

36 pages of letters to Santa, holiday greeting messages, and Christmas photographs inside.

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Merry Christmas Republican

Bree Daniels is among 31 children celebrating 'Baby's First Christmas.' See Page 10.



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Christmas greetings from 'The Wright Place'

A variety of religious and Christmas toy themes are featured in an extensive lighting display at the Frank and Linda Wright residence, 1222 Wright Road, in the northwest corner of Crawford County. The display, which illuminates their residence, a large yard, and a wooded area across the road, takes about three weeks to set up, said Linda. "Frank does all the ornaments and displays in the yard. I wrap the trees," she said. "It means so much and warms our hearts to hear all the nice comments." Set up began Thanksgiving weekend. The display is dismantled starting Dec. 26.



More long-term R-2 educators submit retirement notices as 2017 closes

BY DAVE MARNER
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Five more long-time Gasconade County R-2 School District educators have filed notices of retirement this month.

R-2 Board of Education directors on Monday accepted resignations effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year from high school teachers Jean Baker (vocal music) and Sherri White (art) and Owensville Elementary teachers Carla McKinney (Title 1 intervention), Valery Wright (kindergarten) and Lori Nolen (fourth grade). Oleta Rhoads, who has taught high school language arts in the district this year, will also retire next spring to conclude a 29-year teaching career.

They join three high school teachers who submitted retirement notices in November including Connie Warden (director of library

sciences for the district), Mike Koepke (vocational agriculture) and Patricia Peets (language arts).

Mark "Pete" Jett, physical education instructor at Gerald Elementary, also submitted a resignation letter last month.

Combined, these educators have 188.5 years of teaching service in the district and 274.5 years of classroom experience overall.

Warden has been teaching or handling librarian duties across the district for 31 years. She has been at the high school the past 15 years. Wright has several taught different grades between both elementary schools for 26.5 years. McKinney and Jett have been in elementary education locally for 24 years each with McKinney preparing to cap off 32 years in Missouri education.

White has taught art at Owensville High School for 22 years and 29 years overall including three years each in New Haven

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Peaceful Valley takes possession of city's storm-warning sirens

Two storm-warning sirens declared surplus when the city of Owensville purchased new units earlier this year have been donated to the Peaceful Valley Lake community and one will be installed early in 2018.

Both sirens were removed on Monday through an agreement reached between the city and the lake community's ownership association. Lake resident Randy Fuller said the project was an cooperative effort between the county's emergency management director, Kris Bayless, Owensville's Board of Aldermen and Mayor John Kamlar, and Owensville Fire Chief Curtis Aytes.

Fuller provided research which noted the sirens were originally installed in Owensville in 1983 and were recently taken out of service when the new sirens were installed. One unit will be installed near the Peaceful Valley maintenance buildings and the other will be retained for spare parts.

Three Rivers Electric Coop donated the pole required for the new location and performed the work to install the pole. Three Rivers linemen also removed the old units from their pole mounts.

Fuller said the \$3,000 cost associated with the project was covered by the city. See **Storm sirens** page 3



PHOTO BY DAVE MARNER

THREERIVERS Electric Cooperative lineman Shannon Curran unbolts the storm-warning siren from its mount at Memorial Park on Monday. The siren will be relocated in early 2018 to a new pole being set by Three Rivers near the Peaceful Valley Lake community's maintenance building. The city replaced its sirens earlier this year.

Gasconade County Clerk begins canvass of voter registrations

Missouri Photo ID law in effect here in April 2018

Gasconade County Clerk Lesa Lietzow and her staff are currently conducting a canvass of voter registration records as required every two years.

In an effort to identify those voters who have moved within Gasconade County, or no longer reside within the county, every active registered voter in Gasconade County will be receiving a new Voter Identification Card within the next week.

The county has over 10,000 registered voters.

"If you move to a different address within the county, contact our office to make an address change and we will send you a new card," according to Lietzow. "If you have a name change, you will need to re-register as we need your new signature on file. If you move to a different county, you will need to re-register in that county, but also let us know so we can cancel your registration in Gasconade County."

All voter registration questions should be directed to the Gasconade County Clerk's Office at 573-286-5427, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by email at gasconade@sos.mo.gov. You may also mail your request to Lietzow at 119 E. 1st Street, Room 2, Hermann, Mo., 65041.

"We also want to take this opportunity to remind every registered voter that when going to the polls, beginning April 2018, you will need to show photo ID," said Lietzow. "This new Missouri law, approved by voters, went into effect June 1, 2017, and this will be the first implementation in Gasconade County."

There is more than one option of acceptable photo ID. Acceptable forms of identification include a Missouri driver's license or a Missouri non-driver license,

passport, military ID or federal/state of Missouri photo ID with signature. If you do not possess one of these forms of ID, the Secretary of State's Office will help you obtain one for free by calling the ShowIt-2Vote hotline toll free at 1-866-868-3245 or by emailing ShowIt2Vote@sos.mo.gov.

If you show up at the polls on election day without photo ID, you will still be able to vote, as long as you are properly registered, and show another acceptable form of ID, such as the Voter Identification Card referred to above. In addition, you will have to sign a statement that you are aware of the Photo ID law.

From the Missouri Secretary of State: If you are a registered voter, you can vote. Here's how:

- Option 1:** Voter presents ONE of any of the following forms of photo ID: Driver license; non-driver license; passport; military ID; non-expired identification issued by the U.S. government or state of Missouri containing a photograph and signature. Voter receives a regular ballot.

- Option 2:** Voter appears without photo ID but has one of the following forms of acceptable identification: Voter registration card, ID from a Missouri university, college, vocational or technical school, utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, other government document showing your name and address. Voter signs statement and receives a regular ballot.

- Option 3:** Voter appears with NO form of identification AND is registered: Voter receives a blue Provisional Ballot envelope and places ballot in the envelope.



PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON

Kindergarten 'reindeers' deliver songs to business district

Owensville Elementary School kindergarten students and teachers continued a recent tradition on Friday of visiting downtown businesses and singing Christmas carols. Among their stops was the Owensville Branch of Scenic Regional Library. See our Christmas greeting section for additional coverage of holiday activities including school choirs.

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City ponders monthly Ameren pole policy

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Dutch girls 5th at Sullivan

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"I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year." — CHARLES DICKENS



SEASONAL COMMENTARY

Editor's 1897 message of hope still stands the test of time

BY THOMAS C. WARDEN
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Note: The editorial page format is somewhat altered this week so The Republican staff can present these traditional Christmas stories and editorial comments.

Francis B. Church, editor of the New York Sun in 1897, printed his reply to a little girl's question, "Is there a Santa Claus?" And "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus!" was born.

It has gained literary immortality because the message is as fresh and relevant today as it was a 119 years ago when he wrote it.

"In all this world," wrote Church, "there is nothing else as real and abiding" as Christmas. He was referring to a tradition of love and caring — the embodiment of Santa Claus — that embraces the spirit of the occasion... a celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, the one individual in the history of civilization who has done more than any other to alter, guide and influence human affairs and conduct.

As in years past, these are not the best of times for the nation. Our resolve is still being tested in the Mideast and in other areas of conflict. Men and women in the armed forces are still on foreign shores during this most solemn observance. On the domestic front we are governed by new administrations which are still being tested — both at the state and national levels.

Christmas, perhaps, could not arrive at a better time, for it is an occasion

that unites the nation and solidifies and strengthens the bonds that have made America, despite shortcomings and occasional distractions, the most advanced nation in recorded human history. Still, we should not forget that millions of our people are homeless, millions are without adequate medical care, and millions are without decent jobs.

Heart disease, cancer and other terrible afflictions menace our people — young and old alike — and as a nation we must renew our dedication to finding cures that are available to everyone, rich or poor, young or old. Rays of hope, nevertheless, shine through the dark clouds, and we should not overlook the good things that take place. Locally, we have a school district that is dedicated to educating our young people; Operation Christmas has again been successful; our police and fire protection and ambulance services are high quality agencies.

Good news reminds us that indeed we have ample reason to be thankful when we sit down for a Christmas meal and thank our Creator for the bounty we enjoy.

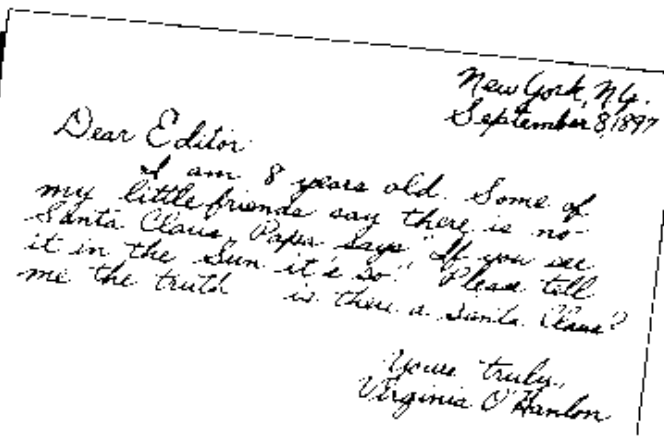
Much remains to be done before we can lay claim to being a truly benevolent people. Still, we must hope and pray that the spirit of Christmas prepares each of us for the challenges of a new millennium.

In spite of those cynics whose materialistic world denies such beliefs, there is indeed a Santa Claus... and it is in this realization that the staff of *The Republican* wishes our readers and advertisers a "Merry Christmas!"

Yes, Virginia



There Is a Santa Claus!



"Yes, indeed!

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age — they do not believe except what they see — they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible to their little minds.

"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

"He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the

chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see.

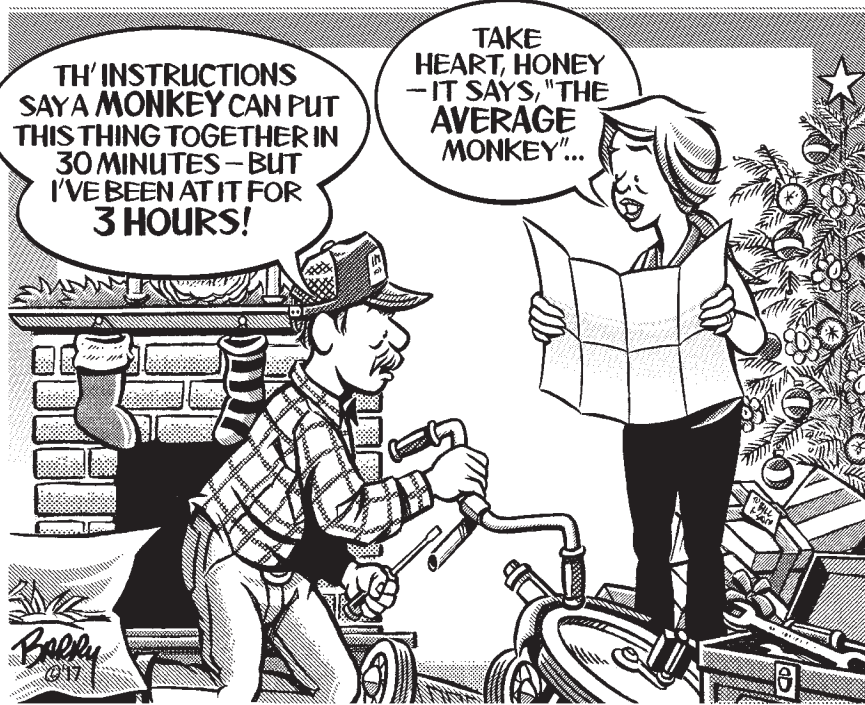
"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there — nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men, that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty of all glory beyond.

"Is it all real? — ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever — a thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the hearts of childhood."

— Francis B. Church, *The New York Sun*



GOING SOUTH

All I want for Christmas is...

Dear Santa, I've been a good boy this year so here's my Christmas wish list. My eyesight back, my hearing back, my strength back, my missing tooth back, my digestive system restored along with the ability to sleep through the night. Oh, and all the money I've spent needlessly over this lifetime on worthless stuff that I didn't need.

Okay, that's enough for me now on to the important stuff. I want all the hungry people, especially children, not to have to go hungry ever again. I want those children who are abandoned to find someone to love them, care for them, guide them and teach them. I want abused children to find a loving home. It also would be nice if childhood diseases disappeared forever.

I want teachers to have a decent salary and the resources necessary for them to teach. I want teachers and kids to feel safe in school, safe on the streets and safe at home. As for that matter, I want everyone to feel safe in malls, airports, train stations and on any public transportation.

I want karma to visit with a vengeance all greedy corporations, CEOs and politicians. For that matter, I want the people

by **BOB MCKEE**



we elect to city, county, state and federal offices to think about the people they represent instead of the lobbyists and big donors to their campaigns.

I want an end to the "Us versus Them" syndrome because we're all in it together. I want people with open minds to engage in civil discourse without resorting to name calling and unfounded accusations hurled at their opponents even when they hold opposing views on subjects, policies or ideas.

Now Santa, old friend, this next one is tough but I think you can do it even if it takes a few years. I want an end to this country's dangerous addiction to drugs, especially opioids and heroin. You don't realize how many lives you could save

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HOMETOWN BOY

Herbicide know-how value shot up at crop conference

The 2017 Crop Management Conference gained value more than ever this year.

The MU Extension winter meeting of the year drew some 300 to Columbia last week. More farmers must hear the ideas for the coming crop year.

The keynote was on "The Dicamba Dilemma: Where to..."

The two-day fee for farmers is \$100. Long ago, I worried that cost would cut attendance.

A farmer set me straight: "If I don't learn to grow more bushels of soybeans to pay for that, I wasted my time coming."

That was before beans doubled in price.

As Kevin Bradley, MU Extension weed scientist, told how to avoid off-target damage from herbicide, the dollar value of safety shot up. The Missouri Department of Agriculture released news of fines on the first damage to neighbors' crops.

The fines ranged from \$1,500 to \$62,250. Heeding Bradley's words of advice

worth gained right then. Every soybean farmer must learn the cost of stray herbicide. That's from using the wrong chemical or not applying it right.

There were many more hours of teaching than Bradley's keynote. But, he got worked up over missteps made last crop year. New rules apply this year.

