School District has seen a jump in homeless students since last year.

Director Joyce Lowes noticed the increase from 27 defined homeless students in 2016 to 46 in 2017.

"We have really jumped," Lowes said.

Kopp was absent from the meeting, so Special Education Director Robi Pennock answered questions.

"We did and that is contributed to the fact that we are better at identifying those students," Pennock said. "And a test of relationships we are making within our district. Those parents are coming to us and contacting us."

Lowes asked if the closet of supplies and clothing for those students in need was useful. "Absolutely," Pennock said. "She (Ashley) does a lot of leg work; on her Facebook page, literally she asks for it and gets donations. She works so intricately with these families and trying to assist them."

Superintendent Dr. Chuck Garner reminded the board that the homeless definition does not mean that the student is not in a home.

"It may mean they may be doubled up, or in a transient home, or something like that, but it doesn't mean they are without shelter," he said. "It's the McKinney-Vento Act, and we use that as a qualifier."

According to the act, the definition of a homeless student is individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, including:

- Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason;
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters;
- Have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used, as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings;
- Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings;
- Migratory children, or unaccompanied youth, living in the circumstances described above.

According to the report, the R-2 School District's family school liaison position continues to be invaluable with assisting these

students. Kopp noted the district continues to identify medical resources, housing resources, and provide basic living necessities that they would have otherwise been unable to access. As numbers provided in the report show, the district continues to be more successful in identifying homeless students.

The cost of the program in 2016-17 was \$644.81.

High school educational trips approved

In other news, directors approved two out of state trips with 7-0 votes. The state and international DECA conferences will take place in Kansas City, and Atlanta, Ga., respectively. Shea Bowen, DECA sponsor, and qualifying DECA students will attend State Conferences March 11-13 and International Conferences April 20-25. Internationals have traditionally been held in New York City.

Students from Kevin Lay's physics class and robotics team were invited on a private tour Feb. 17-19 of the Fermilab facility outside Chicago, Ill. Fermilab is one of the largest particle accelerators in the world. Five students will be attending.

This trip is at no cost to the school due to a patron donating the cost of travel. Students will miss one day of school and the school will need a substitute teacher for one day. Lay and high school principal Cindy Hawkins will be the chaperones on the trip.

Steve Tappmeyer is being inducted in the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame through his years as a Northwest Missouri State basketball coach.

The board approved new sound systems for the Gerald Elementary School and high school large gymnasium with a 7-0 vote. The bid was awarded to MC Communication, not to exceed \$20,650 for the elementary school, and \$27,848 for the high school.

Retirement letters were accepted with 7-0 votes from Garry Adkison (effective Feb. 16), and Pam Idel (end of the 2017-18 school year).

A resignation letter from Hannah Fletcher as color guard sponsor was approved with a 7-0 vote.

Employments approved with 7-0 votes included the extension of Garner's contract through the 2020-21 school year; Shyla Baxter as a vocational agriculture instructor, and Danielle O'Dell as an OES teacher for the 2018-19 school year.

The following employments were approved with a 6-0-1 vote: Faith Bohl, Owensville High School (OHS evening custodian), James Lauth (Owensville Elementary School evening custodian), and Donna Brown (substitute bus driver).

Transfers approved on 7-0 votes included Pee Wee Howard (to OES lead custodian), and Hope Nilges (to OES tech expl interventions teacher for 2018-19).

Special session held to interview principal candidates; contracts offered for both posts

Four candidates for two principal positions in the R-2 School District were interviewed Tuesday in a special Board of Education meeting.

R-2 Superintendent Dr. Chuck Garner called at 10 p.m. Tuesday and said contracts were offered to candidates for the principal's position at Owensville Elementary and the assistant principal's job at the high school. He said one of the candidates offered a contract asked for enough time to consider the offer with family. An answer was not expected until today (Wednesday).

Two candidates for each position had final interviews before the Board of Education in closed session, said Garner.

A list of finalists was identified by a screening committee representing administrators, faculty and staff from various departments across the district. "School personnel from various departments were represented" during the screening process, said Garner.

After the initial screening of resumes and telephone-call interviews, Garner said "half-a-dozen" prospective finalists were identified for each position.

He said there were 15 applicants for one of the jobs and 16 for the other.

"We had local interest and other folks from area schools and from as far away as the other parts of the state, who were interested," said Garner.

Salaries for the new administrators will be based on their experience and education on the district's salary schedule. Kent Sherrow is leaving at the end of the year to take the superintendent's position in Viburnum. John Fortney, assistant at OHS, is taking a principal's job in Monroe City.

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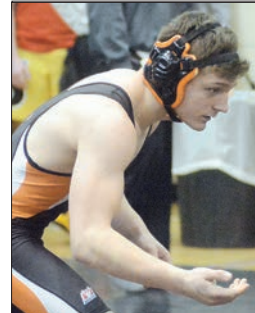
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GOING SOUTH

A great ride but here's the end of the road

Because of today's business climate, Warden Publishing Co. has regretfully been forced to end the Going South column.

After over 16 years and 852 columns this is my last Going South column. My first column appeared on this page on Sept. 12, 2001, while still employed as managing editor of *The Gasconade County Republican*.

It has been a fun and rewarding experience. I hope this column has entertained people, made some laugh and made some think, which is about all that a writer can ask.

To all those readers who let me know how much they enjoyed the column, thank you. To those who let me know they didn't agree with something I wrote, thank you also. We all have to keep learning. I hope I didn't seriously offend anyone except my friends. They seem to have taken those columns aimed at them with a grain of salt and are still my friends.

by **BOB MCKEE**



I always went to great lengths not to directly identify those friends I wrote about but readers seemed to figure out their identities quickly and accurately anyway. I can't imagine why. Now if one of them does something to deserve comment I guess it will have to be on Facebook. None of them are on Facebook, though.

That means they are going to get by now with a lot of unpunished shenanigans with no one to call them out for their misbehavior. Boys will be boys

so have at it guys. I can't keep you in line anymore.

Our publisher, Dennis Warden, said the newspaper has lost a couple of big advertisers in *The Republican* and a couple more have scaled back on advertising which is the life blood of every newspaper so those losses significantly affected the company's revenue, and their ability to pay for this column.

I was fortunate enough to be part of newspaper production from the times of painstakingly putting one together piece by piece to doing it all on a computer. When I started at *The Republican* as a reporter and photojournalist in 1972 I was given a manual typewriter to write my stories from covering news events in Owensville and around Gasconade and Franklin counties. That evolved into a great advance, I thought, when they put an electric typewriter in front of me.

Then one morning we came into work and there were these primitive computers on our desks and they kept advancing as the technology did with

programs developed specifically with publishers in mind. Digital cameras arrived on scene soon after doing away with hours and hours of darkroom time spent developing film and making black and white prints from the negatives.

It is being said that the day of the newspaper is over, at least for the print version. People are getting most their news from television, computers, smart phones and, heaven help us, social media. I sincerely hope they're wrong about the demise of newspapers.

It indeed has been a great ride but I'm at the end of the road. Starting next week, Dennis will fill this space with his own column which he has been writing for our sister publication, *The Maries County Advocate* since its inaugural issue appeared in the fall of 2016.

Again, a sincere and heartfelt thank you to all the loyal readers of Going South.

REPORT FROM THE 62ND DISTRICT

Lobbyist gift ban again passed by House

BY STATE REP. TOM HURST
Missouri's 62nd District

This session the House will focus on similar issues as last year: lobbyist gift ban, regulatory reform, and passing a balanced budget.

Many of you have heard about the actions of the Governor. At this point I will say, there is an active, open investigation into his issues by the Prosecuting Attorney of St. Louis, if I am correct. I think it is premature for me to quote on this until the facts emerge. I personally talked with the Governor, and he apologized to me and said we need to get back to work.

I told him that I do not have a stone to throw at this point.

Since we are innocent until proven guilty, I will give him the benefit of the doubt until further information can be divulged. If action needs to be taken

at that time, we will deal with it. In the meantime, the House has work to do regardless of what the actions of the Governor have been. He is not part of our branch of government, so our work continues.

I will say, if elected officials resigned every time someone accused them of something, there would be few of us here.

Sorry I do not have more for you at this time, but I am not a part of the investigation, so I do not have much information yet.

In our work at the Capitol, the first bill the House passed was a ban on lobbyist gifts. For too long Missourians have felt they can't trust their government and this ban will help restore public trust. Earning back this trust starts by getting rid of the undue influence of lobbyists and special interest. Missourians can be assured their legislators are fighting for them and not

special interest groups.

If enacted, HB 1303 will represent the first lobbyist gift ban in Missouri history. It is a practical bill that is going to limit and ban the ability of individual, consumable lobbyist gifts to legislators. I do not believe it will stop corruption, as corrupt people tend to always find a way to skirt, or ignore the law. This is simply a step in the right direction.

This week the House also passed HB 1500, known as the hair braiding bill. The bill number 1500 represents the number of hours of hands-on-training it takes to become certified to braid hair.

In Missouri, it takes less training to be an EMT than it does to braid hair. This bill lowers regulations for certification, making it easier to open a small business. Just over 47 of all workers are employed by small businesses.

HOMETOWN BOY

Seemingly simple solutions can solve complex problems

You've heard it: "There are no stupid questions." Now, let's look at answers. Whoa!

As a college teacher it took me a long time to learn simple answers can be profound. To a supposedly smart teacher they seem so simple they sound stupid. They seem not worthy of saying. Everyone knows that! Wrong.

I've found the simplest fix for a non-working computer is to turn it off, turn it on and try again. By golly, that works so many times. The results are profound.

A surprise to me, the teacher, is to be thanked for teaching something that I didn't know I taught. The student learned by watching me work. I never thought to spell out how I work.



by **DUANE DAILEY**

I pass on a farm-boy work ethic without knowing it. Part of that says when things go wrong, you fix and go on. I call it the baling-wire ethic. It may not be pretty, but when it works it's beautiful. The same applies to duct tape. Fix it, do the job and make a better fix later.

It's getting the job done on deadline not how you do it that counts.

This column was triggered by a writer I don't know in an e-mail received this week. Four months ago, I changed a writer's approach to writing. Now he can write. I never knew until he thanked me.

At the Missouri Photo Workshop in Eldon, Mo., the writer was lost and wandered into our show. He picked up a newsletter I wrote about writing.

My first advice to would-be writers: "Put your butt in a chair in front of a computer. Put your fingers on the keyboard and wiggling them. Write something, anything. Ideas start flowing. (To meet this weekly deadline, I sometimes do that on Sunday mornings.)"

I was retired and teaching an honors class to ag econ students when I learned to tell that tip. Nothing gets written, until you sit down and write. Simple.

It's like the lack of instructions that come with computers. They don't say: "Plug it in." That's so simple it's stupid. But guess what, it must be done.

Recently I encountered a new-fangled coffee maker. I put a pod in the top and closed the lid. Instructions on the screen told how to make one cup of coffee. It didn't. Finally, I reached behind the machine in the space between the machine and the wall. I found an on switch, which was not mentioned in the instructions.

I can now make mess-free coffee. Profound.

If you want to make someone's day, thank a former teacher. That sounds so simple, that is seems crazy to write it.

I found the power of a thank you, long ago. I was asked back to talk to fellow high school alums and students at Mercer. Unplanned, I added a tribute to my former English teacher who saw more potential in my writing than I did. She had praised and urged me on. I told how her help put me on the path to MU and to being a journalist.

Afterward, people stopped to tell their stories and thank me. Last in line was my teacher. Tears were in her eyes. "No one has ever said that," she said.

Thankfully I said it in public before she passed away.

In spite of that, I am falling behind in my resolution to thank kind people. It's not hard to do. But, it seems easier to bitch, moan and complain than to praise.

That's in spite of a recent note from a column reader in Seattle. In response to my second New Year's column, he wrote: Profound. My kind of guy.

Those few words were uplifting.

Those kinds of words keep me writing.

In fact, moan notes keep me going also.

Knowing readers are out there counts.

Fire away to duanedailey7@gmail.com or 511 W. Worley, Columbia, Mo., 65203. You may set me straight.

GUEST COMMENTARY

ILCs: adapting in tight budget times

BY PAT CHAMBERS
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Happy New Year. At least we hope so. 2017 was a very challenging financial year for Heartland and the other 21 Missouri Centers for Independent Living (CILs) due to the cuts in the state's 2018 fiscal year budget that took effect on July 1 of last year.

Those cuts gutted \$2.4 million of funds used to support independent living (IL) programs. Several million dollars of Medicaid funds were also cut as a result of the level of care score a consumer must reach to be eligible for services, a 40 percent cut to the cost cap for Consumer Directed Services (CDS) consumers, and a 3 percent cut to the reimbursement rate Medicaid providers receive for administration of these programs.

There was a huge backlash on the Governor and legislators regarding the negative impact the cuts have brought on to senior citizens and individuals with disabilities. Throughout the fall, we kept hearing that lawmakers were working to find a way to overturn the Governor's veto of House Committee Bill 3 (HCB3), which cut the reimbursement rate and raised the level of care score.

Unfortunately, that never came about.

The hope is that at least some of the funding CILs lost, especially the IL grant money, can be restored in the final budget for fiscal year 2019, but early reports estimate that Missouri is staring at a budget deficit of \$400 to \$600 million for the next fiscal year. It is very apparent that any new line items and/or line item increases will come at the expense of another line item, because there is not going to be any "new" or "extra" money to appropriate.

As the final days of last year's legislative session neared, Center Public Policy Advocates at the Capitol began to hear a recurring theme; that lawmakers were confused about the purpose and uses for IL program funds versus the purpose and use of the Medicaid monies. Each of those funding sources have separate and specific purposes.

Each financially supports completely different programs and services within a CIL. The lawmakers' confusion came from a lack of education from the Centers about exactly who we are and what we do.

When we did try to provide that education, our message was not universal or consistent. Mixed messages further confused the legislators. Lawmakers got tired of trying to decipher the messages, so they were just dismissed.

For too many years, most, if not all of the CILs assumed that our elected officials knew all about us, that they understood how general revenue funds for independent living programs are not and cannot be used to support CDS and In-Home Care programs, and vice versa.

You know what happens when you assume, and that played a big part in the disastrous financial outcome of last year's legislative session.

I believe that CILs realize the error of our ways. A great deal of time and effort has been put into building cooperation between the centers to support a consistent, unified message to lawmakers as they begin their 2018 session. How successful our effort will be will depend on the actual dollars lawmakers have to work with and how consistent we remain with our message from now until the session ends in mid-May. There is a great deal of work to be done between now and then.

(Heartland Independent Living Center is based in Owensville).

REPORT FROM THE 6TH DISTRICT

Nearly 300 pre-filed Senate bills assigned

BY STATE SEN. MIKE KEHOE
Missouri's 6th District

Though it was a short week, the Senate returned to the business of the state following an unconventional end to the previous week.

Sen. Ron Richard has sent every pre-filed bill, totaling nearly 300, to committee for committee chairs to act upon as they

see fit. Most committees have already met at least once, and a handful of bills have been voted out of committee and will be up for debate on the floor, by the Senate as a whole, next week.

Among the bills already heard in committee are those relating to modernizing and improving Missouri's infrastructure and tax reform. Clearly each of these bills has the remainder of the

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The 91-page, 2017-18 Veteran's Benefit Guide has a comprehensive list of programs and services from job training, listing of veteran's homes, homeless benefits, military liaisons, and veteran's awards. There are nearly 488,220 veterans in Missouri and only 21,000 receive services from the division of Workforce Development. If you are a veteran, or if you know a veteran who could benefit from life-saving services, job training programs or are just seeking more information, please take a moment to access the guide and see what is available. Currently, the guide (www.mvc.dps.mo.gov/docs/veterans-benefits-guide.pdf) is available online. However, my staff and I are looking into ways to mail it to veterans in our area. If you would like a Veteran's Benefit Guide and are unable to access it online, feel free to contact my staff at (573) 751-3678 and we will make sure you get a copy. We owe so much to the men and women who have fought for our freedoms. I think letting veterans know what benefits they are eligible for is the least we can do. — State Sen Dave Schatz, Missouri's 26th District.

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MORIT seeks board of director candidates by Feb. 12 deadline

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As debate about the potential Rock Island Trail continues in the Missouri legislature, its support group, Missouri Rock Island Trail Inc., (MORIT) is accepting applications from members who are interested in serving on its board.

MORIT's executive director, Greg Harris, said current board members are not necessarily stepping down.

"Even if they are a current member and their term is up, and they want to renew, they have to be elected," Harris said.

Board openings include five three-year positions, and one one-

year position. The board meets five or six times each year, usually in Jefferson City.

The deadline to apply as a candidate for the board is Feb. 12. Email MORIT at morockislandtrail@yahoo.com and they will send you an application.

The group seeks representation from across the state to help rally the cause and inform both local residents and legislators of the benefit of the trail.

Non-MORIT members who want to apply need to become members first. Basic memberships are \$20; full memberships are \$50 to \$5,000. Visit www.RockIsland-Trail.org for more information about how to become a member.

Ameren Missouri is employing

A&K Railroad Materials to salvage the tracks through March or April of this year. State Parks has not yet agreed to accept responsibility of the property, and requested an extension Dec. 4 on its negotiations deadline with Ameren from the Surface Transportation Board. The request is to change the deadline from February 2018 to February 2019.

Negotiations are to convert the Rock Island into a recreational trail.

"That is the hard deadline that (it) needs to be accepted by, that date, or it's lost and abandoned and broken up into several pieces and lost," said Harris. "It was a good sign they requested the deadline by December when it wasn't until Feb. 21. They are keeping the op-

tion open. That was one of our first comments with State Parks. If there is any sense whatsoever that you can't achieve the deadline by that date, we count on you all requesting an extension."

MORIT members have supported the idea of the trail since its beginning five years ago. While they work to make the trail a reality, others, such as Missouri Farm Bureau (MFB) have fought against it.

In MFB's most recent listing of state priorities, the group says they "will continue to work with all parties to move connectivity in the state forward. Property rights will always be top priority for Farm Bureau members. Across the state, we see attempts to expand intrusions on to personal property. As these

issues arise, MFB will continue to work with legislators to protect landowners' rights."

According to MORIT, in December county MFB leaders participated in public meetings regarding three new state park properties acquired by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) during the Nixon administration and closed them to the public pending further review by the Greitens administration.

MFB submitted comments urging DNR to give added weight to the views of local residents.

Meanwhile, many municipalities are working to construct letters to State Parks with requests to help maintain and patrol their sections of the trail through town. Harris said if State Parks accepts their requests,

towns will be responsible for 30 of the 144 miles of trail.

"Meta's city clerk is writing a letter to (the state) to express interest to maintain the corridor and patrol it," said Harris. "The idea is if several communities say they would like to maintain the corridor and patrol it, this takes the load off State Parks. It doesn't help between communities but helps 30 miles of the 144. Belle still plans on building their 1,555 feet of trail through town as soon as State Parks says yes."

During 2017, an online public comment period was held to solicit input on the proposed trail. When the survey period closed, there were 8,685 comments made which covered 419 pages posted online in a page document file.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following is a summary calls responded to by Gasconade County Sheriff's deputies from Jan. 8-14, 2018. A total of 42 reports were generated on various calls for service.

Jan. 8: motor vehicle collision at the intersection of Routes B and C near Bland. Kristofer Eoff of Belle, was traveling along Route B at a speed too fast for icy conditions, was unable to maintain control of his vehicle and slid off the roadway colliding with the ditch. No injuries were reported.

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Jan. 10: report of fight in progress at the Colorado Café, 102 W. Colorado Ave., Bland. Veronica Johnson was arrested on outstanding warrants from Gasconade and Franklin counties. Johnson was transported to Phelps Regional Hospital and after a fit for confinement order was issued by the doctor, she was transported to the Crawford County Jail.

Jan. 10: motor vehicle collision near 3751 Homeyer Road south of Owensville. Midred Beckler, Owensville, lost control of her vehicle, collided with a tree and overturned. Beckler sustained moderate injuries and was transported from the scene by ambulance to Mercy Hospital

Washington for treatment.