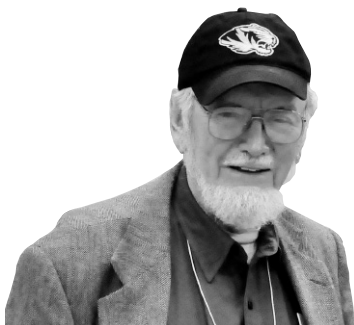
At the meeting, leaflets announced in-person meetings coming in January.

Those state fines announced covered just a few early off-target killings in 2016 in one county. Many more fines, probably huge, will come. Learning correct usage becomes profitable.

More serious than money are conflicts brought between neighbors. Already one gunshot death has been alleged for off-target damage.

Between meetings, an MU agronomist told me of alleged damage to a 1,700-acre soybean field in the Missouri River bottom. With the price of beans, think of dollar-loss potential there. Think of the potential fine?

His comment reminds me: Much learning comes from talks



by **DUANE DAILEY**

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CAPITOL PERSPECTIVES

New perspectives into the commissioner's firing

BY PHILL BROOKS

Since the ouster of Missouri's education commissioner, there have been two developments that add some context to this issue.

One involves the governor's failure to cite a specific reason for his efforts to get the state's top education leader fired.

Initially, the governor issued a statement raising general objections to the education system without citing any specific failures of the state's education commissioner.

But the governor may have filled in a missing context during a session with rural newspaper journalists a few days after Greitens' Education Board appointees cast the deciding votes to fire Vandeven.

"What is it specifically that Margie Vandeven had done or didn't do that warranted your efforts to have her removed," I asked.

The governor's response echoed his earlier statements that education is heading in the wrong direction, criticizing both student achievement numbers and school administrator salaries. His failure to cite a specific reason prompted me to do something I've taught my students to avoid — using a question to put words into the mouth of a news source.

Too many times, we make the mistake of reporting something from a news source in which the terminology attributed to the source actually began with the words in the questions we asked. But I thought Greitens' general non-response to a specific question warranted an exception to the rule against putting words in a source's mouth.

So, I asked, "am I hearing you say that essentially your problem with the former commissioner is a failure to lead?"

"There is a failure to get results," was the governor's immediate response.

Bingo. For the first time, a specific reason.

You may or may not agree, but there's now a specific issue for debate.

Vandeven's supporters argue she shouldn't be held responsible for things beyond her control.

But Greitens is not the first public figure I've heard say that leaders are expected to lead and seek changes they don't have direct power to make.

That session with the governor illustrates how public leaders can benefit from exposing themselves, on a regular basis, to the tough questions from journalists.

So many times I've found that tough questions can help them refine their answers to make what they really mean more understandable to the general public.

It's not my job as a journalist to help politicians improve their answers.

But it is my responsibility to try, as best I can, to seek to understand and report what they mean.

Sometimes, that requires putting

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ated with the oversight and actual removal and installation will be covered by a donation from a Peaceful Valley resident who asked to remain anonymous.

"The siren coverage will be much greater than Peaceful Valley property and will include about 25 neighboring residences and businesses," said Fuller. "The siren will be tested, weather permitting, the first Monday of each month at 11 a.m. and will be controlled by the Gasconade County E-911 office, which also controls the sirens in the city of Owensville."

Fuller said Outdoor Warning Consultants of Jefferson City was assisting in the removal and installation process.

Units removed included sirens at Memorial Park under the water tower and the one at the corner of First and Franklin. The park siren is being put back into service.



by PHILL BROOKS

words in their mouths, as long as I start the question with something akin to "did you mean..." to make clear the purpose of my question.

How different might have been the critical stories about the governor's efforts to oust the education commissioner if his explanation had been a "failure to get results" — rather than the governor's Education Board appointees walking out of the meeting refusing comment.

The state auditor added another context to this education issue a few days after Vandeven's dismissal.

Democrat Nicole Galloway's education audit contained data that backed one of the Republican governor's main arguments about education administrator salaries. The audit reported that spending for public school administration rose faster than teaching in recent years.

That's the governor's argument.

But the audit also found that for charter schools, which Greitens supports, administrative costs also were rising faster than teaching.

All this foreshadows what I suspect will be a major issue for the 2018 legislative session — one beyond confirmation of the education board members who voted to fire Vandeven.

Should the state be tampering with the salaries of local schools?

One state Education Board member warned that pitting the salaries of teachers against administrators disrupted school boards.

Should the state expand the number of charter schools or strengthen their standards?

The overriding issue involves diverting public funds from traditional public schools to charter schools, private online courses and vouchers for private education.

Some suggest that given Greitens' significant campaign funding from school-choice advocates, one of his real motivations has been to transform the Missouri Education Department into an agency more supportive of alternatives to local public schools.

It's all going to make for what I suspect will be a fascinating 2018 legislative session.

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and at the same time eliminate that terrible heartache every addict's family goes through.

If you think that one's tough wait until you read the next one on my list. I wish for true peace on earth, an earth where people of one faith don't think they have to eliminate people of other faiths. You can do it, man.

That about completes my Christmas list although I've probably forgotten something. And if you need to forget about the things I wished for myself at the beginning of this letter in order to get the rest of my list accomplished then feel free to ignore the first paragraph.

Be safe on your rounds.



PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER

That's winner

Owensville Middle School Geography Bee contestant Kiana Guerrero is hugged by Emily Nichols on Friday after being eliminated from the contest as Peyton Adams, April Jahnsen, Natalie Gray, Josie Wilka, Gabby Hale and Lacie Clark applaud her effort. Caden Binkhoelter (seated, on left) applauds as Nathan Hughey is announced as the runner-up. Binkhoelter advances to take a written test in an attempt to qualify for the next round in the state contest. Hughey won the event last year for OMS.



Timely R-2 bond refinancing in November yields savings of \$382,000 on interest

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Work last month to refinance Gasconade County R-2 School District bond debt has paid off with more than a \$382,000 savings in interest payments following a good day at market, according to Superintendent Dr. Chuck Garner.

"When we first started, we thought we were going to be able to generate \$150,000 worth of savings, and then going through their bonding legal council, we thought we could do almost all the bonds and were hoping for around \$300,000," Garner said. "Then we had a really good day at market and we are going to save a little over \$382,000 in interest payments, which is a 5.3 percent savings."

Garner on Monday complimented the board on being good stewards of the tax payers' money.

Revenues are coming in slightly ahead of what the district budgeted also, and Garner said the district's

financials are right where they need to be.

Internet use monitoring program implemented

The district is also piloting a new program GoGuardian to help monitor student electronic devices in the middle and high school. The program allows the teachers to see where the kids are in the classroom on the Chromebooks and gives them the ability to lock things down.

"As we go more and more online in testing, if you think about this, the ability to open a tab and look something up while testing, and then close that tab before anyone knows that," Garner said. "This GoGuardian allows us to shut that down so the only site available is the testing site."

The district would like to have the new program in place on campus in the January 2018 semester.

New screening tools

Also new in testing, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jeri K. Hardy explained i-Ready, the adaptive diagnostic assessment used to

measure student's learning, may help the district test students for dyslexia without purchasing another screener.

Garner said the district tested 55 students for the Workkeys program. "We will know in a couple of weeks about how those kids did on their assessment," Garner said.

Attendance percentages for Dec. 4-8 and Dec. 11-15 are slightly down due to illness. "In most buildings we are still hovering at the 90 to 94 percent," Garner said. "So it is lower than what we normally run."

The situation was being monitored closely this week. Classes are dismissed at 1 p.m. Thursday for the district's Christmas break.

Directors awarded a contract "in the amount not to exceed \$10,342" to Dry Fork Steel & Supply to replace the existing fence and add fencing to close off the Owensville Elementary School playground area from delivery vehicle and parental traffic at the rear service entrance. Existing fencing is being replaced due to its deteriorated condition.

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and St. Clair. Nolen has spent 20 of her 28 years in an OES classroom. The other eight were spent in Illinois.

Baker has spent 16 years of her 32 years as an educator in the R-2 district with 22 years in Missouri schools and 10 in West Virginia.

Koepke and Peets have both been at OHS for 12 years. Koepke will be leaving after 26 years in vo-ag education including his eight years at St. James and six in Steelville. Peets taught another four years in Missouri prior to joining the OHS staff.

R-2 directors also accepted resignations from two administrators.

John Fortney, assistant principal at the high school, will be leaving to take the high school principal's position at Monroe City, Mo.

Kent Sherrow, who is completing his fourth year as principal at OES, is departing at the end of the school year to take a superintendent's position in Viburnum.

"Living the dream," said Sherrow on Tuesday. "I'm pretty excited. They have so many good things going on in their school. So many positive things going on in their community. I'm very excited."

Sherrow is completing his 22nd year in education and is happy with what has been accomplished here.

"Our school had a lot of growth this past year and I just want to keep that going," he said as he prepares for a family relocation and the new challenge as a superintendent.

R-2 directors also voted to accept the resignations of Hillary Blasko as the high school dance team's coach, and Rita Lough, an OES evening custodian. Directors also voted to employee retired teacher Denise Peth as a substitute teacher, Julie Aytes as a substitute cook, and Milisa Scott as a substitute Aide.

Crystal Ely and Kayla Lowder were also offered faculty positions for the 2018-19 school year. Glenn Ely abstained from voting.

MSHP makes felony warrant arrests of locals

The Missouri State Highway Patrol reports the felony warrant arrests this past week of an Owensville man and a woman from Rosebud.

Darrin L. Cantlon, 51, Owensville, was arrested at 3:39 p.m. Dec. 14 in Gasconade County where he faces felony driving while intoxicated charges as an aggravated offender. He is scheduled to be arraigned Jan. 10. A cash or surety bond was set at \$5,000 and Cantlon was ordered not to consume or possess alcohol, according to court records.

He has also been charged with the class A misdemeanor alleging driving while revoked or suspended in the Patrol's case dated Sept. 17.

At 11:45 a.m. Sunday, Alisha A. Frankenberg, 39, Rosebud, was arrested by the MSHP in Franklin County on an outstanding Franklin County arrest warrant alleging the class D felony possession of a controlled substance. She is also charged with a class D misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia stemming from a July 9 case filed by the St. Clair Police Department. She was also charged with a class A misdemeanor count alleging resisting arrest.

Bond was originally set at \$10,000 but was amended to \$5,000, according to court records.

A warrant for her arrest was issued Nov. 14, according to court records.

She was taken to the Franklin County Adult Detention Center in Union following her arrest.

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Winter’s children found at Owensville theater

At the annual Christmas Celebration, presented by the Owensville Regional Arts Council, four area children performed a short skit by J.D. Moore entitled “Winter’s Children.” Playing winter’s children were Ruvia Nowack (left photo right) as the wind; Fritzlan Nowack (top left) as frost; Jayden Hubbard (top center) as snow; Colton Hecht (top right) as ice; and Matthew McMahan (center, photo right) as winter. The skit was held Friday and Saturday preceding the play “Christmas Comes to Detroit Louie.” Photos of the play can be found in the Christmas section on page 5C.

PHOTOS BY DENNIS WARDEN



PAGES FROM OUR PAST

For the good of society ~ 1977

55 years ago - Dec. 20, 1962
County Treasurer for 24 years retires from post



A. M. “Mickey” Neumann will retire from the office of treasurer Dec. 31 after holding the position for 24 years. He was elected treasurer in 1938, and has been returned to the office five additional times. He was not a candidate for re-election this year.

45 years ago - Dec. 20, 1972
Federal Revenue Sharing program



Owensville City Treasurer, Mrs. Henrietta Berger, holds a check for \$9,863, representing the initial payment to the city under the federal revenue sharing program. The check is approximately half of the city’s 1972 share of the federal funds. The balance of the first year revenue sharing payment will be received in January. The five-year Revenue Sharing Program was enacted by Congress and signed into law Oct. 0, 1972, by President Richard M. Nixon. “Because he law is retroactive to the first of the year,” President Nixon said in a letter accompanying the check, “this disbursement covers the period from January through June.”

Do you remember those glorious years
In the Dec. 20, 1972, issue of The Republican,

the Sports section featured it’s own “blast from the past” highlighting Owensville Dutchmen basketball triumphs and tales from the prior five, 10, 15 and 20 years. The memories cited were as follows:

Five years prior (1967): All five of Owensville’s starters scored in double figures, but the Dutchmen still lost 92-87 to St. Clair in a game marred by 56 fouls. For Owensville, Gary Wenkel scored 18 pointsm Jerry Spurgeon 15, Dave Plassmeyer and Doug Bloemke 14 each and Bob Idel 11 as they lost their ninth straight.

10 years prior (1962): The Dutchmen’s conference mark fell to 2 and 4 as St. Clair beat them 52-48 despit sophomore Bill Graves’ 19 points. Their overall record fell to eight wins and six losses.

15 years prior (1957): Owensville dropped a close 72 to 67 decision to St. Francis Borgia in a non-conference game. Larry Duncan with 21 points and Jon Knehans with 20 topped the Dutchmen while Dieckhaus scored 23 to lead St. Francis. Norman Stuckenschneider, present Carps Store manager, scored 9 points for the Knights of Coach Ray DeGreeff.

20 years prior (1952): Owensville easily beat Cherryville 81 to 38 as Coach Charles Tomeite’s team improved their conference mark to seven and two. Butch Uffmann scored 21 points and Glenn Brandt, David Dyhouse, and Jim Decker added 15 points each.

40 years ago - Dec. 2, 1977
R-2 schools to administer state BEST quiz next year

Eighth graders in the R-2 School District will be among the first Missouri public school students to take the state’s new Basic Essential Skills Test (BEST) next spring.

Missouri’s BEST program is the outgrowth of an increasing national concern for educational accountability and the move toward development of competency-based standards of educational attainment. Two years of research and study went into development of the BEST, which all eighth graders will have to take beginning with the 1978-1979 school year.

Sample questions for the BEST might include the following:

1. “Dissolve before taking” on the label of a medicine bottle means that you:
A. Drink water before taking the medicine
B. Mix the medicine with water
C. Shake the bottle
D. Take the medicine at bedtime

2. To learn about jobs that are available, to which section of a newspaper would you turn?
A. Classified ads
B. Editorial page
C. Sports page
D. Society page

3. Mr. Kelly just bought a new car, but he has a problem. If he would have an accident he would not have enough money to pay for the damage. Of the choices below, what should he do?
A. Buy a second automobile
B. Buy an automobile insurance policy
C. Open a savings account
D. Open a checking account

Among the reasons cited for the questions on the test was concern “not only with the students

being able to function for their own good, but also for the good of society.”

35 years ago - Dec. 22, 1982
Donations for floods



Lois Gaska, left, and May Landwehr sort through some of the hundreds of items donated by local residents to help victims of the early December floods. The two women organized the local flood victim relief program and reported a “tremendous response.”

20 years ago - Dec. 24, 1997
I don’t care who he is...



Eighteen-month-old Hannah Baehr wants nothing to do with Santa Claus even as her grandmother, Republican staffer Ruth Jost, reassures her. Hannah, the daughter of Steve and Linda Baehr, was one of about 300 children who visited Santa, most of them willingly, at the fire house Saturday.

15 years ago - Dec. 25, 2002
Moose Lodge celebrates 52nd year



Members of the Owensville Loyal Order of Moose Lodge No. 878 celebrated the local lodge’s 52nd anniversary. Founded Dec. 3, 1950, the 106 original members began meeting in the old Masonic Building on the northeast corner of Springfield Road and Peters Avenue. Dues were \$6 a year and the only charter member from that original 106 who has kept his membership current is Floyd Schlottog, according to the lodge’s membership ledger. Since the year 2000, with an increase in activities for lodge members and their families, there has been a resurgence in membership which now (circa 2002) numbers 695 including Women of the Moose members.

Births 11/22/2017



Magnus Dean Hingtgen
KC and Drew Hingtgen of Rochester, N.Y., wish to announce the birth of their son Magnus Dean Hingtgen, born Nov. 22, 2017, in Rochester, N.Y. Magnus weighed 7 pounds at birth and was length 20.5 inches long. Grandparents are Dennis and Margaret Frahm of Owensville and Chuck and Betty Marks of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Great-grandmother is Jean Koenig of Owensville.

Dazzle your guests with Kraft’s holiday cheese tree

People come from ‘round the world to gather with family during the Christmas holiday. Whether small or big, your guests will surely enjoy Kraft’s holiday cheese tree at your get-together. This recipe is easy to make and will look great on your appetizer table, while it lasts.



Holiday Cheese Tree
24 servings

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| 16 oz. | Philadelphia cream cheese (softened) |
| 8 oz. | Kraft shredded sharp cheddar cheese |
| 2 tbsp. | chopped red bell peppers, divided |
| 1 tbsp. | finely chopped onions |
| 2 tsp. | Lea & Perrins Worcestershire sauce |
| 1 tsp. | lemon juice |
| dash | ground red pepper (cayenne) |
| 1/4 c. | Classico traditional basil pesto sauce |

Beat cream cheese and cheddar cheese in small bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until well blended. Add 1 tbsp. of the bell peppers, the onions, Worcestershire sauce, lemon juice and ground red pepper; mix well. Cover. Refrigerate several hours or overnight. Spoon 2-1/2 cups of the cheese mixture onto large serving platter; shape into triangular shape to resemble a Christmas tree. Spoon remaining cheese mixture at the base of the triangle for the trunk. Decorate with the pesto and the remaining 1 tbsp. bell peppers. Serve as a spread with Ritz crackers.

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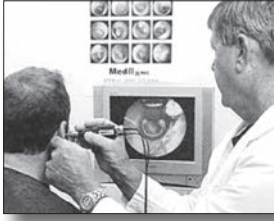
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AREA OBITUARIES

Hazel Dority



Hazel Myrl Dority, 91, Owensville, died Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017, at Missouri Veteran's Home in St. James.

He was preceded in death by parents, Samuel and Etta Mae (Rayl) Dority, in Crittenden.

He was united in marriage to Pearl (LaVern) Braden, Aug. 23, 1946, at Marshall.

Hazel (Myrl) served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as Seaman Second Class earning an American Area Medal, a Victory Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Medal. After serving in the military he became a supervisor for Banquet Foods until his retirement. He was a member of the American Legion and was known for his passion of collecting decorative roosters.

He was preceded in death by parents, Samuel and Etta Mae; son, Curtis Earl Dority; brothers, William, Floyd, Noel, Earl, Jessie, Lloyd and Wilbert Dority; sisters, Flossie Dority, Grace Fern Braden, Neva Long and Adeline Dority.

He is survived by wife, Pearl; son, Pastor Leslie Dority and wife Wanda of Owensville; sister, Stella Wright of Marshall; granddaughters, Christine McDonald and husband Matt, Heather Mincks and husband Steve and Stephanie Dority; and great-grandchildren, Kayden and Hailey Mincks and Abigail and Aiden McDonald.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Dec. 19, at Gottenstroeter Funeral Home in Owensville with Pastor Larry Harris officiating. Burial was in Stover Cemetery in Stover.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

Lee Fries



Lee Ann Fries, 72, Hermann, died Thursday, Dec. 14, 2017, at Frene Valley of Hermann Stone-bridge.

She was born May 27, 1945, to Edwin and Ellen (Schindler) Haefner, in Hermann.

She was united in marriage to Larry P. Fries Sr., June 30, 1962, at Swiss Evangelical Church in Swiss.

Lee Ann drove a school bus for Gasconade County R-1 School District for many years and also worked at Frene Valley Health Center for over 23 years. She was a member of Swiss Evangelical Reformed Church.

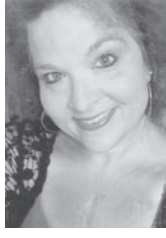
She was preceded in death by parents, Edwin and Ellen; daughter, Mary Louise Fries; and brother, Kenneth Haefner.

She is survived by husband, Larry of Bland; daughter, Sandra Rogers and husband David of O'Fallon; sons, Larry Fries Jr. of Bland, Christopher Fries and wife Jane of New Haven and Scott Fries and wife Jessica of Owensville; daughter, Robin Overkamp and husband Clinton of Hermann; sister, Edna Mae Pohlmann and husband Melvin of Hermann; brother, Joy Haefner and wife Cindy of Hermann; and 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 18, at Swiss Evangelical Reformed Church, Swiss, with Pastor Darrel Decker officiating. Burial was at Swiss Evangelical Reformed Cemetery. Memorials may be given to family's choice.

Arrangements entrusted to Toedtman & Grosse Funeral Home, Hermann.

Tracy Gabathuler



Tracy Michele Gabathuler, 45, Hermann, died Sunday, Dec. 17, 2017 at her home.

She was born Oct. 21, 1972, to Curley Powers Sr. and Janet (Kohn) Roush, in Chillicothe, Ohio.

She was united in marriage to Mark Gabathuler, Nov. 6, 1993, at St. Paul United Church of Christ, Hermann.

Tracy was a member of Full Gospel Tabernacle Church of Owensville where she was the church secretary and the children's church director. She owned and operated FishnDoodleyardart.

She adored her children and loved spending time with her nieces and nephews. She loved horses, cats and dogs and enjoyed painting and playing the drums.

She is survived by father, Curley Powers Sr. and wife Regina of Chillicothe, Ohio; mother, Janet (Kohn) Roush and husband Murl of Hermann; husband, Mark, of the home; children, Faith Viola and Noah Glen Gabathuler, both of the home; brothers, Curley Glen Powers Jr. and wife Gerry of Mansfield, Texas, and Richard Powers and wife Sarah of Hermann; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Glen and Joyce Gabathuler of Hermann; sisters-in-law, Lynn Corbin and husband Mike of Spring Hill, Kan., and Julie Gabathuler of Hermann; brother-in-law, Mike Gabathuler of Olathe, Kan.; nephew, Tristan Corbin; and nieces, Courtney Corbin, Kaylyn, Jillian and Alaina Powers and Harper Gabathuler.

Visitation will be held (today) Wednesday, Dec. 20, from 4-8 p.m. at Toedtman & Grosse Funeral Home, Hermann, with funeral services following Thursday, Dec. 21, at 11 a.m.

Memorials may be given to Children's Youth Fund for the pavilion at Full Gospel Tabernacle Church. Arrangements entrusted to Toedtman & Grosse Funeral Home, Hermann.

Terry James

Terry Lee James, 61, Belle, died Thursday, Nov. 30, 2017, at University Hospital in Columbia.

He was born Nov. 11, 1956, to Oscar Jr. and Goldie (Evans) James, in St. Louis.

Terry served in the U.S. Navy. He was preceded in death by father, Oscar James Jr. and wife, Arla Sue James.

He is survived by mother, Goldie Farris of Union; brother, Garry James of Bland; sisters, Tammy Eaton and husband Robert of Cancun, Mexico, Jolene Brasher and husband Matt of Grey Summit and Elizabeth Balch and husband James of St. Louis.

His body was cremation and no services are planned at this time.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home in Owensville.

Josephine Wallace



Josephine C. Wallace, 101, formerly of Belle, died Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2017, at NHC Healthcare in Town and Country.

She was born Feb. 21, 1916, to George and Edna (Shelton) Mines, in St. Louis.

She was united in marriage to Roland Wallace, July 10, 1936, in St. Louis.

Josephine was a 1934 graduate of Roosevelt High School, St. Louis. She was preceded in death by parents, George and Edna; husband, Roland; infant son, William Claude Wallace; grandchild, James Wallace; great-grandchild, Jason Wallace; and daughter-in-law, Jeananne Wallace.

She is survived by son, George Wallace of St. Charles; daughters, Shirley Kreutzer and husband Don-

ald of Owensville and Judi Suttle of O'Fallon; six grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 16, at Sassmann's Chapel in Belle. Interment was in the Liberty Cemetery near Belle.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Humane Society of Missouri, St. Louis.

Arrangements entrusted to Sassmann's Chapel, Belle.

George Workman



Dr. George M. Workman, 94, Hermann, died Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2017 at Frene Valley of Hermann Stone-bridge.

He was born Aug. 1, 1923, to Dr. Howard and Lottie (Wood) Workman, in Pershing.

He was united in marriage to Julia (Wohlt) Workman, June 12, 1948, at Hermann United Methodist Church, Hermann.

George attended the Kemper Military Academy before joining the U.S. Army as a medic. He served from 1943-1946. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge in 1944. He later attended medical school at St. Louis University and did a three year rotating internship there. He then moved back to Hermann and worked with his father in his medical practice where he continued for the next 51 years. He played many years in the city band, the Hungry Five and the Apostle Band. He participated in the Rotunda Show during the Maifest each year. He was a member of the Hermann United Methodist Church and the Hermann Lions Club.

He was preceded in death by parents, Howard and Lottie; sister, Leta and infant sister, Lorene.

He is survived by wife, Julia, of the home; daughters, Barbara Wyland and husband Greg, Miranda Hartman and husband Gary, Jennifer Van Booven and Sarah Worley and husband Sam; son, Dean Workman; sister, Marylin Shaw Smith; and nine grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 16, at Toedtman & Grosse Funeral Home, Hermann, with Rev. Beth Duckworth officiating. Memorial contributions suggested to Hermann Hospital or Hermann United Methodist Church.

Arrangements entrusted to Toedtman & Grosse Funeral Home, Hermann.

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

Alice Durbin



Alice Bonika Durbin, 58, Belle, died Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2017, at her residence.

She was born Feb. 2, 1959, to Joseph Raymond

Sr. and Minnie Agnes (Finn) Valley, in Sullivan.

She was united in marriage to Dwayne Durbin, Feb. 18, 1978, in Cleavesville.

Alice was preceded in death by parents, Joseph and Minnie and brothers, Clifford and Roy Valley.

She is survived by husband, Dwayne, of the home; children, April Gaska and fiancé Josh Harding and Debbie Durbin, all of Cuba, and Danielle Muschany and husband Mike of Owensville; siblings, Cynthia Nash of Gerald, Ellen Brookshire and husband Don of Newburg, Victoria Akins, Cora Gregory and Joseph Valley Jr., all of Belle, Theresa Daniels and husband Ronnie of Rolla, Larry Valley of Tipton and Barbara Perry and husband Russ of St. Louis; grandchildren, Bella, Jordan and Sofia Jones, Gracy and Zack Bluhm and John, Linda and Darryl Muschany; 42 nieces and nephews and 12 great nieces and nephews.

A private memorial service will be held. Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

GASCONADE COUNTY REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Snodgrass Family Trust, Verna R. Snodgrass (trustee), parcels in Subdivision: Pine Ridge Subdivision Plat No 1 - Owensville, Lot: 13, to Jana Weigel.

Hermann Trolley Lodging LLC, parcels in Subdivision: East Fourth Street - Hermann, Lot: 23, to Toetesz Prusinowski.

Toetesz Prusinowski, parcels in Subdivision: East Wharf Street - Hermann, Lot: 12, to Hermann Trolley Lodging LLC.

Robert Louis Meyer, parcels in Section: 36, Township: 46, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: SW-SE; Section: 1, Township: 45, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: NW-NE, SW-NE, to Lindsay G. & Michael L. Kopp Joint Revocable Trust Agreement, Lindsay G. Kopp (trustee), Michael L. & Lindsay G. Kopp Joint Revocable Trust Agreement, Michael L. Kopp (trustee).

Elizabeth Ellrodt, Scott C. Schweighauser, parcels in Section: 19, Township: 45, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: NE-SW, SE-NW, SW-NW, NE-NW, to Charles A. Schweighauser (trustee), Charles A. Schweighauser Declaration of Trust.

Charles A. Schweighauser (trustee), Charles A. Schweighauser Declaration of Trust, parcels in Section: 19, Township: 45, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: NW-NW, NE-SW, SE-NW, SW-NW, NE-NW, to Debbie A. Hinrichs, Terry M. Hinrichs.

Donna M. Scheidegger, Gary W. Scheidegger, parcels in Subdivision: East Sixth Street - Hermann, Lot: 80, 82, to Teckia E. Christian.