Jan. 10: motor vehicle collision on Route F near Walz Road south of Hermann. Caramie Zumsteg, Hermann, was traveling on Route F and collided with an adult cow. The vehicle sustained minor damage. No obvious injuries were observed on the cow. No injuries were reported by Zumsteg.

Jan. 11: arrested Ashley Bell of Hazelwood on outstanding warrant. Bell is held without bond in Crawford County Jail on a probation violation from a possession of a controlled substance charge.

Jan. 11: arrested Darek McMahon of Hermann on an outstanding warrant alleging three (3) counts of burglary and three (3) counts of stealing. He was transported to the Crawford County Jail. Bond was set at \$30,000.

Jan. 12: vandalism reported in 1900 block of Krausetown Road in Owensville. Car owner reported someone threw eggs on her car during the overnight hours.

Jan. 12: assist Missouri State Highway Patrol with a motor vehicle collision on Fowler Road near U.S. 50 near Bay.

Jan. 12: assist Owensville police on report of an alarm sounding. Checked property and ensured that the residence was secure.

Jan. 13: assist Gerald-Rosebud Fire Department during fire along U.S. 50 east of Rosebud.

Jan. 14: report of a domestic disturbance in 100 block of East Colorado Avenue in Bland.

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an estimated \$11,000 to have the question on the ballot in April. Those funds will come out of the sheriff's 2018 budget.

Lietzow said commissioners were not, at this time, "committing a specific amount" of General Revenue funds to the sheriff's budget if the sales tax is approved.

"The main discussion was there was no figure set, or committed, officially," said Lietzow.

The proposition will go on the

ballot following the commission's approval of Order No. 132 which asks voters: "Shall the county of Gasconade impose a countywide sales tax of one-half (1/2) cent of one percent (1%) for the purpose of providing law enforcement services for the county?"

Lietzow said a simple majority is required for approval.

Write-in deadline

Certification for the April Municipal Election ballots was com-

pleted Tuesday by Lietzow and Gasconade County election officials on her staff.

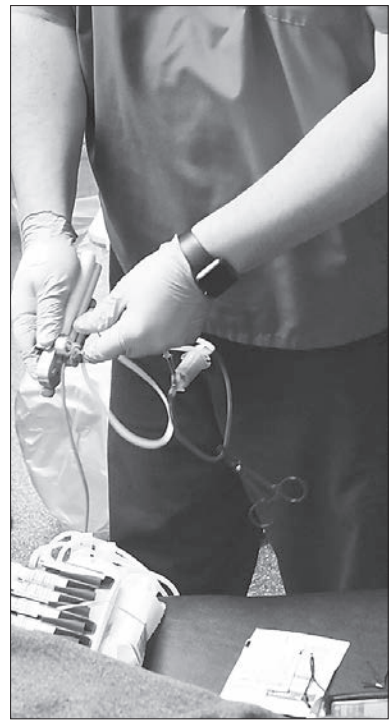
Friday, March 23, is the deadline to register as a declared write-in candidate for any Municipal Election position, according to Lietzow. To declare your intention to be a write-in candidate you must appear in person at the clerk's office at the courthouse in Hermann. That deadline of the second Friday prior to an election is set by state statute.

You must declare as a write-in candidate to have your votes counted when someone has already signed up for the position and is on the ballot.

If no one signs up for a position, open write-in rules will apply.

"If it's totally wide open, it's open write-in," said Lietzow.

In that case, all votes will be counted and every effort will be made to determine who received votes even if names are misspelled.



PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER

LSC Communications workers share their gift of life with blood donations

Mt. Sterling resident Michael Garth, a maintenance man at LSC Communications for the past eight years, completes his blood donation during an American Red Cross collection Friday at the Owensville printing plant. Jared Knazik with the American Red Cross closes out Garth's collection by sealing off the lines. The drive collected 24 units of blood from 27 who presented to donate.

House legislation filed to support public school teacher incentives

JEFFERSON CITY — To help public school teachers, State Rep. Mark Matthiesen has filed legislation that would establish the Creative Classroom Act.

Under House Bill 2137, the act would direct funds to assist elementary school teachers creating creative learning environments for the students of Missouri.

"Missouri teachers are evaluated on their ability to develop a creative environment for learning, but are expected to bear the burden of all the expense," said Matthiesen, R-Maryland Heights. "This legislation will give our public school teachers the needed resources to succeed. Few professions require the financial burden that our public school teachers carry. The state of Missouri must always have our teacher's backs."

The bill has been read a second time and now currently awaits assignment to a committee. And, also on Monday, Gov. Eric Greitens announced plans for an \$87 million increase in funding for K-12 education in his budget release press conference (see page 8 for more information).

Missouri's 2017-18 'Blue Book' now viewable online

JEFFERSON CITY — Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft on Monday announced the 2017-2018 Official Manual of the State of Missouri, commonly known as the "Blue Book," is available online at www.sos.mo.gov/bluebook.

The manual, which is published by the Secretary of State's Office every two years, is a wealth of information on Missouri government. It includes the latest contact information for government officials and departments, biographies of elected officials, information on the state's laws and salaries of government employees.

"We're proud to provide such an invaluable resource that puts Missouri government at your

fingertips," Ashcroft said. "The 'Blue Book' does a service to our state by making government more accessible and transparent to Missourians."

The manual's photo contest theme, "Rooted in Agriculture," included categories of "Family Farmers," "Farm Technology" and "Farm Life." To go along with photos from the contest, Department of Agriculture Director Chris Chinn wrote a feature story that illustrates these same topics.

First published in 1878, the "Blue Book" gained its nickname from the traditionally blue cover, although it has also been bound in green, pink, and red, white and blue through the years. Earlier editions of the manual can also be viewed at www.sos.mo.gov/bluebook, including excerpts going back to that first 1878 edition, courtesy of the Secretary of State's Archives.

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legislative process to complete, but beginning discussions on these important topics early in session increases the amount of debate and the likelihood of finding solutions.

Additionally, the house has already sent three bills to the Senate and these have been referred to committee for consideration... this is the fastest I have ever seen house bills make it to a Senate committee in my time in the capitol. I am grateful to both Speaker Todd Richardson and Sen. Richard for wasting no time, and not being distracted, in moving the state's business forward.

The Senate has both the constitutional responsibility and the privilege of providing 'advice and consent' to the governor's cabinet appointees and members of many boards and commissions. While a handful of boards and appointees have drawn media attention, they represent only a very small percentage of those whom the Senate considers.

I am always impressed by the caliber of Missourians selected, by governors of both parties, to serve the state in these important roles. Already this session, the Senate has given advice and consent to nearly 50 appointees, including three department directors and many whose presence now allows a board or commission to have a quorum to meet.

(Sen. Kehoe is a Republican from Jefferson City and is serving his final legislative session before reaching term limits at the end of 2018. He is the majority floor leader for the Senate).

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Ozark Rivers seeks sponsors for 27th Annual Earth Day Art Contest

ST. JAMES—Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District is seeking area sponsors within their seven-county region for the 27th Annual Earth Day Trash Art and Poster Contest. Sponsorships provide prizes for students placing first and second along with honorable mentions in the contest. Students received prizes in 2017 numbered 52.

The trash art and poster contests are open to all students in grades pre-k to college, including home-schooled students, within Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Washington counties. Students have the opportunity to participate in multiple contest categories, including post-

ers (hand drawn and graphic arts), and repurposing recyclables and trash into three-dimensional pieces of art. This year's theme is "Be A Hero: Your Planet Needs You" with a focus on reducing the use of single use plastics, such as straws and single use beverage bottles.

All sponsors receive their logo on the contest flyer and special recognition on the ORSWMD website and Facebook page.

For more information on becoming a sponsor or for a sponsorship form, please visit www.ozarkrivers.org or contact Jill Hollowell, environmental program specialist, via email at jhollowell@meramecregion.org or via phone at 573-265-2993 ext. 109.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

THREE GASCONADE County R-2 students were among the 34 first and second prize winners and 41 honorable mentions in the 26th Annual Earth Day contest. Winners from the Gasconade County R-2 District were (above, from left): Shari Eckert, Tera Olsson and Macen Blankenship.

PAGES FROM OUR PAST

Niewald receives highest award ~ 1993

20 years ago - Jan. 25, 1978
Berger marks 50 years



A. F. Berger marked 50 years as a member of the Masonic fraternity Thursday night when he was presented with a 50-year pin by John J. Darcy, right, district deputy grand master of the 32nd district, Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Missouri. Berger, president of the Citizens Bank of Owensville, served 41 of those 50 years as an officer of Owensville Lodge No. 624, including 36 years as lodge treasurer, a post he still holds. The special ceremonies were held at the local Masonic Temple.

Mckee earns merit badge



Receiving the highest merit badge in Cub Scouting, Chris McKee, right, accepts the Arrow of Light award from his former Webelo leader, Jay Campbell, during ceremonies Monday at a Cub Scout Pack 22 meeting. Chris, who has now moved up to the Boy Scouts, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKee.

35 years ago - Jan. 26, 1983
Top shooters



Andy Logue, left, and Dawn Voyles were the top shooters in last week's Basketball Shoot-Out for Easter Seals at the Owensville Junior High School. Andy's shooting brought in \$102 while Dawn shot for \$100. The 5B junior high school students raised more than \$1,300 in the shoot-out.

30 years ago - Jan. 27, 1988
Koppelman celebrates 40 years



George Koppelman Jr. (center) celebrated 40 years of service at First Bank in Gerald last week. Also on hand for the festivities were bank vice president and board member, Eunice Piofcyk, left, and bank president John Kolbe. Koppelman was presented with an engraved clock plaque. He also received a three-day, all-expenses paid trip to the Aalea Festival in Oklahoma. Koppelman is executive vice president of First Bank and a member of the board of directors.

25 years ago - Jan. 27, 1993
Receives Eagle award



Matt Niewald, left, the son of Richard and Chrysa Niewald, Owensville, receives the Boy Scout's highest award, the Eagle Badge, from his grandfather, Dr. Chad McCoy, a noted scout leader from Chillicothe. Shown watching the ceremony from in back during a Troop 22 Court of Honor Sunday afternoon is the new Eagle Scout's mother, Chrysa Niewald.

20 years ago - Jan. 28, 1998
Advance in national JAKE essay contest



Essays written by 10 Owensville Middle School students qualified to advance in a national contest sponsored by the National Wild Turkey Federation, The Four Rivers chapter of the JAKES organization—Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship—sponsored the local qualifying contest. OMS students receiving a one-year JAKES membership, a patch and four issues of the national JAKES magazine include (in front, from left) April O'Hara, Randy Boyce, Lauren Halmick, Mindi Mayberry, Lindsey Mercer and Brandy Dempsey; in back, Heather Tate, Seth Parker, Miranda Knight and Sarah Wehmeyer. In back are OMS teachers Pam Idel (left), Eldo Meyer, an advisor to the Four Rivers JAKES chapter, Barb Leach, and OMS Principal Susan Gauzy. The seventh graders were among 100 OMS students entering the contest.

15 years ago - Jan. 29, 2003
Heartland ILC welcomed as new business



Heartland Independent Living Center, 107 A. W. Lincoln Ave. (Highway 28) was officially welcomed last week by the Chamber of Commerce as a new business in Owensville. Shown in front, from left, are Rich Blakely, executive director of Heartland; Ellen Adams, past president of the Chamber; Goldie Parrett, Heartland's director of programs; and Louise Baker, Chamber board members. In back are Heartland employees Suzann Rose, Kim Tyree, Sherry Bunton and Janice Clark; and Chamber members Milford Winter, Ron Luebert, Chamber executive director, Brenda Limberg, Chamber president, Charles Bade, Chamber board member, and Bob Landwehr.

10 years ago - Jan. 30, 2008
Rademacher receives award



Colten Rademacher of Owensville was recently awarded a Medal of Excellence and a certificate for his 4-H Dairy Project Record book. Colton submitted one of the top 5 record books for the 8-10 year old age group in the South Central Region. Colton is a 4th grader at Owensville Elementary and an active member of Woollam 4-H. He is the son of Daryl and Crystal Rademacher and a 6th generation dairy farmer.

Engagement 5/12/18



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Korman-Garth make wedding plans

Annette Garth of Washington wishes to announce the engagement of her daughter, Alexandra Frances Garth of Washington to Brandon Lee Korman of Rhineland, son of Candice Starke and Brian Korman, both of Hermann.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Annette Garth of Washington and Stephen Garth of Eureka. She is a 2012 graduate of Washington High School and a 2015 graduate of Washington School of Practical Nursing. Alexandra is employed by Hermann Area District Hospital as a licensed practical nurse at Associated Medical Arts in Montgomery City.

The groom-to-be is a 2012 graduate of Hermann High School and a 2013 graduate of the Missouri Welding Institute Inc. as a licensed welder. He is currently employed as a union carpenters' apprentice by T.J. Wies Contracting Inc.

The couple is planning a May 12, 2018 wedding on the Korman family farm in Rhineland.

SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Jan. 24	10:30 a.m. Lil' OWLs Storytime
	6:30 p.m. Knifty Knitters and Crafty Crocheters
Jan. 26	10:00 a.m. Adult Fun & Games
	1:00 p.m. Adult Fun & Games
	6:30 p.m. "Reel" Fun Movie Club
Jan. 31	10:30 a.m. Lil' OWLs Storytime
	4:30 p.m. Inspire Your Heart with Art (youth program)

Please call 437-2188 or visit scenicregional.org to register.

COLLEGE CLIPS LOCAL STUDENTS EARN HONORS

Fontbonne University

Courtney Rosemann of Bourbon has been named to the Dean's List for the 2017 Fall semester at Fontbonne University.

Kody Ettinger of Cuba and Taylor Bond of Leslie have received their degrees following the Fall 2017 semester at Fontbonne University.

Truman State University

Valerie Hagedorn and Janelle Vollmer of Hermann have been named to the President's List for the Fall 2017 semester at Truman State University.

Matthew Wade of Hermann, Emmy Fry and Joshua Lottmann of Rosebud have been named to the Vice President's for Academic Affairs List for the Fall 2017 semester at Truman State University.

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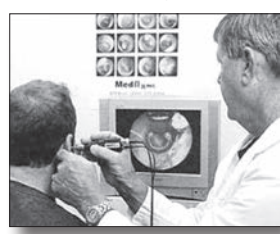
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GASCONADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10, 2018

The Gasconade County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel, Southern District Commissioner Jerry Lairmore, Northern District Commissioner Jim Holland present at Courthouse to work on budget.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

First appointment was Prosecuting Attorney Mary Weston; Commission asked if there was any room in her budget for reductions and unfortunately she said with two murder trials scheduled this year, there is no room. She is also faced with replacing eight year old computers this year and has moved \$6,000 of that expense to her Admin. Handling Cost fund; she is also getting some new chairs when they move back into their Courthouse office.

Next appointment was Public Administrator Fay Owsley; Commission asked her also if there was any room for reductions, particularly on the line for court related expenses which had increased. She said that did include some legal fees for herself along with her wards' legal fees; Commission would like to reduce by \$2,000.

Next appointment was Sheriff John Romanus; Commission asked if he could find approximately \$108,000 in his three General Revenue budgets to reduce and would prefer he choose the line items rather than they do so. He agreed and will return tomorrow.

Lastly, EMD Kris Bayless and Teresa Bayless presented their revised numbers and reviewed line by line with Commission resulting in overall reduction over \$70,000. Also provided was letter written to Ameren UE asking for their consideration in paying one half of a new generator; since no bids were received in timely manner it will have to be rebid.

Regarding the vehicle purchased in June 2016, it currently has approximately 12,000 miles on it; he has logs from E-911 showing on-duty usage with no personal miles driven to report for fringe benefits. Commission was reminded that Ameren had agreed to five percent administrative transfer to General

Revenue but not to exceed \$5,000; Clerk Lietzow later confirmed that was correct. While no additional remodeling will be done in the EOC, there will be some expense in remodeling the Mobile Command Post purchased from Sheriff's Department; MoSWIN radios and antenna are budgeted for both vehicle and command trailer. There will be two required drills in 2018, plus funds set aside for public education tools.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Lairmore motioned that the Commission adjourn until Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018; Commissioner Holland seconded and meeting adjourned.

THURSDAY, JAN. 11, 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. 4, 2018 and Jan. 5, 2018. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous yes vote.

ROAD CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

Commissioner Lairmore had clarified with Supervisor Wayne Kottwitz the prioritized list of projects scheduled for 2018 in the budget as follows: Hafertafe Road low water crossing, Gaddy and Hog Trough Roads low water crossing, Mint Springs Road low water crossing, River Road replace pipes, Rosebud Road one complete pipe replacement. Others that will likely be bid out is Blocks Branch, Danz, Doll, Gorrell, Kottwitz, Boy Scout Roads.

Commission approved first set of bids solicited for this year being gravel, crushed or screened, and for only one pile at Drake.

Commissioner Holland said road department will take load of

rock to north radio tower where Hermann Fire Department has done a lot of work; Commission edited original agreement with Radio Comm. for updating; Clerk Lietzow will give it to Prosecuting Attorney Mary Weston to prepare along with preparing another agreement between county and fire department.

Presiding Commissioner Miskel had been contacted by Wofford Engineering; they have been contracted by Ameren UE to work on their Bland substation site and further into Osage County. Gasconade County roads affected will be Boettcher, Lahmeyer, Old Woollam, Michel; work will start in February and end in May.

The only complaint Commissioner Holland reported was this week's freezing fog which road department delivered cinders right away. Regarding budget, there will be no changes made to the original numbers presented; the salary portion is yet to be fine-tuned based on raise decision.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Correspondence received included Meramec Regional Community Foundation has 2018 grants open until Jan. 31 to address local needs that will enhance quality of life within communities of Meramec Region. Presiding Commissioner Miskel is attending MRPC meeting this evening. Also, Commission received official County Government Legal Services agreement from Ivan L. Schraeder with the only change being his place of business is now The Wagner Law Group.

MOTION - SIGN NEW AGREEMENT WITH IVAN SCHRAEDER AT THE WAGNER LAW GROUP

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion to sign new agreement with Ivan Schraeder at the Wagner Law Group. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous yes vote.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Treasurer Mike Feagan presented monthly sales tax report showing first check of the year to be \$1,300 higher than one year ago

which is good news.

Regarding Courthouse interior work, it's ongoing in Assessor and Prosecuting Attorney offices.

Commissioner Holland said Joe Brazil and Mark Schaefer both of TREMCO, will be here next week to use infrared to shoot the attic one final time to check for dampness as agreed now that roof is done. He also said community service worker finished stacking bricks on pallets in the parking lot and re-swept the parking lot and yard with magnet to pick up any metal remaining. Commissioner Holland will bring plastic to wrap the bricks and road department will come back to move them down to the Doerr building; he is also going to ask Jeff Limberg if he would exchange the one huge tarp that was not used, for a smaller size to use to cover the building materials stored there also.

Grannemann Electric had been called to fix some electrical issues in Judge Brehe-Krueger's office and Commission reminded Clerk Lietzow to have them check the bent pipe in the attic. Commissioner Holland said roof lights are being shipped directly here.

Commissioner Lairmore wanted to go on record asking for citizen input on the law enforcement sales tax being considered; both Hermann Advertiser Courier and Gasconade County Republican representatives were at session today and will get the word out. On the northern end of the county, comments are that with the school tax levy having just increased 50 cents, most are not supportive. All Commissioners feel they need a plan presented to them by Sheriff John Romanus along with his request to move forward; at this point, it's only been solicited by citizens group and if Commission agrees to place this on a ballot, they need to be able to defend it to voters as they carry the responsibility of all General Revenue offices. With only one more session before April election certification date, they are not sure there is enough time to educate everyone; they know there are two more elections this year as optional dates or April 2019. Another subject discussed was usetax question; with Airbnb and Amazon sales skyrocketing, the

internet sales are passing Gasconade County by. While that revenue source was not huge at estimated \$60,000, it would be very beneficial to General Revenue.

Commission then asked Clerk Lietzow for update of budget numbers after yesterday's workshop and she said bottom line is in the black at \$6,200 which is not enough; she asked Commission to consider voiding the four checks written on Dec. 17 from General Revenue and being held in her office; they were written to contractors in anticipation of the work being finished by now and giving them partial payments and not having to wait until Feb. 7.