Amber K. Eldringhoff, Christine M. Eldringhoff, Mark R. Eldringhoff, Michael L. Eldringhoff, parcels in Section: 4, Township: 45, Range: 4, Gov't Lot: SW-SE, to Double E Apartments and Storage Units LLC.

Elizabeth Marie Edringhoff, Edringhoff Family Revocable Trust, Verus R. Edringhoff (trustee), parcels in Section: 4, Township: 45, Range: 4, Gov't Lot: NW-SE, SW-SE, to Donna Scheidegger, Gary Scheidegger.

Victoria L. Willmann, Virgil R. Willmann, parcels in Section: 33, Township: 45, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: NW-NE, NE-NE; Section: 28, Township: 45, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: SE-SW-SE, to Patricia Volz, Terry Volz.

James D. McKay, Katherine E. McKay, parcels in Section: 7, Township: 45, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: NW, to Scott Wideman.

John B. Turley, Michele M. Turley, parcels in Section: 34, Township: 41, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: SW-NW, to J. Bret Turley (trustee), Michele M. Turley (trustee), Turley Trust.

John Hagar, Sherry Hagar, parcels in Section: 4, Township: 40, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: NW-SE-SW, SW-SE-SW; Section: 9, Township:

40, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: NW-NE-NW, SW-NE-NW, to Daniel L. Golan (undivided 1/2 interest), Donald L. Golan (undivided 1/2 interest).

Lori A. Manno, Michael S. Manno, parcels in Section: 17, Township: 40, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: SE-NW, to Michael S. Manno.

Karl C. Krupp Jr. (deceased), Mark T. Krupp, Susan Krupp, parcels in Section: 13, Township: 40, Range: 6, Gov't Lot: NW-SE, to Mark T. Krupp, Susan Krupp.

James Anderson (president), Graf Printing Company Inc., parcels in Subdivision: Hermann Industrial Park - Plat II, Lot: 19, to DMN Properties LLC.

John R. Faerber, parcels in Subdivision: West Sixth Street - Hermann, Lot: 15, to Missouri Vacation Rentals LLC.

James A. Schafer, (also known as) James Schafer, Peggy L. Schafer, (also known as) Peggy Schafer, parcels in Section: 27, Township: 41, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: NE-SW; Section: 23, Township: 41, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: NE-NW, SE-NW, NE-SW, SE-SW, to Schafer Family Revocable Trust, James A. Schafer (trustee), Peggy L. Schafer (trustee).

Brady S. Ruediger, (also known as) Brady Ruediger, parcels in Subdivision: East Twelfth Street - Hermann, Lot: 65, to Doris M. Binkholder.

Doris M. Binkholder, parcels in Subdivision: East Twelfth Street - Hermann, Lot: 67, to Brady S. Ruediger, (also known as) Brady Ruediger.

Carolyn Payne, Darrell Payne, parcels in Subdivision: City of Gasconade, Block: 4, Lot: 30, 32, to William R. Payne.

Adriana F. Grannemann, Chad E. Grannemann, parcels in Subdivi-

sion: See Tal Ridge Subdivision - Hermann, Lot: 8, to Adriana & Chad Grannemann Family Trust, Adriana F. Grannemann (trustee), Chad & Adriana Grannemann Family Trust, Chad E. Grannemann (trustee).

Jacquelyn M. Steuber, parcels in Section: 30, Township: 41, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: SW, to Terry L. Lewis.

Bobbie E. Schultz, (also known as) Bobbie Schultz, Diana S. Schultz (deceased), (also known as) Diana Schultz, (also known as) Diane Schultz, (also known as) Robert Schultz, parcels in Subdivision: Hillcrest Owensville, Block: 11, Lot: 5, 6, 7, 8, to Jeffrey E. Schultz.

Diane Baur, Donna Hackmann, Ricky A. Hackmann, Imogene Strother, Thomas Strother, (formerly known as) Imogene Summers, parcels in Section: 19, Township: 45, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: SW-SE, to Dwayne H. Loehning Revocable Living Trust (undivided 1/2 interest), Karen H. Revocable Living Trust (undivided 1/2 interest).

Shelly A. Pigg, (formerly known as) Shelly Black, Matthew L. Pigg, parcels in Section: 7, Township: 41, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: NW-SE, NW-SE, to Matthew L. Black.

Dianne A. Pankau, Richard D. Pankau, parcels in Subdivision: West Eighth Street - Hermann, Lot: 36, to Danilo Mariano, Donna Mariano.

Bobby W. Alexander, parcels in Subdivision: Gascony Village Subdivision, Block: 3, Lot: 42, 43, 44, to Judith K. Turner.

Becky S. Roberts, Jeffrey L. Roberts, parcels in Section: 5, Township: 44, Range: 5, Gov't Lot: NW, NW-SW, to Becky S. Roberts (trustee), Jeffrey L. Roberts (trustee), Roberts Trust.

Do You Know Any of These People?

We're looking for any information regarding this photograph taken at the Old Bohemian Catholic Cemetery, date taken is not known. The man shown second from the right is Edward Reed.



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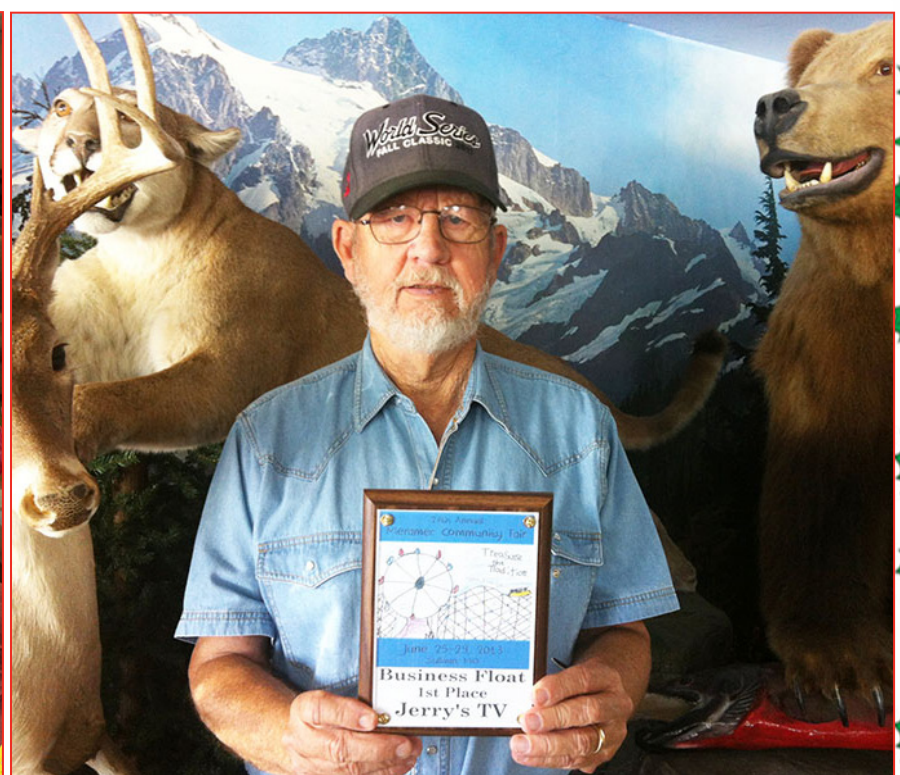


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Santa Encounter

Owensville Elementary School fifth-graders Gage Passig and Callie Koelling (right) were among the dancers Thursday for their "Reindeers Shouldn't Waltz" number during their "Santa Encounter" concert under the direction of Erin Sassmann (above). Shay Curtman (top, right) takes a "selfie" with fellow reindeer Tristan Feldman, Nathan Cobb, and Derek Carey.



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News Briefs

UNIVERSITY Extension's office is Owensville is closed Dec. 25 through Jan. 1 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Regular hour resume on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018.

OWENSVILLE'S LICENSE FEE office will be closed Saturday Dec. 23, and Monday Dec. 25, for Christmas and will be closed Monday Jan. 1, 2018, for New Year's Day.

T.J. SLAGLE, winner of the VFW Post No. 6133 Voice of Democracy audio essay competition in November, has won the District 7 competition for the central Missouri region and is qualified to compete in the Missouri contest in January, according to Robert Depperman, coordinator of the contest and VFW member. Slagle, a junior at Owensville High School, presented his winning essay from the local competition during the school's Veterans' Day program on Nov. 10. Slagle's essay focused on the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance. At the conclusion of his live presentation of the speech, he invited the audience to recite the pledge with him.

GASCONADE COUNTY R-2 Schools will be in session until 1 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday) to make up the day missed due to the Total Solar Eclipse in August. Dec. 21 was originally scheduled to be the first day of the district's winter vacation. Instead, the break will run from Friday, Dec. 22, through Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2018. Classes resume on Thursday, Jan. 4.

Hallmark observes 100th anniversary of gift wrap

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Hallmark is celebrating the 100th anniversary of gift wrap. The company is credited with founding the modern-day gift wrap industry in Kansas City during the Christmas season in 1917.

"Gift wrap, or gift dressing as it was called, in the early 20th century was very simple," said Samantha Bradbeer, historian for Hallmark Cards, Inc. "People often used brown packaging paper or news-paper to wrap their gifts. Retailers, like Hallmark, sold green, red or white tissue paper, and if there were designs, they were typical holiday icons such as holly or wreaths."

In 1917, Hallmark sold out of the traditional tissue paper at its Halls store in Kansas City, Mo.

Rollie B. Hall, older brother to founder J.C. Hall, searched the company's manufacturing plant and found imported French envelope liners that were brightly colored and highly stylized. The company sold the liners as gift wrap for 10 cents a piece and quickly sold out. The following year, Halls stocked up heavily and sold out once again.

"The brothers knew they had a hit on their hands, so they began designing and manufacturing their own gift wrap shortly thereafter," said Bradbeer. "Gift wrap is the first product Hallmark made that was a departure from greeting cards."

Hallmark continued to innovate new products to help people wrap their gifts. In the 1930s, Hallmark tested Hall Sheen ribbon which stuck to itself and gift wrap when moistened. The company later marketed the product in the 1950s.

Hallmark introduced ribbon reels in the 1950s, bright yarn ties, pom-pom bows, and super-wide ribbon in the 1960s. And, in 1987, gift bags made their first appearance on store shelves.

Cascade ribbons that are curled

and gathered together were invented in 1994. Hallmark began including sound and fiber-optic light technology in bags and gift card boxes in the mid-to-late 2000s.

The newest innovation from Hallmark was introduced just this year—the cardpocket. This sleeve lines the inside of most gift bags and provides a space to place the greeting card so it no longer falls to the bottom of a gift bag or gets lost in the tissue paper.

"It's exciting to look at our history and see popular trends in gift wrap over the last 100 years," said Mary Emanuel, creative director of gift wrap, Hallmark Cards, Inc. "Gift wrap is very much a fashion-based category. People want the gift to be a reflection of their personal style or the recipient's style. Our colors and patterns are rooted in trends. For example, we saw a lot of bright non-traditional holiday colors in the 60s and 70s."

Hallmark also changed the way gift wrap was marketed to retailers and customers. In the 1930s and '40s, Hallmark began advertising gift wrap on Tony Wons' radio program, Tony's Scrapbook, and in Hallmark's "Handy Book" for retailers.

Between 1956 and 1969, Hallmark began actively promoting gift wrap by hosting workshops across the country. A gift stylist affectionately known as Kaye King, represented by several different women, would tour the nation giving demonstrations in stores, on television and to women's groups and conventions.

An estimated 200,000 viewers saw King perform her "pretty miracles" with paper and ribbon in "The Art of Gift Wrapping," a 23-minute film in 1958 and "Your Flair for Gift Wrapping," a 15-minute film in 1968. "The Art of Gift Wrapping" manuals were



PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER

OPERATION CHRISTMAS volunteers gathered Dec. 13 at New Hope United Methodist Church to wrap children's gifts for the 2017 project. **SAMMI BLANKENSHIP** with First State Community Bank was one of several area bank employees helping with the wrapping effort.

also available at retail locations that carried Hallmark products.

Hallmark showcases its newest collections of gift wrap through social media, utilizing platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Pinterest, and YouTube to inspire people with creative gift wrapping ideas. Hallmark's Ideas & Inspiration section features a video series called Giftology that includes easy-to-follow how-to videos demonstrating simple gift wrapping techniques.

Think.Make.Share, a blog from the creative studios at Hallmark, also regularly hosts workshops where Hallmark artists and design-



ers develop new and innovative ways to use gift wrap for a variety of occasions.

"Hallmark is committed to helping people emotionally connect with one another," said Emanuel. "Our cards and gifts help people build stronger relationships with the people they love. It's incredibly special to know that our gift

wrap has been a part of so many meaningful moments over the last 100 years."

Hallmark artists drew inspiration from four original gift wrap prints from nearly 100 years ago and created new wrapping paper being sold this season in a special edition four-pack.



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Lending a hand at Christmas

Owensville High School senior Josie Miller transfers a glue dot to Gasconade Manor resident Genevieve Bullock's thumb on Dec. 14 during the FFA chapter's visit to the rehabilitation facility. OHS FFA members were working with residents on Christmas craft projects including door hangers, mobiles and ornaments. Bullock was creating a snowflake decoration (right) with assistance from Miller. For more coverage of the FFA chapter's activity with area senior citizens, see page 1B our Christmas greeting section inside this week's Republican.



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EXTERIOR SHEETING was being installed this past week at the new Scenic Regional Library building in Owensville by T.J. Wies employees. The view is looking to the southwest at what will be the main entrance.



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GASCONADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, DEC. 7, 2017

The Gasconade County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel, Southern District Commissioner Jerry Lairmore, Northern District Commissioner Jim Holland present at Drake with road department. Items discussed included: still no blading of roads as there has not been significant rains; question about Ameren UE bucket truck donation; representative from MoDOT notified Presiding Commissioner Miskel that when new bridge is built summer 2018 on Highway T they plan to make county roads official detour and provide maintenance and upkeep during; re-occurring problem on Kohrman Road.

THURSDAY, DEC. 7, 2017

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

PRIOR MINUTES

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion to approve prior Commission minutes dated Nov. 30, 2017. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote:

Commissioner Holland (Yes),
Commissioner Lairmore (Yes),
Commissioner Miskel (Yes).

WARRANTS FOR PAYMENT

Commissioner Lairmore made a motion to approve warrants for payment; Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote:

Commissioner Holland (Yes),
Commissioner Lairmore (Yes),
Commissioner Miskel (Yes).

ROAD CONCERNS

Commission reported discussion earlier today at Drake with road department to Clerk Lietzow for the official minutes; Commissioner Lairmore has questions about MoDOT proposed detour onto two county roads, Herbert and Hog Trough, when he thought the new bridge alignment would allow usage of old bridge during construction. Commissioner Holland went to look at Kohrman road before coming here and road department will fix this re-occurring problem today.

Clerk Lietzow was asked to check into the bucket truck that Ameren UE had available to donate that road department was interested in; there has been no correspondence since October.

Commission received MoDOT's permit application for signature to move forward with placement of Agri-Ready signs in four locations in the county.

Regarding the north radio tower, Commissioner Holland had spoke to Hermann Fire Chief who said they need that location for communication purposes and are considering taking over ownership and upkeep while offering road department free usage.

Commissioner Lairmore asked if road department would have the 2018 budget to work on at the first scheduled session of the new year on Jan. 4 and Clerk Lietzow said they would.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Presiding Commissioner Miskel had attended MRPC retreat this week and provided information to all regarding MRPC's revenue sources currently versus 10 years ago and it shows overall less; while Federal portion raised six percent and local/private portion

raised three percent, member dues remained unchanged and State portion dropped nine percent. While the board struggles with this, they prepared a survey for all members for feedback on how important or not each service is that they provide. This will give insight into programs not being utilized that could be removed; he would like all three Commissioners and Clerk Lietzow to respond together. Clerk Lietzow said it reminded her of how the same holds true for Gasconade County when she did the 10 year revenue study it showed same results. Other meetings attended included, Commissioner Holland at Soil and Water Conservation District and he mentioned cost-share program assistance available through Conservation Department's Parks and Soils tax for addressing conservation concerns.

Correspondence received included annual notice from MAC of dues calculation with invoice to follow; notice for file from MidAtlantic Broadband of their application to MoPSC to provide video service in certain cities and counties in Missouri, namely Gasconade County and City of Bland.

First appointment on the agenda was Jen Henke regarding a matter she knows they can't help with as Commissioners but hope they could provide a contact somewhere. She provided them pictures and documents as she explained; her fiancé was involved in an assault incident by three others and suffered \$15,000 medical bills but was the only one arrested. When appearing in court, testimony changed, charges were dropped and she has been told by Prosecuting Attorney and Sheriff that no more charges will be filed against anyone involved. While she is not saying her fiancé is blameless, and she acknowledged his

past criminal history and aliases, she doesn't understand how the others cannot be held accountable for their actions.

She was referred to Commission by the Department of Drug and Crime Control division of MSHP as they would be the governing body able to request further investigation; their lawyer filed a complaint motion but it was denied. Presiding Commissioner Miskel confirmed there is nothing they can do, but will inquire of Sheriff's Department the circumstances and she was grateful for that and thanked them for listening.

Representing University of Missouri Extension Council were Dave Hileman, Matt Herring and Jo Britt-Rankin; Mr. Herring explained that they had done a Needs Assessment and held 42 community conversations and the results were to expand job of County Program Director into County Engagement Specialist within county regions.

Gasconade County will remain connected to Franklin County; the position will encompass Youth Specialist, Health and Nutrition Specialist and Business Specialist. By reducing coverage area, more and better services can be provided. Commission is glad to hear about this change because there needs to be more publicity regarding extension and it is appreciated in rural areas; Owensville Mayor John Kamler seconded Commission's thoughts. Presiding Commissioner Miskel said the only issue he has mentioned before is the pooling of mileage which he does not agree with and thinks travel reimbursement should be tied to county involved; it was pointed out that grant funds do help in paying mileage.

Treasurer Mike Feagan presented to Commission his monthly account balances and reviewed at

November month end; he also announced a significant drop in sales tax received this week. While last three years check in December has been between \$104,000 and \$108,000 this was only \$86,000; that will have a bearing on Clerk Lietzow's projections for ending 2017. He did mention Sheriff's Department is issuing ATV permits now and those funds are coming in starting in November. He did research GoFund Me account and county would pay 2.9% fee to set up plus cost of 30 cents per donation; Commission would like him to get more information.

Commission will host the close-out meeting for the Courthouse roof project next Thursday, Dec. 14, at 9:30 a.m. in the EOC. Clerk Lietzow announced ductwork cleaning was completed this week; on bad note, she received call on way here, that the boiler pump for large second floor courtroom quit working, so Grannemann Electric switched out with another office not being used on second floor, in order to have heat for court proceedings today. Clerk Lietzow will research whether that was under warranty or if pumps were not replaced with new boiler install.

Commission received an estimate from Glen Englert for second floor repairs to be made, broken down room by room and will solicit second bid by telephone; they will also ask for separate estimate for hardwood floor sanding and refinishing with response due in by Wednesday as work needs to be done this year.

REPORT OF FEES

Commission reviewed reports of fees collected for the month of

November 2017 as follows:

Lesa Lietzow, County Clerk - \$412.00;
Shawn Schlottach, Collector - \$2,061,597.67;
John Romanus, Sheriff - \$1,638.09 civil fee fund, \$380.00 DSSSF.

REPORT OF FEES

Commission reviews report of fees for November 2017, from Pamela R. Greunke, Circuit Clerk and Recorder of Deeds for Divisions 1, 2 and 4 in the following amounts:

Recording-\$4,124.90
Dom Viol-\$20.00
CERF-\$2,079.00
Rec Records Reten-\$3,459.30
Record Techn-\$366.25
Clerk fees-\$418.70
County fees-\$525.89
Incarc/medcl costs-\$1,066.01
LETF-\$66.00
PATF-\$17.35
Fines-\$4,130.50
Sheriff's fees/mileage-\$474.23
Overpayment-\$1.00
Misc county fees-\$196.45
Dep. Sher. Sal. Suppl.-\$10.00
Gasc. Co. Drug Court-\$0
Gasc. Co. Garnishment Fund-\$130.00
Inmate Security Fund-\$54.00

ABATEMENT(S), ADD-ONS

Commission approved the following items:

Abatement(s) #1953 through #1964
Add-ons #8126 through #8162

ADJOURN

Commissioner Lairmore motioned that the Commission adjourn until Thursday, December 14, 2017; Commissioner Holland seconded and meeting adjourned.

SENIOR SERVICES

Owensville Senior Menu

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Wednesday, Dec. 20

Pepper Steak, Scalloped Potatoes, Pineapple Tidbits, Turkey/Broccoli Casserole, Broccoli, Peach Crisp

Thursday, Dec. 21

Hamburger Steak/Grilled Onions, Mashed Potatoes, Peas/Carrots, Fruited Jello, Polish Sausage, Sauerkraut, Cheesecake

Friday, Dec. 22

Salmon Patty, Salad, Pears, Baked Ziti, Carrots, Breadstick, Pudding

Monday, Dec. 25

Closed

Tuesday, Dec. 26

Fruit Juice, Breakfast Casserole/Vegetables, Hashbrowns, Biscuit/Gravy, Strawberry/Bananas, Chicken/Noodles, Spinach, Dump Cake

Wednesday, Dec. 27

Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Fresh Fruit, Liver/Onions, Bread Pudding

Thursday, Dec. 28

Baked Ham, Green Beans, Baked Sweet Potato, Warm Fruit Compote, Tater Tot Casserole, Pudding

Friday, Dec. 29

Fish, Steak Fries, Cole Slaw, Ambrosia Salad, Chili Dog, Cookie

Owensville Senior Events

Wednesday, Dec. 20
12:30 p.m. Pinochle
Thursday, Dec. 21
12:30 p.m. Board Meeting
Friday, Dec. 22
12:30 p.m. Pinochle
Monday, Dec. 25 Closed
Wednesday, Dec. 27
12:30 p.m. Pinochle
Thursday, Dec. 28
11:00 a.m. Birthdays/Anniversaries
Friday, Dec. 29
12:30 p.m. Pinochle

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Thursday, Dec. 28

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OES / GES School Lunches

Wednesday, Dec. 20

BBQ Chicken Max Snax, California Blend Vegetables, Pineapple

Thursday, Dec. 21

Ham/Cheese Sandwich, Sweet Potato Mini Puffs, Cherry Tomatoes, Strawberries

Friday, Dec. 22

No School

Dec. 25 - Jan. 3

No School

Chef Salad or Cereal and Yogurt with sides offered Tuesday and Thursday as alternative Entree. PB&J with fruit and veggies offered daily as alternative Entree.

OMS School Lunches

Wednesday, Dec. 20

Build Your Own Wrap, Reduced Fat Chips, Fruit Cup

Thursday, Dec. 21

Ham/Cheese Sandwich, Sweet Potato Mini Puffs, Cherry Tomatoes,

Strawberries

Friday, Dec. 22

No School

Dec. 25 - Jan. 3

No School

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

OHS School Lunches

Wednesday, Dec. 20

BBQ Chicken Max Snax, California Blend Vegetables, Pineapple

Thursday, Dec. 21

Ham/Cheese Croissant, Sweet Potato Mini Puffs, Cherry Tomatoes, Strawberries

Friday, Dec. 22

No School

Dec. 25 - Jan. 3

No School

Garden Salad Bar available Mon., through Fri., as alternative Entree. Pizza with fruit and veggies offered daily, as alternative Entree.

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These are a few suggestions you may want to consider:

Protect your home. If you're like many people, your home is your biggest investment, so you'll want to protect it while you're away. You're probably already familiar with the steps you should take, such as informing your neighbors that you'll be gone, stopping your newspapers, forwarding your mail, using a timer to turn lights on and off, and so on. And these days, with smart phones and advanced security systems, you can look in on your home whenever you like.

Notify your bank. Recognizing the prevalence of identity theft, the fraud departments of many banks are getting more aggressive in spotting and denying unusual charges. Consequently, you'll want to give your bank your temporary address and contact information before you leave. By doing so, you can reduce the risk of your account being frozen temporarily if your financial institution can't reach you with questions about charges from an unexpected location. You might also find it useful to open a bank account at your snowbird site.

Gather your tax forms. If you're gone most of the winter, you may bump up against the tax-filing deadline, which, in 2018, is April 17. So, to allow yourself enough time to prepare your taxes, or to have them prepared by a professional, gather your tax information before you leave. Make sure you've got all your investment-related forms, such as your 1099-INT (for interest income) and your

1099-DIV (for taxable capital gains and dividends).

Track your investments. You can probably track the progress of your investments online, and it's a good idea to do so, just as you would at your permanent residence. Even if you're only gone a couple of months, you may need to make some investment moves, such as "maxing out" on your IRA, so stay on top of your accounts and contact your investment professional, as needed. As always, though, don't overreact to sudden market swings – ideally, you've got long-term strategies in place that can serve your needs in most investment environments. In any case, it also wouldn't hurt to notify your financial professional that you'll be away for a while, even if you typically only see him or her a couple of times a year.

Arrange for bill payments. If you handle most of your bills online or through auto-pay, you won't have to worry about missing a payment while you're gone. Still, if you take care of some bills the old-fashioned way, with checks, envelopes and stamps, you may want to give yourself some sort of reminder of when these payments are due.

Be careful on social media. To be on the safe side, you may not want to trumpet your extended time away from home on Facebook or other social media platforms. It's sad but true that identity thieves watch for information like this.

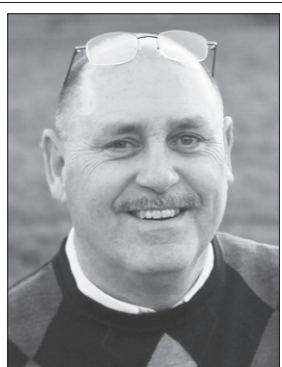
In all likelihood, you'll enjoy being a snowbird – and by making the above moves, you'll have less financial baggage to deal with when you take off.

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 Fri.-Sat. 12:50 4:00 6:30 9:10
 Sun. 12:50 4:00 — — — —
 Mon. — — — — 4:00 6:30 9:10
 Tues.-Thurs. 12:50 4:00 6:30 9:10

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 Sun. 12:00 1:00 — 3:10 4:30-3D — — — — —
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 Sun. 12:50 3:50 — — — —
 Mon. — — — — 3:50 6:40 9:20-3D
 Tues.-Thurs. ... 12:50 3:50 6:40 9:20-3D

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN
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 Wed.-Sat. 1:30 4:20 7:00 9:30
 Sun. 1:30 4:20 — — — —
 Mon. — — — — 4:20 7:00 9:30
 Tues.-Thurs. ... 1:30 4:20 7:00 9:30

FATHER FIGURES
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 Fri.-Sat. 1:20 4:10 7:10 9:50
 Sun. 1:20 4:10 — — — —
 Mon. — — — — 4:10 7:10 9:50
 Tues.-Thurs. ... 1:20 4:10 7:10 9:50

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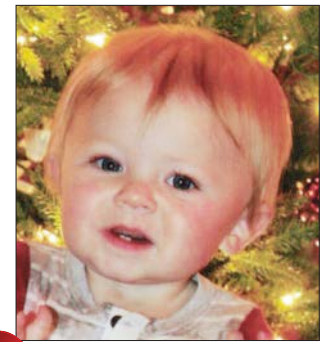
CHARLOTTE GRACE JENKINS
BORN 2-21-17
Parents: Bob & Cara Jenkins, Ellisville, Mo.



KASE ANDREW EDWARD EILER
BORN 6-27-17
Parents: Scott & Breanna Eiler, Owensville, Mo.



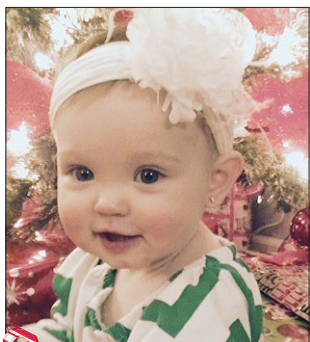
AVERY GRACE HELLING
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Parents: Amber Helling, Rosebud, Mo.