That amount is \$11,200 and could be added back in beginning balance; then the actual bills could be fully paid out of Courthouse Restoration fund since receiving the anonymous \$25,000 donation at year end and Commission agreed that was a good idea.

Sheriff Romanus is due back in this morning with goal he was given and he did arrive, but was not at goal, so he needed more time and would submit this afternoon.

Based on the assumption he will reach the goal given, Commissioner Lairmore would like to still give three percent plus five cent per hour raise to employees and Presiding Commissioner Miskel agreed.

Following same procedure as in years past, elected officials will be able to disburse accordingly as they see fit to their own employees.

Commission wanted to be sure UE budget had enough left in it to begin website setup and Clerk Lietzow said it does.

Commission will return on Tuesday to finalize if necessary.

REPORT OF FEES

Commission reviewed monthly report of collections from Shawn Schlottach, Collector for the month of December 2017 in the amount of \$9,280,419.24 for real and personal taxes and \$1,589,564.22 for railroad and utility taxes.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Lairmore motioned that the Commission adjourn until Thursday, Jan. 18, 2018; Commissioner Holland seconded and meeting adjourned.

SATURDAY HOURS RESUME

Pioneer is resuming normal Saturday hours (closing at 2:00PM) instead of closing early thru March 3rd as originally advertised. We're sorry for the confusion, and thank you for your cooperation.

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Time for your pre-retiree checklist?

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Like everyone, you want to enjoy a comfortable lifestyle when you retire. But a successful retirement doesn't just happen – it requires a lot of planning. And that's why it's a good idea to draw up a "pre-retiree checklist."

Such a checklist might look like this:

—Twenty years before retirement: Try to estimate a "price tag" for your retirement, incorporating a variety of factors – where you might live, how much you might travel, what activities you'll pursue, and so on. Then, assess if your retirement savings are on track to help you meet your expected costs. From this point, monitor your progress every year.

—Fifteen years before retirement: Although you're still fairly far away from retirement, you'll want to bring your goals and challenges into a clearer focus. For starters, try to establish a firmer target goal for the assets you'll need during retirement. Also, consider your legacy goals and start developing your estate plans, if you haven't already done so. You might also explore methods of dealing with potentially enormous long-term care costs, such as an extended stay in a nursing home. Solutions to long-term care may become much more expensive later in life.

—Ten years before retirement: At this stage, in addition to reviewing your target asset and spending levels, you'll want to get more precise about how much income you can expect as a retiree, whether through your investments or retirement accounts (such as your 401(k) and IRA), or through some type of part-time work or consulting. Maintaining an adequate income flow is extremely important, because you could spend two or three decades as a retiree, and some of your expenses – health care in particular – will likely rise during the later years. It's important to

plan for health care and long-term care, given the costs and ability to qualify for coverage later in life.

—Five years before retirement: Re-evaluate your investment mix to help reduce the risk of having your portfolio vulnerable to a market downturn when you plan to retire. Generally speaking, stocks and other growth-oriented investments are more volatile than bonds and other income-producing vehicles. So, you may want to consider shifting some – but certainly not all – of your investment dollars from the "growth" portion of your portfolio to the "income" side.

—Two years before retirement: This close to retirement, you'll want to pay particularly close attention to health-care expenses, so you may want to investigate Medicare supplemental policies. You'll also want to ensure that you have an adequate emergency fund to cope with unexpected costs, such as major home repairs. In addition, you'll want to think about whether you should take Social Security right away or if you can afford to wait until your monthly checks will be bigger.

—One year before retirement: Now it's time for some key decisions: How much can you withdraw each year from your 401(k), IRA and other retirement accounts without running the risk of outliving your money? Have you lined up your health care coverage? And, finally, are you really set on retiring in a year or could you delay retirement to improve your financial picture?

This checklist isn't exhaustive – but it can give you a good idea of the various issues you'll need to consider on the long road to retirement. And the sooner you start planning for that journey, the better.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

DISTRICT R-2 SCHOOL MENUS

Menu is subject to change without notice due to availability. Variety Milk choices-1% White, Chocolate, Strawberry, Skim. Lactose Free.

OES / GES School Lunches

Wednesday, Jan. 24
Chicken Taco, Refried Beans, Pears

Thursday, Jan. 25
Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Orange

Friday, Jan. 26
Cheese Pizza, Garden Salad, Mixed Fruit

Monday, Jan. 29
Chicken/Noodles, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread Stick, Mandarin Oranges

Tuesday, Jan. 30
Crazy Walking Taco, Golden Corn, Apple

Wednesday, Jan. 31
Hot Ham/Cheese, Steamed Broc-

coli, Tropical Fruit

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

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

OMS School Lunches

Wednesday, Jan. 24
Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Thursday, Jan. 25
Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Orange

Friday, Jan. 26
Chicken Taco, Refried Beans, Pears

Monday, Jan. 29
Chicken/Noodles, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread Stick,

Mandarin Oranges

Tuesday, Jan. 30
Crazy Walking Taco, Golden Corn, Apple

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

OHS School Lunches

Wednesday, Jan. 24
Chicken Taco, Refried Beans, Pears

SENIOR SERVICES

Owensville Senior Menu

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Wednesday, Jan. 24
Baked Chicken, Lima Beans, Pineapple, Fried Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Pie

Thursday, Jan. 25
Pepper Steak, Peas/Carrots, Fruited Jello, Polish Sausage, Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Cheesecake

Friday, Jan. 26
Tuna/Salmon Patty, Green Beans, Warm Pears, Macaroni/Cheese, Tossed Salad, Pudding

Monday, Jan. 29
Honey Lemon Chicken, Oriental Blend, Peaches, Toasted Ravioli, Tossed Salad, Chocolate Cake

Tuesday, Jan. 30

Turkey, Mashed Potato/Gravy, Mixed Fruit, Goulash, Green Beans, Pumpkin Bars

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

Thursday, Feb. 1
TBA

Friday, Feb. 2
TBA

Owensville Senior Events

Wednesday, Jan. 24
12:30 p.m. Pinochle
Thursday, Jan. 25
11:00 a.m. Birthdays/Anniversaries
Friday, Jan. 26
Pinochle

Saturday, Jan. 27
6:00 p.m. Pinochle
Monday, Jan. 29
12:30 p.m. BINGO
Wednesday, Jan. 31
12:30 p.m. Pinochle

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Tuesday, Jan. 30
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Cake/Ice Cream (January Birthdays/Anniversaries)

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

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Feb. 13Swiss
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Feb. 16Washington
Feb. 19Jefferson City

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Fri-Wed. 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:50	Fri-Wed. 1:30 4:30 7:30 10:00
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HOLSTILES R • 2 Hrs. 13 min. • Starts 01/26/18	INSIDIOUS: THE LAST KEY PG13 • 1 Hr. 43 min. • Held Over
Fri.-Sat. 1:10 4:20 7:10 9:50	Fri.-Sat. 1:50 4:30 7:30 9:50
Sun. 1:10 4:20 7:10	Sun. 1:50 4:30 7:30
Mon.-Thurs. 4:20 7:10	Mon.-Thurs. 4:30 7:30
MAZE RUNNER: The Death Cure PG-13 • 2 Hrs. 21 min. • Starts 01/26/18	JUMANJI PG13 • 1 Hr. 58 min. • Held Over
Fri.-Sat. 1:00 4:00 7:00 10:10	Fri.-Sat. 1:10 4:10 6:50 9:20
Sun. 1:00 4:00 7:00	Sun. 1:10 4:10 6:50
Mon.-Thurs. 4:00 7:00	Mon.-Thurs. 4:10 6:50
12 STRONG R • 2 Hrs. 10 min. • Held Over	PITCH PERFECT 3 PG13 • 1 Hr. 33 min. • Held Over
Fri.-Sat. 1:20 4:10 7:00 9:50	Fri.-Sat. 1:40 4:40 7:20 9:40
Sun. 1:20 4:10 7:00	Sun. 1:40 4:40 7:20
Mon.-Thurs. 4:10 7:00	Mon.-Thurs. 4:40 7:20
PADDINGTON 2 PG • 1 Hr. 43 min. • Held Over	STAR WARS: THE LAST JEDI PG13 • 2 Hrs. 32 min. • Held Over
Fri.-Sat. 1:00 4:00 6:30 8:50	Fri.-Sat. 12:50 4:00 7:00 10:00
Sun. 1:00 4:00 6:30	Sun. 12:50 4:00 7:00
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CHAPTER THREE OF EIGHT

KALI: A Polar Bear's Tale

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

Chapter Three:

James wiggled through the den's small opening into a larger chamber. Snuggled in the back, he saw a tiny, white, male bear cub.

At birth, nearly four months earlier, he weighed just two pounds and was a helpless, blind, and almost hairless little creature. After months of nursing his mother's rich milk, he'd grown to a roly poly 18 pounds. His eyes were wide open, and a fuzzy, white coat covered his body.

When the men arrived in Point Lay, the villagers were quite surprised by a polar bear cub. "Let's take him to the Police Hall, where he'll be warm and comfortable," James said. The North Slope Borough, the government entity responsible for much of Northern Alaska, was contacted. The government biologists made fast arrangements for the little cub to be flown to the larger town of Barrow the next day.

"He needs a name," James' friend said. "Before he leaves Point Lay."

Do polar bears eat penguins?
 Polar bears are only found in the Northern hemisphere/polar region, while penguins are only found in the Southern hemisphere. Polar bears and penguins do not live together.

How many polar bears are there?
 It is believed there are about 20,000-25,000 polar bears in the wild. Rapid loss of sea ice is the primary threat to the stability of polar bear populations.

Newspaper Connections
 Use the weather map in the newspaper to check the temperature in Alaska and your town. Collect and graph this information over several months and make comparisons.

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HOSTILES R • 2 hrs. 18 min. • Opens 01/26/18	PADDINGTON 2 PG • 1 hr. 48 min. • Held Over
Fri. 3:10 6:10 9:10	Fri. 3:50 6:30 8:45
Sat. 12:10 3:10 6:10 9:10	Sat. 12:50 3:50 6:30 8:45
Sun. 12:10 3:10 6:10	Sun. 12:50 3:50 6:30
Mon.-Thurs. 3:10 6:10	Mon.-Thurs. 3:50 6:30
MAZE RUNNER PG-13 • 2 hrs. 26 min. • Opens 01/26/18	JUMANJI PG13 • 2 hrs. 3 min. • Held Over
Fri. 3:00 6:00 9:00	Fri. 3:30 6:20 9:20
Sat. 12:00 3:00 6:00 9:00	Sat. 12:30 3:30 6:20 9:20
Sun. 12:00 3:00 6:00	Sun. 12:30 3:30 6:20
Mon.-Thurs. 3:00 6:00	Mon.-Thurs. 3:30 6:20
12 STRONG R • 2 hrs. 15 min. • Held Over	FERDINAND PG • 1 hr. 53 min. • Held Over
Fri. 3:20 6:00 8:50	Fri. 3:40 6:15 8:40
Sat. 12:20 3:20 6:00 8:50	Sat. 12:40 3:40 6:15 8:40
Sun. 12:20 3:20 6:00	Sun. 12:40 3:40 6:15
Mon.-Thurs. 3:20 6:00	Mon.-Thurs. 3:40 6:15

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CHILD	3 to 11 yrs old \$6.00	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$8.00

Children 2 years and younger are free if they sit on a lap. Matinee shows are any shows that start before 6 p.m.

AREA OBITUARIES

Audrey Justus



Audrey E. Justus, 90, Lincoln, Neb., died Monday, Jan. 8, 2018, in Lincoln, Neb.

She was born Oct. 14, 1927, to Amiel and Eva (Sarty) Weitkamp in Moscow Mills.

She was united in marriage to Rev. Clyde Justus, May 12, 1946.

Audrey was a graduate of Buchanan High School in Troy. She was a member of many groups, including a quilting group, and also helped with Meals on Wheels.

She was preceded in death by parents, Amiel and Eva; husband, Clyde; and daughter, Juanita Brown.

She is survived by children, Tom Justus and wife Annette of Gerald and Pat Schneider and husband Curtis and Rich Justus and wife Dixie, all of Lincoln, Neb.; sister, Jean Webb of Arizona; six grandchildren; and a host of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Jan. 10, at St. Paul's Osage Church in Cook, Neb. with Pastor Rich Justus officiating. Memorials to family's choice. Interment was in St. Paul's Osage Churchyard in Cook, Neb.

Patrick McDuffie



Patrick Thomas McDuffie, 59, Rosebud, died Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018, south of Rosebud.

He was born Dec. 15, 1958, to Eugene T. and Betty Joann (Carr) McDuffie, in St. Louis.

Patrick was a tree trimmer by trade.

He was preceded in death by parents, Eugene and Betty; brother, Timothy Edward McDuffie; and sister, Sharon Ann McDuffie in infancy.

He is survived by brother, Michael and wife Mary of St. Louis; and sister, Sandra Kurtzeborn and husband Robert of Wright City.

Memorial services were held Sunday, Jan. 21, at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville with Pastor Shane Jarvis officiating.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

Lucille Mercer



Lucille Mercer, 100, died Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, at Frene Valley Nursing Facility, Owensville.

She was born Jan. 13, 1918, to Raymond Percy and Ollie (Marshall) Burkey.

She was united in marriage to Virgil Mercer, May 28, 1952, in Ashley, Ill.

Lucille was employed at Sverdrup and Parcel Engineering Firm in St. Louis for over 30 years. She was a graduate of Murphysboro Ill. High School and a Bland

resident since the 1960s where she had been active in Bland Lions Club.

She enjoyed being "on the go" with Virgil, together making many road trips exploring the U.S. She was very active in her daily life. She loved animals, cooking, fishing and being at the beach

She was preceded in death by parents, Raymond and Ollie; husband, Virgil; step-mother, Vivian Burkey; siblings, Roy Burkey, Chester Burkey and Kathleen Murphy; and nieces, Patrice Murphy and Patricia Shoemaker.

She is survived by nieces, Carol Steinke of Maricopa, Ariz., Roberta Burkey of Ohio and Vickie Naumann and husband Bruce of Imperial; nephews, Richard Burkey and wife Vickey of St. Charles, Keith Burkey and wife Diana of Mitchell, Ill., Floyd Mercer of Centralia, Ill., Keith Mercer of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Joe Mercer of St. Charles; and many cousins, extended family members and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 20, at Sassmann's Chapel in Bland. Interment was at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Edwardsville, Ill.

Memorial contributions suggested to the Humane Society. Arrangements entrusted to Sassmann's Chapel, Bland.

Michael Morris



Michael Kirk Morris, 71, Bland, died Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, at his residence.

He was born June 17, 1946, to Raymond and Lorraine (Kirchoff) Morris, in St. Louis.

Michael was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Owensville. He served with the National Guard.

Michael enjoyed fishing, camping and being outdoors.

He was preceded in death by parents, Raymond and Lorraine; brother, Raymond Morris; brother-in-law, Curt Case; and nephew, Kirk Case.

He is survived by daughter, Tricia Upchurch and husband Matthew of Magnolia, Del.; brothers, Pat Morris and wife Judy and Bill Morris, all of Owensville, and Kirk Morris and girlfriend Jana of Arnold; and sister, Kathy "Kate" Case of Owensville.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 23, at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville with Fr. Jim Foster officiating. Burial was in Howard Cemetery near Bland with full military honors.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

Marian Schlottach



Marian C. Schlottach, 96, of Owensville, Mo., passed away Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, at Frene Valley of Owensville.

Marian was born on May 12, 1921, in Bland to Arthur and Lydia (Traub) Mueller.

She was united in marriage to Arthur Albert Schlottach, May 8, 1941, at St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Bay.

She was a member of St. James United Church of Christ in Charlotte where she was also a member of the Women's Fellowship. She enjoyed baking, baby sitting and was a care giver.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Lydia Mueller; husband, Arthur Albert Schlottach; and son, Rodger Schlottach.

Her survivors include her children, Kenneth Schlottach and wife Cheryl of Owensville, Janice Prenger and husband Michael of Jefferson City, Charles Schlottach and wife Karen of Owensville, and Katherine "Kathy" Schlottach and Don Brandt of New Haven; daughter-in-law, Edna Schlottach of Owensville; sister, Dorothy Donet of Griffin, Ga.; grandchildren, Scott and Todd Schlottach, Margaret Reissen and husband Jason and Jerri Patrick, Eric Schlottach and wife Jill, Martin Schlottach and wife Heather, Amanda Okenfuss and husband Ryan, Erika Rada and husband Doug, Christopher Prenger and fiancé Sarah Riley-Land, Matthew Prenger, Gustav Schlottach and fiancé Ashley Monasmith, Woodrow Schlottach and wife Devon, Grace Schlottach and fiancé Benjamin Jett, Justin Brandt and wife Melinda; and 20 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 20, at St. James United Church of Christ in Charlotte with Rev. Van Lahmeyer officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery in Charlotte.

Family requests memorials to St. James United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall Fund.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

Janet Taylor



Janet Lea Taylor, 82, Owensville, died Monday, Jan. 15, 2018, peacefully in her sleep at Gasconade Manor Nursing Home, Owensville.

She was born Nov. 19, 1935, to Arthur and Dorothy Butterfield, in Oskaloosa, Iowa.

She was united in marriage to Melvin "Bud" Taylor, Jan. 30, 1955, at Anamosa, Iowa.

Janet is remembered as being very creative. She loved sewing, working with stained glass and oil painting. She sang in the choir and was part of the bell choir at St. Peter's UCC of Owensville. Janet volunteered at the senior center in Owensville. She sang in the choir and directed the bell choir at Grace UCC in St. Louis.

Janet will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by parents, Arthur and Dorothy; and children, Laura Kay Zinselmeier and Darren S. Taylor.

She is survived by husband, Bud, of Owensville; son, Duane E. Taylor and wife Rea of Auburn, Maine; son-in-law, Bob Zinselmeier; sister, Kay Hatcher of Springfield; sisters-in-law, Mary Hebbeln and Linda Murray and husband Ken; grandchildren, Kris Taylor, Bethany Parsons, Max Newton and Brittany Zinselmeier; and two great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Feb. 3, at 1 p.m. at St. Peter's UCC in Owensville with Pastor Stephanie DeLong officiating.

Memorial contributions suggested to the Alzheimer's Association of St. Louis.

Inurnment arrangements entrusted to Chapel Hill Mortuary in Kirkwood.

Due to missing information, the following obituary is being reprinted by request of the funeral home.

Betty Wodicker

Betty Jo Wodicker, 83, Owensville, died Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018, at Victorian Place in Owensville.

She was born May 22, 1934, to Frank and Johanna (Goetz) Chasak, in Reynolds County, Texas.

She was united in marriage to Elmer R. Wodicker, Oct. 4, 1953, in San Angelo, Texas.

Betty worked as an operator for AT&T.

She was preceded in death by parents, Frank and Johanna; and husband, Elmer.

She is survived by daughters, Debbie Dessau and husband Rick of St. Louis and Laura Shockley and husband Keith of Cuba; brother, Fred Chasak and wife Linda of Garland, Texas; grandchildren, Amanda Stallard and husband Bill of Oakville, Eric Dessau of St. Louis, Renee Barton and husband Monty of Owensville, Kristina Fisher and husband Todd of St. Louis and Julie Eaton and husband Ryan of Clearwater, Fla.; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Jan. 27, at 11:30 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church in Owensville with Pastor David Roth officiating. A lunch reception will follow in the church basement.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

DEATH NOTICES

Lawrence Picker

Lawrence Picker, 85, of Holts Summit died Monday, Jan. 22, 2018. Visitation will be Friday, Jan. 26, 4-8 p.m., at Gottenstroeter Funeral Home in Owensville. Funeral services will be Saturday, Jan. 27 at 10:30 a.m., at Gottenstroeter Chapel in Owensville. Burial will be in Leduc Methodist Cemetery in Red Bird.

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GASCONADE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET

DIVISION I HON. JUDGE CRAIG E. HELLMANN, PRESIDING

Christopher Ahring, With intent to defraud, willfully failed to make a sales tax return/pay sales tax/keep records/supply information (two counts). Employer, with intent to defraud, willfully failed to file return/truthfully account for/pay withholding tax (two counts). Pass to 3/16 for setting.