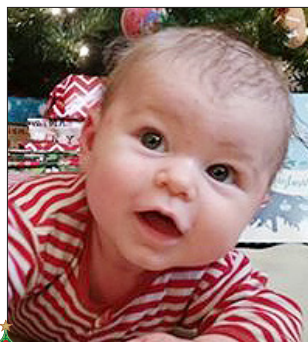
BRAXTON THOMPSON
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Parents: Patrick & Lori Thompson, Owensville, Mo.



JOHN CHRISTOPHER GOOCH
BORN 6-22-17
Parents: Chris & Kate Gooch, St. Louis, Mo.



AVERY LORINE DEBOEUF
BORN 2-9-17
Parents: Blake DeBoeuf and Samantha Dittman, Owensville, Mo.



HENRY HILKERBAUMER
BORN 8-2-17
Parents: David & Kelsey Hilkerbaumer, Rosebud, Mo.



DESMOND BO SCHUENEMEYER
BORN 9-19-17
Parent: Colton & Angie Schuenemeyer, Owensville, Mo.



ABEL JAMES DECKER
BORN 11-27-17
Parents: Brian & Angela Decker, Owensville, Mo.



AZALEYA MABEL SUE STRUBBERG
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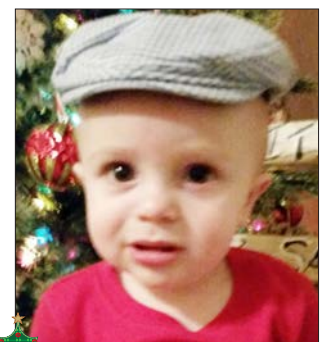
DAX HENERY ECHOLS
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Parents: Brian & Britni Echols, Owensville, Mo.



LUCAS HART
BORN 1-19-17
Parents: Dan & Ashley (Havelka) Hart, St. Charles, Mo.



LOGAN KAY HUBBARD
BORN 8-10-17
Parents: Kory & Nicole Hubbard, Owensville, Mo.



JACOB RYAN BRACATO
BORN 1-16-17
Parents: Austin Bracato and Amy Plocinski, Bland, Mo.



BREE DANIELS
BORN 5-14-17
Parents: Adam & Ashley Daniels, Owensville, Mo.



ESPYN HENDRIX
BORN 3-13-17
Parents: Amber & Jeff Hendrix, Belle, Mo.



ALICE LYNETTE BORGMANN
BORN 10-17-17
Parents: Alwin & Audrey Borgmann, Kennewick, Washington



DENTON VAUGHN
BORN 5-8-17
Parents: Shayla & Dalton Vaughn, Rosebud, Mo.



EMMETT DOUGLAS KLEIN
BORN 5-3-17
Parents: Seth & Liv Klein, Owensville, Mo.



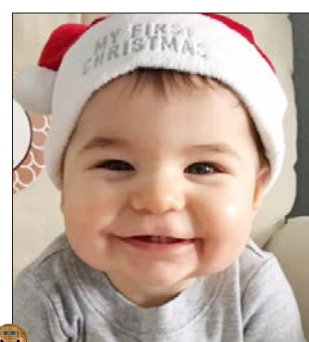
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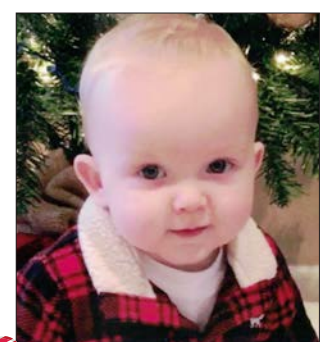
DRAKE SCHLOTACH
BORN 2-22-17
Parents: Martin & Heather Schlottach, Owensville, Mo.



MARSHALL EVAN ZELCH
BORN 6-14-17
Parents: Alyssa Zelch, Owensville, Mo.



LARSON PRATER
BORN 5-15-17
Parents: Corey & Kristina Prater, Jefferson City, Mo.



EASTON T. GODI
BORN 5-2-17
Parents: Dennis & Shaniah Godi, Owensville, Mo.



JASPER MURPHY
BORN 11-24-17
Parents: Eric & Roxie Murphy, Owensville, Mo.



RYLEE SHOCKLEY
BORN 4-21-17
Parents: Troy & Ashley Shockley, Bland, Mo.



AUBREE HEIDBRINK
BORN 11-3-17
Parents: Brad & Marissa Heidbrink, Rosebud, Mo.



BRETT JAMES MEYER
BORN 3-28-17
Parents: Collin & Leann Meyer, Gerald, Mo.



PAISLEY & LAINEY ROGERS
BORN 7-11-17
Parents: Cody & Katie Rogers, Rosebud, Mo.

A Polar Express

Black light art creations were once again featured at the winter art show at Gerald Elementary School Dec. 7. A Polar Express was the theme of the accompanying concert. Grades kindergarten, second and fourth were featured at both the concert and art show. Students in each grade created a piece for a collaborative effort in a main hallway (right) titled The GES Express. Second grade students created glow fish (lower left), which were set in a glow pond. The pond was located in the darkened GES art room which made some fish look fierce while others were merely beautiful under the special lights. The creations were painted with special paints to show off well in the black lights. Kindergartners created pinch pots (below right), again painted with special paint, to greet visitors at a doorway near their classrooms. The were displayed in front of some glowing Christmas trees. The pots, as their name implies, were made by shaping and pinching clay with their hands until they were satisfied with the end result. Jessie Bayless, GES art teacher, led each class in their efforts using mediums new to their skill levels. More photographs of the student's work will be featured in upcoming issues of the *Republican*.

PHOTOS BY LINDA TREST



Ameren agreement and police business discussed

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Every so often, the City of Gerald signs an agreement with Ameren Missouri concerning street lighting within the city limits. It is usually a routine matter.

At last Thursday's meeting of the Gerald Board of Aldermen, the latest renewal agreement was discussed.

Steven Lucas, the attorney for the city, advised the board to not enter into the proposed agreement.

One concern Lucas cited was the life span of the contract. The old agreement was signed ten years ago. The proposed agreement would last for 20 years.

Lucas was also unhappy with some of the language concerning right of ways.

Public Works Director Nick Grube noted that under the current agreement, if street lights needed to be moved to accommodate a street project, Ameren bore the cost. Under the new agreement, according to Grube, the city would be financially responsible for moving the lights and poles. The cost to move several poles could reach \$100,000.

Lucas told the aldermen that other municipalities, such as Fenton, had also declined to sign the new agreement with no immediate repercussions.

If the city does not sign the proposed agreement, it would automatically be entered into a month-to-month continuation of the current agreement.

Electric rates for individual Ameren customers, or even the City's electrical rates, will not be affected if the city does not sign the new proposal.

Police Chief Jim Helton reported that he has taken the department's Crown Victoria out of service. The vehicle is being evaluated to determine if necessary repairs make economic sense for the older vehicle.

Helton also reported that he is currently culling the list of reserve officers maintained by his department. Those officers who are not fulfilling their obligation of providing eight hours of service per month will be dropped from the rolls.

Franklin County Sheriff's Department make several arrests during busy week of crime across the county



Matthew R. Roque

Franklin County Sheriff Steve Pelton issued a series of press releases detailing a busy week for his department.

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, deputies were dispatched to the 600 block of Boeuf Meadows Dr. outside New Haven. The 11:30

p.m. call reported a male subject damaging vehicles at a residence.

The homeowner and a neighbor had restrained the male suspect on the ground until deputies could arrive.

Deputies discovered three of the homeowner's vehicles had been damaged. A hand cart was used to break the windows and dent the bodies.

The homeowner had also been assaulted with the hand cart causing minor injuries.

Matthew R. Roque, 27, of Washington was arrested for felony property damage and felony assault. Roque later admitted to being under the influence of a narcotic. Bond was set at \$4,900.

The following day, Dec. 14,



Jason D. James

deputies were called at 10 p.m. to the 8700 block of Little Indian Creek Road, Sullivan. They were investigating an assault between a landlord and tenant.

By the time deputies arrived, the suspect and his wife had left the scene.

The landlord told the deputies that during an argument, the tenant struck him in the chin with a flashlight, causing injury.

A search of the area located the suspect's vehicle, a maroon Buick,

traveling east on Highway 30, before turning onto Pond Ford Road, where a traffic stop was made.

After the deputy questioned the subjects in the vehicle, he returned to his patrol vehicle. The male

suspect then fled into the woods. The deputy gave chase, encountering the suspect three separate

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Bistro donates Eve meals to Community Outreach

The Bistro at the Mill has developed a program to help those less fortunate in the community. For each meal purchased at the Bistro on the day before Thanksgiving or Christmas, the restaurant will donate a meal for someone who may not be able to afford one. The day before Thanksgiving, the Bistro served 40 meals, so 40 gift certificates were given to Community Outreach to be distributed to their clientele. Bistro owners Jeannie and Cary Parker are pictured (above, left to right) giving the certificates to Terri Oster of Community Outreach. The Bistro will be open Christmas Eve from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Certificates generated by that day's sales will go to area ministries for distribution.

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William J. Brewer, Defective equipment. Fine of \$120.50.
Stephen L. Cartwright, Driving with expired license. SIS'd 12 months bench probation.
Stephen L. Cartwright, Fail to register motor vehicle. SIS'd six months bench probation.
Stephen L. Cartwright, Operate motor vehicle without financial responsibility. SIS'd 12 months bench probation.
Stephen L. Cartwright, Fail to register motor vehicle. SIS'd six months bench probation.

Timothy D. Georges, Speeding 58/40. Fine of \$90.
Dakotah R. Kempf, Fail to register motor vehicle. Fine of \$25.
Atisha Loveless, Defective equipment. Fine of \$20.50.
Jessica L. McCallister, Fail to stop/sign. Fine of \$20.
Russell W. Mesger, Disorderly conduct. SIS'd 12 months bench probation.
William L. Morris, Littering. Fine of \$200.
John J. Oldani, Driving while revoked. SIS'd 12 months bench

probation.
Kory D. Rapps, Fail to yield to emergency vehicle. Fine of \$70.50.
Kory D. Rapps, Littering. Fine of \$220.50.
Justin L. Ray, Fail to register motor vehicle. Fine of \$10.50.
Justin L. Ray, Defective equipment. Fine of \$20.50.
Jeanine M. Wilson, Fail to register motor vehicle. Fine of \$25.
Daniel T. Wright Jr., Domestic assault. Fine of \$70.50.



Volunteers collect donations for food pantry

Local youth and other volunteers set up at Lonigro's Supermarket and Dollar General in Gerald Saturday. Their mission was to collect food items for the local food pantry. Shown at left, from left, are, John Herbert, Terri Oster, Reba Hupfeld and Em Hupfeld with the 455 items collected. The new program, called Neighbors Helping Neighbors, will take place once each month, at both stores from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A different church will man the collection sites each month. Community Outreach distributed 25 Christmas baskets this year. 16 of those baskets went to families with children who also received gifts.

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News Briefs

A HOLIDAY DINNER will be served at Gerald Elementary School Wednesday, Dec. 20. Students are encouraged to dress in their holiday best for the special meal which will be served by the fifth grade students.

A BLOOD DRIVE will be held Thursday, Dec. 21, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Gerald Knights of Columbus Hall, 3698 Old Highway 50. Donors will receive a long-sleeved Red Cross t-shirt while supplies last.

SCHOOL will be dismissed early Thursday, Dec. 21, for the start of the winter break. Holiday parties will be held Thursday morning. Students and teachers will be back in class, Thursday, Jan. 4.

CITY HALL will be closed Friday, Dec. 22 and Monday, Dec. 25 in observance of Christmas.

SPICE SALES have begun at Gerald Elementary School. This year money will be collected when your order is placed. To participate in the biggest fund-raiser of the year for GES, contact any GES student.

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ETHAN STAHL, an ECC student from Washington, took top honors in the statewide Missouri Music Teachers Association competition.

East Central College student wins state music competition

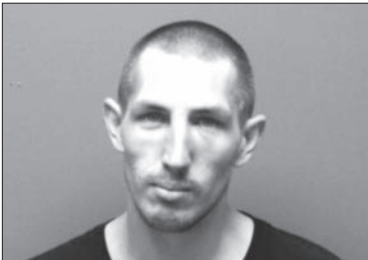
Reflecting back to his second-grade years, Ethan Stahl remembers his love for Nickelodeon. "The Naked Brothers Band was my favorite show. It was the coolest thing to me back then," he explained. "It inspired me to form a band with one of my pals." After a promising start, the band eventually fell apart due to creative differences. While Ethan didn't end up a rock star, he did come away from the experience with something more meaningful – his love for piano. "It's a place I go in my head, and the escape that it provides is fantastic," he explained. "I also just love the process of making a piece of music fulfill its potential." He's taken his passion for the piano to East Central College, where he is studying piano performance and music theory. "The nuances of playing the piano have become so complex and full of such detailed characteristics that it has become an entire world for me," he said.

In November, he got to put his skills to the test at the Missouri Music Teachers Association (MMTA) annual competition. It was his first competitive event, and he admits it started off a bit rocky. "I didn't get a chance to soak much of it in," he said. "I was terribly sick the whole time." Despite his ailment, he pushed forward. It was a good thing he did. Ethan took home first place in the Collegiate Honors Audition Lower Division for freshmen and sophomores. He competed against students from community colleges and four-year institutions across the state. "When I performed, I knew I played well," he admitted, "but I made a major fumble at the end. I assumed botched the whole thing. I left with a less-than-lukewarm feeling, which contributed to my surprise at the results!" Ethan plans to transfer to a four-year university after East Central College and continue his studies in music.

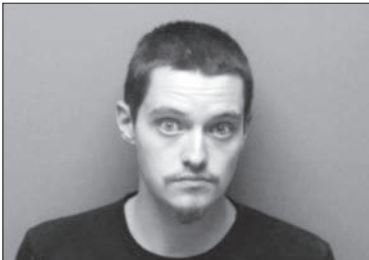
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Cheyenne E. Fullbright



Eric G. Pietz



Kirk Mills

times, each involving a physical altercation. Eventually, the suspect, Jason D. James, 39, of Sullivan, was taken into custody. Warrants were obtained for felony assault, resisting arrest and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia. James also had an outstanding warrant for driving while revoked. Bond was set at \$10,000. In the afternoon of Dec. 15, the Sheriff's Office was notified by 911 dispatch that a stolen vehicle from Jefferson County was approaching the Franklin County line on Highway 30. The owner of the vehicle was traveling behind the vehicle stolen from him and providing information to the communications center. The owner lost sight of the vehicle, described as a 2017 Chevy Cruze, near Highway 30 and Hendricks Road. The Cruze was again sighted near Highway FF and Highway 30. Deputies saturated the area and a detective observed the vehicle near Highway 47 and

Rye Creek Road. The detective continued following the car, while deputies traveled down Rye Creek Road and were able to intercept the vehicle as it approached them. Three subjects were taken into custody. The driver was found to be in possession of a crystal-like substance believed to be crystal methamphetamine. The front passenger was in possession of methamphetamine smoking pipes with a powder inside them. Cheyenne E. Fullbright was arrested for first degree tampering with a motor vehicle and possession

of a controlled substance with a \$3,900 bond. Eric G. Pietz was arrested for second degree tampering with a motor vehicle and possession of a controlled substance with a \$4,900 bond. Both are from Jefferson County. Also arrested was Kirk Mills, 23, of Arnold who had an outstanding warrant for traffic violations. Charges will be applied for on Mills for second degree tampering with a motor vehicle. Jefferson County deputies are investigating the theft of the vehicle.

Owensville woman injured in crash

Shalena N. Hodges, 28, of Owensville suffered moderate injuries in a crash Thursday, Dec. 14 at Beaufort while traveling eastbound on U.S. Highway 50. Carolyn J. Allgaier, of New Haven was traveling southbound on State Highway 185. After stopping, she proceeded through the intersection at U.S. Highway 50, striking the front left corner of the 2013 Dodge Avenger Hodges was driving.

According to a report filed by Tpr. M. T. Soriano, with Troop C of the Missouri State Highway patrol, the crash occurred at 11:21 a.m. Both the Avenger and the 2000 Toyota Avalon driven by Allgaier received extensive damage and were towed from the scene. Hodges was transported to Mercy Washington by Gerald ambulance. Both drivers were using seat belts.

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You are hereby notified that the undersigned Personal Representative will file a Petition for Approval of Final Settlement and Order of Distribution together with a Final Settlement and proposed Order of Distribution, in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Gasconade County, Missouri, on December 26, 2017, or as may be continued by the Court, and that any objections or exceptions to such Final Settlement or Petition or proposed Order of Distribution or any item thereof must be in writing and filed within twenty days after the filing of such Final Settlement.

If no objections to the Final Settlement or proposed Order of Distribution are filed within 20 days after the date of the filing thereof, the Court will consider said settlement and proposed distribution and, upon their approval, the Court will determine the persons entitled to decedent's descendible interest in the estate and the extent and character of their interest therein.

RICHARD A. OWSLEY,

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ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF SURFACE MINING APPLICATION – PERMIT EXPANSION

River Cement Company dba Buzzi Unicem USA, 1000 River Cement Road/ P.O. Box 1003, Festus, MO, 63028, has applied for a permit expansion to their existing permit from the Department of Natural Resources, Land Reclamation Program, to mine clay on an additional 4 acres of land for a total of 32 acres located at the Campbell #1 site in Crawford County, in Section 12, Township 39N, Range 05W and in Section 7, Township 39N, Range 04W.

These operations will be conducted during the approximate dates of December 1, 2017 to November 30, 2036.

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

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

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Lesa Lietzow,
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Bids must be submitted by **1:15pm on Friday, Jan. 12, 2017.**

Dr. Chuck Garner, Superintendent
Gasconade County R-2 Schools

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The **Gasconade County R-II School District** in Owensville, Missouri, is seeking bids for the following project:

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Hillary Blasko's Owensville High School Dutch Divas dance team (above) performed a Christmas routine wearing ugly sweaters Monday night at halftime of Owensville's varsity boys basketball game against Fulton's Hornets.

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BREANNA DIESTELKAMP (above, right) steals the ball from Salem's Tatum Hatridge during Friday's consolation championship tilt in the Peoples Bank Holiday Classic at Sullivan High School. **ELLA WRIGHT** (below, right) is fouled by Salem's Baylee Bilyeu during Owensville's 49-45 win over the Lady Tigers. **PHOTOS BY WILL JOHNSON**

Dutchgirls survive Sullivan's PBHC

BY WILL JOHNSON
SPORTS EDITOR
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SULLIVAN — Survival.
That was a way one could describe action last week for Ryan Flanagan's Owensville Dutchgirl basketball team during the Peoples Bank Holiday Classic (PBHC) at Sullivan High School.

Trailing 41-35 going into the fourth quarter against Salem's Lady Tigers in the consolation championship game Friday night, Breanna Diestelkamp put the team on her back scoring the first eight points in the final period.

In fitting fashion, a free throw from Diestelkamp with 13.7 ticks left sealed the deal on Owensville's 49-45 victory over Salem that erased the memories of a 52-44 loss in Dent County back in late November.

Behind five early points from Ella Wright, the Dutchgirls opened the game on a 7-2 run against the Lady Tigers.

Salem answered with seven of the next nine points to knot the game at 9-9 with 3:30 for the first quarter.

Capping an 8-2 run to end the first quar-

ter, a Liana Miller 3-pointer that beat the first-quarter buzzer gave OHS a 17-11 lead after eight minutes of basketball from SHS.

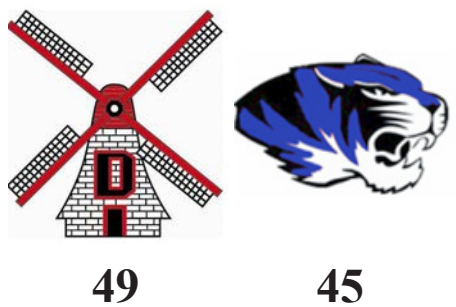
Second-quarter action saw the Dutchgirls get into foul trouble. Miller and Diestelkamp both picked up their second fouls in the opening minute.

Starting the second quarter with an 8-0 run, the Lady Tigers took a 19-17 lead with 5:37 until halftime.

A Diestelkamp bucket and a Destinee Busenhart free throw put OHS back on top 20-19 at the 4:48 mark of the second quarter.

Trailing the rest of the half, Owensville got a fortunate bounce at the halftime buzzer

See **PBHC** on Page 20



Rehmert's Dutchmen hang on in FRC hoops opener

BY WILL JOHNSON
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Leading St. Clair's Bulldogs 37-23 with 5:54 left in their Four Rivers Conference (FRC) hardwood opener last Tuesday night, Todd Rehmert's Owensville Dutchmen were looking to win their FRC opener for the first time in seven years.

Getting a pair of Kory Bauer free throws with 8.8 remaining, OHS got a seven-year monkey off of their backs following a 46-42 victory over the visiting Bulldogs.

"This was a huge win for us," Rehmert said. "We have to learn how to close games out better. But I'm proud of our guys for hanging in there down the stretch when St. Clair made their run."

Owensville opened the game on a 6-0 run behind buckets from Wyatt Ellis, Sean Irwin and Brady Smith.

Three more points from Ellis and a Michael Lahmeyer basket helped the Dutchmen to an 11-8 lead after one quarter.

Nearly holding St. Clair scoreless in the second quarter, OHS added eight points to their total to take a 19-9 halftime lead.

Adding a free throw in the second quarter, Ellis paced the Dutchmen offense with six first-half points.

Almost doubling their point total in the third quarter, Owensville closed the period on a 10-3 run behind seven points from Ellis going on to a 36-21 lead with eight minutes standing between OHS and the FRC win column.

Leading 41-30 with 4:13 left on a Trevor

Abernathy free throw, the Dutchmen saw St. Clair begin to make their move.

Seeing the Bulldogs score 12 of the next 14 points, Owensville saw their lead reduced to a single point, 43-42, with 51.0 remaining in regulation.

Adding to his first-quarter bucket, La-

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KORY BAUER (above, left) passes the ball away from St. Clair's Calvin Henry during Owensville's win last Tuesday night. **PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON**

Dutchmen wrestlers fall in FRC opening meet with Union, St. Clair

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Opening the Four Rivers Conference (FRC) portion of their season last Tuesday on the road, Rod Barndollar's Owensville Dutchmen grapplers paid a visit to St. Clair to take on the host Bulldogs and Union's Wildcats.

Able to post victories in five matches against St. Clair, OHS fell to the host Bulldogs by a team score of 48-28.

St. Clair's Cody Armistead wrestled uncontested at 106 pounds while both the Dutchmen and Bulldogs were both open at 113 pounds.

In the first contested match of the dual, Owensville senior Austin Angell was pinned in 1:03 by Bulldog grappler Dalton Thompson in 1:06.

Caden Moss earned OHS' first win of the night wrestling unopposed at 126 pounds.

Going up against a returning state placer in Jason Landing (St. Clair), Dutchmen freshman Kolby Jahnsen was pinned in 3:15 by the Bulldog wrestler at 132 pounds.

At 138 pounds, OHS sophomore Tighe Bombach was pinned in :40 by St. Clair's Bailey Gardner.

Winning the first contested match of the dual for the Dutchmen, senior Dustin Jahnsen pinned Bulldog grappler Trenton Balderson in :23.

With Cooper Bombach recovering at home from mono, Owensville was open at 152 pounds giving St. Clair's Ryan Herman a walkover victory.

Needing the entire six minutes, Dutchmen junior Blaine Schoenfeld won his first FRC match of the season.

Winning a 10-2 major decision over St. Clair's Grant Bay, Schoenfeld earned the victory at 160 pounds.

Looking for two Dutchmen wins in a row, Tanner Rector hit the mats at 170 pounds for Owensville.

Lasting nearly two periods, Rector won his match by fall over Bulldog wrestler Randy Simpson in 3:21.

OHS senior Caleb Gray earned a walk-

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DUSTIN JAHNSEN (above, right) battles Neosho's Jacob Fry at 145 pounds during the Missouri Duals Wrestling Tournament at Jefferson City's Helias High School back on Saturday, Dec. 9. Jahnsen will continue his quest for 100 career wrestling victories in an Owensville High School wrestling singlet on Saturday, Jan. 6 during the Ste. Genevieve Duals Tournament. **PHOTO BY WILL JOHNSON**

'WILL'FUL THINKING



by **WILL JOHNSON**

Gifts for area sports figures

By the time this edition of *The Gasconade County Republican* hits stores and businesses in Owensville and the surrounding area, it will be five days until Christmas.

That signals time for yours truly to play Santa Claus and hand out some gifts to current and former R-2 coaches, administrators and members of the media in the surrounding area.

Here are a few things I'm sure these coaches, administrators and members of the media have on their Christmas wish lists:

Todd Rehmert (Dutchmen Basketball) - More Four Rivers Conference (FRC) victories in the 2018 portion of the season.

Danny Mundwiller (JV Dutchmen Basketball) - Three tournament games in Bourbon after going two and out at New Haven.

Terra Heidle (Freshman Dutchmen Basketball) - More hardware in late January from their annual tournament at Owensville Elementary School.

Kari Nolting (Dutchgirl Volleyball) - More family time now that she has stepped away from the volleyball coaching ranks.

Misti Rutledge (JV Dutchgirl Volleyball) - Making memories in 2018 with her three boys.

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Courtney Castor (Freshman Dutchgirl Volleyball) - Continued improvement in the health of her mother in 2018.

Kris Altemeyer (8th Grade Dutchmen Basketball) - An undefeated season on the hardwood.

Mark Jett (7th Grade Dutchmen Basketball) - A winning record in perhaps his final season as an OMS Dutchmen head basketball coach.

Ryan Flanagan (Dutchgirl Basketball) - A healthy Kate Angell in 2018 and good news on Liana Miller's latest knee injury.

Hannah Wehar (JV Dutchgirl Basketball) - Tournament hardware from Pacific after just missing third place at Hermann.

Rod Barndollar (Dutchmen Wrestling) - A Dutchmen wrestler on the medal stand at Mizzou Arena.

Stephen Turner (Dutchmen Wrestling) - Continued growth in the Owensville Middle School Wrestling program in 2018.

Dustin Howard (Dutchmen Wrestling) - A healthy new addition to their family in 2018.

Dr. Chuck Garner (OHS Superintendent) - Plenty of qualified candidates to fill two upcoming vacancies in the R-2 Administration.

Dr. Jeri Kay Hardy (OHS Assistant Superintendent) - More championship T-shirts for her and her husband to print.

Dr. Cindy Hawkins (OHS Principal) - A smooth transition for her new assistant principal during the 2018-19 school year.

John Fortney (OHS Assistant Principal) - Best wishes for success in his next educational endeavor as high school principal in Monroe City, Mo.

John Bunch (Dutchgirl Soft-

ball) - Putting a notch in the district win column this fall after coming so close the last couple of years.

Lori Payne (Assistant Dutchgirl Softball) - Even more time to watch her boys play basketball and football for the Dutchmen.

Dale Long (Dutchmen Football and Activities Director) - Continued success in his roles as R-2 Activities Director, head football coach and A+ Coordinator.

Paul Schmanke (Former Dutchmen Football coach) - A correct pick of the score of a Dutchmen football game during the 2018 season.

Casey Fisher (Former Dutchmen head baseball coach) - Seeing the R-2 District coming out on the good end of the net neutrality saga.

Kevin Lay (Dutchmen Baseball) - Another successful Military Appreciation Day game.

Tyler Ahring (Assistant Dutchmen Baseball) - Enjoyment with two different kinds of diamonds.

Nathan Cabot (OHS Golf) - More Owensville High School golfers for full varsity and junior varsity teams in 2018.

Jordan Palmer (Dutchgirl Soccer) - Getting a win in district play as a Class 2 girl's soccer program.

Matt Candrl (OHS Track and Field and Cross Country) - A fifth straight FRC title on the track with New Haven hosting this spring.