Christopher Ahring, Driving while revoked/suspended. Pass to 3/16 for setting.

Richard Bomback, Fail to register as sex offender. Pass to 2/9 for plea.

Kevin Bowman Jr., Possession of controlled substance. Bond set at \$50,000.00, surety. Pass to 2/9 for setting.

Kevin Bowman Jr., Possession of controlled substance. Bond set at \$50,000.00, surety. Pass to 2/9 for arraignment.

Ashton Cook, Burglary - second degree. Pass to 2/9 for setting.

Blake DeBoeuf, Receiving stolen property (two counts). Unlawful possession of a firearm (two counts). Pass to 2/9 for setting.

Keith Eaves, Tampering with motor vehicle - first degree. Pass to 2/9 for setting.

Anthony Fant, Possession of controlled substance. Waiver of formal arraignment entered. Plea

of Guilty entered upon the State's recommendation of: Count I - SIS, five years supervised probation, substance abuse evaluation and all recommended follow-up, court costs, CVCF judgment. Count II - to be dismissed. Plea accepted. Defendant found guilty. SAR waived. Sentenced as recommended.

Joseph Green, Tampering with motor vehicle - first degree. Pass to 2/9 for arraignment.

Kerry Haines, Tampering with motor vehicle - first degree. Resisting arrest/detention/stop by fleeing - creating a substantial risk of serious injury/death to any person. Operate motor vehicle in careless & imprudent manner. Pass to 2/9 for setting.

Jacob Hollandsworth, Tampering with motor vehicle - first degree. Stealing. Pass to 2/9 for setting.

Veronica Johnson, Possession of controlled substance (two counts). Keeping or maintaining a public nuisance. Unlawful use of drug paraphernalia. Endangering welfare of a child - second degree (two counts). Pass to 3/16 for plea.

Daniel Kanallakan, Abuse or neglect of a child. Pass to 2/9 for arraignment.

Randall Kloeckner, DWI -

habitual. Driving while revoked/suspended. Car/motorcycle/truck under 18,000 pounds followed another vehicle too closely. Waiver of formal arraignment and plea of not guilty entered. Pass to 3/16 for announcement.

Wesley Littleton, Sodomy - second degree. Rape - second degree. Pass to 2/9 for plea.

Dalton Cash, Possession of controlled substance. Waiver of formal arraignment and Plea of Guilty entered upon the State's recommendation of: SIS, five years supervised probation, substance evaluation and all recommended follow-up, court costs, CVCF judgment. Plea accepted. Defendant found guilty. SAR waived. Sentenced as recommended.

Dustin Short, Assault - second degree. Endangering the welfare of a child - creating a substantial risk - first degree (four counts). Pass to 2/9 for plea.

Charles Van Leuven, Possession. Unlawful use of drug paraphernalia. Pass to 2/9 for plea.

Joshua Farris, Statutory rape - second degree. Statutory sodomy - second degree (probation). Motion to amend probation conditions denied.

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GASCONADE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET

DIVISION II

HON. JUDGE I.I. LAMKE, PRESIDING

Christopher Loness, Assault - fourth degree. Pass to 2/1 for plea.
Christopher Loness, False impersonation. Waiver of formal arraignment and plea of not guilty entered. Pass to 2/1 for plea.
Shawn Peek, Sex offender present or loiter within 500 feet of park with playground/pool - first offense. Possession of controlled substance. Pass to 2/1 for sentencing.
Scott Schnelting, Unlawful use of weapon - unloaded weapon while intoxicated. Assault - third degree. Defendant enters a Plea of Guilty upon the State's recommendation of: Count I - six months jail, SES, two years supervised probation. Count II - 15 days jail, SES, two years supervised probation, court costs, CVCF judgment. Plea accepted and Defendant found guilty. Sentenced as recommended.
Zachary Cates, Trespass - first degree (probation). Pass to 2/1 for probation revocation hearing.
John Huckabee, Driving while revoked/suspended. Driver/front seat passenger fail to wear properly adjusted seat belt. Pass to 2/1 for status/setting.
Lauren Lansford, Possession of controlled substance. Defendant enters a Plea of Guilty upon the State's recommendation of: Count I - SIS, five years supervised probation, substance abuse evaluation and all recommended follow-up, court costs, CVCF judgment. Counts II, III to be dismissed. Plea accepted and Defendant found guilty. Sentenced as

recommended.
Leslie Lee, Domestic assault - second degree. Pass to 8/2 for status/setting.
Tasha Lindley, Possession of controlled substance. Pass to 2/1 for status/setting.
Patrick McDuffie, Operate vehicle on highway without valid license - second offense. Owner operate motor vehicle without maintaining financial responsibility or allow another to operate motor vehicle without financial responsibility. Displayed/possessed motor vehicle/trailer plates of another person. Pass to 3/8 for status/setting.
Patrick McDuffie, Possession of controlled substance (three counts). Unlawful use of a weapon - possess weapon and a felony controlled substance. Unlawful possession of a firearm. Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia. Operate vehicle on highway without valid license (second offense). Pass to 3/8 for status/setting.
 (Editor's note: McDuffie is now deceased).
Coreen Morgan, Assault - third degree. Pass to 2/1 for status/setting.
Omar Nouri, Forgery. Deceptive business practices (three counts). Pass to 3/8 for status/setting.
Michael Oldfather, Delivery of controlled substance. Possession of controlled substance. Unlawful use of drug paraphernalia. Pass to 2/1 for status of counsel.
Stanley Penn, Possession of controlled substance. Defendant

enters a Plea of Guilty as a prior offender, upon the State's recommendation of: 10 years MO Department of Corrections, SES, five years supervised probation, successful completion of court alternative program, court costs, CVCF judgment. Plea accepted and Defendant found guilty. SAR waived. Sentenced as recommended, concurrent with other case and with Montgomery County case.
Stanley Penn, Possession of controlled substance. Defendant enters a Plea of Guilty upon the State's recommendation of: seven years MO Department of Corrections, SES, five years supervised probation, court costs, CVCF judgment. Counts II, III to be dismissed. Plea accepted and Defendant found guilty. SAR waived. Sentenced as recommended, concurrent with other case and with Montgomery County case.
Tia Roark, Distribute/deliver/manufacture/produce or attempt to or possess with intent to distribute/deliver/manufacture/produce a controlled substance. Unlawful use of drug paraphernalia. Pass to 2/1 for setting.
Blaine Saebens, Driving while revoked/suspended (probation). As a special condition of probation, Defendant ordered to complete court ordered detention sanctions. Defendant shall not be entitled to earn any compliance credits until restitution is paid in full.
Blaine Saebens, Burglary - second degree (probation). Defendant

continued on probation. Probation amended to include Defendant shall not be entitled to earn any compliance credits until restitution is paid in full.
Jack Saebens, Burglary - second degree. Theft/stealing of any firearm (probation). Defendant's probation suspended. Pass to 2/1 for probation revocation hearing.
Jason Valley, DWI - chronic offender. Pass to 2/1 for plea.
Joseph Valley, Driving while revoked/suspended. Pass to 2/1 for plea.
Joshua Wells, Non-support in excess of 12 monthly payments (probation). Pass to 2/1 for review.
Robin Wilson, Child molestation - first degree. Pass to 3/8 for status/setting.
William Wyrick, Possession of controlled substance (three counts - probation). Pass to 2/1 to set a probation revocation hearing.
Susan Mitchell, Non-support in excess of 12 monthly payments (probation). Pass to 4/5 for setting.
John Welch, Non-support in each of six individual months within any 12 month period, in excess of \$5,000. Pass to 2/1 to set a probation revocation hearing.
Chevon McFadden v. Todd McFadden, Motion to modify. Set for trial on 5/3/18. Pre-trial conference for 3/8.
Samuel Excavating of Central Missouri v. Schaeperkoetter Sales & Service. Replevin. Motion to Set Aside Judgment heard, taken under advisement. Pass to 3/8 for status.



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Highway 28 water line repairs

Owensville Public Works workers dug up a section of Highway 28 near Seventh Street and Route EE last Wednesday to locate and replace a leaking flange on a 4-inch cast iron water line. Missouri Department of Transportation workers from the county's shed in Drake assisted with traffic control as the corroded piece was replaced. Traffic was reduced to one-lane and protected by flagmen.



DIVISION I

HON. JUDGE CRAIG E. HELLMANN, PRESIDING

Court News from page 7

Jeffrey Sikes, Theft/stealing. Property damage - first degree (probation). Pass to 2/9 to set a probation revocation hearing.
Matt Heaney v. First Banks

Inc., Personal injury - other. Jury trial set for 1/15/19.
Dwayne Camden, Tampering with motor vehicle. Waiver of formal arraignment and Plea of Guilty entered upon the State's recommendation of: Count I - two years MO Department of Correc-

tions, court costs, CVCF judgment, restitution in the amount of \$452, concurrent with sentences currently serving. Counts 2-7 to be dismissed. Plea accepted and Defendant found guilty. SAR waived. Sentenced as recommended.
Timothy Wood, Distribute/

deliver/manufacture/produce or attempt to possess with intent to distribute/deliver/manufacture/produce a controlled substance. Pass to 2/9 for motion to suppress.
Paul Pippin, Forgery (probation). Pass to 2/9 for probation revocation hearing.

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News Briefs

ONLYFOUROPENINGS remain for preschool-age children to participate in an early childhood education program conducted by Owensville High School students under the direction and supervision of the their teacher, Hannah Fletcher. OHS students in the Advanced Child Development Preschool program seek children ages 3 through 5 to participate in learning activities designed for educational growth, improving motor skills and increasing social interaction. OHS students are responsible for planning and preparing these learning activities and will gain interaction skills with preschoolers. The preschool begins Monday, Feb. 5 and continues through Wednesday, March 28. Classes will be held in the mornings on Monday and Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:55 a.m. and Friday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. For applications and more information, contact the high school at 437-2174.

OWENSVILLE Chamber of Commerce members Geri Kellmann and Suzie Jost are contacts if you wish to purchase one the banners the group is ordering to display along Highway 28 and in the downtown business district (see photograph on far right). Kellmann may be reached 437-3905, Suzie Jost at 437-3538, or by calling the Chamber office at 437-4270.

GASCONADE COUNTY Health Department personnel notified *The Republican* this week that although a federal government shutdown was announced over the weekend, the Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children, known as WIC, was remaining in operation in Missouri. The shutdown concluded Monday afternoon after federal lawmakers approved a temporary national funding measure carrying government operations through Feb. 8. The Gasconade County Health Department, a WIC agency with offices in Owensville and Hermann, had been notified that there was sufficient funding to continue Missouri WIC operations in the event of a federal government shutdown. "The Gasconade County Health Department will continue to hold appointments with participants, and authorized WIC retailers are still able to accept WIC checks until further notice," their notice stated on Monday. Any future updates to services will be made as they are made available to *The Republican*.

ALEX B. SAEBENS, 26, Owensville, was arrested in Gasconade County by the Missouri State Highway Patrol at 10:23 p.m. Jan. 21 on a felony warrant alleging parole violation. Saebens was also arrested on an outstanding Gasconade County felony warrant alleging burglary in the second degree and misdemeanor warrants from both Gasconade and Crawford counties for driving while revoked/suspended. He was being held without bond in the Crawford County Jail in Steelville on the felony parole violation allegation, according to the MSHP arrest. His bond on the Gasconade County burglary warrant and the driving violation was \$5,000, according to a report from the sheriff's office.

GASCONADE COUNTY Sheriff's deputies on Jan. 18 arrested Teresa Richey on a warrant alleging failure to obey a judge's order related to delivery of a controlled substance, three counts of drug possession and drug paraphernalia. Bond was set a \$10,000.

Legion presents service awards

BY DON MERRITT
Past Commander Post 587

Starting off the new year by recognizing the past year's accomplishments brought smiles to the faces of 12 members of Rosebud American Legion Post 587.

There were also some smiles from two young ladies that were honored with Certificates of Appreciation for their outstanding support of a Post Community Outreach project affectionately known as "Taco Thursday."

At the kick-off meeting Jan. 9 for the Post's 2018 activities, Commander John Colombo took the time to recognize and thank Post members for their hard work and dedication during the previous 2017 membership year. Colombo started off by inviting all local veterans to join the Post which was founded in 1949 by leaders in the Rosebud community.

The Post has a long and proud history of providing support to the community and to area veterans. As we gear up to support our servicemen and women in 2018, we are reminded of the rich heritage which is our legacy.

Those that have had the honor to speak these words and to take this oath — "I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the

Constitution of the United States against all enemies..." — belong to a special, patriotic fellowship.

The fellowship that is the American Legion, stands ready to accept and embrace all who have worn the uniform of an American serviceman or woman. In recognizing these men and women for their contribution to the Post, Colombo said "well done and thank you."

Presented with the Certificate of Appreciation were Hattie and Avery Baumgartner, Jerry Decker, Richard Baxter, and Raymond Brandenberger.

The American Legion Certificate of Commendation was awarded to Frank Skaggs, Karen Merritt, Bill Kurgas, Dudley Seaman, and Mike Stillman. The American Legion Medal was awarded to Charles Wehmeyer and Ken Lottman.

The American Legion Post 587 Legionnaire of the Year Award for 2017 was presented to Gerald Bunting.

The legacy of America's veterans is something veterans of all services and eras share, and we can take pride in the sacrifice and service that has preceded us and continues to be exhibited by our current service members. Make yourself a member of this organization of veterans supporting veterans by joining the Rosebud American Legion.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROSEBUD LEGION POST 587
JOHN COLOMBO, Legion post commander in Rosebud (right) presents service awards this month. Raymond Brandenberger, Charles Wehmeyer and Gerald Bunting are also pictured (from left).

Bell ringers raise \$11,200

This year's Salvation Army Bell Ringing Campaign at Owensville Wal-Mart was a ringing success, according to organizers with the Owensville/Rosebud Ministerial Alliance. Coordinators of the campaign report raising \$11,270.

This money will be used locally, providing utility assistance and shelter to those in need, lice kits to the Gasconade County R-2 School nurses, and funding the Ministerial Alliance Back-to-School Fair this coming summer. Money raised will also be used for special projects at Helping Hands Outreach Center, such as contributions toward their Backpack Program.

The Owensville/Rosebud Ministerial Alliance is an extension unit of the Salvation Army in Gasconade County and is authorized to collect and distribute funds in this area. The Ministerial Alliance relies on churches and civic organizations to staff the kettle during the holiday collection time.

This season, organizations staffing the kettle included Penmac, Ebenezer "Stone" Church UCC (Gerald), Leslie United Methodist Church (Leslie), St. James UCC (Charlotte), St. Peter's UCC (Owensville), St. John's UCC (Bem),

Zion/St. Paul UCC (Bay), Owensville First Baptist Church, Woollam 4-H, New Hope UMC, Woollam UMC, Owensville Lions Club, Rosebud UMC, Owensville VFW, Owensville Christian Church, Bem 4-H, OHS National Honor Society, Drake 4-H, and First Assembly of God (Owensville).

Rev. Paul Landgraf, pastor of St. John Lutheran Church (Drake), and president of the Owensville/Rosebud Ministerial Alliance, expressed his thanks to the Gasconade County community on behalf of the Ministerial Alliance.

"In this wide world there are thousands of things that distract people for significant periods of time," said Landgraf. "A lot of people gave of their time, talents, and treasures to make the Owensville bell ringing a big success this year. A big 'thank you' to all who helped! Hopefully we can continue that selflessness in the coming year."

Contributions to the work of the Owensville/Rosebud Ministerial Alliance, or to the Salvation Army work in this community, may be sent to PO Box 14, Owensville, Mo., 65066. As 501c3 organization, contributions are tax-deductible.

Red Cross blood drive a success

An American Red Cross blood drive held Jan. 4, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church's Parish Center in Owensville was a success with 74 registered donors and 68 units collected. There were two first time donors including Manfred Stelzer and Carlie Hanheide.

Joey and Cheryl Gross prepared and served the pulled pork sandwiches; Jackie Kohler, Linda Korte, Mary Lou Thomas, Lois Rose and Kathie Goggins served the canteen. The VFW Auxiliary covered the cost of the meat and sandwiches and Liberty Baptist Church provided the cookies.

Blood collections were taken from Marsha Fischer, Daniel Lenauer, Gerald Bunting, Eric Eckert, Donald Angell, Austin Voss, Peggy Linhardt, Bonnie Mcfadden, Kevin Mcfadden, Cynthia Koppelman, Larry Finn, Barbara Barch, Shirley Dieckhaus, Dale Vinyard, Joshua Schaning, John Fillion, Pearl Greunke, Darlene Groene, Kenneth Glaser, Christina Aytes, Thomas Kohrman, Michael Kocinski, Steven Hobein, John Kreter, Rosalie Kocinski, Robert Hesemann, Richard Lansford, Eugene Ridder, Stanley Rasmussen, Leon Roberson, Kenneth Schlottach, James Wehmeyer, Gary West, Ronald Wildebrandt, June Wacker, Mary Davis, Michelle Smith, Nancy Jenkins, Jean Gray, Dawn Bolte, Edna Kitchen, Steven Hollander, Curtis Aytes, Leland Wehmeyer, Irma Lee Lottman, Rosemarie Haenel, Rocky Horstman, David Pfeiffer, Barbara Feagan, Gloria Ridder, Kenneth Foster, Kenneth Stranghoener, Michael Leclair, Steven Tappmeyer, Gayle Hinch, Roger Thomure, Harvey Hesemann, Margaret Lowder, Rebecca Fuchs, Darin Fuchs, James Smith, James Haddox, Marian Wenkel, Anna Jones, Jean Knight, Kenneth Crowder, Kenneth Dorton, and Machel McGaha-Rynkiewicz.



PHOTO BY DENNIS WARDEN
Welcome banners coming to Owensville

The Owensville Chamber of Commerce recently announced plans for 'Welcome' banners to be hung on utility poles on Highway 28 and on First Street. Businesses, organizations, churches and individuals are invited to sponsor the banners for \$200 each. Circle D Sports Locker is printing them for the Chamber at cost. Cost includes the sponsor's name at the bottom of the banner, or the sponsor can purchase a banner using the Chamber's name. The Chamber plans to start placing the banners in early spring. Pictured with a banner are (from left) Chamber board members Cheryl Altemeyer, Nathan Schauf (city administrator), Suzie Jost, Sal Parker (chamber president), Jerry Lairmore (Southern District Commissioner), Amy Baumhoegger and Doug Dunlap. For more information, or to sponsor a banner, call 573-437-4270.

MDC offers two area prescribed fire workshops

COLUMBIA—Missouri's Department of Conservation (MDC) invites those interested in learning about prescribed fire to free workshops in Linn (Feb. 9) and Big Spring north of Hermann (Feb. 24).

Clinics will cover controlled burning as a method of boosting wildlife habitat and reducing less

desirable plant species. MDC staff will discuss methods and techniques for implementing controlled burns, safety considerations, and proper weather conditions for conducting a burn. Workshops will also cover how to create a burn plan and time the burn based on your management objectives and landscape.

Each workshop will consist of a classroom session, followed by a demonstration burn, weather permitting. Attendees should bring field clothing (cotton or wool; no synthetics), leather boots and gloves

to wear for the demonstration burn. The workshops are free to attend, but participants must pre-register.

Workshops are at Linn Fire Protection District Station 1, 210 West Main St. in Linn, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday, Feb. 9 (Register by Feb. 5 by calling MDC's Seth Barrios at 573-897-3797 extension 116; and at Big Spring Fire Department, 758 S. Highway 19 near New Florence, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 24 (register by Feb. 20 by calling MDC's vJordon Beshears at 573-564-3715, extension 110).

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DUTCHMEN BASKETBALL

- ★ 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

All reg. home games start at 5:30 p.m.



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
- ★ Feb. 12 Pacific
- Feb. 15 Union
- Feb. 20 (Boys & Girls, JV Only) Sullivan
- ★ Feb. 22 (Boys & Girls, Varsity) Sullivan
- ★ Feb. 26 - March 2 Districts

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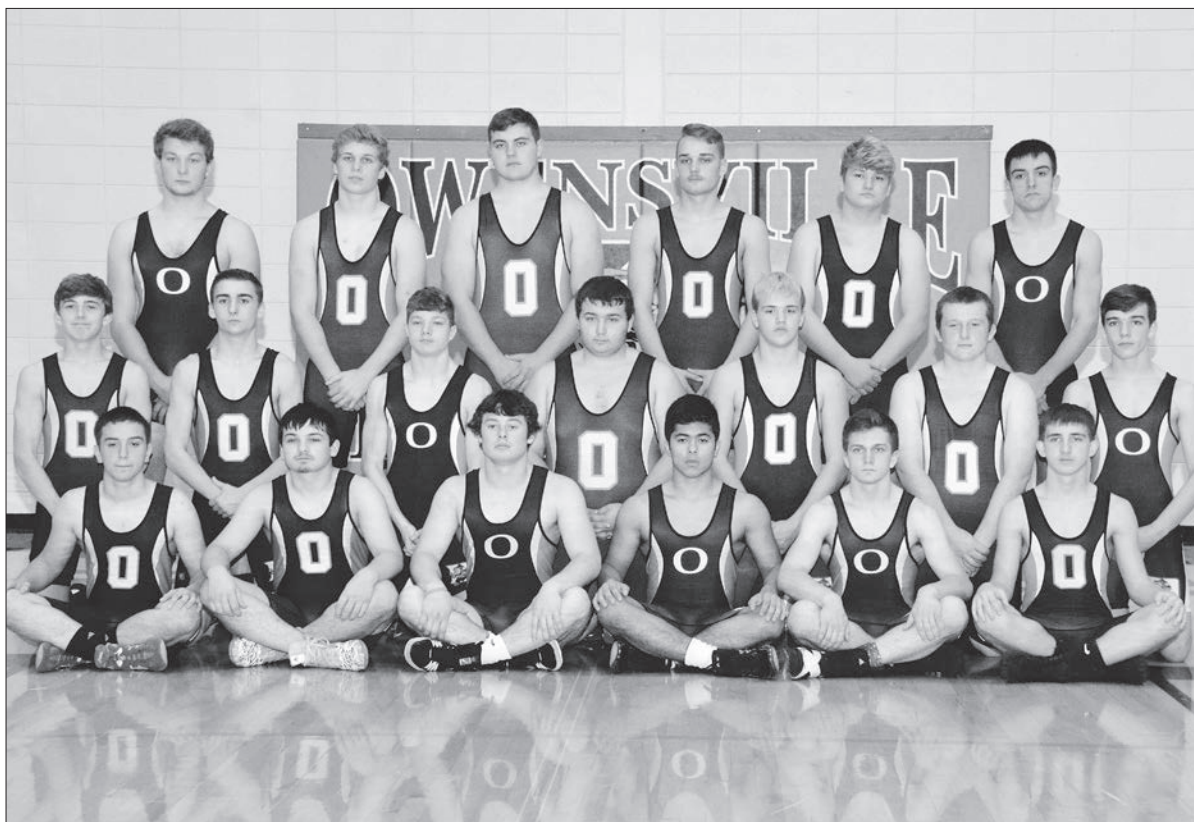


Wrestling Schedule



- 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) Fatima/S. Boone
- ★ Feb. 1 Sullivan/Potosi
- Feb. 2 Willard
- Feb. 3 Marshfield Varsity Tournament
- Feb. 9-10 Districts
- ★ Feb. 15-17 State Wrestling

★ Home Meet



OUTDOORS IN THE OZARKS

Freckles, a reliable companion, young and old

I have a young Brittany Spaniel who is anxious to get out and hunt birds this winter. Hope I can keep up with him. Looking through some old photos I found some from a long ago hunting trip in southern Iowa with my reliable



by LARRY DABLEMONT

old English Setter, Freckles, and a young setter named Hickok. Back then too, my young dog showed promise, but to that point, not much more.

We topped a slight rise that day, where the dogs had worked ahead of us, and spotted them both below. The pup was frozen on point, his attention focused on a brush pile in a grassy draw. The older dog backed him, and my hunting partner and I moved in to see if there really were bobwhites ready to erupt from the cover. Only the yearling setter seemed sure that this wasn't just another rabbit. I had never seen him so solid, so unwavering. His head and tail was high, his full attention given to that mesmerizing scent of upland birds.

In the blink of an eye, they filled the air before us, brown bombshells on whirring wings, twenty or more, all going in different directions at once. Some fell as five shotgun blasts followed in quick succession, and feathers floated on the fall breeze. Before the last shot-shell hull hit the ground, the two setters were at work, retrieving downed birds, and I was willing to let my hunting

partner brag on his double, even though I had dropped only one. After all, that was my pup hurrying back with a bobwhite in his mouth and I wouldn't have traded him for a double-barreled Parker.

Bird hunters become bird hunters because of good dogs; the anticipation of seeing an erratic puppy become a steady veteran. Sometimes it doesn't happen. Many times we have a tendency to expect in the fall what we have hoped for all summer. Young dogs come along slowly, and it takes patience if a handler is to bring a pup to a point where he is point, holding and retrieving birds. But it isn't a limit of quail that brings a bird-hunter to the field, it's the anticipation of a covey rise before him, the product of training and attention given long before leaves begin to turn. It is the dog that makes quail hunting the great-past time that it is. The little Brittany in my kennel has me full of hope.

Freckles made her first point on her first hunt just before Thanksgiving. Thirty minutes into the afternoon she locked up tight at the edge of a cedar grove where snowbirds flitted about, and I laughed because Freckles, only six months old, was fooled by them. But Freckles knew more than I did, and a covey of quail filled the air before us.

I dropped pair, and retrieved the first one because my setter charged into the cedar thicket. I called her, and she didn't return right away, but when she did, she had the second quail in her mouth. It had apparently hit the ground running with a broken wing. I praised her with enthusiasm then, sitting on the ground, hugging her as if she were the first bird-dog to ever accomplish.

Freckles got better and better. We had the chance to hunt birds in Iowa and Kansas as well as Missouri, and we had great days afield. But an outdoor writer makes a poor hunting companion for a good dog, because there's so much else to be done in the fall, like waterfowl hunting and bow hunting and the gun season for deer. There were too many days when I was fishing instead of following my bird dogs across a golden meadow in search of bobwhites. Freckles should have been there more often, instead of waiting at home in the kennel.

Still, she retrieved lots of quail and pheasant over the years. And then there was the last one. On the last hunt of the season she hunted slow and methodical, showing her years as Hickok made strong passes through the cover. Nevertheless, it was Freckles who pointed and held the last covey, and retrieved a bird dropped in the sumac thicket beyond the fencerow. It was to be her last retrieve. Freckles passed away peacefully on Mothers Day that year, lying on the porch where she could hear the bobwhites whistling from nearby fields and thickets alive with spring growth.

And now she is buried with Hickok, not far from the kennel where the young Brittany waits impatiently, upon two young He will have his chance soon. But in my mind I will see Freckles roaming before me, remembering that gait that was distinctively hers, and the way she would check to be sure I was keeping up. I will see her on point, head straight and tail high, and I'll try to be patient with the Brittany.

If you are an avid quail enthusiast, you need to read the new book we published for wildlife biologist Mike Widner entitled, "Gentleman Bob". We have a few signed and numbered copies left for 10 dollars postpaid. Just call my office at 417 777 5227, or send a check or money order to Gentleman Bob. Lightnin' Ridge Publishing, Box 22, Bolivar, Mo.

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In the recent past we commemorated the death of Martin Luther King. I remember when he was killed... I was about eighteen and it was of no significance to me, I was engrossed back then in catching trout out of Taneycomo Lake and making good enough grades to stay in college. I gave Martin Luther King little thought until I began to get older and study his life and what he said and what he worked for.

Today I hold him in the highest regard. He was a great man and what he tried to do in this world was for all mankind. But Jesus tried to do some things similar in many ways and he too was killed because of it. Now, Martin Luther King was not close to being Jesus, but he stood for a better way, for both blacks and whites alike. Today black young people are no more respectful of that great man than old racist whites are.

But his words, his life and sacrifice was for them, and their children, and his words should be carried throughout the major cities of this country where racial strife exists on both sides, white AND black. Right now I think there are more blacks hating whites than vice versa. I realize at this point in my life that what Martin Luther King, what Abraham Lincoln, and yes, even Jesus wanted to see in mankind is hopelessly lost on the masses. In places like Chicago and New York and Los Angeles, they just don't get it, and they never will. It isn't going to get better, not ever.

As I go deeper into the woods and waters as far as I can get from those great herds of people who more and more progress to a point they are lost forever in their own technological mire, I know that the hope for mankind's future consists in what men like Martin Luther King tried to tell us. But we'll go back to that only when some worldly catastrophe brings humanity to it's knees, and when our technology fails us.

Spring managed turkey hunt applications available Feb. 1

JEFFERSON CITY— Missouri youth, archery, and firearms turkey hunters can apply online for 2018 spring turkey managed hunts from Feb. 1- Feb. 28 through the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) website at mdc.mo.gov/springturkeyhunts.

Managed hunt details and application procedures are outlined on the webpage. Drawing results will be posted starting March 12. Spring turkey hunting youth weekend will be April 7- 8 with the regular spring season running April 16 through May 6.

Detailed information on spring turkey hunting will be available in MDC's "2018 Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information" booklet, available where permits are sold beginning in February.

To learn more about turkey hunting in Missouri, visit MDC's website at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey

MDC final harvest totals for 2017-2018 deer-hunting season

JEFFERSON CITY— Missouri's 2017-2018 deer-hunting season ended Jan. 15 with the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reporting a preliminary total harvest of 283,940 deer. Top counties for the overall season were Howell with 6,182 deer harvested, Franklin with 5,957, and Texas with 5,619. Of the 283,940 deer harvested, 135,891 were antlered bucks, 30,538 were button bucks, and 117,511 were does. Hunters harvested 263,834 deer during the 2016-2017 deer hunting season.

Deer hunting ended with the close of the archery season. Preliminary data from MDC showed that hunters checked 51,722 deer during the archery season. Top counties for the archery season were Jefferson with 1,169 deer harvested, St. Louis with 1,021, and Franklin with 1,000. Of the 51,722 deer harvested, 21,162 were antlered bucks, 5,319 were button bucks, and 25,241 were does. Hunters checked 47,552 deer during the 2016-2017 archery season.

Fall archery turkey hunting also ended Jan. 15. Preliminary data from MDC showed 2,426 turkeys harvested. Top counties for the archery turkey season were Phelps with 73 birds harvested, Texas with 63, and Laclede with 58. For the previous year, hunters harvested 2,304 turkeys.

The past season was the second in which MDC began allowing crossbows as a legal method during the deer and turkey archery season. Of the 51,722 deer harvested under archery methods, 19,691 were with crossbows. Of the 2,426 turkeys harvested under archery methods, 1,113 were with crossbows. For the first season that included crossbows (2016-2017), of the 47,552 deer harvested under archery methods, 14,336 were with crossbows, and of the 2,304 turkeys harvested under archery methods, 853 were with crossbows.

MDC reported five firearms-related hunting incidents during the fall deer and turkey hunting seasons. All were non-fatal. Three involved self-inflicted wounds. Two involved one hunter shooting another.

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Higher education takes budget hit under governor's FY19 proposal

Gov. Eric Greitens on Monday outlined his fiscal year 2019 budget proposal at a press conference in his Capitol office.

Greitens' budget proposal includes increases in funding for infrastructure, education, public safety, and programs to protect Missouri's most vulnerable children. These increases will be funded by reductions in spending on higher education institutions, efficiencies in Medicaid spending, and other smaller reductions in government spending, according to Greitens.

"The budget we're introducing today is a common-sense, conservative budget," Greitens stated in a press release. "We're watching out for the tax dollars of the people of Missouri, making important investments in Missouri's future, and also making tough decisions to make sure we don't burden our children with debt."

"We're able to afford those investments by making tough choices, protecting every taxpayer dollar, and eliminating wasteful spending," he said in the release.

Included in the proposals are:

- An \$87 million increase in funding for K-12 education.
- A \$162.8 million increase in funding for roads and bridges.
- \$25 million for a jobs and infrastructure fund to pay for key infrastructure projects that will attract jobs.
- More than \$29 million in new funding for programs that assist the state's most vulnerable children.

Among the programs in education scheduled to receive additional support in the governor's plan included \$3.5 million in new funding for the A+ Scholarship Program, bringing total funding to \$41.1 million.

Another is \$1 million in new funding for the Academic Scholarship (Bright Flight) Program, bringing total state funding to \$23.2 million. The program incentivizes Missouri's high-achieving students to attend college in Missouri, according to the summary report found at https://oa.mo.gov/sites/default/files/FY_2019_Budget_Summary.pdf.

The Governor is recommending Fiscal Year 2019 reductions from Fiscal Year 2018 available appropriations of \$68,171,255 from the higher education institutions.

Another \$76,876,876 in reductions is proposed through a reduced state share of the Federal Medical Assistance percentage. The governor's report noted increased federal earnings will offset this reduction.

A \$9,600,000 reduction is planned from the Department of Social Services by maximizing Medicare pharmacy benefits and \$1,022,552 will be removed from the Department of Revenue's Division of Taxation budget through call center efficiencies and reduced equipment, travel, and contract costs, the report states.

Stakeholders offered support for the millions in new funding proposed to support children with special needs and those within Missouri's adoption and foster care system.

"We are grateful for the Governor and First Lady's commitment to our state's most vulnerable children and look forward to working with them in 2018," said Lori Ross, CEO and president of FosterAdopt Connect.

"The Governor's budget prioritizes safe, nurturing, permanent homes for all of Missouri's children," added Melanie Scheetz, executive director of Foster & Adoptive Care Coalition.

"The Central Missouri Foster Care & Adoption Association is pleased that our Governor, Eric Greitens continues to protect our vulnerable kids in foster care and those awaiting adoption. The Governor and First Lady Sheena Greitens understand the deep affects trauma has on children who have been abused and neglected. By putting our defenseless and innocent children first we will see long term positive outcomes in Missouri, said DeAnna Alonso, CEO of Central Missouri Foster Care and Adoption Association.

The \$25 million in new funding to establish a new Jobs and Infrastructure Fund that will assist local governments with matching funds

Increases pledged for K-12 education, infrastructure, public safety, 'vulnerable children'

to ensure infrastructure is in place to attract, retain and grow Missouri businesses and create additional

jobs received praise from Missouri Chamber President Dan Mehan.

"The business community is

increasingly vocal about the need to invest in the connections that will support our state's economic

future," Mehan said. "These needs go beyond the well-publicized issues with our transportation infra-

structure. Missouri also needs to make key investments in our ports and utility infrastructure — investments that will boost the economies of communities across Missouri."

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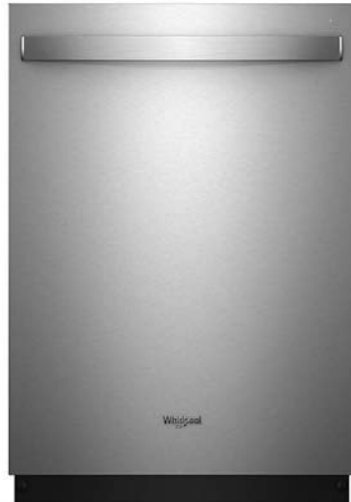
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Jury rules against Landwehr

On Thursday, Jan. 18, a federal jury in St. Louis returned a unanimous verdict in favor of the City of Gerald, its former Mayor, and two Alderpersons, to end three days of trial in a lawsuit brought by former Gerald Public Works Director, Bradley Landwehr.

Landwehr sued Gerald, Keith Wehmeyer, Hillary Ward, and Stephen Grgurich, over his April 14, 2015 firing, alleging that the decision was motivated by Landwehr's actions in supporting his brother, Jeffrey Landwehr, in his failed run against Wehmeyer for Mayor of Gerald earlier that year. Bradley Landwehr's firing in April 2015, was preceded by

months of controversy over Bradley Landwehr's handling of public works projects and associated spending. On Feb. 24, 2015, the Board unanimously fired Bradley Landwehr as Public Works Director, a decision which the Board set aside three days later under threat of litigation at a special session held without the benefit of legal counsel for the Board. When Wehmeyer won the Mayor's seat in April, 2015 he appointed Nick Grube as Public Works Director. That appointment was approved by the votes of Ward and Grgurich.

"Keith Wehmeyer, Hillary Ward, and Alderman Grgurich have asked me to express their thanks to the citizens of Ger-

ald for supporting them in making the decision to replace Bradley Landwehr as Public Works Director, and throughout the time this suit was pending," said Marshall Wilson, one of the attorneys who defended Landwehr's suit at trial.

Wilson added, "All Missourians, not just the citizens of Gerald, should be encouraged by this jury's verdict. With the oversight of independent judges this system really is the best way of getting to the truth and resolving legal disputes the parties cannot settle on their own."

Landwehr has filed as a candidate for a seat on the Gerald Board of Aldermen to be elected this coming April 2018.

Public works hopes to add equipment to its inventory

BY LINDA TREST
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During a meeting of the Board of Aldermen held Monday, Jan. 22, a discussion was held on funds budgeted for the Public Works Department. Director Nick Grube asked the board if they were ready for specifics on equipment he would like to purchase in 2018.

Transportation funds set aside for this year include \$120,500 for equipment. \$83,115 of this money came from an excess in the 2017 budget which was rolled over to 2018. In 2017, \$20,000 was budgeted for street demolition. No money was budgeted for demolition this year as Grube believes the city can do its own work with the new equipment.

Steven Lucas, attorney for the city, said that now is the time for Grube to discuss equipment needs with the Sewer, Water and Streets committee. That committee consists of Ward 1 Alderman Steve Grugrich and Ward 2 Alderman Kevin Grube.

Ward 1 Alderman Ruth Haase voiced her objection to Grube's plan, "This wasn't what the money was out there for. I don't want you to do it," she told Grube.

Haase was referring to a 1/2 cent sales tax passed by Gerald voters to fund more street work.

Grugrich responded to Haase

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Gas line at City Hall replaced

On Thursday, Jan. 11, Police Chief Jim Helton smelled gas outside his office behind City Hall. Public Works Director Nick Grube investigated and found a deteriorated galvanized gas line. After discussion with the City's propane provider, it was determined the City was responsible for replacing the line. Grube and his crew spent three hours laying a new 72 foot line with 1/2 inch pvc pipe rated for gas use. Grube believes the original line was in use when the building was still the office of Dr. Charles Schmidt. The Schmidt family deeded the property to the City in the 1980's. Temperatures earlier that week had been bitterly cold, but the line waited for a warmer day to fail. That was fortunate as City Hall was without heat during the repair. The cold temperatures probably did play a part in an earlier ruptured water line on Main Street at South Street. Public works quickly fixed the break in the old four-inch cast iron line which had been laid directly on rock. The water line break was the only emergency directly related to the colder temperatures. The Gerald Police Department said they were not notified of any accidents or weather related emergencies during the cold snap.

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Franklin County jail initiative

In April, Franklin County voters will be asked to vote on Proposition P, a plan to increase sales tax throughout the county by 1/2 cents.

If approved, the new sales tax would raise about \$6,000,000 annually. Half of these funds would fund renovations and additions to the Franklin County Adult Detention Facility. The other half would go directly to each law enforcement agency in the county. This week, Sheriff Steve Pelton explains the need for jail upgrades. Next week, we will look at how the additional funds could impact local law enforcement, especially the Gerald Police Department.

The following is a release from Sheriff Pelton.

An extensive needs assessment was conducted for the Franklin County Detention Facility. It revealed what we have known for years, the jail is dangerously overcrowded. Since 2006 former sheriff, Gary Toelke, has spoken openly about the need for a jail addition. This is not a new problem for our community. We have reached a critical point and to ensure everyone's safety we need to make a change.

When the study for our current facility was conducted several factors were considered:

- Crime trends
- Average length of stay
- Average daily population
- Industry standards

With advances in forensic science the number of criminal cases has also increased over the years.

There are multiple governing bodies that set standards that Sheriff's must follow. Industry standards for the Franklin County Sheriff's Office include

those mandated by the American Correctional Association (ACA), the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), and the Missouri Sheriff's Association. Failure to meet the minimum standards opens us up to liability issues which lead to litigation. In these lawsuits, the courts will use these standards as a benchmark for the appropriate treatment of incarcerated persons. The goal of this Jail Initiative is to ensure the safety of the public, deputies and incarcerated persons. The initiative will meet those agency standards and help reduce litigation through a proactive approach.