David Koppelman (OHS Cross Country) - A chance for his distance runners to re-write the OHS Track record book.

Tony Terry (OMS Cross Country) - More OMS harriers to groom for the high school ranks in 2018.

Dave Marner (Republican Managing Editor) - An ascent

up the Central Division standings for the National Hockey League's (NHL) Chicago Blackhawks.

Bill Battle (Washington Missourian Sports Editor) - More area basketball teams to cover in next year's Borgia Turkey Tournament.

Craig Vonder Haar (Former Washington Missourian Sports Writer) - Continued success at Washington High School.

Aaron Hustead (Washington Missourian Sports Writer) - Plenty of NFL columns to write in 2018.

Chris Case (Cuba Free Press Editor) - Plenty of good Gasconade Valley Conference (GVC) basketball match ups throughout the winter.

Rob Viehman (Three Rivers Publishing) - A chance to see Steelville's Allie Gibbs race for a state title in distance running in Jefferson City.

Neal Johnson (Linn Unterri-fied Democrat) - Less lower back pain in 2018

John Rice (KTUI Radio) - A chance to watch as many John Wayne movies as possible on Christmas Day.

Marty Tiefenbrunn (KTUI Radio) - More traveling time to see his kids and grand kids.

Bill Seamon (Former Dutchmen Baseball Coach) - More willing student-athletes to take advantage of his indoor batting cages off of Highway 28 between Bland and Owensville.

To all of the coaches, athletic directors, administrators and fellow members of the media throughout the area that make this job fun every day, Merry Christmas to you and your families and may 2018 be just as good as 2017 was.



OKWC wrestlers place in recent tournaments

Throughout the month of December, athletes in the Owensville Kids Wrestling Club (OKWC) have competed in tournaments at Francis Howell Central in St. Louis and at Southern Boone High School in Ashland. Wrestlers earning medals (above, in front, from left) include Dalton Nocht (bronze), Dylan Dietrich (gold), Hunter Long (silver), Bo Buddemeyer (silver) and Cooper Cardoza (silver); and in back, Conner Roach (gold), Kellen Long (gold), Kaleb Wells (bronze), Elizabeth Adams (bronze), Steven Buddemeyer (gold) and Justin Lowe (coach). Not pictured was Kurt Brenner (silver).

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over win at 182 pounds.

Trailing 30-28 following Gray's win, Owensville saw the host Bulldogs claim the last three matches to take the dual.

Senior Colton Moore fell to Aaron Herman at 195 pounds in 3:05 while freshman Dakota Martin made it to the second period with St. Clair's Josh Richards before being pinned in 2:49.

Dutchmen senior Bryce Mistler just missed reaching the third period of his match before being pinned by Evan Barnes at 285 pounds.

Junior varsity Dutchmen wrestlers scoring win by fall against St. Clair included Boston Belk, Owen Holtzer and Cody Linders. Joe Bauer was pinned in his JV match.

Dutchmen vs. Union

Starting their dual with Union's Wildcats at 145 pounds, Dustin Jahnsen went for his second win of the night.

Pinning Wildcat grappler Sarena Moore in :50, the elder Jahnsen left St. Clair with a pair of wins.

Union's Daniel Rowedder earned a walkover win at 152 pounds to even the dual at 6-6.

Schoenfeld notched his second victory with a win by fall in :32 over Christophe Poinsett at 160 pounds.

Going for another victory at 170 pounds, Rector took on Union's Ryder Kuenzel.

Making the Wildcat wrestler go the entire six minutes, Tanner dropped a 13-4 major decision.

Gray was also denied a second victory losing by fall in 2:53 to Union's David Clark at 182 pounds.

Going for a split of his two matches, Moore took on Union's Haiden Meyer at 195 pounds.

Pinned in 1:04, the Dutchmen senior will have to wait until 2018 for another shot at a victory.

Midway through the third period

of his second match, Martin scored a win by fall in 4:55 over Union's Steven Sanders at 220 pounds.

Mistler needed all three periods to win a 7-0 decision at 285 pounds over Wildcat wrestler Connor Ward. Union's Dominick Beine (106) and Brendan West (113) both wrestled uncontested.

Nearly getting to the second period, Angell lost by fall in 1:58 to Wildcat grappler Carter Sickmeier.

Moss made it two wins in St. Clair with a win by fall in :43 over Union's Megan Klick.

Locked in a tight match with Joshua Wegescheide, Dutchmen freshman Kolby Jahnsen narrowly dropped a 10-9 decision.

Tighe Bombach also fell 9-0 in his match with Union's Jordan Waldman. UHS took the dual, 47-27.

Belk won his JV match against Union while Linders and Bauer were pinned in their JV bouts.



Dutchgirls leave Sullivan with consolation hardware

Entering the Peoples Bank Holiday Classic (PBHC) at Sullivan High School last week with an 0-4 record, Ryan Flanagan's Owensville Dutchgirls left SHS with a pair of victories and consolation hardware following their 49-45 win over Salem. Dutchmen team members (above, in front, from left) pictured with the hardware include Breanna Diestelkamp, Destinee Busenhardt and Ella Wright; and in back, Liana Miller, Julie Wright, Brooke Nowack, Abby Koepke, Morgan Lairmore and Stephani Elliott. Averaging 20 points and 13 rebounds during the tournament, Diestelkamp was named to the PBHC All-Tournament Team. She also set a single-game tournament scoring record with 35 points against Northwest (Cedar Hill) in the consolation semifinals. This broke the previous record held by Hailey Diestelkamp from 2012 when she scored 32 points against Farmington.

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OUTDOORS IN THE OZARKS

Dablemont's stories of Christmas with the wise fellows in the pool hall

Life was great when Christmas came, back in Houston Missouri when I was a boy, in the late 50's and early 60's. That was when I first heard those old Christmas carols



by LARRY DABLEMONT

they still play today, like 'White Christmas' and 'Silver Bells' and 'Winter Wonderland'.

I got a new bicycle for Christmas in 1960. I think Dad traded a shotgun for it. You could tie a shotgun or fishing rod across the handle bars and head for the Big Piney River, only a mile or so away, for whatever season presented itself. A basket on the back helped me get a stringer of fish or a couple of fox squirrels home. And when I went to work at the pool hall that Dad and Grandpa McNew and I owned on Main Street I had a bicycle to get there on.

It was at that pool hall that Christmas-time was most enjoyable, because everyone got a little happier, a little nicer to each other than they were when it got up around 96 degrees in July. Most of the old men gave me some kind of small present at Christmas. Several of them got together that year and bought me a subscription to Out-

door Life, AND Field and Stream magazines.

I would buy one or the other every month from Herron's Drug Store, but they cost 35 cents each and I could only afford one a month. That's because once a week I also blew 35 cents on a piece of pecan pie from the WestSide Café across the street from the pool hall. I would just ask Ol' Jim and Ol' Bill and Ol' Jess to watch the place for just a minute or answer the phone if it rang. Everybody knew if it was Les Cantrell's wife calling they had to tell her he wasn't there!

Then I would wear the money-bag over there and get me a piece of pie on a paper plate to go, and eat it in the pool hall. The waiter there was Patricia, so I would just say, Patricia, a piece of paper-plated pecan pie for a pool player please! Not really,-- just thought I would throw in a little humor there! Anyhow, one Christmas one of the Front Bench Regulars wives made me a whole pecan pie for my very own. Trouble with that kind of Christmas gift is it just don't last very long. I hid it in the back of the soda pop cooler chest and ate it in a hurry, worried that someone else might want a sample.

I remember that Preacher Lampkin gave me a little worn Bible once, and I think it was Bill Hoyt,--no I think it might have been Norman Salyer now that I think about, who gave me a used pocket knife with the blade sharpened so many times it was darn near gone. Bill Hoyt gave me that little book on how to cheat at poker and not get

caught. It was pretty well worn too.

Jess Wolf was a big old teddy-bear of a man who must have been nearly 80 years old. I thought the world of him. He would sit on the front bench and watch a snooker game going on and just drift off to sleep. When he did I would gently take his cap off his head and hide it somewhere... behind the cigarette machine or in the big mouth of a sea-bass hanging on the wall above the coat rack.

Jess would act awfully grumpy when he woke up and tried to find it, but I don't think he was ever all that mad. One Christmas he wrapped up one of his old caps with a faded card that said, "Merry Christmas". Beneath the greeting he had written in pencil... "now you can hide yer own dam cap an leevie mine alone."

I wrote one of my columns years ago about my old friend Saldy Reardon and how he gave me a two-dollar bill one Christmas Eve for a gift. It is a sad story, but the ending is good, because that Christ-child born in the manger allowed Ol' Saldy to escape his demons.

At Christmas time, I helped Dad give away cigars and chewing tobacco and socks and brown cloth gloves to all the Front Bench Regulars. Was that ever a happy time for me! The celebration of Christmas just isn't like it was when I was a kid. I think maybe I have heard those Christmas songs too many years now. And they just don't sing those old hymns today in modern churches like they did in the little country church my Mom and Dad made me go to. I don't think that after hearing Grandpa McNew singing 'It Came upon a Midnight Clear' and 'Little Town of Bethlehem', that I'll ever cotton

to modern church music where you just sing one line over and over.

Today more and more folks are working to eliminate the name of Christmas, substituting "Holiday" and trying to steer new generations away from the belief that it was God's son born so long ago in Bethlehem. Why can't we have manger scenes in front of the courthouse now... Is the birth of Jesus less important today? Anyone who thinks so isn't seeing the world I am looking at.

There was one night, one Christmas Eve of importance in my young life, that the old men filed out of the pool hall, and I was just left waiting for Dad to come and close up, that me and Preacher Lampkin had a serious talk. You'll remember that he was the old fellow who told me the reason you said 'amen' after a prayer was to let God know you were done. I asked him that night if he thought Jesus would come back to earth any time soon.

"I figger he will, maybe in yore lifetime," he said. "I'd like to think he might walk in here and we'd all know him and give him a big hug. I'd hope he might play a game of pool or go fishin' a time or two with some of us before he took all of us back to heaven."

"When God sends Jesus back," he went on, "It ort to be the happiest time ever. But if it goes like I reckon it might, I'm afeared this old world won't know him a tall."

I think about that as I see this country decide that what Jesus told us was wrong is now right, and what he showed us was right is now looked upon as wrong. Those old men I idolized were wise, not intelligent, and wisdom carried the day when I was a boy. Not now. Evil has become an avalanche

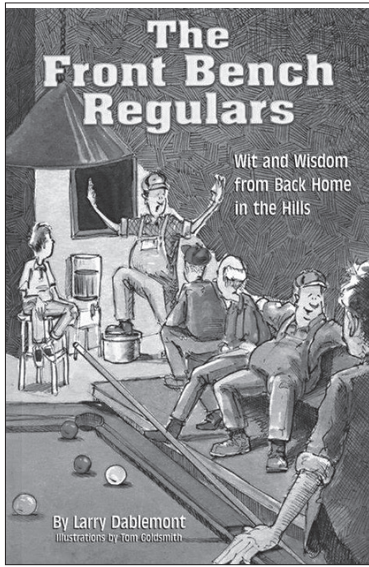


GRANDPA MCNEW and I (above) shooting snooker when I was about 12. MY BOOK, The Front Bench Regulars (below), about the pool hall where I worked is available for purchase at the newspaper office.

and sound reason has been buried beneath it.

On Christmas night, as I slip into the night far from the town's lights, and look at the stars and listen to the owl and the coyote in the unchanging natural world that God created, I just say a simple prayer that big-time preachers and 'religious' folks might think sounds a little goofy. At times like that I wonder if someday soon we will have hustled and hustled and commercialized our way toward the last Christmas. Maybe it will be awhile longer if enough of us remember the first one.

I have written a lot of books but the one I get the most requests for is the book about my boyhood with those old-timers in the pool hall. It is entitled... "The Front Bench Regulars". That book or others I have written might make a good Christmas gift. All money received in December for the sale of books



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Dutchmen freshmen claim third-place hardware from Steelville's JV Tournament

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STEELVILLE — Being able to get into the Steelville Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Tournament proved beneficial for Terra Heidle's Owensville Dutchmen freshmen basketball team.

Throughout the first half of the month of December, Heidle's Dutchmen had road games in St. James and Pacific along with their tournament action in Steelville.

Opening tournament action in Crawford County against Viburnum's JV Blue Jays, Owensville took a 26-8 lead after one quarter and never looked back en route to a 64-27 victory over Viburnum.

All 11 Dutchmen freshman saw the court in the win against the Blue Jays and they included Tyler Heidbrink, Connor Lang,

Aden Steineker, T.J. Whelan, Ethan Basham, Macen Blankenship, Zaid Epstein, Bryor Bogle, Luc Guerrero, Austin Terry and T.C. Fisher.

Blankenship and Bogle both led Owensville in scoring against Viburnum sharing team-high honors with 11 points each.

Scoring eight of his 10 points in the first quarter against the Blue Jays, Epstein also reached double figures for Heidle's Dutchmen.

Heidbrink, Terry and Whelan nearly made it six Dutchmen in double figures scoring eight points apiece.

Basham added six points with four of them coming in the fourth quarter. Fisher rounded out the scoring with a first-quarter bucket for two points.

Off the bench, Basham also grabbed a team-high six rebounds.

Having several players that can handle the basketball helped OHS

against the Blue Jays.

Heidbrink, Whelan and Fisher each dished out a team-high three assists.

On defense, Terry blocked a team-high two shots and recorded four steals.

In the semifinals on Saturday, Dec. 9 against the host JV Cardinals, Owensville dropped a hard-fought 48-42 game to Steelville.

Blankenship led the Dutchmen freshmen against Steelville with a team-high 11 points.

In the third-place game last Wednesday against Vienna, OHS survived a 20-point scoring barrage in the fourth quarter before holding on for a 54-46 victory to bring third-place hardware back up Highway 19 to Owensville.

Blankenship led three Dutchmen in double figures with 14 points. He was followed by Bogle with 12 points and Terry with 10 markers.



TERRA HEIDLE'S freshmen Dutchmen basketball team members (above) have a team picture taken with their third-place plaque following their victory over Vienna's JV Eagles last Wednesday in Steelville.
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