When we speak about overcrowding it is important to know that the ACA standard for each incarcerated person is 25 square foot of unencumbered space in a multi-person cell. The proposed jail expansion is designed to meet this standard, not exceed it. The expansion would increase the number of long term beds from 130 to 250. It is significant that our current facility is designed for 130 inmates and we average 149 per day with an average length of stay of 11.5 days. There were 4,724 inmates processed for the 2017 calendar year. This is an increase from 2016 and it is expected to increase again in 2018.

Court decisions have upheld that incarcerated persons are required to have access to news related media. We meet this requirement by providing newspapers and local television stations inside the dayroom only. There is misconception that we provide cable television, this is not the case nor will it be in the new facility. We will continue to meet

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Deployed U.S. Army soldier among victims in string of thefts

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Following the recently published article "GPD urges residents to check their storage units," Gerald Police Chief Jim Helton says "a few" people have reported their storage units in town have been broken into including one being rented by a 27-year-old deployed U.S. Army soldier, Austin Schnelting.

Schnelting has served in the U.S. Army for seven years and is currently on his second deployment. When he and wife, Mercedes, learned that he was going to be deployed to Germany last September, they started to prepare for his departure.

Planning to relocate to a new family home after his scheduled return in July of 2018, Mercedes and their sons Miles, 5, and Jax, 6, went to live with her parents in Hermann. Austin and his father, Tracy Schnelting, rented a unit for the family's belongings at U-Store It in Gerald, close to where Tracy was living at the time.

Schnelting on Jan. 17 discovered their unit was ransacked and that they were victims when she went to get the children's winter apparel out of storage. She recalls finding the lock that previously secured the unit missing and scratches on the door of the unit near where the lock had been. Once she opened the unit she found the furniture they had stored was broken.

Apparently it had been used

as a ladder to get to the items in the back of the unit. There were six duffle bags full of government-issued equipment missing as well as irreplaceable keepsakes from their children's early years including baby blankets and other memorabilia.

According to Helton, this crime seems to be a target of opportunity.

Helton said that it appears that bolt cutters were used to break into the units and it is believed that there was more than one perpetrator as items stolen from at least one other unit were over 100 pounds and would be difficult for one person to move alone. It is also suspected that the string of thefts from the Gerald storage facilities occurred on the same night and people are just now realizing that they are also victims of theft.

Gerald police officer Rich Anderson, who is heading the open investigation, says there are no leads at this time. However, once there is a suspect, they will be facing felony charges according to state classification.

Although Schnelting describes their situation as "pretty unfortunate" and although her husband is extremely upset he is also staying positive.

Anyone who has information on this investigation can contact Officer Anderson at Gerald Police Department. Anyone who would like to make a contribution to the Schnelting family may contact Austin's father, Tracy Schnelting, at (636) 234-6887.

Fink Johnson, Freitag selected for ECC Board of Trustees

Prudence Fink Johnson and Audrey Freitag will be sworn in as East Central College Board of Trustees members in 2018.

Filing for the April Board of Trustees election closed January 16 for two expiring terms. Since neither seat was contested, an election will not be held in April. Fink Johnson and Freitag will be sworn into office and begin their terms at the April meeting.

Fink Johnson will continue representing Subdistrict 2, which includes the school districts of Lonedell R-14, St. Clair R-13 and Union R-11, excluding the Lyon and Boone Township portion of Union R-11 and the portion located in the Beaufort-Union precinct. She was first elected to the board in 1994 and will begin her fifth term in April.

Freitag will represent Subdistrict 1, which includes the school districts of Crawford County R-1 (Bourbon), Sullivan C-2, Strain-Japan R-16, Spring Bluff R-15, Franklin County R-2 and New Haven, including the portions of Lyon and Boone Townships and the Beaufort-Union precinct in the Union R-11 School District. Also included are the portions of the Boeuf and Lyon Townships in the Washington School District. She will replace Don Kappelmann, who retired after 12 years on the board. Audrey is an ECC alumna and has been active with the ECC Foundation for many years.

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Alleged kidnapper found hiding under bed

On Jan. 21, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office was notified of a potential kidnapping of an adult female that occurred in the St. Clair area.

Jefferson County Sheriff's Office had responded to a call at the BP gas station at Highway 30 and Highway Y in their venue. A 42-year-old female had fled from a male into the store and told a clerk to call 911. When deputies arrived she reported she was kidnapped from the Lake Thunderbird subdivision off Highway 30 in Franklin County.

The suspect fled on foot before the deputies arrived. The victim identified the suspect as Russell E. Deshields, 36, from Sullivan. The victim had a Franklin County Adult Protection Order against Deshields at the time of this incident.

Jefferson County conducted an investigation and brought the vic-

tim back to St. Clair where Franklin County investigators made contact with her. She reported she met Deshields in the Lake Thunderbird subdivision for him to turn over her personal property to her. At that meeting, Deshields reportedly took her car keys and broke her cell phone. He forced her into her car after making threats to kill her. He then drove her into Jefferson County where she convinced him to stop at the gas station.

Inside the store she told a clerk to call 911 because she believed Deshields was going to kill her. When he ordered her to leave the store, she fled into the office and Deshields fled the store on foot.

The following morning, Jan. 22, deputies responded to the Deshields residence in Sullivan after receiving a call that he was there.



Russell E. Deshields

During a search of the home deputies located Deshields hiding under a bed. He was taken into custody and transported to the Franklin County Adult Detention Facility.

A warrant application was forwarded to the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and an arrest warrant was issued on Russell Deshields for first degree kidnapping. Bond was set at \$100,000 cash only.

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industry standards in this area, not exceed them.

Court decisions mandate that a jail is required to provide inmate medical care. The standard is that a jail cannot allow for an inmates health to diminish while in custody. This is not a free service. Inmates are required to pay administrative fees, much like a co-pay, to see the nurse, the doctor, or for prescription medication during incarceration. When they do not have the money to pay, they are not denied care. The charge is put on their inmate account and remains there until it is paid in full. Any healthcare services acquired outside of the jail are between the inmate and the health care provider per Missouri Statue 221.120 and 221.070.

The existing jail was built in response to a lawsuit filed against Franklin County for issues similar to what we are facing today. It opened in December 1986. It was built to house 107 inmates. The life expectancy of the jail was to meet the needs for Franklin County for the next 20 years. Bunks have been added over the last 20 years in an effort to increase bed space without expanding. It is now 30 years later and the number of inmates in jail at one time has reached 184. The average number of inmates per day this year is 149.

Without the expansion, in order to remain in compliance, there is a possibility we would need to look at other housing options such as paying another facility to house our inmates as we did in the early

80's. We average 19 over per day at a rate of \$50 per day which equals \$950 per day for all 19 or \$28,500 per month or \$342,000, per year. The monetary cost noted does not include fuel or the cost of the deputy to take the person back and forth to another facility or for court appearances. The cost will continue to increase as our inmate count increases. The average daily population is expected to rise in 2018 in part to the increased population growth of Franklin County.

Another approach used to lower the average daily population was the pre-trial release program. Through the pre-trial release program if someone is not deemed a threat to society they are released on a lower or a recognizance bond, however the fact of the matter is that there are inmates in jail that are a threat to society and if released they would pose a threat of victimizing a citizen again. Although it has been successful with non-violent offenders, it has not helped with the current overcrowding issues.

The concerns we are trying to address in the jail affect everyone in Franklin County. When you are the victim of a crime you deserve justice. When you have a family member incarcerated in the jail you want a standard of care to be met for them. While the detention facility is under the direction of the Sheriff's Office it is utilized by all the municipalities in Franklin County. Every citizen of Franklin County has a stake in this.

Beware of scammers this tax season

The state and federal income tax filing deadline for many Missourians comes in April. In recent years the Franklin County Sheriff's Office has consistently received multiple reports of fraud and identity theft related to income tax filing.

Sheriff Steve Pelton would like to remind citizens to be aware of scams and potential threats to their personal identity. Use caution when corresponding with anyone by postal mail, over the telephone, through email, or other electronic means.

Be sure to safeguard your personal information, especially your social security number. Don't provide your personal information to anyone whom you are not completely certain of their identity and reasons for requesting your personal information.

If you have any question about the legitimacy of a particular entity or person requesting your information, communicate your concerns and verify their credentials prior to releasing that information. Do not fall victim to scare tactics or high pressure demands of any business that you are unfamiliar with.

Likewise, the sheriff's office receives reports from time to time of scams involving people falsely identifying themselves as members of law enforcement to lure citizens into wiring money to bail a family member out of jail or to avoid issuance of an arrest warrant.

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office does not solicit money for bond or bail by phone. If you receive any calls from people requesting money and claiming to be with the sheriff's office, it is recommended you contact the Franklin County Sheriff's Office directly at (636) 583-2560 or make a report in person with a deputy.

Community Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for March 24

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Ward 2 Alderman Kevin Grube, who serves as the aldermanic representative on the Park Commission, announced the dates of the 2018 Easter Egg Hunt.

The announcement, made at Monday's meeting of the Board

of Aldermen, included a request. The Park Commission is asking for permission to spend up to \$400 for candy and prizes for the hunt.

This money has always been budgeted for the egg hunt, but has seldom been used.

Usually, generous donations from individuals and businesses in the community cover the costs of the event. Plastic eggs are reused

from one year to the next.

The Board of Aldermen unanimously approved the request from the Parks Commission which sponsors the event.

In the event of inclement weather, the Easter Egg Hunt will be held March 31.

Anyone who would like to donate to the event can contact City Hall at 764-3340.

Bolivar man charged with violating order of protection

On Jan. 16, Franklin County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested Scott A. Borcharding, 37, from Bolivar Mo. for violation of a court order of protection. The arrest stemmed from an investigation of related events over two days.

The sheriff's office received a report on Jan. 15, from a petitioner of a Franklin County protection order that Borcharding violated that order. The victim said Borcharding had made verbal contact with them in person at a residence in the 3100 block of West Osage Street in Pacific. Deputies responded to the scene but Borcharding left prior to their arrival.

During the investigation deputies identified a witness that cor-



Scott A. Borcharding

roborated the victim's statement. Upon searching the area, deputies were unable to locate Borcharding.

On the morning of Jan. 16, deputies responded to a report of Borcharding violating a second Franklin County protection order by contacting a second protected

family member in the Villa Ridge area through text messaging.

Later that morning, another report was received by the sheriff's office that Borcharding had returned to the home on West Osage Street. It was reported he made verbal contact once again with the petitioner.

Borcharding was located that afternoon and interviewed by deputies. He confessed to the violations. An application for charges of violation of a court order and stalking was submitted to the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. A Franklin County warrant was issued on Borcharding for felony stalking. Bond was set at \$100,000 cash only.

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by pointing out that legal counsel has said since the equipment would be used for street work and repairs the money raised by the tax could be used. He pointed out that the city recently paid \$1,822 to salt delivered. If the city purchases a larger dump truck they could have hauled the salt themselves in one trip. This would have cost the city only fuel and wages.

Mayor Cary Parker noted that it is difficult for the board to make

any decision without some firm figures in front of them. He asked those involved to bring proposals to the next meeting.

Besides the larger dump truck, Grube is also interested in purchasing a skidsteer and a track hoe.

The City's backhoe blew two cylinders while replacing a recent broken water line. This resulted in renting a mini-excavator to complete the job.

ECC Community Education spring schedule

The 2018 spring schedule of Community Education classes provides a variety of personal and professional enrichment opportunities for community members.

In addition to the always popular adult classes in dance and fitness; the schedule also includes courses

in archery, French, photography, local history, sign language, food safety and Introduction to Windows.

The complete class schedule is available at www.eastcentral.edu/ce or call 636.584.6528.

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News Briefs

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will meet next Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the Depot in Legion Park.

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

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CITY OF BELLE ~ SEMI-ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT — JULY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017

Capital Improvements Dept- <i>INCOME</i>	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
Curbing Reimbursement	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 10,950.00
Johnson Ave Grant	-0-	2,338.51	-0-	2,486.36	-0-	2,536.73	7,361.60	221,540.00
Sales Tax-CL	8,865.59	2,673.04	7,713.71	6,721.13	2,808.32	7,175.99	35,957.78	68,000.00
Reserve for Sidewalks & Curbs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	61,074.00
TOTAL INCOME	8,865.59	5,011.55	7,713.71	9,207.49	2,808.32	9,712.72	43,319.38	361,564.00
<i>EXPENSE</i>								
Asphalt/Overlay	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	19,946.20	-0-	19,946.20	29,274.00
Audit	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	750.00
Equip. Rental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	100.00
Johnson Ave Grant	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	221,540.00
Johnson Ave Match	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	55,385.00
Salaries/Payroll Taxes	2,181.73	1,624.98	1,138.90	1,769.27	1,516.12	384.22	8,615.22	19,895.00
Retirement	458.19	345.12	278.56	316.23	278.56	316.23	1,992.89	3,804.00
Health Ins.	546.38	382.45	382.45	382.45	382.45	382.45	2,458.63	4,591.00
Repairs/Maintenance on Vehicle	-0-	10.42	-0-	-0-	57.94	-0-	68.36	125.00
Rock, Dirt, Ect	299.79	1,241.06	187.58	424.50	-0-	73.92	2,226.85	10,000.00
Sidewalk/ Curbs	-0-	-0-	-0-	326.85	-0-	712.00	1,038.85	11,000.00
Workman's Comp.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	5,100.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 3,486.09	\$ 3,604.03	\$ 1,987.49	\$ 3,219.30	\$ 2,218.27	\$ 1,868.82	\$ 36,347.00	\$ 361,564.00
Community Center-Budget <i>INCOME</i>	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
Cleaning Deposit	70.00	200.00	130.00	155.00	135.00	135.00	825.00	3,000.00
Merchant & Manufacture Surtax	1,603.55	852.54	890.57	874.53	884.46	953.35	6,059.00	7,860.00
Miscellaneous	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	278.00
Rent	100.00	585.00	930.00	760.00	845.00	870.00	4,090.00	6,400.00
Rollover Reserve	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,439.00
TOTAL INCOME	1,773.55	1,637.54	1,950.57	1,789.53	1,864.46	1,958.35	10,974.00	19,977.00
<i>EXPENSE</i>								
Audit & Consulting Service	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	750.00
Advertising & Publications	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	50.00
Building Repairs	-0-	-0-	90.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	90.00
Electric	125.00	101.00	177.00	174.00	156.00	202.57	935.57	1,900.00
Equip. Purchase	-0-	-0-	319.89	-0-	-0-	-0-	319.89	1,200.00
Janitorial Supplies	34.05	-0-	25.00	9.75	121.90	-0-	190.70	700.00
Parts & Materials	263.91	73.85	23.97	23.98	13.25	-0-	398.96	500.00
Salaries/Payroll Taxes	559.81	341.80	418.29	341.22	418.06	362.89	2,442.07	8,400.00
Retirement	123.12	83.38	55.19	55.19	55.19	55.19	427.26	1,033.00
Health Ins.	235.43	82.43	82.43	82.43	82.43	82.43	647.58	989.00
Propane	-0-	64.35	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	64.35	800.00
Reserve Expense	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,139.00
Trash	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	258.00	516.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	1,384.32	789.81	1,234.77	729.57	889.83	746.08	5,774.38	19,977.00
Fire Department - <i>INCOME</i>	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
AJ Schwartz Fund	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	4,000.00
Cigarette Tax	380.06	397.40	378.02	350.18	456.16	523.60	2,485.42	4,300.00
Fire Recovery	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	25.00	102.54	25.00	-0-	25.00	-0-	177.54	100.00
Real Estate Taxes	2,364.90	80.39	37.51	107.85	61.71	270.46	2,922.82	12,000.00
Reimburse for Rural Fire	-0-	7,138.99	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	7,138.99	27,393.50
Reserve	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	14,086.00
Transfer In	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,093.50
TOTAL INCOME	2,769.96	7,719.32	4,440.53	458.03	542.87	794.06	16,724.77	73,973.00
<i>EXPENSE</i>								
AJ Schwartz Fund	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	4,000.00
Audit & Consulting Service	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	750.00
Electric	138.87	132.43	145.71	165.75	193.78	122.05	898.59	2,300.00
Equip. Rental	-0-	465.20	28.20	29.04	29.04	28.20	579.68	320.00
Fire Recovery	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,000.00
Fuel & Oil	275.60	138.98	166.79	-0-	215.71	270.58	1,067.66	2,000.00
Janitorial Supplies	286.58	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	286.58	150.00
Dispatch Fee	4,000.00	-0-	660.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,660.00	4,900.00
Salaries/Payroll Taxes	198.29	70.53	139.92	142.42	146.69	150.12	847.97	1,819.00
Retirement	40.34	28.19	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	68.53	348.00
Health Ins.	147.16	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	147.16	-0-
Postage & Shipping	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	50.00
Principal Payment	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	12,100.00
Propane	-0-	178.20	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	178.20	1,500.00
Property/ liability insurance	4,623.28	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,623.28	4,500.00
Purchase of Equip.	191.00	-0-	-0-	400.00	-0-	-0-	591.00	8,500.00
Repair/ Maintenance Equip./Parts	207.54	275.00	320.50	856.92	363.78	2,196.96	3,000.00	3,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance Vehicle	-0-	-0-	17.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	17.00	3,000.00
Reserve for Equip.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	14,086.00
Telephone	120.49	120.49	118.17	117.92	117.92	117.92	712.97	1,450.00
Training	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,000.00
Work Comp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,100.00
Misc.	102.54	0	0	0	0	0	102.54	100.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	10,297.37	1,341.56	5,550.79	1,175.63	1,560.06	1,052.71	20,978.12	73,973.00
General Fund- <i>INCOME</i>	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
Building Permits	-0-	-0-	375.00	220.00	125.00	65.00	785.00	600.00
Dog License/Dog Fines	75.00	82.50	45.00	15.00	7.50	15.00	240.00	350.00
Franchise Tax	-0-	-0-	19,461.02	-0-	-0-	13,063.50	32,524.52	59,382.00
Grant Money	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00
Interest	311.08	231.48	190.71	178.88	258.25	251.43	1,421.83	1,200.00
Merchant License	25.00	25.00	25.00	243.81	50.00	200.00	568.81	2,300.00
Miscellaneous Income	-0-	-0-	0.50	2.00	-0-	74.75	77.25	100.00
Real Estate	13,826.50	469.82	218.83	629.13	360.00	1,577.69	17,081.97	84,818.00
TOTAL INCOME	14,237.58	808.80	20,316.06	1,288.82	800.75	15,247.37	62,999.38	149,250.00
<i>EXPENSE</i>								
Advertising & Publications	80.00	-0-	66.50	59.00	450.00	-0-	655.50	1,650.00
Audit & Consulting	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	750.00
Building Repairs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	200.00
Computer Equip. Software	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	182.29	-0-	182.29	1,000.00
Demolition/Inspection	-0-	102.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	102.00	6,000.00
Dog Catcher	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	1,800.00	3,600.00
Dog pound	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	100.00
Drug Testing	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	50.00	50.00	100.00
Electric	223.29	270.67	301.34	390.86	296.54	250.47	1,733.17	4,500.00
Equip. Rental	244.73	155.57	155.56	189.25	155.56	155.57	1,056.24	1,825.00
Furnace Replacement	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,000.00
Janitorial Supplies/Services	520.31	573.12	497.90	561.35	526.15	491.67	3,170.50	4,200.00
Legal Fees	-0-	1,086.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,086.00	300.00
License/Permits	100.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	100.00	200.00	300.00
Membership Dues	574.50	-0-	-0-	-0-	679.50	-0-	1,254.00	600.00
Mileage	222.05	-0-	207.40	-0-	129.90	-0-	559.35	2,310.00
Miscellaneous	304.92	53.00	21.99	50.00	-0-	-0-	429.91	1,000.00
MRPC Annual Dinner	-0-	-0-	60.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	60.00	90.00
Office supplies	46.46	326.04	53.05	-0-	94.44	-0-	519.99	3,500.00
Parts & Materials	14.95	21.47	1,019.66	52.50	376.97	75.57	1,561.12	3,200.00
Postage & Shipping	93.47	151.36	98.00	-0-	-0-	0.14	342.97	700.00
Propane	-0-	99.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	99.00	1,100.00
Property/ Liability Insurance	4,623.29	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,623.29	4,200.00
Equip.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00
Repairs/Maintenance Equip.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	300.00
Emergency	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	40,449.00
Salaries/Payroll Taxes	4,678.59	4,325.56	3,837.32	3,849.87	3,608.22	4,625.21	24,924.77	45,473.00
Retirement	329.03	221.97	165.57	165.56	165.56	165.56	1,213.25	2,750.00
Health Ins.	559.14	247.29	247.24	-564.13	247.29	247.29	984.12	2,967.00
Security Cameras	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	700.00
Sign	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00
Telephone	388.71	353.21	489.36	334.90	324.80	329.94	2,220.92	4,050.00
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF GASCONADE, STATE OF MISSOURI

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

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION

To all persons interested in the Estate of: **JEANNINE M. STOLLMAYER**, 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, 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 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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1 Administrator's Notices

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 foreclosure 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 I: 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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Johnson Street Grant	December	November	October	September	August	July	YTD	Budgeted
INCOME								
City 20% Match	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	55,385.00
Reimbursed from MO Dot	-0-	2,338.51	-0-	2,486.36	-0-	2,536.73	7,361.60	221,540.00
TOTAL INCOME	-0-	2,338.51	-0-	2,486.36	-0-	2,536.73	7,361.60	276,925.00
EXPENSES								
Bonding and Mobilization	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,500.00
Traffic Control	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,000.00
Demo Existing Concrete Sidewalk	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	12,000.00
Sidewalk, 5' x 4" x 4" thick	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	42,800.00
Sidewalk, 5' x 4" x 6" thick	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	23,940.00
Concrete curb, gutter, . . .	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	33,000.00
Supply, Install 6" drive apron	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	18,900.00
Ramps at Dectable Warning	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,800.00
Crosswalk Painting & Signs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,700.00
Storm Junction Boxes	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,400.00
Tree Removal	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,500.00
Storm Pipe 18"	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	56,000.00
Topsoil, Seed, Mulch	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	7,000.00
PS & E Costs Desing Engineering (10%)	-0-	-0-	2,923.14	-0-	3,170.95	3,170.91	9,265.00	22,154.00
Other Associated Construction Costs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	33,231.00
Construction Engineering (15%)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	33,231.00
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR GRANT	-0-	-0-	2,923.14	-0-	3,170.95	3,170.91	9,265.00	276,925.00

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

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

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION

To all persons interested in the Estate of: **KEVIN SULENTRUP**, 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,
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Glenda Jett

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The **Phelps County Public Housing Agency** which provides HUD Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher rental assistance to persons in the counties of Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Washington and Phelps (outside the City of Rolla), will host a public hearing at **10:00AM, Thursday, March 8, 2018**, at MRPC, 4 Industrial Drive, St. James, Missouri, to accept comments on the PHA's Annual Plan.

The plans are available for review at MRPC/Phelps County Public Housing Agency (PHA), 4 Industrial Drive, St. James, Missouri, beginning January 22, 2018, through March 8, 2018. Written comments will be also accepted through March 8, 2018, and can be submitted to the above address.

Persons needing more information should contact Linda Hollandsworth, PHA Program Manager, at **573-265-4200**.

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CITY OF OWENSVILLE Semi-Annual Financial Report July 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017

Financial report table with columns for Department (General Fund, Street, Water & Sewer, Park), Revenue, Expenses, and Total. Includes sub-totals for each department.

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1 Administrator's Notices

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 venue 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 (636) 537-0110 File No: 186349.021618.380786FC

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

PROBATE DIVISION Case No: 17GA-PR00086 In the Estate of AMOS OSCAR BERGER,

Deceased,

NOTICE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY GRANTED (Supervised Administration)

To All Persons Interested In The Estate of AMOS OSCAR BERGER, Decedent:

On December 26, 2017, the following individual was appointed the personal representative of the estate of AMOS OSCAR BERGER, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Gasconade County, Missouri.

The personal representative's business address is:

JAMES BERGER, 5528 PINWOOD FOREST, ST LOUIS, MO 63128

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

MICHAEL RAY MUNDWILLER, 526 E WASHINGTON, OWENSVILLE, MO 65066, 573-437-2828.

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

Date of Decedent's death: October 17, 2017.

Pamela RGreunke, Circuit Clerk Margaret Coulter, Deputy Clerk Date of Decedent's death: Oct. 17, 2017. Publish in the Gasconade County Republican: January 3, January 10, January 17, and January 24, 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

0070 No Hunting or Fishing

NO TRESPASSING/NO HUNTING/NO FISHING NO FENCE CUTTING at any time. It will no longer be tolerated. We have purple paint, signs and cameras. It's over. Oldenburg Farm on Drake School and Barren Fork Roads. Thank you, Edward Oldenburg.

NOTICE: IF you would like to have your property listed in the No Hunting/No Trespassing section of the Gasconade County Republican for as little as \$60.00 per year, call 437-2323 for details.

5 Miscellaneous Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SURFACE MINING APPLICATION - NEW SITE ADDITION TO PERMIT

HarbisonWalker International, Inc., 1301 Westminister Ave., Fulton, MO 65251, has applied for a new site(s) addition to their permit from the Department of Natural Resources, Land Reclamation Commission, to mine Clay on 67, 8 acre(s) of land located in Gasconade County, Section(s) 23 & 26, 17 Township(s) 42N, 42N, Range(s) 5W, 4W.

This(ese) operation(s) will be conducted during the approximate dates of February 15, 2018 to December 31, 2050.

Mail written comments, or a request for an informal public meeting to: Director, Land Reclamation Program, Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176. All comments and requests for a public meeting must be submitted in writing to the Director's office no later than fifteen (15) days following the final public notice publication date. For more information about this process, please contact the Land Reclamation Program by telephone at 773-751-4041.

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0100 Miscellaneous

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City of Gerald, Missouri Statement of Income and Expenses January 1, 2017 thru December 31, 2017

Statement of Income and Expenses table with columns for Department (General/Parks and 1/2% Sales Tax, Waterworks/Sewer System, Animal Control, Administration, Municipal Court, Police Department, Street Department, Bank Account Balances, Governmental Funds, Enterprise Funds), Revenue, Expenses, and Total. Includes sub-totals for each department.

I, Cary Parker, Mayor of the City of Gerald, do attest, under oath, the above is a true and accurate account of the unaudited financial transactions of the City of Gerald for the period of January 1, 2017 thru December 31, 2017. Cary Parker, Mayor ~ January 22, 2018 ~ Jane Hungler, City Clerk

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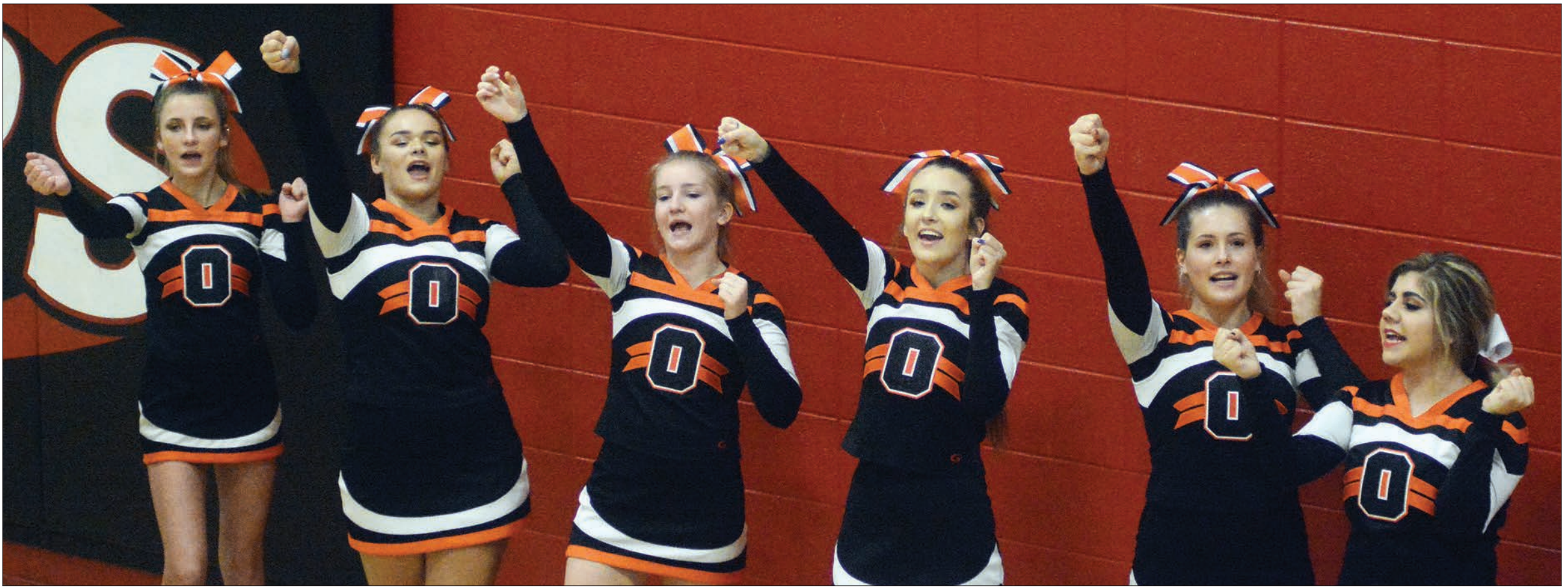
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Owensville Dutchmen basketball at the 2nd Annual Belle Tournay

Owensville High School cheerleaders (above, from left) cheering the Dutchmen on Saturday night included Paige Heckelmann, Arissa Ison, Abby Finley, Sadie Moritz, Annalist Campani and Ashley Marquez. Representing their respective schools, Belle's Skylar Smith and Owensville's Wyatt Ellis (right, from left) face off in a battle of All-State athletes on the hardwood and gridiron. Michael Lahmeyer (below) stays between Chamois' Aaron Kielholz (22) and Kyle Bockting. Sean Irwin (bottom, left) keeps the ball out of the reach of Belle's Tracy Skiles during the Belle Boys Basketball Tournament championship game Saturday night in Maries County.

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CHAPTER THREE OF EIGHT



KALI: A Polar Bear's Tale

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

Chapter Three:

James wiggled through the den's small opening into a larger chamber. Snuggled in the back, he saw a tiny, white, male bear cub.

At birth, nearly four months earlier, he weighed just two pounds and was a helpless, blind, and almost hairless little creature. After months of nursing his mother's rich milk, he'd grown to a roly poly 18 pounds. His eyes were wide open, and a fuzzy, white coat covered his body.



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"I'm not going to hurt you. I'm going to take you home," James said. "Just don't bite me."

James scooped the cub up, holding him tight.

He moved quickly, pulling the tiny cub out of the den's warmth and into the cold. Wrapped in James' arms, the little bear blinked in the weak, Arctic sunlight.

James mounted his snowmobile, cradling the polar bear cub like a puppy. The two men zoomed across the ice. James soon realized the 40 miles to Point Lay was too far for the small cub. His fat reserves were not enough to protect him from the wind chill.

They drove across the tundra and soon pulled up to a hunting cabin. Inside, James found a pair of ski pants. The men tied the legs of the pants together to create a pouch just big enough for a polar bear cub. Snuggled in the windproof polyester, up against James' chest, the cub would be warm enough to make it through the journey. Now sheltered from the wind, the bear dozed as the snowmobile roared across the landscape.

When the men arrived in Point Lay, the villagers were quite surprised by a polar bear cub. "Let's take him to the Police Hall, where he'll be warm and comfortable," James said. The North Slope Borough, the government entity responsible for much of Northern Alaska, was contacted. The government biologists made fast arrangements for the little cub to be flown to the larger town of Barrow the next day.

"He needs a name," James' friend said. "Before he leaves Point Lay."

Ask Zoo Keeper Julie

Do polar bears eat penguins?

Polar bears are only found in the Northern hemisphere/polar region, while penguins are only found in the Southern hemisphere. Polar bears and penguins do not live together.

How many polar bears are there?

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Dustin Jahnsen joins century club

BY WILL JOHNSON
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Hoping to go for his 100th career wrestling win at Owensville High School Thursday night, Dustin Jahnsen had to settle for one match as sickness kept Missouri Military Academy from joining the host Dutchmen and Blair Oaks' Falcons for a scheduled tri-meet.

Leading off the dual, Jahnsen faced Falcon grappler Ben Thomas at 145 pounds.

Taking a 4-1 after one period on a pair of takedowns, the Dutchmen senior scored a pair of second-period escapes to hang take a 6-4 decision for his 99th career win.

Jahnsen went on to pick up his 100th victory in his first match Saturday at the Fort Zumwalt South wrestling tournament over Collinsville's Stephenson Simmons by fall in 2:26. Dustin went on to place fourth in the tournament.

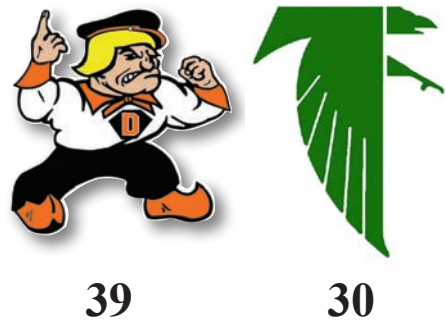
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See **Jahnsen** on Page 23



DUSTIN JAHNSEN (above, left) gets behind Blair Oaks' Ben Thomas during their bout at 145 pounds Thursday night in a non-conference wrestling dual at Owensville High School. This was Jahnsen's 99th career victory. He picked up his 100th, Saturday over Collinsville's Stephenson Simmons at the Fort Zumwalt South Wrestling Tournament.

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'WILL'FUL THINKING



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Missouri Sports Hall of Fame

Already inducted into the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association (MBCA), the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) and the Northwest 'M' Club Halls of Fame, former Dutchmen basketball player and Dutchgirl head basketball coach Steve Tappmeyer will have another induction ceremony to attend this weekend.

Held in Springfield at the University Plaza Convention Center, Tappmeyer will be one of 15 individuals to be inducted into the 2018 Class of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame on Sunday, Jan. 28.

Tappmeyer will not be the only person with ties to the Owensville

See **Will** on Page 22

Rehmert's Dutchmen battle to second at Belle

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BELLE — Already owning a victory over Belle's Tigers during the Owensville Tournament two weeks earlier, Todd Rehmert's Owensville Dutchmen went for another victory over Belle with their tournament championship on the line Saturday night.

Unable to overcome a 26-point second quarter from the home standing Tigers, OHS settled for second place in Tiger country after a 67-55 loss to their Highway 28 neighbors to the west.

"We just didn't have it tonight," Rehmert said. "Belle just got hot at the right time and we didn't have the offensive firepower to answer them."

In the opening moments of the game,

Owensville took the lead first 2-0 on a Cason Gray bucket at the 7:18 mark of the first quarter.

Wyatt Ellis went on to give his Dutchmen teammates leads of 4-2 and 6-4 at the 6:18 and 5:36 marks of the opening quarter respectively.

Gray scored at the 3:10 mark giving OHS their biggest lead of the game thus far at 11-7.

Surviving a 7-4 Belle run to close the quarter, Owensville escaped the first eight minutes with a 15-14 lead.

Catching fire from outside the arc, Belle got a 3-pointer from Brett Butler and two of them from Levi Fortner giving the Tigers a 23-15 lead with 5:30 for the first half.

Gray stopped Belle's 13-0 run with a basket at the 4:50 mark of the second quarter.

From there, points were scarce for the Dutchmen. Outscored 12-5 the rest of the

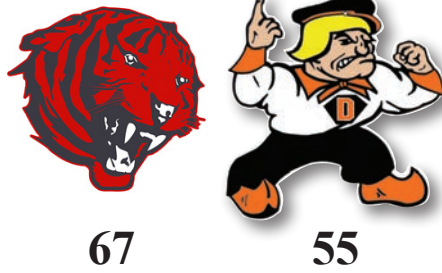
second quarter by the Tigers, Owensville went into halftime trailing Belle 40-22.

Gray paced the Dutchmen offense with seven first-half points.

Brett Butler countered with 13 first-half points for the Tigers.

Opening the second half, Owensville decided it was their turn to go on a run

See **Rehmert's** on Page 24



TREVOR ABERNATHY (above, right) guards Belle's Mason Butler during the title game of the 2nd Annual Belle Boys Basketball Tournament Saturday night at Belle High School.

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Dutchgirls fall in FRC opener to St. Clair

BY WILL JOHNSON
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Opening the Four Rivers Conference (FRC) portion of their season last Tuesday night, Ryan Flanagan's Owensville Dutchgirl basketball team welcomed St. Clair's Lady Bulldogs to OHS.

Leading 19-18 early in the third quarter, the Dutchgirls could not overcome a 20-9 St. Clair spurt that led to a 38-28 deficit after three quarters.

Unable to get within single digits, Owensville fell to the visitors from Franklin County by a final score of 56-40.

One minute into the game, the Dutchgirls struck first on a Breanna Diestelkamp basket for an early 2-0 lead. Another Diestelkamp score at the 5:55 mark of the opening quarter put OHS back on top 4-2.

Two Diestelkamp free throws and an Anna Skornia bucket gave the Dutchgirls leads of 7-6 and 10-9 respectively before OHS ended the first eight minutes trailing St. Clair, 11-10.

Limited to a lone Brooke Nowack field goal in the second quarter, Owensville also

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ANNA SKORNIA AND KATE ANGELL (above, from left) battle a pair of St. Clair Lady Bulldogs for a loose ball during Owensville's opening Four Rivers Conference (FRC) basketball game last Tuesday night against the visitors from Franklin County. Falling 61-40 Monday night in opening-round action at the Hermann Girls Invitational Basketball Tournament, Ryan Flanagan's Owensville Dutchgirls will play Bourbon's Lady Warhawks tonight (Wednesday) in the consolation semifinals at the Hermann Middle School gym at 7:30 p.m.

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OHS SPORTS THIS WEEK

V/JV Dutchmen Basketball
1/29 OHS vs. Belle 5:00 p.m. (Varsity only)
1/30 OHS at Bourbon 5:30 p.m.

V/JV Dutchgirl Basketball
1/24-26 OHS V at Hermann Tourn.
1/29 OHS vs. Belle 5:00 p.m. (Varsity only)

OMS Dutchmen Basketball
1/24-25 OMS at Sullivan 7th Grade Boys Basketball Tournament
1/24-25 OMS at St. Clair 8th Grade Boys Basketball Tournament

OHS Dutchmen Wrestling
1/25 OHS tri-meet vs. St. James/Pacific at Pacific 5:30 p.m.
1/26 Owensville JV Wrestling Invitational 4 p.m.
1/30 OHS tri-meet vs. Fatima/Southern Boone 5 p.m. (2018 Senior Night)

Dutchmen Freshman Basketball
1/25-26 OHS Freshman Boys Tournament at OES.
1/29 OHS vs. Belle 5:00 p.m. (Rescheduled from 1/16)

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

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RYAN FLANAGAN'S Dutchgirl basketball team opened the Hermann Tournament Monday night with a 60-41 loss to New Haven. A recap of Owensville's week in northern Gasconade County will be in next week's *Republican*.

DUTCHMEN FRESHMAN basketball will make up their game against Belle at from Tuesday, Jan. 16 on Monday, Jan. 29 at 5 p.m., at OHS.

MARK JETT'S 7th grade Dutchmen basketball team opened the Sullivan Tournament Monday night with a 37-33 win over Washington.

TERRAHEIDLE'S Freshmen Dutchmen basketball team opened their portion of the Owensville Freshman Boys Basketball Tournament last night (Tuesday) at Owensville Elementary School with a 47-36 win over Union. They will play Sullivan tomorrow (Thursday) night at 7:30 p.m.

BELOW ARE corrected bowling results from Sunday, Jan. 14., for OHS bowlers.

PIN FALL at Sullivan Bowl

MID MISSOURI HIGH SCHOOL TRAVEL LEAGUE January 14, 2018

	W	L
Owensville HS	31	4
Union HS #1	29.5	4.5
Borgia HS	25	10
Sullivan HS	19	16
St. Clair HS	16	19
Washington HS #2	10	25
Union HS #2	4.5	29.5
Washington HS #1	4	31

Individual Boy's High Scratch Game Jared Loeffel (Sullivan).....	208
Individual Girl's High Scratch Game Bryanna Winfree (Washington).....	230
Individual Boy's High Handicap Game Jared Loeffel (Sullivan).....	281
Individual Girl's High Handicap Game Bryanna Winfree (Washington).....	298

Individual Boy's High Scratch Series Jared Loeffel (Sullivan).....	533
Individual Girl's High Scratch Series Bryanna Winfree (Washington).....	513
Individual Boy's High Handicap Series Cole Allen (Owensville).....	754
Individual Girl's High Handicap Series Sierra Chitwood (Washington).....	722

Team Scratch Game Washington HS #2.....	872
Team Scratch Series Washington HS #2.....	2292
Team Handicap Game Washington HS #2.....	1277
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STEPHANI ELLIOTT (above, center) protects the basketball while JV Dutchgirl teammate Almudena Imedio-Perez (far right) watches in case the ball is passed to her. Perez and Elliott both had two points in OHS' 57-18 loss to St. Clair in the junior varsity contest last Tuesday night.

PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON

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hit five of their nine free-throw attempts to go into halftime trailing the Lady Bulldogs 18-17.

Diestelkamp had eight first-half points to pace the Dutchgirls.

Hoping to limit the turnovers in the second half after committing 20 in the first half, Owensville saw a myriad of third-quarter miscues turn into St. Clair points.

Most of them came during an 11-2 third-quarter run for the Lady Bulldogs helping them to a 38-28 lead after three quarters from OHS.

An 8-2 fourth-quarter opening run by St. Clair left the Dutchgirls trailing 46-30 with 5:05 remaining.

Playing to a 10-10 draw over the last 5:05, Owensville will try again for the FRC win column on

Friday, Feb. 2 when they will host Hermann's Lady Bearcats during homecoming at OHS at 5:30 p.m.

Adding to her eight first-half points, Diestelkamp led the Dutchgirls and all scorers with a game-high 18 points. She also added 14 rebounds, six blocked shots, three steals and an assist.

Katelyn Landolt and Skornia just missed double figures scoring eight points each.

Morgan Lairmore added four second-half free throw for four points.

Owensville will return to action Monday night as part of a Highway 28 triple header against Belle at approximately 6:30 p.m., following the freshman boy's game between

the host Dutchmen and the Tigers.

JV Dutchgirls vs. St. Clair
Playing for the first time in two weeks, Hannah Wehar's JV Dutchgirls took on St. Clair's JV Lady Bulldogs to open the FRC doubleheader.

Held scoreless until an Almudena Imedio-Perez basket at the 3:25 mark of the first quarter, Owensville could not overcome a 16-4 first-quarter deficit before falling 57-18 to St. Clair.

Nowack led the JV Dutchgirls with five points. Lairmore added four points while Abby Koepke hit a fourth-quarter 3-pointer three points. Ella Wright, Elliot and Perez each chipped two points rounding out the JV Dutchgirl scoring.

OMS Dutchmen sweep St. James in regular-season finale at OES

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Entering their regular-season finale Thursday night against St. James' Tigers, Mark Jett's seventh-grade Dutchmen looked to avenge a loss to the Tigers back in mid-December during the annual daytime doubleheader between the two teams in Phelps County.

Racing out to a 20-9 lead after one quarter of basketball from Owensville Elementary School, the seventh-grade Dutchmen out-

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AUSTIN LUECKE (above, right) handles the basketball against Hermann in a home game earlier this month at Owensville Elementary School.

PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON

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area being recognized Sunday.

Former Dutchgirl basketball player and current Drury University sophomore forward Hailey Diestelkamp will receive a Special Achievement Award (SAA) from the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame.

Hailey earned the SAA award for her recognition as a NCAA Division II Freshman All-American from D-II Bulletin after averaging 11.6 points per game and grabbing

269 rebounds during her freshman season in Springfield at Drury.

Her rebounding numbers were good for the second most in a season in program history.

Coming up on Saturday, Feb. 3,

Diestelkamp and her Drury University Lady Panther teammates will take on Missouri S & T in Rolla in the Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) showdown starting at 5:30 p.m.

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Consolation 4:00 p.m. Small Gym	Hermann 8:00 a.m. Small Gym Bourbon	Championship 5:00 p.m. Big Gym
11:00 a.m. Small Gym	Owensville 9:00 a.m. Big Gym New Haven	11:00 a.m. Big Gym
	Union IC 9:00 a.m. Small Gym St. Clair	Third Place 4:00 p.m. Big Gym

Owensville 6th Grade Girls Basketball Tournament January 27, 2018 at Owensville High School

2:00 p.m. Small Gym	Cuba 12:00 p.m. Big Gym Washington	2:00 p.m. Big Gym
Consolation 5:00 p.m. Small Gym	Hermann 12:00 p.m. Small Gym Bourbon	Championship 6:00 p.m. Big Gym
3:00 p.m. Small Gym	Owensville 1:00 p.m. Big Gym St. Clair	3:00 p.m. Big Gym
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DUSTIN JAHNSEN (above, center) celebrates his 100th career wrestling victory at Owensville High School during Saturday's Fort Zumwalt South Tournament with his brother Kolby (above, left) and sister Brittany (above, right).
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Blair Oaks was junior Blaine Schoenfeld at 152 pounds.

Falling behind 12-2 after one period, Schoenfeld was pinned in 3:57 by Falcon grappler Kyler Griep.

Blaine advanced to the championship match at Fort Zumwalt South (FZS) settling for second place at 152 pounds to Willard's Jed Brandon.

Trailing 5-4 after one period against Falcon wrestler Eddie Wells, senior Tanner Rector came back to win his home match Thursday by fall in 5:07.

At FZS, Rector also reached the championship match at 160 pounds before falling to Chase Mercer (FZS).

Caleb Gray picked up two takedowns on his way to a win by fall in 1:16 against Blair Oaks' Adam Jurgensmeyer.

In Bulldog country Saturday, Gray pinned Hazelwood East's Romale Dawson in 1:08 to take fifth place at 170 pounds.

Moving up to the varsity ranks, sophomore Cody Linders competed for the Dutchmen against Blair Oaks and at FZS at 182 pounds.

Trailing 3-2 after one period, Linders was pinned by Falcon grappler Shane Gilmore in 3:25.

Colton Moore (195), Joe Bauer (220) and Bryce Mistler (285) all wrestled unopposed against Blair Oaks earning walkover victories.

Winning all four of his matches in Bulldog land Saturday, Moore captured a tournament title at 195 pounds winning a 4-3 decision over Pattonville's Brock Beins.

Unable to find the win column at Fort Zumwalt South, Bauer settled for 11th place at 220 pounds.

Suffering an injury at FZS, Mistler took sixth place at 285 pounds.

Thursday night, both Owensville and Blair Oaks were open at 106 and 113 pounds.

Going into Austin Angell's match with Falcon wrestler Jace Griggs, OHS had a 33-12 lead in the team scoring.

Quickly taken down in the first period, Angell was pinned in 1:07 by Griggs trimming the Dutchmen lead to 33-18.

Angell won a 4-3 decision over Christop Johnson from Fort Zumwalt South in pool wrestling before he made Austin settle for eighth place pinning the Dutchmen senior in :35 during the seventh-place match.

Caden Moss hit the mats for Owensville against Blair Oaks and at FZS in the 126-pound weight class.

Like Angell, Moss was also taken down early before suffering a loss by fall in :48 to Falcon wrestler Dalton Bridges.

Even though he was unable to win a match in Bulldog land over the weekend, Moss placed eighth in the tournament at 126 pounds.

Now nursing a 33-24 lead in their Thursday dual with Blair Oaks, OHS sophomore Tighe Bombach took on Falcon grappler Sam Frisbie at 132 pounds.

Taking a 4-2 lead after one period, Tighe surrendered an escape and a takedown to go into the third period trailing 5-4.

In a back-and-forth third period, both wrestlers gave all the fans in attendance more than their monies worth.

A couple of late takedowns helped Bombach get the victory by fall in 5:45.

Tighe's win gave the Dutchmen a 39-24 lead going into the final match of the dual between OHS' Boston Belk and Blair Oaks' Levi Haney.

Even though Belk was pinned in 1:07, Owensville held on to defeat the Falcons by a final team score of 39-30.

Before the varsity portion of the dual, three junior varsity matches were held at OHS.

Edward Delong and Cooper

Fort Zumwalt South Wrestling Tournament
January 20, 2018

Team Scores

1. Ft. Zumwalt South 320
2. Collinsville 315.5
3. Willard 232.5
4. Hannibal 190.5
5. Ft. Zumwalt East 145.5
6. Owensville 141
7. Pattonville 92
8. Springfield 62
9. Webster Groves 60.5
10. Hazelwood East 55
11. Liberty Wentzville 42
12. Ft. Zumwalt South JV 30
13. Willard JV 25
14. Parkway Central 20
15. Springfield JV 16
16. Hannibal JV 7
17. Collinsville JV 6

OHS Individual Results

- 106 - OPEN
- 113 - OPEN
- 120 - Austin Angell (1-4) 8th
- 126 - Caden Moss (0-4) 8th
- 132 - Tighe Bombach (2-3) 7th
- 138 - Boston Belk (0-3) 10th
- 145 - Dustin Jahnsen (3-2) 4th
- 152 - Blaine Schoenfeld (3-2) 2nd
- 160 - Tanner Rector (4-1) 2nd
- 170 - Caleb Gray (3-2) 5th
- 182 - Cody Linders (2-3) 6th
- 195 - Colton Moore (4-0) 1st
- 220 - Joe Bauer (0-4) 11th
- 285 - Bryce Mistler (0-3) 6th

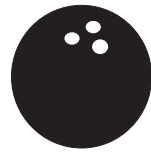
Bombach both won their respective JV matches by fall while Owen Holtzer was pinned in :57.

Owensville returns to action in a Four Rivers Conference (FRC) tri-meet at Pacific against the host Indians and St. James' Tigers starting at 5:30 p.m.

OHS will host Fatima and Southern Boone on Tuesday, Jan. 30 for senior night starting at 5 p.m.

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at
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MID MISSOURI HIGH SCHOOL TRAVEL LEAGUE
January 21, 2018

	W	L
Borgia HS	56.5	13.5
St. Clair HS	46	21
Sullivan HS	37	32
Washington HS #2	36	34
Owensville HS	34.5	35.5
Union HS #1	31.5	34.5
Union HS #2	20.5	47.5
Washington HS #1	13	57

Individual Boy's High Scratch Game	
Tyler Coomes (Washington)	234
Individual Girl's High Scratch Game	
Katy Eaton (Washington)	187
Individual Boy's High Handicap Game	
Tyler Coomes (Washington)	321
Individual Girl's High Handicap Game	
Katy Eaton (Washington)	269

Individual Boy's High Scratch Series	
Ethan Roelling (St. Clair)	582
Individual Girl's High Scratch Series	
Sierra Chitwood (St. Clair)	485
Individual Boy's High Handicap Series	
Tyler Coomes (Washington)	827
Individual Girl's High Handicap Series	
Lizzy Sontag (Washington)	703

Team Scratch Game	
Washington HS #2	897
Team Scratch Series	
Washington HS #2	2523
Team Handicap Game	
Washington HS #2	1271
Team Handicap Series	
Washington HS #2	3645

SPORTS BRIEFS

FOURTH GRADE Dutch-girl basketball went 3-0 Saturday at the Union Tournament to place first. They will compete at Owensville High School on Saturday, Feb. 10.

OMS Volleyball tryouts next week for 2018 spring season

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Next week, two days of tryouts will be held to make up Owensville Middle School's seventh and eighth-grade volleyball teams for the upcoming spring season.

Interested student-athletes must have a current physical and signed copy of the R-2 Code of Conduct before being able to try out.

Tryouts will begin on Monday, Jan. 30 for seventh graders from

3:30-5:00 p.m., at Owensville Elementary with eighth-grade tryouts also at OMS from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Tryouts will conclude on Wednesday, Jan. 31 for eighth-graders at Owensville Elementary School from 3:30-5:00 p.m., and for seventh graders from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Shorts, a T-shirt, tennis shoes and knee pads (if you have them) will be necessary for tryouts.

A mandatory parent meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the OES commons after the first practice of the season.

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scored St. James 36-15 the rest of the game to post a convincing 56-24 victory over the visiting Tigers.

Doing his damage in the paint, Bryce Payne nearly outscored St. James by himself pouring in a game-high 20 points. Charlie Whelan scored eight of his 12 points in the first half to join Payne in double figures for the Dutchmen.

Reese Rehmer added seven points followed by five points each from Rane Rehmer and Will Lauth.

Austin Luecke added a fourth-quarter 3-pointer for three points. Rounding out the scoring with two points apiece for the seventh-grade Dutchmen were the Slinkard brothers in Logan and Dillon.

Bruce Panetz's and Jet's Dutchmen will conclude their season Thursday in the third-place game of the Sullivan Tournament at 6:15 p.m., against the loser of the Hermann-St. James game tonight (Wednesday) at 6:45 p.m., at Sullivan Middle School

8th grade vs. St. James

Taking a 17-9 halftime lead Thursday night at OES, Kris Altemeyer's eighth-grade Dutchmen outscored St. James 26-14 in the

second half to complete the sweep of the Tigers by a score of 43-24.

Derek Brandt (6) and Landon Valley (5) combined for 11 of OMS' 15 first-quarter points helping them to a 15-4 lead after one quarter.

In spite of a Logan Evans basket to account for the second-quarter scoring for Owensville, the Dutchmen went into halftime with the lead.

Doubling their point total in the third quarter, OMS took a 34-15 lead into the final six minutes behind nine third-quarter points from Brendan Decker.

Scoring nine fourth-quarter points from four different Dutchmen, Owensville ended their regular season on a winning note.

Last night (Tuesday) in their St. Clair Tournament opener against St. James, OMS once again defeated the Tigers by a score of 47-21.

Tonight (Wednesday) in the semifinals at St. Clair, Altemeyer's Dutchmen will face Union at 6:15 p.m. A win there would put them in the title game on Thursday, Jan. 25 against Sullivan at 7:30 p.m., while a loss would send them to the third-place game against Pacific at 6:15 p.m.

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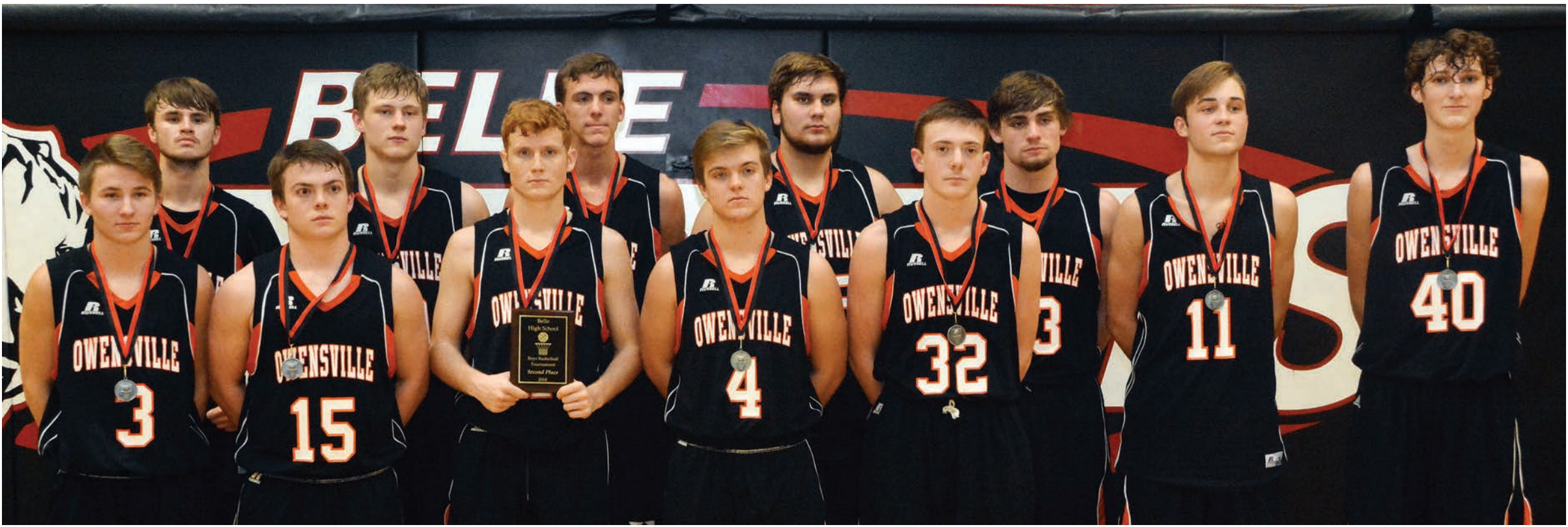
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OWENSVILLE DUTCHMEN basketball players (above) pose with their second-place plaque and medals following their 67-55 championship-game loss to Belle Tigers Saturday during the 2nd Annual Belle Boys Basketball Tournament. Team members (above, from left) pictured include Seth Mayberry, Trevor Abernathy, Kory Bauer, Jay Copeland, Daxton Mehrhoff, Cason Gray and Michael Lahmeyer; and in back, Sean Irwin, Brady Smith, Tony Terry, Jr., Jarret Payne and Wyatt Ellis.

PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON

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against the Tigers. Down 42-22 following another Brett Butler bucket, OHS went on a 13-2 run cutting Belle's lead back into single digits by a score of 44-35 with 2:21 for the third quarter capped by a pair of Gray free throws.

Answering with a 6-2 run, the Tigers pulled back ahead by double digits going into the fourth quarter, 50-37.

Only able to get as close as 13 on two occasions in the fourth quarter, Owensville saw Belle's Tiger even up their Highway 28 season series at one win apiece.

Doing equal damage in both halves, Belle's Skylar Smith led all scorers with 23 points before being named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) of the tournament based on voting by all six coaches from Belle, Owensville, Missouri Military Academy, Chamois and South Callaway.

Brett Butler followed Skylar in double figures with 19 points. Doubling his first-half point total in the second half, Gray led the Dutchmen offense with a team-high 14 points.

Michael Lahmeyer joined Gray in double figures with 10 points while Sean Irwin just missed double digits with nine points. He also pulled down a team-high eight rebounds.

Kory Bauer nearly posted a double double putting up eight points and seven rebounds. Ellis added six points and six rebounds followed closely by Brady Smith with four points and seven rebounds.

Tony Terry Jr., and Trevor Abernathy rounded out the OHS scoring against Belle with two points each.

Oddy enough, Owensville and

Belle will face off one more time this season on Monday, Jan. 29 as part of a Highway 28 tripleheader at Owensville High School.

It will begin at 5 p.m., with a freshman boy's game to make up the originally scheduled showdown from Tuesday, Jan. 16 that was canceled due to winter weather.

Following the freshman boys, the varsity girls along with varsity boy's teams from Belle and Owensville will face off with Highway 28 hardwood bragging rights on the line.

During pool play at Belle, Rehmer's Dutchmen avenged an earlier loss to Cuba and upset the top-seeded Chamois Pirates.

Opening the Belle Tournament Thursday night against Cuba, OHS edged the Wildcats 17-15 after one quarter before outscoring Cuba 48-28 the rest of their 65-43 victory.

Limiting Cuba senior Levi Mitchell to 11 points, Owensville got a career-high 26 points from senior Sean Irwin.

One of three Dutchmen in double figures against Cuba, Irwin was followed with 15 points by Wyatt Ellis and 10 markers from Brady Smith.

Cason Gray nearly made it four Dutchmen in double digits putting in eight points for OHS.

In Owensville's 52-47 win over a Chamois team losing Aaron Brandt to an injured ankle, Gray scored eight of his team-high 13 points in the first half.

Irwin followed his 26-point effort scoring all 10 points against the Pirates in the second half.

Catching fire from the charity stripe, Owensville nailed eight free throws in a row in the final :38 to hold on for the win over Chamois.

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